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Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Reverend Carolyn Cubbedge on her retirement from the ministry and Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church.

Reverend Cubbedge has made a tremendous impact throughout the First Congressional District of Georgia as Wesley's senior adult pastor. One of her most notable projects includes her work with Morningstar Children & Family Services in Brunswick, which provides therapy to children who have multiple diagnoses of intellectual disabilities. But this project is only the tip of the iceberg.

Through her work helping the most vulnerable—organizing church events, her dedication to the ministry, and her breadth of knowledge of God's word—she has helped Wesley to increase its congregation and engage those members to make our community a better place to live.

Reverend Cubbedge retired on June 30, and I am both thankful and proud that we were able to have a woman like her doing God's work in the First Congressional District of Georgia.

Enjoy your retirement, Reverend Cubbedge.

FACES 4 AUTISM

(Mr. VAN DREW asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. VAN DREW. Mr. Speaker, 18 years ago, Isabelle Mosca's son was diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder. At the time, she was struck by how little information and support was available for families affected by ASD, so Isabelle began a support group for a few parents to meet over coffee and talk.

Eventually, Isabelle's meeting grew into a nonprofit organization called FACES 4 Autism, which helps over 750 families with five active and expanding support groups throughout South Jersey.

In addition to these support groups, Isabelle created a program called Massi's Mission, which focuses on water safety and survival for those with ASD.

Now that her son is close to 21 years old, Isabelle is exploring employment opportunities for him and all of the FACES' participants. They are aging out of their schools.

She never stops thinking, planning, and creating opportunities to make our community of South Jersey be the best that it can be.

Mr. Speaker, Isabelle's community thanks her every day for everything she does. South Jersey thanks her every day for all that she does. She is the best.

HONORING CLAYTON EDWARD NARVESON

(Mr. BURCHETT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BURCHETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Clayton Edward Narveson, an American hero and World War II combat veteran.

Mr. Narveson joined the United States Marine Corps following the attack on Pearl Harbor. He fought in the Battle of Tarawa in November of 1943. And during February and March of 1945, he served as a gunner on an 81 mm mortar during the Battle of Iwo Jima, one of the bloodiest battles in Marine Corps history, and our country's history.

After the war, Mr. Narveson attended St. Paul College of Law and had a successful career as an attorney.

For two decades, Mr. Narveson has made presentations to students telling some of the stories of his times in service and the struggles he and his family faced during the Great Depression. Through these presentations, he reminds young folks of the importance of serving your country and how blessed we are to live in the United States of America.

There are real heroes in this world, and they aren't music stars, famous athletes, or Hollywood actors. Our country's heroes are the men and women of our Armed Forces, like Mr. Narveson, who served and sacrificed for our freedom.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to honor Clayton Narveson as the Tennessee Second District's July 2019 Veteran of the Month and to thank him for his service to our country, his dedication to his work and family, and for his continued support of our community and our great country.

HONORING DOROTHY JONES

(Ms. TLAIB asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Dorothy Jones, a long-time resident of Detroit's 48217 community.

I first met Ms. Dorothy Jones in 2008. She was very active in her local block club. She was passionate about the right to breathe clean air and stood up against corporate polluters like Marathon Petroleum Refinery. Ms. Jones was never a person to shy away from a challenge, and she always accepted nothing less than the best for her family, friends, and her neighborhood.

I am honored to have known Ms. Jones for more than 10 years. She would take me to task on important issues, which I always welcomed and for which I was better for it. I am grateful for her engagement on these issues that affect the quality of life for so many residents in the 13th Congressional District. It is truly an honor to have known her and served Ms. Jones. We honor her memory and her surviving family members.

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DON'T INCREASE MINIMUM WAGE

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, the latest proposal offered by my Democrat colleagues to raise the minimum wage from \$7.25 an hour to \$15 an hour nationally is going to be devastating to small businesses and especially to jobs. A 107 percent increase is not going to create more jobs. It might sound nice on the surface, but it will be very harmful.

There is this myth that a large segment of Americans earn at or below the minimum wage, but, in reality, it is only 2.3 percent; and half of them are below the age of 25 who need these entry-level jobs to learn a skill, to learn to show up every day, to be on time, and to grow from there. Increasing it to \$15 an hour nationally would cause small companies to pass on higher prices to consumers, likely driving consumers away, and for a small business' little profit margin already, potentially forcing them to close their doors.

I visited a restaurant in my district that had two locations, and they have already closed one. They are afraid, as California is already on the track at \$12 and higher, how much longer they can keep their businesses open because of the huge cost of labor as a percentage of their business.

So let's get on the right track and do the things that support job growth and the success we have had the last couple of years after the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and not go down this path.

CONGRATULATING LEO GERARD ON HIS RETIREMENT

(Mr. LEVIN of Michigan asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LEVIN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate a great leader of workers throughout North America and, indeed, the world, Leo Gerard, who retired this afternoon as the president of the United Steelworkers.

Leo rose through the ranks and was a dynamic leader of the steelworkers for 40 years, and he was president for the last 18 years. He led on so many issues.

He was a fierce negotiator for his members, but he was also a leader for all workers. For example, he brought the environmental movement and the labor movement together to tackle tough issues about keeping our water and air clean for everyone and for future generations, while protecting our jobs.

But one thing I think stands out. I want to pledge to Leo Gerard on his retirement that we are not going to pass a replacement NAFTA unless it honors the workers of Mexico, Canada, and the United States.