

my office extends special recognition to women on the Central Coast who have made a difference in our community. I would like to recognize one outstanding Women of the Year Award recipient, Kathleen Baushke from Santa Barbara, California.

Kathleen has had an immeasurable impact on our community through her work addressing our community's ongoing problem with family homelessness. She is the longtime Executive Director of Transition House, a multifaceted shelter, housing, and education nonprofit based in Santa Barbara. Under her leadership, Transition House assists more than 400 people every year. Approximately 70 percent of the families who work through Transition House's multi-stage programs move into permanent housing: a success rate of which few similar agencies can boast.

Beyond her work within Transition House, Kathleen has consistently reached outside the agency to provide logistical support, program advising, and financial expertise to other organizations assisting those experiencing homelessness. For example, Kathleen helped create the Landlord Liaison Program, within Transition House, that works with local landlords to house mainly homeless veterans and children.

Kathleen has served on the boards of other related nonprofits in Santa Barbara, including the St. Francis Foundation and Second Story, as well as on the advisory board of Storyteller Children's Center. She is also a founding member of the advocacy group National Coalition for Homelessness Solutions. She appears regularly in the media, at political events, and at community informational gatherings to advocate for compassionate, thoughtful, positive help for families and children experiencing crisis. As many as half of the homeless people in America are families with children, and Kathleen has brought immense relief to this vulnerable population, leading her agency, its amazing staff, and hundreds of community volunteers toward ongoing solutions.

She is a worthy candidate for this honor and a role model for community leaders of all kinds. I am honored to recognize Kathleen for her continued commitment to improving our community and the residents of Santa Barbara county. I ask all Members to join me today in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 24th Congressional District, Kathleen Baushke, for her incredible service to her community.

RECOGNIZING DR. BRUCE AMUNDSON ON HIS SERVICE TO THE WASHINGTON CHAPTER OF PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

**HON. ADAM SMITH**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to rise to honor Dr. Bruce Amundson on the incredible work he has done while serving on the Board of the Washington Chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility (WPSR) and congratulate him on his retirement.

Dr. Amundson was a member of the chapter for 40 years and served as president in 2014. As president he brought a much-needed re-

surgence of energy to the chapter. Through tireless effort and countless hours working with staff, contacting members, recruiting partners, and securing financial support, Bruce succeeded in bringing the chapter back to life, with a revitalized purpose for the health-based advocacy community. Under Bruce's leadership he grew the chapter to nearly 1,000 members, making it one of the most productive and successful in the country.

Bruce was vital in bringing a voice to the most critical public health issues of our time including nuclear proliferation, climate change, and more. Bruce was integral in helping establish the largest anti-nuclear coalition of its kind in the country, the Washington Against Nuclear Weapons Coalition. His dedication to community health advocacy was unmatched and his expertise, passion, and efforts will be deeply missed by the entire community. The state of Washington is lucky to have had such a thoughtful voice working for the greater good.

Madam Speaker, I thank Dr. Amundson for his dedicated service to the Washington Chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility where he never stopped working to bring the most pressing public health issues of our time to light, and I wish him a happy retirement.

HONORING EDDIE PAYTON

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable community servant, Mr. Eddie Payton.

Eddie Payton, a native of Columbia, MS, is a 1973 graduate of Jackson State University. While at Jackson State, Eddie was a four-year letterman, three-year all SWAC player, SWAC Offensive Player of the Year, Ebony All American, and NAIA All American.

Eddie was an NFL running back and kick returner who played five seasons in the NFL from 1977 to 1982. He played for the Cleveland Browns, Detroit Lions, Kansas City Chiefs, and Minnesota Vikings. In 1980, he led the NFL with 53 kickoff returns for 1,184 yards. Eddie is one of three Detroit Lions to register two touchdowns off returns in a single game. His 98 yard kickoff return for a touchdown is the fifth longest in Detroit history, and his 87 yard punt return stands as the third longest in franchise history. Eddie also played in the CFL for two seasons with the Ottawa Rough Riders and Toronto Argonauts and was the first player signed in franchise history with the Memphis Showboats of the WFL.

After retiring from the NFL, Eddie returned to Jackson State to take the helm of the men's golf program. In 1995 he started the women's golf program. During his 30 years at Jackson State, his men's golf team won 25 conference championships and his women's team won 16 conference championships. Additionally, his men's team won 8 National Minority Championships and his women's team won 4 National Minority Championships. Eddie was named SWAC Coach of the year 25 times and National Minority Coach of the Year 6 times. Eddie's teams made history by becoming the first teams from an HBCU to compete in the NCAA Men's and Women's Golf Champion-

ships. He has also had seven players to compete professionally. Eddie finished his career as the winningest coach in SWAC history.

Eddie has been inducted into the Marion County Sports Hall of Fame, Jackson State University Sports Hall of Fame, SWAC Hall of Fame, National Black Golfers Hall of Fame, and the African American Golf Association Hall of Fame.

Eddie is the Executive Director of the Payton Family Foundation, which has awarded 92 scholarships totaling over 3.1 million dollars. He is also a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. and a member of the Mississippi Athletic Commission.

Since his retirement, Eddie does his favorite past-times and can be found on the golf course, fishing or hunting.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Eddie Payton for his dedication and tenacity to serving the community and the desire to be an example for all.

IN CELEBRATION OF THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF PATRICIA LEZOTTE QUICK

**HON. DEBBIE DINGELL**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer my heartfelt congratulations to Patricia Lezotte Quick as she celebrates her 100th birthday. This significant milestone is worthy of commendation.

Over the course of her lifetime, Patricia Quick has become a pillar of Rockwood. Patricia was born in the city on August 15, 2020, and remained in Rockwood for the next 96 years. As the only child of Edith and Eugene Lezotte, Patricia had a happy childhood playing with neighborhood friends, seeing movies, canoeing the Huron River, and taking the inter-urban trolley from Rockwood to downtown Detroit. After receiving her license at the age of 12, Patricia enjoyed driving her 1924 Hudson Super 6 to Detroit to shop at her favorite stores and occasionally treat herself to a famous Sander's hot fudge cream puff. Throughout her youth, Patricia attended Rockwood Elementary School, St. Mary's Catholic School, and Rockwood High School, where she sang in choir, played basketball, and studied Latin. She also took ballet lesson, and continued dancing throughout her 20s. At the age of 18, Patricia began working at the Rockwood Post Office. She rose to the position of assistant postmistress, and then served as superintendent of postal operations until retiring in 1981. In 1940, she also worked as a U.S. Census worker throughout Rockwood, Brandon Township, and Romulus.

In 1943, Patricia married her husband, John Quick, and the two had an adventurous marriage for 73 years before John's passing in 2015. Together, they visited all 50 states, every Mexican state, and each Canadian province. Patricia is known for her optimistic attitude, love for nature and animals, and compassion for all. She has been active in animal rescue, her church, community service, and other civic organizations. Thanks to her immense knowledge of the city and love of history, Patricia was one of the founders of the Rockwood Area Historical Society in 1973 and

continues to be a historian for the City of Rockwood. Throughout her 100 years, Patricia has demonstrated a true passion for our community and all those in it. Her impact has transformed the city, and we will forever be grateful for her years of dedicated service.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating Patricia Lezotte Quick on her 100th birthday. I join with Patricia's friends in extending my best and warmest wishes to her on this special day. I am proud to honor her life, her accomplishments, and her invaluable contributions to our community.

RECOGNIZING THE CONFIRMATION  
OF REPRESENTATIVE JEAN  
FARMER-BUTTERFIELD TO THE  
NORTH CAROLINA EMPLOYMENT  
SECURITY BOARD OF REVIEW

**HON. G.K. BUTTERFIELD**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize and celebrate the confirmation of Representative Jean Farmer-Butterfield to the North Carolina Employment Security Board of Review.

Representative Farmer-Butterfield proudly represented Wilson County for nearly two decades in the North Carolina House of Representatives. During that time, she distinguished herself as a committed public servant and advocate for the people of Wilson County. Farmer-Butterfield was celebrated by her peers on both sides of the aisle for her powerful skills in negotiation and ability to find compromise amongst her colleagues. In her time serving in the North Carolina General Assembly, she rightly developed a reputation as a lawmaker capable of achieving goals through bipartisan agreement.

As a Representative, she was a champion of mental health and substance abuse issues, public schools and early childhood education, and economic development in Wilson County and throughout eastern North Carolina. For nine consecutive terms, Wilson County residents voiced their approval of Farmer-Butterfield's zealous and impactful advocacy for them and demonstrated their appreciation and confidence in her through their votes.

Now, she will continue her long career of public service on the Board of Review where her intellect and work ethic will benefit many across North Carolina. I commend Governor Cooper for his nomination of Representative Farmer-Butterfield and the General Assembly for confirming her appointment.

On behalf of the residents of the First Congressional District of North Carolina and especially those in Wilson County, I thank Representative Farmer-Butterfield for her many years of dedicated service in the North Carolina House of Representatives and wish her continued success on the North Carolina Employment Security Board of Review.

Congratulations, Jean.

AUGUST VETERAN OF THE  
MONTH: ROB MILLER

**HON. KEVIN HERN**

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mr. KEVIN HERN of Oklahoma. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the First District of Oklahoma's August Veteran of the Month, Major Rob Miller.

An Artillery Officer in the United States Marine Corps, Major Rob Miller honorably served our nation from 1983 to 1995. Major Miller is a combat veteran who served during Operation Desert Storm. Upon returning home from service, Major Miller followed his passion for service and has dedicated his life to public education.

Major Miller is currently serving as the Superintendent of Bixby Public Schools. Previously, Rob Miller served at Sand Springs Public Schools and Jenks Public Schools. Throughout his twenty-eight years in education, Rob Miller has earned numerous awards. In 2015, he was the Oklahoma Middle School Principal of the Year. He is also a National Association of Secondary School Principals National Finalist. Rob Miller's remarkable commitment to serving the students and families in our district is commendable.

In addition to working as the Superintendent of Bixby Public Schools, Miller is involved with the local veteran community. He has hosted ceremonies honoring veterans for many consecutive years on Veterans Day, and he has regularly participated in marathons honoring veterans. Miller is active in his community, where he is involved with his local church and is a member of the Bixby Rotary Club. Rob Miller answered the call to defend freedom across the globe and sacrificed whatever was necessary in the name of that noble cause. He continues to serve our country, community, and his fellow veterans. It is my honor to recognize Major Rob Miller as the First Congressional District of Oklahoma's August Veteran of the Month.

TRIBUTE TO DR. ANNE RODRIGUEZ—CALIFORNIA'S 24TH CONGRESSIONAL WOMEN OF THE YEAR

**HON. SALUD O. CARBAJAL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mr. CARBAJAL. Madam Speaker, each year, my office extends special recognition to women on the Central Coast who have made a difference in our community through the Women of the Year Award. I would like to recognize one outstanding Women of the Year Award Recipient, Dr. Anne Rodriguez from Santa Barbara, California.

Anne deserves to be recognized for her dedication and service to our community. As one of only two gynecologic oncology surgeons that serve Santa Barbara and the surrounding communities, she has dedicated her entire professional life to surgery and care of women with gynecologic and breast cancer. When patients are in Dr. Rodriguez's care, they receive immense compassion, hope, and expertise.

Outside of her medical practice, Anne serves our community in a variety of other ways. For the last four years, she has served on the Board of Directors of the Cottage Health System, is the Chair of the Department of Surgery at Cottage Hospital and sits on the Board of the Santa Barbara Breast Care Alliance. She was a founding Board member of the local chapter of Boys Team Charity, a philanthropic organization that teaches young men from 7th to 12th grade about the importance of giving back to the community through volunteering. Anne has volunteered with numerous local organizations, including the Goleta Public Library, Teen Court, Art from Scrap, the Santa Barbara Rescue Mission, Santa Barbara Bike Coalition, the Santa Barbara Zoo, Santa Barbara Wildlife Care Network, Montessori Center School, and the MAD Academy at Santa Barbara High School.

Anne is humble about the extent of the commitments she juggles and her importance to the lives of her patients; she will always step up to help the community or a patient in need. That incredible work ethic and spirit of service has made Anne a beloved resident of the Central Coast.

I ask all Members to join me today in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 24th Congressional District, Dr. Anne Rodriguez, for her incredible service to her community.

HONORING RATOYA GILMER

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable public servant. Attorney RaToya Gilmer was born and raised in Edwards, Mississippi, and still currently resides there. She earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Tougaloo College. Attorney Gilmer graduated from the University of Mississippi School of Law in May 2013. She was admitted to practice law in the state of Mississippi in September 2013. She is currently the managing partner at Gilmer and Green Legal Group, PLLC where the firm focuses on family law and personal injury cases. She is currently the President of the Magnolia Bar Association where she served as the community service committee co-chair and President of the organization.

She is currently a member of the Mississippi Bar Association, the Mississippi Association for Justice, the Metro Jackson Black Women Lawyers' Association, the Mississippi Women Lawyers' Association, Women for Progress, and a member of the 33rd Class of Leadership Greater Jackson.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Attorney RaToya Gilmer.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHARLES  
EZRA FERRELL

**HON. RASHIDA TLAIB**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 4, 2020*

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Charles Ezra Ferrell and his