

and cooperation by mobilizing the entire Muslim community statewide. Together as one voice, the council strives to pursue social justice, improve human relationships, and uphold human rights for all.

The Michigan Muslim Community Council's 33rd Annual Unity Banquet exemplifies the council's continued commitment to unifying, coordinating, and empowering Muslim communities across the state. Like the name suggests, the MMCC Unity Banquet brings countless community members together to honor our state's diverse Muslim communities every year. In addition, the banquet serves as a great opportunity to celebrate the impactful work of notable community figures who strive for unity throughout our state's vibrant and diverse Muslim communities every day.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the Michigan Muslim Community Council and celebrate their 33rd Annual Unity Banquet. We are grateful for the council's dedicated efforts to unite Muslim communities and promote social justice across our state.

RECOGNIZING THE KIWANIS CLUB
OF ROCK ISLAND, ILLINOIS FOR
ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 11, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Kiwanis Club of Rock Island, Illinois for its 100th Anniversary. The club's rich history has been the cumulative effort of its members coming from fields such as accounting, civil service, education, management, retail stores, retirees and many more.

Founded in 1919, the Kiwanis Club of Rock Island began with 50 charter members and has grown to its current membership to nearly 100. Throughout the years, the Kiwanis held numerous fundraisers, including pancake breakfasts, spaghetti suppers, peanut days, rose days, bags tournaments, and more. They are committed to serving the community through their support of service leadership programs throughout the schools in Rock Island. The Kiwanis have also cleaned up highways, aided with numerous community events and have raised money to benefit children and children's support groups across our community. In addition, they provide scholarships to outstanding graduation seniors of Alleman and Rock Island High School. Their impact is outstanding. I want to thank and commend the Kiwanis Club for its extraordinary service to the Rock Island community.

It is because of the community leaders at the Kiwanis Club in Rock Island, Illinois that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate the Kiwanis Club of Rock Island for its 100th Anniversary.

IN HONOR OF ARCHBISHOP MARY
FLOYD PALMER

HON. BRENDAN F. BOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 11, 2019

Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Archbishop Mary Floyd Palmer, the first female African-American Archbishop in America and presiding prelate of the Philadelphia Council of Clergy. She has—and continues to be—a vital part of the Philadelphia community, where she carries out her life mission of helping and ministering those in need.

As a native of my district, Archbishop Floyd Palmer is the eldest daughter of Rev. Dr. Melvin Floyd and has been serving her community since childhood. She began her career in full time ministry as a Motivational Speaker and soon became Confidante and Counselor to Pastors, their wives, and Episcopal leaders from all around the world.

She continued to be a positive influence in Philadelphia by ministering in federal, state, and county prisons, half-way houses, nursing homes, and youth centers. Her commitment led to her appointment as the Pennsylvania Re-entry Council, which focused on reducing recidivism rates. Archbishop Palmer soon became the founder and Pastor of the Samaritan Temple.

Her dedication has been recognized by the Philadelphia Chapter of the National Congress of Black Women and she was named their "Women of the Year in Ministry." She also received the Lucien E. Blackwell Guiding Light Community Award. Moreover, Archbishop Floyd Palmer hosts an award-winning, weekly radio show called the "The Bishop Mary Show" to connect with national, and even international, listeners. In March 2019, she made history by becoming the first female African American Archbishop in America.

Philadelphia is extremely lucky to have someone like Archbishop Floyd Palmer to enrich our community. There is no doubt she has positively impacted many lives, and I am certain more lives will be impacted by her service.

RECOGNIZING MEMBERS OF THE
CLERGY IN SOUTH FLORIDA ON
NATIONAL PASTOR DAY

HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 11, 2019

Mr. DEUTCH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the work of the ministers, pastors, and priests in my district for Clergy Appreciation Day. Also known as National Pastor Day, this annual celebration falls on the second Sunday of each October. On this day, congregations around the country recognize the clergy and take up special offerings to bless them.

Members of the clergy provide their congregations spiritual guidance with words of wisdom, healing, and inspiration. But they also serve their larger communities, especially those of us who find ourselves most in need. It is an honor to recognize their leadership in

promoting our shared values of love, service, and community.

I ask that all my colleagues join me today in thanking the members of the clergy in your districts for the selfless work they do. I look forward to continuing to work together with the clergy in my district to improve the lives of everyone in our community.

HONORING THE LIFE OF RAYMOND
F. ENSHER

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 11, 2019

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Mr. Raymond "Ray" Ensher, who passed away on Friday, September 27, 2019 at the age of 85. Ray will be remembered for his dedicated service to the community of Fresno, California.

Ray was born on September 26, 1934 in Fresno. He graduated from California State University, Fresno in 1956, earning his degree in Theatre Arts. After college, he began working as a high school drama teacher at the North Folk School District that was recently named the Chawanakee Joint School District for 28 years. Ray had a passion for the theatre and enjoyed being a part of the local arts community and film festivals.

Ray was a gifted educator and won two awards for his dedication to teaching. He was awarded the Ron Ely Award for Communications and the Mickey Matheson Award for Advocacy from the California Retired Teachers Association. He established the Raymond Ensher Creative Achievement Theatre Arts Award, an endowed scholarship awarded to one theater arts student a year at his alma mater.

Ray was known in the community for his tireless efforts for social justice and his active memberships in numerous civic groups. He was chair of the Kennedy Club of the San Joaquin Valley, and recipient of the Fresno County Democratic Party's Democrat of the Year award in 2012. He was a member of the Fresno County Democratic Women's Club, serving as diversity chair and past president. He would passionately write to the Fresno Bee and the Community Alliance newspapers on his typewriter. His generosity with his time and resources was known through the Central Valley.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and achievements of my friend, Ray Ensher. He was a respected member in the community and had a passion for the people of the Central Valley.

COMMEMORATING SULIN HUANG
FOR HER EXCEPTIONAL WORK
INSPIRING STUDENT ARTISTS

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 11, 2019

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the inspirational educational work of Sulin Huang of Sugar Land, Texas.

Known by her students as "Ms. Sue," Sulin was born in Taiwan and demonstrated artistic