

On June 6, 1944 Edward landed at Omaha Beach as part of the second wave. He then went on to fight in the Battle of the Hedgerows and participated in the capture of St. Lô and many other cities in Normandy. During the fall and winter of 1944–45, he fought in the Hürtgen Forest and the Battle of the Bulge before entering Germany and later Czechoslovakia.

After the war, Mr. Morrisette obtained a civil engineering degree from Indiana Tech University and spent most of his career with the U.S. Air Force including time at Langley Air Force Base at Norfolk, Virginia and March Air Force Base in Southern California. In 1972, he moved to Nebraska and was employed by Offutt Air Force Base, where he retired in 1981 as the Deputy Director of Operations and Maintenance for Strategic Air Command.

For his actions during World War II, he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, the European-African-Middle Eastern Ribbon, the Good Conduct Medal, the American Defense Service Medal, and the Distinguished Unit Badge.

The Legion of Honor is the highest distinction that France can bestow upon those who have achieved remarkable deeds for France. Founded by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802, the National Order of the Legion of Honor recognizes eminent service to the French Republic. Recipients of this honor are named by a decree signed by the President of the Republic. The Consul General will present the medal on behalf President Macron of France on October 29, 2019.

I personally thank Mr. Morrisette for his many years of sacrificial service to our country, and the liberation of so many in France. Without courageous men like him, World War II might have had a completely different ending. Congratulations to Edward on receiving this prestigious honor. It is well deserved.

**MOUNT VERNON SEVENTH-DAY  
ADVENTIST CHURCH 80TH ANNI-  
VERSARY**

**HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 30, 2019*

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, today I recognize one of the great religious institutions in New York's 16th Congressional District, the Mount Vernon Seventh-day Adventist Church, which this year is celebrating its 80th year of ministry in the community.

The Mount Vernon Church's journey began in the Fall of 1932 when Thaddeus Wilson, Sr., a layman and local elder of the New Rochelle S.D.A. Church, purchased two thousand Present Truth tracts in hope of starting a bible study. A weekly Bible study class began in a private home at the corner of East Third Street and South Seventh Avenue. In less than a month the interest and attendance had grown so much that two adjoining rooms had to be used to accommodate the people. From there, the gatherings grew, to tented meetings whose patrons later formed the nucleus of the Mount Vernon Mission. The Mission's first home was in a loft at 3 West Third Street, at the corner of West Third Street and South Fourth Avenue.

In 1939, the mission was organized into a church. This was a milestone in the history of

the Mount Vernon Church. In 1942, a drive was started to raise funds to purchase a lot on South Fifth Avenue and by the 1950's the church building was complete. Over the years it became apparent that the building had become too small for its growing membership, and a new place was sought. The present edifice located at 230 South Columbus Avenue was purchased and a grand reopening came in 1975.

As the church grew it continued to welcome many new individuals into the church. It also expanded its youth programming and community outreach. The Mount Vernon Church is also responsible for starting two daughter churches.

The Mount Vernon Church has a remarkable history and an equally wonderful legacy in this community and beyond. I want to congratulate the entire congregation and church leadership for 80 incredible years.

**RECOGNIZING TORNADO  
RECOVERY VOLUNTEERS**

**HON. VAN TAYLOR**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 30, 2019*

Mr. TAYLOR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the efforts of countless volunteers and public servants across North Texas who help ease the burden of last week's tornadoes. When natural disaster strikes families suffer. It takes a strong community to bring hope out of the wreckage.

Communities with solid foundations do more than just rebuild homes, businesses, and schools, but also help relieve heartache that follows catastrophic loss.

Countless faith-based and non-profit organizations, including the Network of Community Ministries, American Red Cross of North Texas, and Texas Baptist Men have risen to meet the needs of our community. Alongside partners such as Atmos Energy and Oncor Electric, they have started the arduous process of helping rebuild our communities.

Likewise, city leaders including those in Richardson and Dallas have banded together to show support and provide valuable resources proving once more, we are always stronger together.

I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in thanking volunteers and leaders throughout our region, not only for helping to bring relief to those who have been displaced from their homes and schools, but also for providing hope.

**HONORING TINA INGRAM**

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 30, 2019*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a tenacious and self-driven community servant, Tina Ingram.

Tina Ingram is a Yazoo City native. Tina started her career as a young mother after graduating from Yazoo City High School in 1986. She attended Phillips College where she obtained a certification in Word Proc-

essing, which led to her first job in word processing at Deposit Guaranty Bank in Jackson in 1987.

For eight years Tina commuted to Jackson while she worked at Deposit Guaranty, and also spent another two years in Jackson working for Allstate Insurance, but she missed spending time at home with her children.

It was in January of 1999 that Tina was given an opportunity to start working with Bank of Yazoo as a part-time teller. By April of the same year, she was working full-time and has been with the Bank ever since.

During her tenure at Bank of Yazoo she has worked in the loan department before becoming a Vault Teller and a Customer Service Representative at the Jerry Clower location. Most recently Tina has been promoted to Teller Manager of the Yazoo City and Flora Branches.

While continuing her work at Bank of Yazoo, Tina graduated from the Mississippi School of Banking and earned her bachelor's degree in Business management from Belhaven University in 2016.

Tina has been married to Louis Ingram for 28 years. She is the mother of three. With Proverbs 3:5–6 as her guiding light, Tina gives all honor and glory to God for each success that has blessed her life thus far.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Tina Ingram for her hard work, dedication and tenacity to serving others.

**IN RECOGNITION OF DAVID  
SCHOEM FOR A DISTINGUISHED  
CAREER WITH THE MICHIGAN  
COMMUNITY SCHOLARS PRO-  
GRAM**

**HON. DEBBIE DINGELL**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 30, 2019*

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dr. David Schoem on his retirement and recognize his twenty years of distinguished service with the Michigan Community Scholars Program at the University of Michigan. Dr. Schoem's contributions to the Michigan community are worthy of commendation.

Dr. Schoem has dedicated his life to improving the lives of others. While attending high school in a racially-divided Philadelphia, Dr. Schoem developed an interest in intergroup relations, aspiring to bring people together to resolve conflicts and build a more just society. Dr. Schoem brought his passion for conflict resolution and unification to the University of Michigan, where he received his undergraduate degree. Upon completing his master's degree in education at Harvard University and Ph.D. at University of California, Berkeley, Dr. Schoem returned to the University of Michigan, beginning his professional career with the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts in 1979.

Since joining the U-M faculty, Dr. Schoem has become a pillar of the university. Throughout his tenure, Dr. Schoem has impacted the lives of thousands of students, serving as a beloved professor in the Sociology Department, LSA Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Education, and U-M Assistance Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs. In addition, Dr. Schoem's leadership as Director of