

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING THE HONORABLE TODD RICHARDSON

HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 25, 2019

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Honorable Todd Richardson on being named the Poplar Bluff Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of the Year. I had the honor of serving alongside Todd in the Missouri State House and have grown to admire and respect him dearly.

Todd became Speaker of the Missouri House in 2015, leading the chamber and state during a tumultuous time. He passed sweeping tax reform legislation, making Missouri more competitive economically. He also passed historic legislation protecting the unborn and Missourians' Second Amendment rights, while overseeing a rewrite of harassment policies in Missouri's Capitol. All of these accomplishments were done while carrying himself with dignity and integrity, garnering the utmost respect from members on both sides of the aisle. Todd was the right person in the right position at the right time to lead our state through some significant times of uncertainty.

Todd was recently selected by Governor Parsons to be the Director of MO HealthNet. He is already making an imprint by leading an effort to root out fraud and prevent waste while providing accessible, quality healthcare to all Missourians.

Todd is a man of great character, who sought for his tenure in the Missouri State House to be consistent with his moral and personal values, or as he put it "to be the same person when I leave as I was when I arrived." And Madam Speaker, he has done just that. On behalf of the Eighth Congressional District of Missouri, it is my great privilege to recognize a true gentleman from Butler County, Todd Richardson.

CONGRATULATING REVEREND LUKATA AGYEI MJUMBE

HON. BONNIE WATSON COLEMAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 25, 2019

Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Reverend Lukata Agyei Mjumbe on his appointment as Pastor of the Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church of Princeton.

Reverend Mjumbe has been a lifelong leader in his community. He has assumed roles as activist, grassroots community organizer, and anti-violence advocate centered in Black and Brown communities. During the aftermath of the 1992 Rodney King Rebellion, he rose to the occasion to assist as a campus and community leader in the city of Atlanta. He has been recognized as a leader for his work in

organizing campaigns with organizations and formations in the Black Belt and across the Southern United States. Reverend Mjumbe currently serves as the National Coordinator of the Black Organizing Capacity Support Project of the Praxis Project and as a Member of the Coordinating Committee of the Black Alliance for Peace.

On Sunday, January 27, 2019, Reverend Mjumbe will give his inaugural sermon at the historic church. I wish him many wonderful years leading his congregation and success in his new role.

I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating Reverend Mjumbe on his appointment and I pray for God to bless him, his congregation, and the greater Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church community.

RECOGNIZING COACH KEN KRAUSE

HON. BRYAN STEIL

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 25, 2019

Mr. STEIL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ken Krause, Muskego High School's head football coach. Ken was nominated by the Green Bay Packers as a contender for the 2018 Don Shula NFL High School Coach of the Year Award. This national honor is given to high school coaches for their character, leadership, and commitment to player health and safety. Ken's dedication to his players and community is evident to those in Southeast Wisconsin and throughout the state.

A West Allis native and West Allis Central High School and University of Wisconsin-Whitewater alum, Ken began his coaching career at the age of 19 and became a head coach at 23 years old. This past season, Ken led the Muskego High School football team to its first WIAA Division I State Championship title after a perfect 14-0 season. Ken was also named the 2018 Wisconsin Football Coaches Association/Green Bay Packers Coach of the Year.

I am proud to recognize Ken for his successes and dedication to his players. On behalf of Wisconsin's First Congressional District, I thank Ken for being a role model to young players, for helping them reach their full potential on and off the field, and for his contributions to our community.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating Ken, his wife Julie, and their four sons, Cody, Dylan, Aiden, and Ashton for this great honor and achievement. Go Warriors.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF PATTY SCHRAMM

HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 25, 2019

Mr. KATKO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Patty Schramm, a cherished member of the Central New York community. A devoted student of her faith, Patty allowed religion to guide her as she strived to improve the lives of others. Patty will always be remembered as a compassionate, joyful individual.

Patty was born in Omaha, Nebraska and later relocated with her family to Syracuse. She attended high school at St. John the Baptist Academy, then earned degrees from Syracuse University and Mercyhurst University. She used her knowledge to educate Central New York youth, working as an Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Education Program counselor for OCM BOCES and the Diocese of Syracuse Catholic Schools. This included time at Bishop Ludden Junior/Senior High School, Immaculate Conception School, Cathedral Academy at Pompei, and her alma mater St. John the Baptist Elementary School. Patty was admired at all these schools and influenced the lives of countless students throughout her career.

Outside of her professional life, Patty displayed the same inspirational qualities. She brought a positive attitude and caring personality to her church and social gatherings. She truly knew how to lift people's spirits.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in celebrating the life of Patty Schramm. She was a kind spirit who genuinely cared for the well-being of all she interacted with and worked to see them succeed. She will be dearly missed throughout the Central New York community.

RECOGNIZING THE 29TH ANNIVERSARY OF BLACK JANUARY

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 25, 2019

Mr. GOSAR. Madam Speaker, today I rise to remember the 29th anniversary of what is known as Black January. This month, 29 years ago, the Soviet Union sent its Red Army into Azerbaijan to violently put down a growing independence movement. The 26,000 Red Army troops attacked peaceful demonstrators in the capital city of Azerbaijan, Baku. The attacks killed more than 130 civilians, left over 700 wounded, and another 800 people were imprisoned.

The U.S.S.R. had hoped the sudden strike and violence of action would send a message to not only the Azeri people but to millions of others under the oppressive Soviet thumb.

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