

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANTHONY G. BROWN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. BROWN of Maryland. Madam Speaker, on October 2, 2020, I was absent from the House of Representatives. Had I been present, I would have voted "YEA" on Roll Call No. 217, on Agreeing to the Resolution Condemning unwanted, unnecessary medical procedures on individuals without their full, informed consent.

This resolution, which I am an original cosponsor of, rightfully condemns medical practices at the Irwin County Detention Center (ICDC), in Ocilla, Georgia, which may have resulted in unwanted and unnecessary surgeries that, in some cases, are reported to have resulted in life altering injuries to the reproductive health of immigrant women held at that facility. Reproductive health is an essential component of women's health and the rights of women to control medical decisions about their bodies is invaluable. This resolution states in no unwavering terms that any decisions made regarding the health of immigrants held in ICE custody must include informed consent. These are violations of individuals' human rights and must be investigated fully.

HONORING RODERICK BRADFORD

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

Roderick is a graduate of Grambling State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Management in 1999.

He has more than 20 years of management experience and seven-plus years of specialized experience in the financial services industry, after working for both Capital One and Chase Home Mortgage.

Roderick serves in the Men's Ministry at Calvary Baptist Church and is an active member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Roderick is a veteran of the United States Air Force, where he served his country from 1989 to 1991.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Roderick Bradford for his passion and dedication to serving Warren County and desire to make a difference in the community.

IN HONOR OF CHARLES REED

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Charles Reed of Huntingdon County for his service in the United States Army. He is an outstanding Pennsylvanian, and I am grateful for his service to our nation, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and our community.

In Pennsylvania and across the country, our veterans have served and sacrificed for Americans' freedom and our values. They answered the call to serve and fight for us—at a great cost. Truly, our veterans are the best of America.

In Congress, it is my privilege—and my responsibility—to stand up for those who have served our country in uniform, as well as to recognize these brave Americans. As a nation, we are indebted to them. On behalf of the 13th Congressional District, I thank Mr. Reed for his service to our nation and our community.

PAT WALKER RETIREMENT

HON. JOE CUNNINGHAM

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Pat Walker and her contributions to bettering the Lowcountry, one meal at a time. For the past eight years, Pat has served as the President and CEO of the Lowcountry Food Bank and helped increase their efforts for food distribution of underserved communities in our district.

Pat's entire life has been about service to others—from a 30-year career in education as a high school teacher and guidance counselor, followed by her 10 years at East Cooper Meals on Wheels as President and CEO prior to joining the Lowcountry Food Bank in 2012. As her friends and colleagues will tell you, Pat's job is not as much an occupation as it is higher calling. Her legacy to the organization includes exceeding all goals established by Feeding America and expanding into the 10 coastal counties of South Carolina with three food distribution centers along the coast.

Pat Walker will now get to enjoy a well-deserved retirement and can rest assured that her tenure at the Lowcountry Food Bank leaves a blueprint for further growth. I thank Pat for her service to the Lowcountry. It is leaders like her that make our community a better place for everyone to live.

HONORING CSU CHANCELLOR TIMOTHY P. WHITE

HON. RAUL RUIZ

OF CALIFORNIA

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Mr. RUIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize California State University (CSU) Chancellor Timothy P. White and congratulate him on his retirement.

Dr. White has left a lasting mark on California public education. His story is an inspiration to all, and I am grateful for the doors he has opened for students in my district and throughout the State of California.

Born in Argentina, Dr. White immigrated as a child with his parents to Canada and later to California. The first in his family to seek higher education, he earned his bachelor's degree from California State University, Fresno.

Dr. White continued his pursuit of learning—earning his master's at California State University, East Bay, and a doctorate in exercise physiology at the University of California, Berkeley. He then went on to serve as campus president of Oregon State University, the University of Idaho, and the University of California, Riverside (UCR).

While at UCR, I worked under Dr. White as a founding Senior Associate Dean of Community Engagement and Partnerships for UCR School of Medicine. Under his leadership and tenure, we successfully launched the UCR School of Medicine. Thanks to his commitment, the school has an impressive mission to improve health disparities, better the population's health in the region, and address the physician shortage crisis by recruiting underrepresented students from medically underserved communities.

Over his decades-long career, Dr. White carried with him his belief "in the profound possibility of potential." As CSU Chancellor, he worked to close the equality gap between underserved students and their peers by launching the Graduation Initiative 2025. While he led the nation's largest and most diverse four-year public education system, he also worked to ensure that students could see themselves represented in university leadership. With his commitment, the CSU system achieved more than 50 percent representation for women for campus presidents.

Dr. White is a man of great integrity and character. He is a leader who cares deeply for the people he serves and believes in the cause of education and health equity. I am honored to have worked with him at UCR and am thankful for his commitment to improving the lives of others through higher education. The State of California owes a tremendous amount of gratitude to Dr. White for his service to our state.

On behalf of the great people of California's 36th Congressional District, I thank Dr. White. I am thrilled to join his family and loved ones in celebrating his well-deserved retirement.

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