

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### REMEMBERING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TREATY OF TRIANON WITH HUNGARY

**HON. ANDY HARRIS**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Mr. HARRIS. Madam Speaker, as Co-Chair of the Congressional Hungarian-American Caucus, I rise today on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of the Treaty of Trianon with Hungary signed on June 4, 1920, at the Paris Peace Conference at the end of the First World War.

The non-negotiable treaty cost Hungary over 70 percent of her territory and one-third or three million of her indigenous ethnic-Hungarian population. For the last one hundred years, these ethnic Hungarian minorities have had to live in neighboring countries, with their cultural and political lives suffering at times.

The Hungarian-American Caucus is a bipartisan group of distinguished House members, which seeks to represent the interests of Hungarian American constituents; foster bilateral relations between Hungary, a strong NATO ally, and the United States; and protect the rights of Hungarian minorities in Europe.

To that end, I include in the RECORD the following statement by the American Hungarian Federation, the oldest American Hungarian association in the United States, founded in 1906 in Cleveland, Ohio, and based in Washington, D.C., on the occasion of this 100th Anniversary of the Treaty of Trianon.

#### AMERICAN HUNGARIAN FOUNDATION

Akos L. Nagy, President of American Hungarian Federation.

Paul Kamenar, Chair, Executive Committee.

Frank Koszorus, Jr., Chair, International Relations Committee.

#### THE TREATY OF TRIANON: A HUNGARIAN TRAGEDY

*"Ancient poets and theologians could not imagine such suffering, which Trianon brought to the innocent. In their eyes, that was for the damned in Hell."*—Sir Winston Churchill

One hundred years ago, June 4, 1920, the Hungarian delegation to the Paris Peace Conference was forced to sign the punishing Treaty of Trianon, arguably the most severe of all the post-World War I settlements concluded at the conference. Led by the Big Four—the United States, Great Britain, France and Italy—those treaties were collectively designed to conclude the First World War and make the "world safe for democracy," according to President Woodrow Wilson.

The "peacemakers" instead concocted a hazardous brew. The ostensible "peace" turned out to be only an armistice as World War II erupted merely 20 years later. Tens of millions of civilians and members of the military died in that war; the Holocaust devastated the European Jewish community; a murderous Stalin occupied Central and Eastern Europe; and the world was thrust into a costly and dangerous Cold War. Supposedly

in the name of national self-determination, Trianon dismembered the thousand-year-old Kingdom of Hungary, a self-contained, geographically and economically coherent and durable formation in the Carpathian Basin, boasting the longest lasting historical borders in Europe.

The resulting non-negotiable treaty cost Hungary over 70 percent of her territory and one-third or three million of her indigenous ethnic-Hungarian population. Add to this the loss of all her seaports and up to 90 percent of her vast natural resources, industry, railways, and other infrastructure.

Millions of Hungarians woke up one morning and saw borders arbitrarily redrawn around them without plebiscites, ignoring Wilson's lofty goal of national self-determination. The "absurd" treaty, as Wilson later referred to it, was never ratified by the United States; ignored a millennia of nation building and age-old cultural affiliations; created new and enlarged countries; and produced millions of new minorities who today struggle for survival of their ethnic identity.

To this very day, Hungarian minorities have been subjected to discrimination, intolerance and violence. Schools in the successor states limit students from studying in their native Hungarian language; Hungarian church properties have been confiscated; and cemeteries and cultural monuments have been vandalized. The "peacemakers" did insist that the new successor states, Romania, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia, sign various international instruments that included provisions for the protection of minorities. But those promises are largely unkept.

Despite these promises and the fact that Romania obtained Transylvania from Hungary under Trianon—more territory than remained as Hungary—Romania continues to ignore its obligations. Just recently in April, Romania's president incited animosity against its ethnic Hungarians by making inflammatory statements resulting in tensions between Hungary and Romania, two NATO allies. The Hungarian historical communities in Romania, particularly the Szeklers, are denied a range of rights that threatens their very cultural existence.

Hungarians in Serbia, Slovakia, Romania, and Ukraine have all requested semi-autonomy by peaceful and democratic means. Such local governance would ensure democracy to beleaguered Hungarians, fulfill promises made to them one hundred years ago, and strengthen the democratic process by serving as a model of how majorities and minorities can work together to redress past wrongs.

Considering the far-reaching implications of discrimination, intolerance, and animosity directed at the Hungarian minorities, the response from the European Union and the United States to date has been tepid. Stronger measures must be taken to remedy the ongoing abuses of minority rights that contravene numerous European Commission standards.

Together, the European Union and United States must ensure that democratic principles and international norms and practices relating to national minorities will finally prevail in Central and Eastern Europe and bring regional tension to a just and lasting end, all of which is in the strategic interests of the United States and the American people. Only then will the Tragedy of Trianon be addressed.

### HONORING JOHN MCCALL III

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable student, Mr. John McCall III.

John William McCall, III was born to Gladys and John William McCall, Jr. He is a native of Sidon, Mississippi, and the eldest of three siblings. His two brothers are Jamarkus and Jeremiah McCall.

John is a 2016 graduate of Amanda Elzy High School where he graduated as the salutatorian of his class. Currently, he serves as a member of the choir and volunteer sound engineer at his church, St. James Temple of Deliverance C.O.G.I.C. in Cruger, MS.

As a Presidential Scholar at MVSU, McCall is a member of the Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society and was appointed as the chapter's Historian. Growing up, he developed an interest in the arts and has continued to cultivate that interest throughout his matriculation at MVSU. John has always been fascinated with various forms of art—particularly film and performances by historical and modern actors. His career goal is to become a film director and professional actor.

John recently graduated from Mississippi Valley State University as the valedictorian of his class with a 4.0 grade point average. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mass Communications with an emphasis in Broadcasting and a minor in Business Administration. He also represented The Valley as Mister Mississippi Valley State University during the 2019–2020 academic school year.

While at MVSU, he directed and starred in various productions, including two short films—"The Contrast Between a Boy and a Man" and, "Leopard Highway." In addition, he has directed and starred in a small three-episode mini-series entitled "Fading Corners," and has directed a music video entitled "Invisible," which was performed by Timothy Adams Jr., a cousin, good friend, and upcoming artist. John has starred in numerous theatrical skits at his church as well as MVSU, including, "Family: An Adaptation" and "The New Mrs. Jones." John said he has fallen in love with the power of storytelling.

McCall aspires to live a life filled with gratitude. He is grateful to God for life and His direction, which he finds in His Word. Moreover, he is grateful to his parents for all the days and nights they have worked hard to put food on the table and to ensure that he and his brothers are well taken care of. He is also thankful for the ways they've nurtured him through life and for the prayers they have sent up on his behalf. Lastly, he is grateful for his family, church, and friends for their unwavering love and support.

Upon graduating this May 2020, John plans to attend graduate school to further study filming and acting. John is a firm believer that

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God will always have his back if he remains focused and continues to follow the right path in life.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. John McCall, III for his dedication to academic excellence, tenacity to serving his community and desire to be an example for all.

#### REMEMBERING DR. MARSHALL MITZMAN

#### HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the life of Dr. Marshall Mitzman, on the occasion of his passing on Tuesday, April 14, 2020.

Born on May 23, 1946, to Moe Mitzman and Nellie Mitzman-Schwartz, Marshall and his four siblings grew up in Angola, Indiana. His family remembers, even as a boy, Marshall valued his education and worked hard to ensure an opportunity to continue his education after high school.

Marshall made his way to California in 1964 and landed in the Bay Area. Using his education at Foothill College and De Anza College as a launching pad, he obtained a bachelor's degree at San Jose State University; but, he did not stop there. Marshall went on to obtain a master's degree from Judge College, Cambridge University, at which he later became Dr. Mitzman upon the completion of his doctoral program.

Marshall would then return to California where he started several small businesses. He quickly became an integral part of the fabric of our community by lending his expertise to several networks. He served as an adjunct professor at several of our community colleges and held a lifetime California Community College teaching credential. He also taught at the UC Berkeley Haas School of Business. The boards on which Marshall served are almost too numerous to name, but notable among them are the Alameda County School Board Association, the Hayward Education Foundation, and the Friends of Chabot College Foundation.

In 2008, Marshall became a board member of the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District (CLPCCD), with which he worked to increase access to education in the parts of our community where opportunity has not been distributed as equally as the capability of our students. Marshall served on the CLPCCD Board of Directors until his passing. His commitment to students will be among his greatest legacies. We're all grateful to Marshall, for always putting the needs and education of our students first.

Marshall was recovering from a brain tumor in one of our community's skilled nursing facilities when the cruelty of COVID-19 stole him from us. He is survived by his wife Felie, two children, and seven grandchildren.

HONORING THE LEGACY OF DR. CASSANDRA "MELODY" MONTGOMERY

#### HON. RASHIDA TLAI

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Ms. TLAI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the hard work and service of Dr. Cassandra Montgomery on behalf of the communities of Detroit.

Over the years, Dr. Montgomery has taken on many roles, working in different capacities, but she has always remained steadfast in the pursuit of social justice. Dr. Montgomery first moved to Detroit from Alabama as a young child. She grew up in the beautiful city of Detroit in its golden age of growth. She experienced Motown's musical scene and enjoyed her youth spent in neighborhoods where goods and services could be found without even leaving the community. Dr. Montgomery also witnessed Detroit in the midst of the 1960s civil rights movement. She knew the pain of segregation through her childhood visits to Alabama, but she also bore witness to one of the most important speeches delivered by Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at a speech at Cobo Hall in 1963.

These memories instilled in Dr. Montgomery that social justice is a need worth fighting for, something she carried through in her work. Dr. Montgomery built the foundation of her professional life in service to others, whether in social work, advocacy, or in counseling, she was a friend to the people of the City of Detroit. Those of us who knew her in her capacity at People's Community Services in Southwest Detroit know her particularly for her tenacity in preserving the culture of the neighborhood of Delray.

I therefore ask you to join me in tribute to Dr. Cassandra Montgomery, a beautiful soul and fighter for justice.

#### THANKFUL FOR THE GENEROSITY OF AIKEN CITIZENS

#### HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, as I travel throughout the Second Congressional District, I have been inspired by the outpouring of support and generosity for those in need defeating the Wuhan Virus. In Aiken County, many individuals and organizations have stepped forward to assist their fellow South Carolinians, including Apazza di Napoli owner Cliff Garzillo, who donated over 400 pasta meals to local grocery stores and medical workers. Prime Steakhouse owner Randy Stamm, with the help of local Real Estate Agent Barb Gould Uskup, donated 150 meals to Aiken Regional Medical Centers (ARMC) hospital workers. Palmetto Golf Club, led by Pro Emeritus Brooks Blackburn in Aiken, donated 350 lunches from talented Newberry Hall owners Patrick and Natalie Carlisle to Aiken Regional Medical Center thanks to Club member donations.

Aiken Senior Life Center, under the leadership of Executive Director Aimee Hanna, has

partnered with local restaurants to feed seniors over 60 with their weekly Drive N' Dine event, serving 250 meals so far. This is a weekly event created with the federal CARES Act funding.

The Aiken County NAACP Adult Branch & Youth Council, under Chapter President Eugene White, delivered lunches from Honey Baked Ham owner Jignesh Desai to the workers of Pruitt Health in both Aiken and North Augusta in recognition of National Skilled Nursing Care Week. Aiken's Civil Air Patrol squadron members Nancy Reason, Ron Kight, and Chris Medlin delivered homemade and store-bought snacks to Aiken Regional Medical Center's hospital employees who work in environmental services. Golden Harvest Food Bank, under Executive Director Amy Breitmman and its community partners, including Recleim a recycling company in Graniteville, South Carolina, the Horse Creek Trust's Turner Simkins and the Graniteville Valcluse Warrenville Fire Department, under Chief Raymond Scott, Jr. loaded and distributed boxes containing meals.

I am honored and inspired to represent the Aiken community.

#### HONORING ERIC THOMPSON

#### HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a hardworking and ambitious man, Mr. Eric Thompson. Eric has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication and a desire to serve others.

Eric Thompson is a native of Rolling Fork, Mississippi and a graduate of South Delta High School in 2013. During his high school career, he participated in football, basketball, and track. Eric excelled in football, becoming an All-District Wide Receiver his Junior and Senior year. He made the decision to attend the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff majoring in Computer Science.

During his years on the university's campus, Mr. Thompson spent most of his time with the ROTC program. This interaction directly affected his development as an impactful leader and his ability to work well with others while building a cohesive environment. Eric was a member of the Golden Lion Football Team while at UAPB. He worked his way into a starting position as a wide receiver and on special teams. He also became a member of the Gamma Sigma Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He graduated in 2018 with his Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science.

After graduating he became a Math Teacher and Coach for the South Delta School District (Middle School), giving back to the community that raised him. Within his first year as a coach, his leadership skills and his ability to create a TEAM approach; his students increased their test scores from 21 to 69 percent. He made a significant impact with his students on the field as well as a new coach taking over the reins with only one week before the season started; his team produced a winning season finishing 5-2. His basketball team finished 8-6 in his first year. He is now in his second year of teaching and his student's test scores have continued to increase

to above 70 percent. The South Delta Middle School basketball team won the Conference Championship this season finishing 16–0 in district play. Mr. Thompson was inaugurated into the Leadership Team at South Delta Middle School as a bright and upcoming leader. He is the youngest member affiliated with this leadership team. Mr. Thompson holds many other responsibilities while excelling through his career.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Eric Thompson for his passion and dedication to his community and desire to make a difference in the lives of the students of the South Delta School District.

RECOGNIZING THE HARD WORK  
AND DEDICATION OF BRANDON  
F. WEBB

**HON. ROBIN L. KELLY**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Ms. KELLY of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank my long-time Chief of Staff, Brandon F. Webb.

Within months of my election to Congress, Brandon joined Team Kelly as my Legislative Director after 6 years of dedicated service to the people of Georgia's 12th District as Senior Legislative Assistant to Congressman John Barrow. Shortly after arriving in my office, he took another leap of faith by marrying his beautiful wife, Sabrina.

After leading my legislative team for several years, Brandon became my Chief of Staff and has supported me, my staff and the families of the Illinois' 2nd Congressional District for the last 6 years. As Chief, he helped develop innovative district programming and built a diverse staff to advance the interests of families from Kankakee to Chicago's South Shore.

After more than a dozen years serving the American people as a Congressional staffer, Brandon is departing for a new role in our nation's growing and dynamic tech sector. While he will be missed, his legacy of hard work speaks volumes about him, his passion and spirit.

Brandon comes from a family dedicated to public service and is a proud brother of Kappa Alpha Psi. Through his service in Congress and to the American public, he has made them very proud.

Again, I thank Brandon for his years of service to the people of Georgia's 12th District and Illinois' 2nd District.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I was not present for the following roll call votes. Had I been present for them, I would have voted as follows:

Roll Call 110—S. 3744, Uyghur Human Rights Policy Act—YEA;

Roll Call 111—On Ordering the Previous Question—NAY; and

Roll Call 112—On Agreeing to the Resolution—NAY.

TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF THE LIFE  
OF BARBARA ALLEN BABCOCK

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life and extraordinary work of Barbara Allen Babcock. Born on July 26, 1938, in Washington, D.C., to Doris Moses and Henry Allen Babcock, she died at her Stanford, California home on April 18, 2020.

Barbara graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Pennsylvania and Yale Law School, where she was one of only 13 women in a class of 175. At Yale, she was an editor of the Law Review and graduated Order of the Coif. Her first job was a clerkship for Judge Henry Edgerton of the U.S. Court of Appeals District of Columbia Circuit, after which she was a criminal defense associate at Williams and Connolly. She left private practice in 1968 to become the first Director of the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia.

Barbara Babcock joined the faculty of Stanford Law School in 1972, became its first tenured woman professor, and was the Judge John Crown Professor of Law, Emerita, at the time of her death. At Stanford she was beloved by her students, and four times was the recipient of the John Bingham Hurlbut Award for excellence in teaching. She left Stanford for two years during the Carter Administration to serve as Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Division in the Department of Justice, and while in that position she advocated for the appointment of Ruth Bader Ginsburg to the United States Court of Appeals. Justice Ginsburg said later, "I would not hold the good job I have today were it not for Barbara."

Barbara Babcock was a strong and effective advocate for women and minorities, and an inspiration to thousands of her students and others aspiring to legal careers. So many described her as warm, graceful, a great raconteur and a true friend. She was a leader, a pathbreaker, trailblazer and role model. She was an advocate for the importance of lawyers in society and for clinical education in law school, and helped to found Stanford's first law clinic, now the Stanford Community Law Clinic.

Barbara Babcock was the author of many legal articles and several text books. She also wrote a memoir, *Fish Raincoats: A Woman Lawyer's Life*, and *Woman Lawyer: The Trials of Clara Foltz*, about the first woman lawyer in California.

Madam Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in extending our condolences to Barbara Allen Babcock's family and honoring her extraordinary life.

Because of her lifetime of shaping generations to practice and love the law, create a more just society, and an unswerving commitment to see that women advanced in our nation, Barbara Babcock bettered our country immeasurably and will forever be a national treasure.

HONORING LASHUNN CAMPBELL

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable public servant, Ms. LaShunn Campbell who is a lifelong resident of Jackson. Ms. Campbell is the daughter of Steve and Pearlean Campbell. She is a proud graduate of Forest Hill High School. She has a postsecondary degree from Jackson State University in Biology/Pre-Med and a Masters from Belhaven University. She is a life-long member of Greater Bethlehem Temple Church and a member of Zeta Phi Beta, Sorority, Inc.

Ms. Campbell started at the Hinds County Tax Collector's office 13 years ago as a clerk. She currently serves as a supervisor.

Her dream has always been to care for those who are too weak to care for themselves. This led her to pursue a nursing degree from Hinds Community College. She currently duals as a nurse in the evening and on weekends.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. LaShunn Campbell.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. KEVIN HERN**

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. KEVIN HERN of Oklahoma. Madam Speaker, on May 28, 2020 I was not present for the final vote on the Motion to Go to Conference on H.R. 6172—USA Freedom Authorization Act. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 115.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. DARIN LAHOOD**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. LAHOOD. Madam Speaker, on Wednesday, May 27, 2020, I missed votes due to my oldest son's high school graduation. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 110; NAY on Roll Call No. 111; and NAY on Roll Call No. 112.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. BRIAN J. MAST**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. MAST. Madam Speaker, I missed votes on May 27, 2020 due to being in Florida in anticipation of the SpaceX launch.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 110; NAY on Roll Call No. 111; and NAY on Roll Call No. 112.

HONORING SAMUEL CHAPEL  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable church, Samuel Chapel United Methodist Church.

Samuel Chapel United Methodist Church, originally named Samuel Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church, had its beginning in 1880 under the leadership of Rev. McBeth. With the help of God and a few members, a one room frame building was erected in the Southeastern section of Itta Bena.

Following the leadership of Rev. McBeth, Rev. Grant Orange was assigned to pastor the few members of Samuel Chapel. As time elapsed, Rev. Orange was replaced by Rev. E.C.F. Troupe. As the church grew under the leadership of Rev. Troupe, it became necessary to choose a new site which was in the Western section of Itta Bena, its current location. In 1911, the frame structure was replaced by a brick structure as Rev. Troupe's vision for growth emerged.

Rev. H.B. Hart was the next pastor who lead the members in purchasing a parsonage, a house bought from Mrs. Nellie Mitchell. His leadership encompassed the organization of the church choir and securing pews and other serviceable facilities for the church.

During Rev. M.J. Stallings tenure, the membership diminished because of mass migration from the Itta Bena area. Under Rev. Stallings leadership, plans were drawn up to rebuild Samuel Chapel and the old structure was demolished and a new church was rebuilt in 1968. The dedication of the new Samuel Chapel United Methodist Church was February 20, 1977. Rev. Stallings Pastorage extended for thirteen years. Following the homegoing of their dearly beloved pastor, Rev. M.J. Stallings, many pastors served, and the church continued to grow. Each pastor poured into the members their vision of excellence in living a life pleasing to our Almighty God. Seeking the lost and discipling the found stimulated all facets of the church membership.

Samuel Chapel's current Pastor is Rev. Jonathan Parker who is also the Director of the Wesley Foundation Campus Ministry at Mississippi Valley State University.

The church's motto of identity is that "we are the church with warm hearts and friendly hands." Their health ministry has touched the lives of the entire community with its community garden, quarterly health screenings, the church's connection with the Mississippi Delta Health Collaborative, and their partnership with the Society of St. Andrews Gleaming Ministry. This gleaned network organizes volunteers to collect and distribute fresh produce gleaned from farmers' fields and orchards after the harvest. Samuel Chapel's United Methodist Men travel to Jackson or other areas and transport gleaned produce to the Itta Bena community and citizens are welcome to come to the church and receive all types of food items at no cost. The church's outreach ministry has been instrumental in being a source for those in need of nutritious food.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Samuel Chapel United

Methodist Church for its longevity and dedication to serving others.

HONORING DAVID SNAPP

**HON. ANDY LEVIN**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. LEVIN of Michigan. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor my dear friend and former colleague, Dave Snapp on the occasion of his retirement. I met Dave Snapp in the late summer of 1983 when I had just turned 23 years old and we were trying to learn how to help nursing home workers organize for a better life with the Service Employees International Union. Thirty-seven years later, Dave is still at it, helping workers organize for dignity, voice and power in an America that suddenly deems them essential even while asking them to toil in poverty, in unsafe conditions, even under threat of deportation.

After I left SEIU in 1988, Dave kept right on organizing. And he never stopped working for the labor movement. He played many roles for the union over the years. He has often been in the middle of the activities that have made SEIU so innovative. Dave has often served as a facilitator and organizer for the executive leadership of the union. He has been a scriptor and choreographer of conventions. He has organized strategic planning. He has conceived and undertaken special projects. He has helped drive long-term thinking to an extent and scope remarkable in the labor movement and, indeed, in other parts of the American political economy.

Through it all, Dave has displayed a remarkable mix of traits that are rarely found rolled up in one person. Flat-out smarts. Intellectual curiosity. Practicality—a groundedness in how things might actually work in the real world. Maybe that's the health and safety guy in him. Humility. A willingness to speak truth to power and not to tell leaders what they want to hear, somehow without alienating them and indeed engendering their loyalty. A wry sense of humor, sometimes bleeding into bad jokes. Compassion and caring for his fellow travelers along the road to justice, person to person.

How lucky I have been to have acquired Dave as an adopted-without-permission big brother so many years ago and, I might add, to have acquired a big sister in his life partner, Carol Regan. That's the best two-for-one deal I ever got, all by signing up to help nursing home workers find a little power over their own work lives.

Now Dave says he is laying down his tools. If we're honest, we often have mixed feelings about friends retiring as a reflection of our own mortality. But I have to admit, I can't think of anyone who has earned a bit of rest from relentless labor more richly than Dave Snapp. He always looked at work organically, as how best to organize something that needed to be accomplished, and thus seemed to own what he was doing so completely. Thank goodness he chose to labor on behalf of America's workers.

Madam Speaker, happily, there is no retiring from adopted big brotherhood. I will continue to seek Dave's advice and counsel on life's journey. And to take inspiration from his example of doing things well for all the right reasons.

IN MEMORY OF HERMAN "HERK"  
STREITBURGER

**HON. CHRIS PAPPAS**

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. PAPPAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Herman "Herk" Streitburger, a World War II hero and prisoner of war who passed away in late May, less than a month before his 101st birthday. Through both his military service and his subsequent community engagement, Herk will be remembered as a shining example of American fortitude, ingenuity, and empathy.

During World War II, Herk served in the U.S. Army Air Corps as a radio operator and gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber. During his final mission with the 98th Bombardment Group, his plane was shot down over German territory. He was taken to the Stalag Luft IV prison camp, where he and fellow prisoners listened to war reports on a contraband radio they carefully concealed in a hollow table leg. Buoyed by radio reports of Allied success, they made a risky escape during a deadly winter march. After being caught by a German soldier, Herk's quick thinking and compassion secured their safety: he spoke German with the officer, offered him coffee and a smuggled American cigarette, and they shook hands, parting in peace.

After the war, Herk attended college through the GI bill and later started a family, first on Long Island before moving to Bedford in 1967. Following a career in marketing, he spent decades mentoring small business owners with SCORE and visiting with school groups to talk about his POW experience and life lessons. All those who knew Herk or ever heard him speak remarked at his positive attitude and optimism about life.

Herk was an engaged member of local and regional veterans associations, including Honor Flight New England, the American Legion NH, the NH Ex-POW Chapter #1, and the Northeast POW/MIA Network. In his community, he was admired for his ardent faith, generosity, and optimism.

On behalf of all of my constituents in New Hampshire's First Congressional District, I share my condolences to Herk's four children, seven grandchildren, and four great grandchildren. May Herk Streitburger's memory be for a blessing.

HONORING CASHONEY CARTER

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable leader, Ms. Cashoney Carter of Jefferson County.

Ms. Cashoney Carter has 12 years of educational experience in the Jefferson County School District. She is a graduate of Tougaloo College with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, a Masters of Arts in Teaching from Alcorn State University, a Masters of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from Strayer University and is currently pursuing an

advanced degree at Arkansas State University.

During Ms. Carter's educational career, she has been an elementary school teacher in the areas of English and History. She also served as an Instructional Coach before joining the administrative team as an Assistant Principal in 2017.

Mrs. Cashoney Carter has been involved in many professional memberships along her journey including, the National Council for Social Studies and Mississippi Association of Educators in conjunction with the Jefferson County Association of Educators where she serves as the local representative. She is also a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated and the President of the Nubian Social Aid and Pleasure Club. Her most treasured role is being the mother of Harley Elizabeth.

Ms. Cashoney Carter believes in her students and believes that the student's growth is the most important aspect of learning. She believes that visibility, teamwork, and collaboration between home and school promotes a school culture that empowers students to reach their academic and personal goals while becoming educated young adults.

The Jefferson County School District is pleased to announce that Ms. Cashoney Carter has been appointed as principal of the Jefferson County Upper Elementary School for the 2020–2021 school year.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Cashoney Carter for her dedication and remarkable works.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE GEORGE FLOYD LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST AND INTEGRITY ACT OF 2020

**HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, I rise to announce to the House that I have introduced the George Floyd Law Enforcement Trust and Integrity Act of 2020 (LETIA) to modernize law enforcement training, practices and procedures, and to address the issue of police accountability and build trust between police departments and the communities they serve.

Over the past two decades, tensions between police and communities of color have grown as allegations of bias-based policing by law enforcement agents, sometimes supported by data collection efforts and video evidence, have increased in number and frequency.

This legislation is designed to provide incentives for local police departments to voluntarily adopt performance-based standards to minimize incidents of misconduct, improve operations and enhance community accountability.

Since the tragic police-involved shooting of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, there has been public outcry for Congressional action to address police accountability and public safety issues through the adoption of substantive law enforcement policy reforms.

Despite the fact that the majority of law enforcement officers perform their duties professionally and without bias, the relationship between the police and some of minority com-

munities has deteriorated to such a degree that federal action is required to begin addressing the issue.

With recent Washington Post reports of more than 1000 reported police-involved shooting fatalities in the last year, the time is long past for bipartisan action.

The George Floyd Law Enforcement Trust and Integrity Act of 2020 provides incentives for local police organizations to voluntarily adopt performance-based standards to ensure that incidents of deadly force or misconduct will be minimized through appropriate management and training protocols and properly investigated, should they occur.

The legislation authorizes the Department of Justice to work cooperatively with independent accreditation, law enforcement and community-based organizations to further develop and refine the accreditation standards, and authorizes the Attorney General to make grants to law enforcement agencies for the purpose of obtaining accreditation from certified law enforcement accreditation organizations.

Beyond the human toll created by law enforcement accountability issues, there remains the fiscal impact created by the high cost of litigation settlements for police abuse claims.

Currently, there are no federally recognized minimum standards to follow for operating a police department.

The ad hoc nature of police management has left many officers and agencies in the dark about how to cope with changes in their communities.

While most cities fail to systematically track the cost of litigation, the cost reports for major cities can prove staggering.

In New York City alone, during Mayor Michael Bloomberg's three term tenure, NYPD payouts were in excess of \$1 billion dollars for policing claims.

For small departments, the cost of a single high-profile incident could prove crippling in its impact on public safety.

While the Department of Justice has a range of criminal and civil authority to address policing issues, the Civil Rights Division will never have the resources necessary to investigate more than a small fraction of those departments engaged in unconstitutional conduct, even with the enhanced funding and task force authority granted by this legislation.

Through the support of a robust accreditation regime, like that existing for the healthcare industry, Congress can ensure that all communities have the best trained and managed police departments.

Only by establishing acceptable police operations standards can we begin to address issues like use of force before they occur and heal the rifts within our communities.

Madam Speaker, I ask the House to observe a moment of silence in memory of George Floyd and for all Members to join me in sponsoring the George Floyd Law Enforcement Trust and Integrity Act of 2020 (LETIA).

#### RECOGNIZING ALMA LEE LOY

**HON. BILL POSEY**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. POSEY. Madam Speaker, on April 10, 2020, Vero Beach said good-bye to its First

Lady and prolific community leader, Alma Lee Loy, who passed away at 90 years old of pneumonia-related complications. As a personal friend and beloved member of our community, I would like to take this time to recognize the countless contributions Alma has made to Indian River County and celebrate a lifetime of extraordinary personal achievements.

Alma Lee Loy was born in Vero Beach on June 10, 1929 and from a very young age dedicated her life to the betterment of Indian River County, the community she so loved and was revered by. Ask any Vero Beach Resident if they knew of her, and they would surely say yes, with mentions of fond memories and stories.

Throughout her life she wore many important hats that made her into the iconic woman that our community grew to respect and love. Alma was a compassionate neighbor, a philanthropist, accomplished athlete, successful businesswoman, historian, and a mentor to our community's youth, just to name a few.

For the first 42 years of her career, she operated and ran a children's clothing store in downtown Vero Beach, Alma Lee's Clothing Center, alongside her close friend Lucy Auxier. It was here that the community first befriended her, as they shopped for years for back-to-school clothes and dresses and came to know her giving heart. But in more than one way, Alma was compelled to further serve her community.

Her civic engagement spans many sectors. She became a founding member of the Vero Beach City Recreation Board, the Vero Beach Downtown Merchants Association, Education Foundation of Indian River County and the Indian River Community Foundation. Her altruistic spirit drove her to volunteer and lead several philanthropic organizations including what is now the Vero Beach Museum of Art and the Gifford Youth Orchestra. From 1968 to 1980, Alma served on the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners, serving as Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Alma's unwavering commitment to preserving her community's natural beauty and treasures, in addition to educating the public about its' historical significance, has long helped spread awareness of important issues in Indian River County. She played an important role in raising the awareness that saved the 18-acre McKee Botanical Garden from housing development, serving twice as President of the garden. She served on the board of the Veterans Memorial Island Sanctuary Committee, served two terms as President of the Indian River Land Trust, and received the "Love Your Lagoon" award for her dedication to cleaning up our waterways.

Many of Alma's achievements succeed her in the form of local buildings and awards, including the Alma Lee Loy Bridge on 17th Street and the Alma Lee Loy Indian River County Chamber of Commerce, where she served as the first female board member. There have been many contributions and awards made in her honor and through them, she will be revered and dearly missed as a leader in our community.

I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Alma Lee Loy. May her dedication to our community serve as a reminder of what it means to be a public servant, a good neighbor, a mentor, and leader. Her impact and legacy will

be felt in Indian River County for generations to come.

HONORING FOLUSO FAKOREDE, MD

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Foluso Fakorede.

Dr. Fakorede grew up in Nigeria and immigrated to America as a young man. He received his medical degree from UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in Camden, New Jersey where he also completed his internship and residency in internal medicine at New York Presbyterian Weill Cornell Hospital. He returned to New Jersey to complete his fellowship in cardiology, interventional cardiology, and endovascular intervention at Cooper University Hospital—Camden, New Jersey.

Dr. Fakorede was honored with the distinction of Chief Cardiology Fellow. He specializes in preventative cardiovascular management, woman's heart health and catheter-based procedural focus in coronary atherosclerosis disease (CAD) and peripheral atherosclerosis disease (PAD). He has advanced technical skills in limb salvage (preventing amputations) and utilizes advanced minimally invasive techniques in treating patients with peripheral arterial disease. He is also a key opinion leader in the treatment algorithm of peripheral arterial disease using various access techniques, atherectomy, balloons and stents.

In 2015, Dr. Fakorede started Cardiovascular Solutions of Central Mississippi with a mission to educate and provide access quality health care for Mississippians living in rural areas. He has become a national voice in the fight on the impact of health disparity in underserved communities.

Dr. Fakorede has offered tremendous service to those suffering from diabetes and has worked diligently towards preventing the need for amputation.

In Bolivar County, MS, Dr. Fakorede has seen more than 10,000 cardiovascular patients from around the Delta. Since 2015, he has performed nearly 500 angiograms annually. Between 2014 and 2017, Bolivar Medical Center recorded that major amputations had fallen by 75 percent.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Foluso Fakorede for his dedication in being a remarkable doctor and servicing the Mississippi Delta.

HONORING RAY LEE WOOD

**HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise in honor of Ray Lee Wood of Stuart, Virginia. Mr. Wood passed away on May 6, 2020, at the age of 92. As one of the founding members of Wood Brothers Racing, Mr. Wood helped launch a storied team and competed in some of its signature victories.

Ray Lee Wood was born in Patrick County on December 14, 1927. He served in the Army after World War II. In the early 1950s, he joined his brothers Glenn, Clay, Delano and Leonard in forming the team that still bears their name. They famously worked on their cars in the shade of a beech tree on the family's property, using its limbs to help pull engines with a chain hoist. Ray Lee was responsible for maintaining the Fords the team raced and changing the front tires, not driving, although Leonard recalled a day in 1958 when Ray Lee hit 142 miles per hour on the measured mile at Daytona Beach.

During Mr. Wood's time with the team, it won at the 1963 Daytona 500, the 1965 Indianapolis 500, and the 1965 American 500 at North Carolina Speedway. At Daytona and Indianapolis, he made the call after checking the tires to continue driving rather than changing them, contributing to the victories.

At the 1965 Indianapolis 500, Mr. Wood also decided that the season would be his last. After the season ended at Rockingham with the victory at the American 500, he went home to Stuart. While still following the sport and supporting his brothers who continued racing, he never attended another NASCAR race. Instead, he filled his life with his church, Pentecostal Holiness, and his garden, where he grew flowers, tended to his honeybees, and kept goldfish.

I offer my condolences to Ray Lee Wood's loved ones on their loss.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I was not present for the following roll call votes. Had I been present for them, I would have voted as follows: Roll Call 113—H.R. 6782, TRUTH Act—NAY; Roll Call 114—H.R. 7010 Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act—YEA; and Roll Call 115—Motion to Go to Conference on H.R. 6172, USA Freedom Reauthorization Act—YEA.

REMEMBERING MADELYNE

“MADDI” MISCHELOFF

**HON. ERIC SWALWELL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the life of Madelyne “Maddi” Mischeloff, on the occasion of her passing after a two year long battle with cancer on Saturday, April 11, 2020.

Maddi was a native of Neptune, New Jersey and a student of biology and medical technology at American University in Washington, DC. She met her husband, Mike, while both were spending spring break in California. They remained in touch and were married in 1971. Thereafter they moved to Nebraska where their three children were born before settling in the Bay Area.

Maddi was a serial volunteer and could frequently be found working at community events

after she and her family settled in my hometown of Dublin in 1978; however, it was when unimaginable tragedy struck the family that Maddi's spirit of service galvanized around a cause. Ilene, Maddi and Mike's 13 year-old daughter, went missing on a walk home from middle school on January 30, 1989.

From that moment forward, Maddi garnered the strength to turn her grief into action, motivation, and inspiration for others. She participated in fund raisers, did television appearances, and organized on behalf of her daughter and other families navigating the same trauma and trying to bring missing children home.

While Ilene's disappearance remains unsolved, Maddi's efforts to keep her daughter's spirit alive in our community continued with an annual candlelit walk along the route that Ilene walked home from school each day.

Her efforts to better her community did not go unnoticed. After years of faithful service to her community, she was appointed to fill a vacant seat on the board of the Dublin San Ramon Services District to which she later won election, served on a multitude of committees, and served as president of the board.

Maddi and her family have resided in the heart of our community since they arrived. We are grateful for her unwavering spirit of hope that continues to inspire. She is survived by her husband, sons Brian and Robert, two granddaughters, Maddie and Lauren, and her brother, Stephan Abramson.

TRIBUTE TO THE WORK OF DAVID WAKSBERG

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, David Waksberg became CEO of the Bureau of Jewish Education in 2007, and retires on

June 30, 2020, from his leadership of what is now Jewish LearningWorks. During his well-earned retirement he will spend more time with his wife and three adult children, and he plans to write and participate in political and environmental activism.

David Waksberg's leadership of Jewish LearningWorks can only be called extraordinary. He is hailed by many as a great negotiator, intentional listener and a collaborator who respects and honors the opinions of others. During his tenure he helped renew synagogue schools and brought in new ideas for teaching. He expanded family learning programs, created greater opportunities for children with special needs, and initiated policy changes at synagogues and day schools which were all designed to make everyone welcome.

David formerly served as the Executive Director of the Bay Area Council for Soviet Jews where he created programs that connected Bay Area Jews with those in the Soviet Union. He developed excellent relationships with the Bay Area Congressional Delegation and was a strong advocate for refuseniks and for the Soviet Jews who came to the Bay Area after the collapse of the USSR. Between his two positions with Jewish agencies, David worked at a high-tech company, but his heart was always with service to the Jewish community.

David credits his commitment to Judaism and Jewish education to a photograph in his Polish grandparents' home in the Bronx, of their families in Poland. All except those who had gone to America or Israel, including David's father, were killed by the Nazis. Also in that home was an inscription that asked "What have you done today on behalf of your people and your land?"

David Waksberg said "For me, Jewish thought, tradition and wisdom from the last few thousand years really helped me be a better husband, father, son, brother, friend, neighbor and citizen. All this wisdom contributed to what some would call happiness. It helped me lead a good life. And that's the point of it all."

Madam Speaker, we ask the entire House of Representatives to join us in honoring the extraordinary leadership and legacies of David Waksberg. His mission of promoting and furthering Jewish education has bettered our communities and made our nation stronger because of all he has chosen to do.

#### THANKING TURKEY FOR ASSISTANCE

#### HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the efforts of one of our allies to assist with our coronavirus response. Recently, the Republic of Turkey sent two separate plane loads of medical supplies to the United States. One arrived on Tuesday and a second on Thursday. The Turkish government sent 500,000 surgical masks, 4,000 overalls, 1,500 sets of goggles, civilian masks, face shields, hazmat suits, and a generous supply of disinfectants.

This is the type of cooperation that we need to see on every level in order to effectively address this pandemic. I understand that U.S. Ambassador to Turkey, David Satterfield, was on hand to watch the second shipment depart Turkey. I am pleased to see our governments working closely together. I understand that Turkey made deliveries of medical supplies and equipment to more than 50 countries around the world, and I commend them for such generosity. It is in our common interests to continue to find constructive ways to work together.

#### 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE JONES ACT

#### HON. FILEMON VELA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Mr. VELA. Madam Speaker, this week we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Jones Act and its century of fostering our domestic maritime industry and supporting our national security. Named in honor of its author, former Senator Wesley Jones, the Jones Act has helped provide economic benefits in times of peace and has safeguarded resources to expand our military maritime capacity for times of war.

For the Department of Defense, maintaining a U.S. flagged fleet is critical to ensuring we

have sufficient U.S. sealift capacity, available at a moment's notice, to defend our nation. For example, during Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom from 2002 to 2010, U.S.-flag commercial vessels transported nearly 60% of all military cargoes into Afghanistan and Iraq.

Not only does the Jones Act support this vital national security requirement, it also provides an economic benefit to our nation.

Currently, there are about 40,000 vessels in the American domestic fleet. The domestic maritime industry supports nearly 650,000 jobs and has a gross economic output of \$154 billion annually, generating \$41.6 billion annually in income with a \$16.8 billion tax impact.

In my state of Texas, the domestic maritime industry is a major economic driver. According to a study by PricewaterhouseCoopers for the Transportation Institute, Texas ranks No. 3 among all U.S. states for jobs related to the American domestic maritime industry. The state is home to an estimated 56,000 Jones Act-related domestic maritime industry jobs, and the domestic shipping industry contributes approximately \$14 billion in annual economic impact and \$4 billion in worker income to the Texas economy.

In the 34th Congressional District, which I have the honor to represent, there are 1,100 Jones Act-related jobs. This translates into over \$174 million in economic impact to my Congressional district.

On March 16th, I was scheduled to participate in an event at the Port of Brownsville in my district, highlighting the importance of our domestic maritime industry and the Jones Act. As with so many activities throughout our nation and the world over the past several months, this event was postponed due to COVID-19, but I am pleased to have this opportunity today to express my support for this important industry and its workforce.

At the Port of Brownsville, Keppel AmFels is currently constructing two 'Ohana Class containerships for Pasha Hawaii, an American shipping company. These ships will be used to transport containers of goods between Hawaii and the U.S. mainland.

It was just a few years ago that Keppel AmFELS decided to invest over \$30 million to start this new industry at the Port of Brownsville. We worked with the U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration to secure nearly \$2 million in federal funds for the vessel assembly pad to help make this happen.

I look forward to the time when we can celebrate the building of these two ships—the M/V *Jean Marie* and the M/V *George III*—in person.

#### RECOGNIZING THE HARD WORK AND DEDICATION OF ZACHARY K. OSTRO

#### HON. ROBIN L. KELLY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Ms. KELLY of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank my departing Legislative Director, Zachary K. Ostro, for his hard work and dedication.

Zach joined my team as a Legislative Fellow shortly after completing his JD at the Univer-

sity of Maryland School of Law. As a fellow, one of his largest contributions came as Chief Content Editor of the 2014 Kelly Report on Gun Violence in America, the first-ever Congressional analysis of the nation's gun violence epidemic. He quickly became an indispensable part of the team and transitioned into a full-time role as a Legislative Assistant. In 2016, he became Legislative Director and helped me enact a number of bills including the Connected Government Act and Action for Dental Health Act into law.

While leading my legislative team, Zach also continued his education and obtained an MBA from Georgetown University in 2018. His family also grew while part of Team Kelly with the birth of his beautiful daughter, Sophie.

Originally from Cleveland, Zach is a diehard Indians fan and avid bowler. As he departs for a new opportunity, I wish him and his family all the best.

Again, I thank Zach for his years of service to the 2nd Congressional District of Illinois.

#### HONORING DR. TAMMY TEREL TAYLOR

#### HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Tammy Terel Taylor.

Dr. Tammy Terel Taylor was born to the late NR Taylor and Alberta Smith-Taylor. She is the third youngest of fourteen siblings. She entered the world during very troubling and uncertain times. Dr. Martin Luther King had just been assassinated a few months before her arrival and Senator Robert Kennedy assassinated on the exact same day she was born. She believes her passion for social freedom and equality to all humankind started in utero. Her parents instilled into her and her other siblings the importance of the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." She grew up in a traditional family structure where her father was the sole provider while her mother took care of home. Dr. Taylor was raised up on the family's farm and refers to her family as the "Black Walton's" and often says "Although money was not plentiful her family had an abundance of love and fortitude when faced with adversity". Dr. Taylor's family truly understood what it meant to live off the land. Her father farmed their land for several years and later pursued a construction career when farming alone was not enough to provide for his family. Dr. Taylor credits her perseverance and strong work ethics to her late father and her undeniable faith and endurance to her mother.

Dr. Taylor was born and grew up in Sardis, MS. She attended and graduated from North Panola High School in 1987. She attended Northwest Community College following high school and later transferred to the University of Mississippi majoring in Sociology with a minor in Psychology; she graduated in August of 1993. After graduating from the University of MS, Dr. Taylor began her nursing career at Northwest Community College (NWCC) in Senatobia, MS. NWCC had the reputation of producing some of the best registered nurses (RNs) and if you successfully completed their



very rigorous nursing program you were well prepared for the challenges ahead.

Dr. Taylor started her nursing career at Baptist Memorial Hospital (BMH) in Oxford, MS and worked at this facility for 7 years as the Charge Nurse. While working at BMH full-time, she traveled once a week to Alcorn State University (ASU) nursing campus for the next 2 years. She earned her Master of Science as a Nurse Educator graduating with highest distinction and inducted into the Sigma Theta Tau National Honor Society of Nursing. She accepted an Assistant Professor position in their Associate Degree Nursing at ASU. Dr. Taylor possessed not only a passion for learning but immensely enjoyed teaching and sharing her knowledge and clinical experience. While teaching full-time at ASU, Dr. Taylor earned her Post Master's as a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP). This was a very difficult time in her life because her sister and best friend, Renetha, was diagnosed with a terminal cancer and lost her battle on October 6, 2002.

In January of 2004 a unique opportunity arose and Dr. Taylor was invited to join a team of dynamic African American women with a diverse background in the nursing profession to start the first Associate Degree Nursing Program at Coahoma Community College in Clarksdale, MS. Dr. Taylor and other faculty referred to themselves as the "Dream Team" and was determined to create one of the best nursing programs for those aspiring to become registered nurses in the state of MS. Although this dream was short-lived, her dynamic team laid the groundwork and this RN program is thriving today. Dr. Taylor has dedicated years of service into almost all areas of nursing from the hospital setting to academia to correctional setting just to name a few.

On March of 2009, Dr. Taylor accepted a position in the MS Delta at a private Cardiology practice. This in many ways for her was surreal because now she would be providing care to patients with heart disease, a disease that abruptly ended her own father's life at the age of forty-six. She was eager to accept this challenge because this would give her the opportunity to help others combat heart disease and save lives, something she was not able to do for her very own father. Dr. Taylor knew this had to be fate, a higher power orchestrating this only-for-her opportunity.

On January 2010, Dr. Taylor pursued her highest level of education in her profession. While working full-time as a Cardiology Nurse Practitioner, she began her doctoral degree at the University of Alabama Capstone College of Graduate Nursing. Her scholarly project explored the precursors of coronary heart disease among women of color in the MS Delta. She graduated with a 4.0 GPA and again inducted into the Sigma Theta Tau National Honor Society for Nursing, the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi and the Golden Key International Honor Society. Dr. Taylor earned her Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) and her Hooding Ceremony was on the former President Barack Obama's birthday August 4, the year 2012.

Dr. Taylor still practices in the MS Delta specializing in heart disease and managing other chronic diseases such as hypertension, diabetes, hyperlipidemia, etc. She is an advocate for change and currently serves as the Lead Volunteer in the state of MS for the Na-

tional Patient Advocate Foundation (NPAF) out of Washington, DC. Dr. Taylor has attended the last three Patient Congress in DC to be the change agent and voice for her patients. Dr. Taylor was selected by the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) and National Institute of Health (NIH) to serve as a stakeholder reviewer for new funding opportunity: Testing Multi-Level Interventions to Improve Blood Pressure Control in Minority Racial/Ethnic, Low Socioeconomic Status, and/or Rural Populations.

Dr. Taylor is an entrepreneur and recently started on own business Day by Day Health and Wellness to be the change she wishes to see in the world. Her passion for healthcare runs deep but she sees the bigger picture and that is focusing more on preventive care versus sick care. Dr. Taylor currently serves as a Community Advisory Board member for Panola County for the Risk Underlying Rural Areas Longitudinal Study (RURAL). She is an active member of the Mississippi Nurses Association. She is an active member of the distinguished ladies of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated, Upsilon Iota Omega Chapter. She is also an active member of the NAACP Panola County Branch. And lastly and more importantly, she is the doting aunt to her nieces and nephews and the loving wife to her soulmate, Mr. Whittington Bufford, Jr.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Tammy Terel Taylor for her dedication to serving her community and this great state.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. DARIN LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Mr. LAHOOD. Madam Speaker, on Thursday, May 28, 2020, I missed votes due to my oldest son's high school graduation.

Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 113; YEA on Roll Call No. 114; and NAY on Roll Call No. 115.

#### MILITARY SPOUSE CAREER EDUCATION ACT

#### HON. GREGORIO KILILI CAMACHO SABLÁN

OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Mr. SABLÁN. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the Military Spouse Career Education Act to help military spouses access the education they need to enter and excel in careers that require government-recognized credentials.

My bill would help military spouses achieve their career goals by covering the costs of exams awarding college credit and continuing education units needed to maintain professional licenses and certifications.

Military spouses participating in the My Career Advancement Account (MyCAA) Scholarship Program would be able to finish their degrees faster by earning credit through exams such as the College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) and DANTES Subject Standard-

ized Tests (DSST). CLEP and DSST award credit recognized by thousands of schools for a wide range of courses needed for degrees in health care, education, business, technology and other in-demand fields. Access to these alternatives to traditional classes provides spouses the ability to achieve their educational goals at their own pace while saving limited MyCAA funds for other expenses.

Maintaining licenses and certifications would also be easier for MyCAA participants and spouses moving with their service member under permanent change of station orders. The Defense Department currently covers the cost of spouses' relicensing fees when relocating with their families. States and territories that do not recognize credentials from other jurisdictions may also require additional training. The Military Spouse Career Education Act reimburses spouses for the costs of continuing education units needed to keep their credentials and continue careers in their new place of residence.

The gentleman from Indiana, Mr. BANKS, is an original cosponsor of the bill. I urge my colleagues to support this bipartisan legislation.

#### A FRESH START

#### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today, to recognize the 20th anniversary of a local small business in Lakewood, Colorado—A Fresh Start.

A Fresh Start is a prime example of the American Dream—owned and operated by Tom Bogeljic, a Bosnian refugee who came to the U.S. in 1997, and shortly after settling into the Denver suburbs, opened his own small business. A Fresh Start has grown substantially in the last 20 years, and Tom has been at the forefront of its growth.

A Fresh Start opened its doors in Lakewood, Colorado on December 1, 1999 and has provided commercial and residential cleaning to places across the 7th Congressional District and Denver Metro area. It has survived quite a few challenges over the last 20 years, surviving the Great Recession as well as being designated an essential service during the current COVID-19 public health crisis.

During Small Business Month, I want to recognize Tom and his business as examples of a true entrepreneurial spirit and his contribution to our community by using eco-friendly materials and putting his employees first.

I extend my congratulations to Tom and A Fresh Start on its achievement of 20 successful years in our community. Keep up the good work.

#### HONORING THE CAREER OF ARMOND "SKIP" SCIPIONE

#### HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Mr. KATKO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of Mr. Armond "Skip"



Scipione in recognition of his retirement from the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of New York after more than 40 years in public service, as the USAO NDNY Law Enforcement Coordination Manager. Mr. Scipione has demonstrated a profound commitment to his community and country during his long career in law enforcement and service in the U.S. Air Force and New York Air National Guard.

A graduate of East Syracuse-Minoa High School and Onondaga Community College, Mr. Scipione began his career in law enforcement in 1980 as a police officer for the Town of DeWitt Police Department. He subsequently went on to serve as an Investigator for the Onondaga County District Attorney's Office, where he prepared cases for over 100 homicide trials. In 2004, he was hired by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of New York as the Law Enforcement Coordination Manager. Mr. Scipione served in this role for 16 years, working to facilitate and support law enforcement efforts to increase safety and enhance the quality of life for our community.

In addition to his service in law enforcement, Mr. Scipione served his country in the U.S. Air Force and in the New York Air National Guard. During this time, he was deployed overseas on several occasions, and notably, supported efforts in Kuwait during Operation Desert Shield.

Outside of public service, Mr. Scipione is a devoted husband to his wife, Cindy, and a dedicated father to their three children. He is a proud grandfather to four grandchildren and dog owner to his German Shepherd, Amish.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in recognizing Mr. Armond "Skip" Scipione. As a dedicated public servant, I wish Mr. Scipione the best in his retirement.

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OPPOSING THE GROW ACT'S  
INCLUSION IN THE HEROES ACT

**HON. MARCY KAPTUR**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, I am very pleased the House took important action to support the pensions of millions of Americans in the HEROES Act. Action to secure the retirement benefits of workers and retirees in

troubled multiemployer plans and the long-term solvency of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) remains a top priority of mine. Despite this positive effort, I am troubled by inclusion of provisions that impact healthy multiemployer pension plans. The inclusion of the GROW Act, which possesses significant conflicting support and opposition on important, must pass legislation is deeply troubling. The GROW Act will hurt workers, retirees, employers and the PBGC, and should not become law.

Composite plan legislation would create two plans—an existing plan and a new "composite" plan—out of a single, finite pool of assets. This places added burden on the ability to fund each adequately, increasing the odds of failure. Existing plans could refinance their obligations over 25 years—more than 10 years longer than current law allows. This reduces available funds for benefits under existing plans, making them vulnerable to funding shortfalls—and thus at risk for draconian benefit cuts in times of market volatility. For example, if Congress had already passed the GROW Act and it was law during the market volatility COVID inflicted on the stock market, the benefits composite plan participants expected to earn would be cut 70 percent, and the vested benefits they already earned would be cut 25 percent. At the same time, the vested benefits of participants in the existing plan would be cut 21 percent.

In addition to using accounting gimmicks to weaken existing multiemployer pension plans and place Americans' retirement security at risk, composite plans would also make it easier for employers to withdraw from existing multiemployer pension plans altogether, without paying their fair share of obligations to participants. Under current law, employers withdrawing from a pension plan must pay a "withdrawal liability" based on their contribution to the plan. Provisions of the GROW act would eliminate withdrawal liability for composite plans, and it would dramatically reduce the cost of withdrawing from an existing plan.

Moreover, composite plans would not be insured by the PBGC and would be exempt from paying PBGC premiums. This erodes the PBGC premium base significantly. When combined with plan failures that composite plans would accelerate, the PBGC will face new liabilities that will drive it to a new solvency crisis. Because of the grievous harm the GROW Act imposes on workers, retirees, the PBGC, and the entire multiemployer plan system, I

strongly oppose its inclusion in the HEROES Act.

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JONES ACT 100TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 4, 2020*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, tomorrow June 5 marks the 100th anniversary of the Jones Act, our nation's federal law guaranteeing a fleet of US-built, flagged, crewed, and owned vessels ready to serve the American people.

The current coronavirus global pandemic has reminded us all the critical importance of this foundational federal law and having a vibrant US-flagged maritime industry. The global maritime trade ground to a halt due to quarantine, and countries like China ordered their government-sponsored enterprises to stop all exports of critical medicine and medical supplies, including personal protective equipment for healthcare workers and first responders.

The Jones Act ensures that our nation can remain self-reliant during peace time and times of conflict. In California alone, the US-flagged maritime industry supports more than \$12.2 billion annually in economic impact related to the American domestic shipping industry and over 51,000 good-paying jobs. Nationally, the domestic maritime industry supports 648,220 American jobs with approximately 40,000 vessels in the American domestic fleet.

Madam Speaker, most major developed countries including the European Union have cabotage laws like the Jones Act. Congress must continue to support our nation's maritime workforce by upholding the Jones Act and opposing deeply misguided efforts to undermine it. As a member of both the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on Armed Services, I plan to continue to do just that.

I hope all members of Congress will join me in that important work. In closing, I wish to mark this important milestone for the Jones Act by thanking the thousands of Americans working in our nation's maritime industry. I thank them for their invaluable work, day in, day out.