

University of Iowa-Iowa City. Dr. Greenfield began his academic career in 1967 as Professor, Chairman of the Department of Biology and Academic Dean at Jackson State University in Jackson, Mississippi where he taught NFL legend Walter Payton, among others. I wish to express my condolences to Dr. Greenfield's friends, former students and family, and especially to his son George whose technical expertise keeps my Congressional offices running smoothly. Dr. Greenfield will long be remembered in those places where he made such a profound impact and legacy.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF REVIS BROWN

HON. MIKE BOST

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Revis Brown of Anna, Illinois, who passed away peacefully earlier this month. Revis, born on August 5, 1926, was a decorated World War II and Korean War veteran who served his country as a member of the U.S. Marine Corps.

Immediately after graduating high school, Revis enlisted to serve his country in the Pacific during World War II. While fighting in the Battle of Iwo Jima, Revis was blasted and wounded with shrapnel, but continued to fight on bravely. Though some of this shrapnel remained in his back for the rest of his life, Revis selflessly reenlisted to fight in the Korean War. After his service was finished, Revis worked for the U.S. Geological Survey. Revis Brown was a hero during wartime and an exemplary citizen during times of peace. He was the definition of a true American, and we wish his family and friends our prayers in their time of mourning.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Corporal Revis Brown for his service to our country and his contributions to Southern Illinois. May he rest in peace.

RECOGNITION OF REVEREND DEBBIE LEE BRYANT'S FAMILY CELEBRATING 379 YEARS IN HAMPTON

HON. ELAINE G. LURIA

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Mrs. LURIA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Reverend Debbie Lee Bryant celebrating her family's 379th year in Hampton, Virginia.

Reverend Bryant's rich and diverse ancestry in Hampton Roads epitomizes the complex backgrounds so many fellow Americans share by telling the story of the Native Americans who lived on the land we now call home, the enslaved Africans who were brought here by force, and the plantation owners who profited from the properties.

I also wish to commend Reverend Bryant's diligent work as an historian documenting and

researching the origins of the first Africans to land at Old Point Comfort. We must continue to remember the difficult past so we can move forward together as a community toward a better future for all.

I thank Reverend Bryant for sharing this milestone with me and all that she does in our community.

IN RECOGNITION OF AMERICAN LEGION POST 11 ELEFSON-ZEUSKE'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 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 U.S. 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 the qualities of patriotism and selfless service to this country.

Madam Speaker, I urge all members of this body to join me in thanking Post 117 for its support of veterans, students, and the Shawano community.

HONORING THELMA FIXLER'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, it is my honor and privilege to mark a tremendous milestone for one of my constituents, Thelma Fixler of Larchmont, who is celebrating her 100th birthday on September 17, 2019.

Thelma has lived an amazing life, filled with some impressive roles. Born in Buffalo in 1919, she started singing at a young age, and

after winning an inter-scholastic vocal contest at the age of 15, she matriculated at the Eastman School of Music at the University of Rochester. Thelma graduated in 1942 and left Rochester for New York City to pursue a career in opera. A mezzo soprano, Thelma joined the chorus of the Broadway production of the operetta *Rosalinda*. She made her Metropolitan Opera debut on November 22, 1943 in Boris Godunov on opening night of the Met's Diamond Jubilee Year. This was the first time an American-born singer debuted on an opening night. Thelma sang at the Met for seven years, performing 299 times in roles including Suzuki in *Madame Butterfly*, Mercedes in *Carmen*, and numerous "pants" roles.

Thelma met her husband Robert (Bob) Fixler, an Army Air Corps veteran and New York attorney, and the two were wed in 1950. The couple moved to Larchmont Woods in New Rochelle in 1954 with their two young sons, Michael and Peter. The family joined Temple Israel of New Rochelle, and Thelma became an active member of the Sisterhood and served as its president from 1983 to 1985. Thelma spent a number of years as a volunteer with the New Rochelle Meals on Wheels program and with the Coalition for Mutual Respect, an African American-Jewish dialogue group. After Bob passed away, Thelma moved to Larchmont in 1999 and remained an active member of her synagogue, including helping to plan monthly lunch-and-learn events. She regularly attends Met Opera live broadcasts, frequents Westchester restaurants with friends, and enjoys attending Broadway shows and shopping with her grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, on this special occasion I want to personally wish Thelma a very happy 100th birthday and thank her for the years of service and dedication she has shown to the community.

CONGRATULATING ROD BARONNER

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to congratulate Rod Baronner, one of the recipients of this year's Encompass Health Personal Achievement Award.

Rod came to Encompass Health for rehabilitation following brain surgery. When he first arrived, he required a hoist to get him out of bed due to his weakness. Rod had to focus on the basic fundamentals from the beginning, including to lift his head.

As his rehabilitation continued, his wife Rose began to attend more therapy sessions and helped Rod in his recovery.

In 43 days in rehabilitation, he progressed from limited mobility, to requiring only steady assistance to walk with a walker and was able to care for himself. He continues to make progress each and every day and has been able to return to things he loves like camping with his family.

It is thrilling to hear what Rod was able to accomplish with hard work and determination.

Congratulations once again to Rod on this recognition.

CONGRATULATING AMY CAMPBELL ON BEING NAMED WASHINGTON STATE TEACHER OF THE YEAR

HON. JAIME HERRERA BEUTLER

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Amy Campbell, from Camas, Washington on being named Washington state's Teacher of the Year.

Amy has been teaching special education at Helen Baller Elementary for the past 12 years and has been an invaluable resource for students and families in Camas.

The Washington State Teacher of the Year program helps shine a much-deserved light on our educators who are dedicated to their students and communities—and Amy is no exception.

From helping make her students feel inspired, to encouraging them to see their own potential, Amy works tirelessly to ensure each one of her students is successful. This kind of hard work and dedication is exactly why Amy was given this well-earned recognition.

Once again, I want to congratulate Amy on receiving this honor. I want to thank her and all of our teachers for their hard work and devotion in serving our students and families in Southwest Washington.

HONORING THE KESSELING NAVAL PROPULSION SITE IN WEST MILTON, NY FOR RECEIVING THE TOWN HERITAGE AWARD ON THEIR 70TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Kesselring Naval Propulsion Site in West Milton, NY for receiving the Town Heritage Award on the occasion of its 70th anniversary.

The Kesselring Naval Propulsion Site was founded in 1948 and began operations in 1955. Previously known as the West Milton site, it was renamed the Kenneth A. Kesselring Site in 1968. Despite being established to serve as a testing location for liquid-metal cooled power breeder reactors, the site's focus changed to the testing of propulsion plants through the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program. Over the next four decades, several generations of power plants were successfully tested at Kesselring before being deployed onto submarines like the USS *Ohio*.

Today, the Kesselring Naval Propulsion Site serves as a training site for Nuclear Reactor Operators. Kesselring allows for trainees to have a hands-on experience to better prepare them for operating these complex systems. Kesselring has trained over 50,000 sailors since 1955.

On behalf of New York's 21st congressional district, I want to join The Saratoga County

History Roundtable in honoring the Kesselring Naval Propulsion site and the Town of Milton on this historic occasion. I also want to thank the leadership team at Kesselring and the service members who have trained there for their dedicated service. I look forward to the continued success of the Kesselring Naval Propulsion site training future generations of sailors and submariners.

RECOGNIZING BUMP BOXES FOR WINNING SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR THROUGH THE TURNER CENTER SMALL BUSINESS AWARDS

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Bump Boxes in Peoria, Illinois for winning the Small Business of the Year award through the Bradley University Turner Center's Small Business Awards.

Bump Boxes was founded in 2015 by Christine and Leland Deehring as an idea to provide healthy and chemical-free products to expecting mothers through a monthly delivery service. They moved to their first warehouse in 2015, and by 2016 hit a \$1 million revenue with six employees, which meant they had to add a second warehouse. In 2017, they hit \$3 million in revenue with 11 employees and acquired Hello Mamas in addition to launching Glow Organics. By 2018, the business hit \$8 million with 32 employees. They are currently thriving and continuing to develop their company. It takes dedication and hard work to keep a small business prospering and I am so proud of all Bump Boxes has done for the Peoria community.

It is because of community leaders like those at Bump Boxes that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Bump Boxes for winning the Small Business of the Year award through the Bradley University Turner Center's Small Business Awards.

IN RECOGNITION OF AUBURN UNIVERSITY BASS FISHING CLUB WINNING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I ask for the House's attention to recognize the Auburn University Bass Fishing Club for winning the first ever Major League Fishing College Redcrest National Championship.

The championship took place in August in LaCrosse, Wisconsin on the Mississippi River.

The Auburn University Bass Fishing Club was founded in 2007. This season, the club will compete in up to 20 events.

Club members include Logan Parks, Lucas Lindsay, Will Phillips, Chase Mundhenke, Patch Pelt and Anthony Vinston.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing the Auburn University Bass Fishing Club.

TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL BAUER

HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Michael Bauer, a larger than life, beloved Chicagoan who made an impact on the most powerful American leaders as well as the most humble and vulnerable people.

Michael Bauer was only 66 years old when he passed away after a battle with cancer on August 29th. On September 3rd, hundreds gathered at Anshe Emet Synagogue on Chicago's north side to pay tribute to Michael and hear from some of the people whose lives were deeply affected by this passionate and exuberant activist.

Speakers included Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot, a long-time and very close friend, who Michael worked day and night to help elect, as well as Senator DICK DURBIN, a friend and political ally. Governor JB Pritzker was in attendance along with several Members of Congress, including me, and many members of the State Legislature as well as officials at the County and local level.

Michael had a law degree and an MBA, but his real passions were fighting for the rights of the LGBTQ community, Holocaust Remembrance and progressive politics. As a gay man, he began his activism during the ravaging days of the AIDS epidemic, but he never stopped fighting to end all forms of discrimination. He worked to change laws at every level of government to assure the right of gay couples to marry and the rights of transgender people, among other issues.

Both of Michael's parents were Holocaust survivors, and he and his brother Jerry grew up without grandparents, aunts and uncles or cousins. Poignantly, Michael's beloved mother Tema Bauer, 103 years old, was at the funeral of her younger son. Not surprisingly, Michael played an important role in the establishment of the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center in Skokie, Illinois, a city that is home to many survivors.

And Michael was deeply involved in politics, raising money and campaigning for his chosen candidates. His endorsement was heavily sought by Democratic candidates, but each had to pledge support for Michael's priorities, including protecting women's reproductive rights.

For nearly four decades, Michael shared his life with his partner and husband Roger Simon. They were inseparable, particularly going through the difficult phases of Michael's illness—Roger always at his side, always lovingly caring for his every need.

Michael was a dear, dear friend of mine. My husband and I loved to be in the same room with Michael and Roger, often watching Michael command the space—always forcefully making a point, or making a joke and being the force of nature that he was. He will be deeply missed.