

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### CELEBRATING THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE VILLAGE OF CALEDONIA

**HON. JASON SMITH**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 10, 2019*

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Village of Caledonia in Washington County, Mo. Caledonia was established in 1819 when Alexander Craighead named the village after his native Scotland and built a home there that still stands today. Caledonia is Latin for Scotland.

Caledonia was officially organized as an incorporated village on November 6, 1874 and the first appointed mayor was Alexander C. Relfe, son of Congressman James H. Relfe. The little town was home to history in our country's expansion west of the Mississippi. The first Presbyterian Church, the first Masonic Lodge, and the second Methodist Church west of the river are all located in the village. Its first two businesses were Tom Sloan's blacksmith and Fergus Sloan's brewery. Caledonia was also home to the Bellevue Collegiate Institute that operated from 1864 until 1902. One of its first presidents, Willard Duncan Vandiver, went on to become a U.S. Congressman and is credited with coining the phrase, "I'm from Missouri—you'll have to show me!"

The Village of Caledonia was designated in 1984 by the Department of the Interior as a Place of Historical Designation. Today, Caledonia is a quaint little village of shops, eateries and places to stay that has kept this charming community of 130 people thriving in the 21st century. It is my great pleasure to celebrate Caledonia today on the occasion of its bicentennial birthday before the U.S. House of Representatives.

IN HONOR OF MS. MAGGIE KATIE BROWN-KIDD

**HON. DAVID SCOTT**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 10, 2019*

Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of an extraordinary Georgian, Ms. Maggie Katie Brown-Kidd.

Ms. Kidd, the youngest of 12 children, was born on December 8, 1904, to William and Lucy Brown. While she spent much of her life living and working on her family's farm in Oglethorpe County, Georgia, she was most recently a resident of the city of Riverdale, Georgia, which I have the honor of representing here in Congress. She was the oldest living resident of the State of Georgia, the oldest African American person in the United States, and the tenth oldest person in the world.

Ms. Kidd was a lifetime member of the Frank Bailey Senior Center in Clayton County,

in which the recreation room has been dedicated in her honor. She was deputized as an honorary sheriff and served as the Grand Marshal in the City of Riverdale's 2017 Christmas Parade. In March of this year, the Georgia House of Representatives held a ceremony in her honor to recognize and celebrate her 114 years of life.

Ms. Kidd witnessed a dramatic change in the world over the course of her long life, and through her selfless service to her family and local community, she has made Riverdale and the overall Georgia community a better place.

Ms. Kidd inspired many throughout her life by sharing her kindness, wisdom, and concern for her fellow citizens. We have lost an example of moral integrity and unending love. It is fitting and proper to reflect and commemorate Ms. Kidd's contribution to our community.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you join me in offering our sincerest condolences to Ms. Kidd's family and friends. She will be greatly missed.

May God continue to bless the family of Ms. Maggie Katie Brown-Kidd.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR.  
ELOISE KAILIN

**HON. DEREK KILMER**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 10, 2019*

Mr. KILMER. Madam Speaker, I would like to take a moment to commemorate the life of Dr. Eloise Whittlesey Kailin—a champion of public health, good governance, and environmental issues who recently passed away on June 1, 2019 at the age of 100.

Dr. Kailin was born in New London, Connecticut, but moved frequently during her father's career in the U.S. Coast Guard. From the age of eleven, she expressed her desire to become a physician, and that dream was realized when she became one of the few women accepted into the George Washington University Medical School class of 1943.

She married Harvey Kailin, Sr. in 1942, the year before her graduation, and began her distinguished medical career in Washington, D.C. She became board certified in allergy and immunology, served for over thirty years as a writer and editor of medical abstracts for the Journal of Allergy, and testified on Capitol Hill for the Clean Air Act. After the family moved to Maryland, Dr. Kailin developed a friendship with Rachel Carson, author of the seminal 1962 work about the impact of pesticides on the food chain, *Silent Spring*. This friendship likely strengthened Dr. Kailin's commitment to addressing environmental issues both for the health of her patients and for people throughout our country.

Dr. Kailin and her husband retired to Sequim in 1971 based on her recollection of "Sunny Sequim" from high school years in Seattle in the 1930s. Living on the North Olympic Peninsula, she saw the critical need to protect

its pristine beauty and spent nearly fifty years in service to that cause.

Shortly after their arrival in Sequim, the Kailins became involved in the fight against a proposed nuclear power plant on the Miller Peninsula east of Sequim, which led to the founding of Protect the Peninsula's Future (PPF)—a nonprofit dedicated to the protection of the North Olympic Peninsula. The opposition prevailed, and the site once considered for that power plant is now a part of Miller Peninsula State Park. Dr. Kailin remained a board member of the organization she helped found until her passing.

Through PPF, Dr. Kailin was instrumental in addressing countless environmental concerns. Many believe one of their most significant achievements was the fifteen-year court battle with the city of Sequim over sewage treatment. In 1998, that fight resulted in the construction of a state-of-the-art water reclamation facility which was expanded in 2010, nearly doubling its capacity.

This centenarian was the recipient of many awards including the Clallam County Community Service Award, People for Puget Sound's Warren Magnuson Puget Marine Protection Award, Washington Environmental Council's Environmental Heroes Award, and the Eleanor Stopps Environmental Leadership Award. Before her passing, she was also recognized by the City of Sequim.

I am humbled to speak in recognition of Dr. Eloise Kailin—who is often referred to as the "matriarch of environmental activism" on the North Olympic Peninsula. I join her children, Harvey, David, and Janet, and the citizens of our region's beautiful peninsula in mourning her passing, but also in recognizing that her good work will contribute to the health and well-being of the citizens in this gem of the Northwest for generations to come.

RECOGNIZING THE ELLINGTON  
WHIPPETS

**HON. JASON SMITH**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 10, 2019*

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Ellington High School Whippets who made school history May 31, 2019 when they won the Class 2 Missouri State Baseball Championship.

The team achieved its year-long goal as they claimed their final victory of the season, playing a nearly perfect game to shut out Seymour with a score of 9–0. From a leadoff ground-rule double to the final out of the game, all of Ellington was behind the team.

The championship is the first ever for any Southern Reynolds County High School team in any sport. I applaud the Whippets for their winning season record of 29 and 1.

Congratulations to Reece Bourma, Cameron Brewer, Dillon Buckner, Kaleb Richards, Garret Morris, Ely Crocker, Carson McNail, Josh

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