

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 16, 2019

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and sincere admiration that I rise to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month and its 2019 theme, Hispanic Americans: A History of Serving Our Nation. From September 15, 2019, through October 15, 2019, in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, the people of the United States will once again celebrate the cultures and traditions and reflect on the many exceptional contributions our Hispanic brothers and sisters have made throughout our country's history.

Hispanic Heritage Month, which begins each year on September 15, recognizes the anniversaries of the independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile observe their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively. Since its inception as National Hispanic Heritage Week in 1968, which later became National Hispanic Heritage Month in 1988, Americans have taken this time to not only honor the rich culture and traditions of Hispanic Americans, but also to reflect on the steadfast impact Hispanic Americans have had within their communities and throughout our nation. The diligent efforts of generations of Hispanic Americans have resulted in a better America.

America's success is reliant upon the rich heritage and cultural diversity of its people. Hispanic Heritage Month celebrates the many Hispanic leaders and members of our communities who have added to the prosperity of the United States in every facet of our society.

Madam Speaker, at this time, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to once again join me in recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month. Throughout America's history, present, and future, the Hispanic community has played and will continue to play a vital role in enriching the quality of life for the people of the United States and, for their remarkable contributions, they are worthy of our deepest respect and gratitude.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 5 FREDERICK J. CAZZOLA'S INDUCTION INTO THE U.S. ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS HALL OF FAME

HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 16, 2019

Mr. GALLAGHER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize the dedicated years of service and incredible achievements of Kaukauna

resident, Chief Warrant Officer 5 Frederick J. Cazzola.

Mr. Cazzola joined the United States Army Reserve in May 1970. He attended Basic Training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and progressed to Advanced Individual Training as an Ammunition Specialist assigned to the 395th Ordnance Company at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama.

After 13 years of service, then Staff Sergeant Cazzola was promoted to Warrant Officer 1 and assigned to the 2nd Ammunition Platoon. Warrant Officer Cazzola's outstanding performance and execution of his duties earned him placement in the Active Guard Reserve Program in 1992.

Chief Warrant Officer Cazzola continued to excel through the ranks during his service, eventually earning the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 5. From 1995 to 2002, CW5 Cazzola served as a Support Maintenance Technician and the Ammunition Technician at a Regional Training Site. His commitment to serve was clear as he took on additional responsibilities in his role as Accountability Officer and Facility Manager.

CW5 Cazzola retired from the United States Army in February 2007 after a career of distinguished service. CW5 Cazzola was proudly inducted into the U.S. Army Ordnance Corps Hall of Fame as part of the 2019 Class of Contemporary Inductees. Induction into the U.S. Army Ordnance Corps Hall of Fame is a true honor and is reserved only for service members who go above and beyond their call of duty. It recognizes significant contributions made to the Ordnance Mission of the Army.

CW5 Cazzola's numerous years of selfless service to this country are truly inspiring. Madam Speaker, I urge all my colleagues to join me in thanking CW5 Cazzola for his service and congratulating him on his induction into the U.S. Army Ordnance Corps Hall of Fame.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 16, 2019

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I rise today in celebration of the Orange County Historical Society's 100th year of historical preservation.

The County of Orange in Southern California was officially formed on August 1, 1889. Thirty years later, on May 28, 1919, the Orange County Historical Society was founded to collect and preserve all materials relating to the history of Orange County.

The founding directors were prominent civic leaders: Samuel Armor, one of the County's first supervisors; H. Clay Kellogg, a civil engineer; Charles C. Chapman, citrus pioneer and philanthropist; and Samuel M. Davis, lawyer and former O.C. District Attorney.

The Society assisted with the interpretation of archaeological sites, planned rancho-style fiestas, organized parades and all manner of activities that involved or reflected local history. They even successfully petitioned the federal government to rename Sugarloaf Peak in the Santa Ana Mountains as Pleasants Peak, in honor of pioneer and Society member "Judge" J.E. Pleasants.

The Society has encapsulated Orange County's history through many landmark books and distinguished publications, including the Orange County History Series, the Centennial Bibliography of Orange County (1989), and the Orange Countiana, a journal that features articles written by many of Orange County's finest historians.

The Society has collaborated with local universities, such as California State University of Fullerton and Chapman University, to host historical conferences, workshops, tours of historic sites, and banquets honoring local pioneers. One especially popular event is the OC History Round-Up, a gathering where history comes alive through storytelling, music, and reenactments of some of Orange County's iconic historical figures.

The Society has hosted hundreds of diverse speakers who have played significant roles in Orange County's history. Additionally, the group recognizes outstanding work by historians with its Terry E. Stephenson Award and, for student historians, the Friis Pioneer Press Award.

The Orange County Historical Society will mark its Centennial with a celebratory gala on September 14, 2019. Please join me in congratulating the Society and its members for reaching this important milestone and for their tireless work bringing together families, residents, and historians to discover and explore Orange County's rich history.

TRIBUTE TO LOUIS MILLER FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE HOUSE

HON. ANTHONY G. BROWN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 16, 2019

Mr. BROWN of Maryland. Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Louis Miller of District Heights, MD on his retirement on September 30, 2019 after more than 31 years of service to the United States House of Representatives.

During Lou's tenure of 31 years, he has worked for the House Catering Office, the Office of the Clerk and the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). He is retiring as a Purchasing Agent for the Office of Acquisitions Management within the CAO.

Lou began his House career in 1986 to 1990 as an employee of the House Catering Office. He left the Hill a couple years and returned in 1992 as a Helper with the Department of Furnishings for the Office of the Clerk.

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With the creation of the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) in 1996 the Furnishings Department was moved from the Office of the Clerk to the CAO. Lou held various positions within the Furnishings Department, including Laborer, Inventory Control Clerk and Logistics Distribution Specialist.

In 2009, Lou began working for the Accountable Equipment & Assets as an Acquisition Counselor. He remained in this position until his retirement. Lou's official title upon his retirement is a Purchasing Agent for Acquisitions Management which falls under the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). As a Purchasing Agent for the Office of Acquisitions Management, Lou was responsible for the process required to efficiently purchase quality equipment, furniture, office supplies and related items for the House community at-large. In retirement, Lou has plans to do some more travelling. In addition, he hopes to do some volunteer work with his church. Lou also plans to relax and cheer for his beloved Dallas Cowboys on their road to future Super Bowl victories.

On behalf of the entire House community, we extend congratulations to Lou in grateful recognition of and appreciation for his many years of dedicated service and outstanding contributions to the U.S. House of Representatives. We wish him many wonderful years in fulfilling his retirement dreams.

HONORING THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF GREATER SANTA ROSA

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 16, 2019

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Santa Rosa on the occasion of its 70th Anniversary.

The Boys and Girls Club of Greater Santa Rosa opened its doors in 1949 with the generous support of local leaders who donated their time and resources to establish a safe place for children to go during the after-school hours. Since then, the club has provided boys and girls with a place to learn, play, develop academic skills, and engage in physical activity. They satisfy the age-old desire of young people to have a "club" of their own. Staffed by full-time and part-time Youth Development Professionals, and supplemented by passionate and caring volunteers, the club is open more than 250 days per year.

One major tenet of the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Santa Rosa is diversity. They strive to reflect the makeup of our community and serve boys and girls of all races, religions, and cultures. The programs and activities are conducted in the warm, friendly atmosphere of facilities specifically designed for youth. The Club is open to all members at any time during hours of operation and offers varied and diversified programs that recognize and respond to the collective and individual needs of girls and boys. The Club is guidance-oriented and emphasizes values inherent in the relationships between young people, their peers, and adults.

Madam Speaker, for seventy years, the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Santa Rosa has provided a safe, fun place for children to

learn and play. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor its 70th anniversary here today.

TRIBUTE TO DR. ALFONSO "CHICO" CHISCANO

HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 16, 2019

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Madam Speaker, today I rise in honor of Dr. Alfonso "Chico" Chiscano who passed away Tuesday, August 27, 2019. A pillar of the San Antonio community, Dr. Chiscano dedicated his life to helping others and preserving our community's history. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Mary-Alice; his daughters, Kristie and Carina; sons, Steve and Todd; and eight grandchildren.

Dr. Alfonso "Chico" Chiscano was born on July 22, 1938 in Santa Cruz de Tenerife, part of Spain's Canary Islands. At an early age he demonstrated a keen interest in medicine and community involvement. He attended medical school in Barcelona, Spain where he earned high marks, later completing his General Surgery Residency at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. He soon rose to prominence and became one of San Antonio's top cardiothoracic surgeons. During his medical career, he performed countless surgical operations and assisted in saving more than 6,000 lives. He was also the first to perform open-heart surgery on the Canary Islands.

Dr. Chiscano is well-known in San Antonio as a person who committed his life to civic engagement. He worked tirelessly as a Cultural Ambassador for San Antonio, connecting his native Canary Islands through business and cultural ties. He also worked on numerous historical preservation initiatives. Dr. Chiscano was named "The Father of the Tricentennial," celebrating the city's 300-year history.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to have known such a remarkable individual who defined what it means to live in the service of others. Throughout his life, he inspired all who encountered him. The entire San Antonio community mourns this tremendous loss. I know his legacy and memory will live on in every single life he changed.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE RETIREMENT OF PATTY KLEINKNECHT

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 16, 2019

Ms. MATSUI. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the fourteen years of service Patty Kleinknecht has provided to the residents and businesses of Sacramento's River District. Patty Kleinknecht has not only been an integral piece of the River District's development, but an impactful force throughout Sacramento. Today, I ask my colleagues to stand with me in celebration of her retirement and her exceptional legacy as an advocate for the River District's revitalization.

Patty graduated with a bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University. Prior to joining the River District, Patty gained valuable experience in commercial real estate management

and retail management serving as general manager for the Central Dallas Association for 12 years, and Property Manager for Colliers Texas Management and Pegasus Real Estate Management, Inc. She has over 25 years of public district management experience in the exciting cities of Sacramento and Dallas, Texas.

The River District, situated at the confluence of the American and Sacramento rivers, is centrally located in Sacramento and houses important business and organizations to the region such as Loaves and Fishes, the Powerhouse Science Center, and the residential development Township Nine. Through her tireless leadership, Patty has led the development and expansion of the River District, creating the ground work for its exciting future expansion. One of her greatest legacies will be her work in advancing the Powerhouse Science Center, formerly a PG&E plant along the Sacramento River. She helped it become a future sight of education and exploration for Sacramentans and visitors alike. Patty's leadership ensured the River District became an anchor in our community and a testament to Sacramento's potential. Her work will always be remembered as the District continues to blossom over the coming years.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor Patty Kleinknecht's successful career and her role as a visionary for the River District. Patty is a true Sacramento treasure and a leader in our community. I ask all my colleagues to join me in wishing her the best in her retirement.

IN RECOGNITION OF AMERICAN LEGION POST 117 ELEFSON-ZEUSKE'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 16, 2019

Mr. GALLAGHER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor American Legion Post 117 Elefson-Zeuske as its members celebrate the 100th anniversary of their charter in Shawano, Wisconsin.

Post 117 was chartered on November 1, 1919 in the name of Edwin Elefson as a patriotic veterans organization dedicated to supporting America's service members and veterans. A member of the 32nd Red Arrow Division, Elefson was killed in action on September 14, 1918 in France. He is memorialized at the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery.

The Post held its first meeting on November 17, 1919 shortly after 30 members signed the original charter. In 1942, the Post changed its name to Elefson-Zeuske in honor of Wilmer Zeuske. A Sergeant in the US Army, Wilmer Zeuske was killed in action during World War II.

For 100 years, the Post has been an active member of the greater Shawano community by sponsoring numerous activities with the goal of improving the community, state, and nation. The members work hard to improve youth leadership through school programs, Boy Scout programs, and American Legion baseball.

The Post has helped develop statewide veteran programs to ensure that veterans are cared for when they return home from service. The members of Elefson-Zeuske truly embody