

who founded the Family and Children's Law Center to provide low-cost legal services to those with family law issues, including those suffering from domestic abuse.

Judge Adams was sworn in as a Judge of the Marin County Superior Court in 1999, marking the beginning of more than 24 years of service on the bench. During that time, she was elected by her fellow judges to serve as Presiding Judge and was selected by the Chief Justice of California as one of only nineteen judges to serve on the Strategic Evaluation Committee, entrusted with improving court administration across the state. Judge Adams' new role and responsibilities imbued her with the power to create meaningful change for self-represented litigants. She founded the Legal Self-Help Center of Marin, where those without attorneys could obtain assistance with filling out legal forms and gain general legal information. The center has provided for an immense need in Marin County.

Judge Adams has dedicated her illustrious career to empowering some of the most marginalized people of our community—children, women, victims of domestic abuse, and anyone else who must traverse the legal system without legal representation—to access our justice system. When Judge Adams was first appointed to the bench, Marin had only one specialty court. Almost 25 years later, Judge Adams' leadership and advocacy for undeserved populations has led to the creation of three specialty courts for mental health, domestic violence, and drug use.

Judge Adams' legacy is one of distinguished service to the County of Marin and worthy of distinction. Please join me in congratulating her as she accepts this prestigious lifetime achievement award and expressing our deep appreciation for her long and exceptional career and outstanding contributions to our legal system.

HONORING THE MILITARY SERVICE OF GENERAL DANIEL R. HOKANSON

HON. ANNA PAULINA LUNA

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Mrs. LUNA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor General Daniel R. Hokanson, the 29th Chief of the National Guard Bureau.

General Hokanson was born on June 27th, 1963, in Happy Camp, California, where he graduated from Happy Camp High School and attended the College of the Siskiyous before being accepted to the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York.

General Hokanson graduated from West Point with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering and was commissioned as an officer in the United States Army on May 28, 1986. Upon his graduation, General Hokanson spent several years in the United States Army where he served as an aviator with the 7th Infantry Division at Fort Ord, California, including a deployment to Panama for Operation Just Cause from 1989 to 1990. In 1990, he attended the Aviation Officer Advanced Course and AH-64 Combat Aircraft Qualification Course where he became qualified as an Apache pilot. He subsequently served with the 1st Battalion, 229th Aviation

Regiment, including command of Company B at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

In 1995, General Hokanson left the United States Army and joined the Oregon Army National Guard where he initially served as the Aide-de-Camp for the Adjutant General, Oregon National Guard. Following this assignment, he served in the Oregon Army National Guard in numerous roles to include Deputy Director of Army Aviation, Commander of the 641st Medical Battalion, and Commander of the 41st Infantry Brigade Combat Team.

General Hokanson decided to leave the great northwest in 2010 and pursue a career at the national level by accepting a promotion to brigadier general and assuming the position of Deputy Director for Strategic Plans and Policy, North American Aerospace Defense Command and United States Northern Command at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado. In 2012, General Hokanson was given the opportunity to move further east and serve as the Director of Strategic Plans and Policy at the National Guard Bureau in Washington, DC, where he was subsequently promoted to Major General.

After spending a few years away and gaining national-level experience, General Hokanson decided to move back home to Oregon in 2013 when he was selected to serve as the Adjutant General of the Oregon National Guard. Without a doubt, this assignment accelerated his leadership trajectory and set him up for future assignments in the National Guard, including the Deputy Commander of the United States Northern Command, the 11th Vice Chief of the National Guard, the 21st Director of the Army National Guard, and eventually his current position as the 29th Chief of the National Guard, where he has served since August 2020.

As Chief, General Hokanson led the National Guard through the COVID-19 pandemic, the withdrawal from Afghanistan, multiple major disasters, the overseas deployment of tens of thousands of National Guard Soldiers and Airmen, and the addition of 23 State Partnership Program nations. A tireless advocate for National Guard Soldiers, Airmen, and their families, General Hokanson and "Team 29" focused on ensuring the National Guard was fully integrated into the Joint Force. He championed the re-establishment of the Army National Guard's eight divisions and elevation of the Vice Chief of the National Guard to a four-star general. General Hokanson is married to his wife Kelly and all three of their children served in the military, following proudly in the footsteps of their father.

Please join me in appreciation for General Hokanson who has selflessly supported and defended our freedoms both at home and abroad, while ensuring our National Guard Soldiers and Airmen have remained, "Always Ready, Always There." Thank you, General Hokanson. May God Bless you, your family, and the United States of America.

COMMEMORATING TIARA YACHT'S

HON. BILL HUIZENGA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Tiara Yachts for

50 years of operation in West Michigan. Founded in 1974 by Mr. Leon Slikkers, this locally owned and operated boat manufacturer has remained committed to manufacturing the highest quality watercraft.

As a multi-generational, family-owned and operated business, the story of Tiara Yachts is a true representation of the American Dream. Mr. Slikkers began building boats in 1946 and founded his own boat company, Slickcraft, shortly after. He then sold this company to launch S2 Yachts, later known as Tiara Yachts, with his sons David and Robert. Together, they worked to revolutionize the marine industry, introducing the Tiara Powerboat in 1976.

With the next generation now at the helm, Tiara Yachts has stayed true to the vision Mr. Slikkers first established: designing and delivering a legacy of quality, innovation, and unrivaled customer experiences that withstand the test of time and continue to evolve with their customers' desires. It is evident that this family organization remains committed to producing the highest quality, American-made boats that provide a lifetime of joy and entertainment on the water.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Tiara Yachts as they celebrate their 50th Anniversary. I wish them all the best as they continue their legacy of success.

RECOGNIZING THE WINNERS OF THE JEFFCO PROSPERITY PARTNERS ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ambrosia Williamceau, Maria Abeyta, and Charlotte Williams for earning this year's JeffCo Prosperity Partners Achievement Awards.

The Achievement Awards are granted to recognize individuals of the JeffCo Prosperity Partners (JPP) Program and Head Start families who reach significant milestones in education, employment, and economic opportunity. The recipients must successfully graduate from the JPP Program, gaining skills in career development, academics, and financial literacy education.

This year's Achievement Award honorees are recognized for their outstanding determination and hard work during the JPP Program. Receiving this award demonstrates dedication to personal growth, distinguishing their drive for professional development and improving their lives on a multigenerational level.

On behalf of the people of Colorado's Seventh Congressional district, it is my honor to congratulate Ambrosia, Maria, and Charlotte on their incredible accomplishments and for receiving the 2024 JeffCo Prosperity Partners Achievement Award.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF MEALS ON WHEELS OF NORTHWEST INDIANA CEO SANDRA NOE

HON. FRANK J. MRVAN

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Mr. MRVAN. Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I take this time to recognize Sandra Noe and to congratulate her on her retirement from her position as Chief Executive Officer of Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana. Sandra's efforts to improve the quality-of-life for the aging community and those faced with disabilities throughout Northwest Indiana make her worthy of the utmost praise and our sincere gratitude. For her 38 years of unwavering dedication to the organization, Sandra will be honored at a retirement celebration taking place on Friday, July 19, 2024.

Since its humble beginnings in 1977, Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana has seen consistent growth, and its immense impact has been a source of pride throughout the community. During her illustrious tenure, Sandra has been instrumental in every aspect of the organization, from managing human resources to developing computer programs for food purchases and inventory control to assisting in a building expansion to construct two central kitchens. A testament to Sandra's outstanding leadership, Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana now delivers more than 2,000 meals each day to children and adults throughout the region and recently reached an incredible milestone, having served its 9 millionth meal. Under Sandra's direction, the organization has continued to thrive, and we as a community are truly grateful for her service.

In addition to her impressive career, Sandra has dedicated much of her time to charitable endeavors and organizations throughout the region. She has served on advisory boards for the Indiana University Northwest School of Public and Environmental Affairs, the advisory committee for Northwest Indiana Community Action, and as a board member and finance committee member for Meals on Wheels America. Notably, Sandra is a proud founding member of the board of the 219 Health Network, and she was named the 2015 recipient of the Influential Woman of Northwest Indiana Women in Non-Profit Award by the Northwest Indiana Influential Women Association, a prestigious accolade befitting her noteworthy career.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in recognizing the remarkable work of Meals on Wheels of Northwest Indiana and the lifetime of selfless service and tireless dedication of Sandra Noe. Her commitment to the Northwest Indiana community serves as an inspiration to us all, and we extend our best wishes upon her retirement in the years to come.

HONORING KATIE WHEELER MATHEWS

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the California Democratic Congress-

sional Delegation to honor the public service of Katie Wheeler Mathews, as she retires from her role as Senior Advisor for Federal Affairs for the State of California. Katie's career in state government spans over 36 years and is characterized by dedicated service, a bipartisan spirit, and a profound commitment to her home state of California.

Katie has worked across five gubernatorial administrations under both Democratic and Republican governors, demonstrating a unique ability to bridge political divides. Her tenure in Washington, D.C., has been marked by tireless advocacy for California's policy priorities and effective collaboration with our congressional offices and other federal partners. Prior to that, she spent eight years in the California Governor's office in Sacramento, fostering partnerships and crafting solutions across geographical divides.

Katie has been a formidable advocate for California's interests before Congress, across multiple federal administrations, and before organizations such as the National Governors' Association and the Western Governors' Association. Her understanding of complex policy issues and ability to navigate the intricacies of federal-state relations have made her a valuable member of the Governor's office, including her work in recent years to support California's leadership on climate, immigration, and combatting the fentanyl crisis. Katie's extensive government experience and relationships with leaders on both sides of the aisle have solidified her reputation as a trusted advisor to many.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in extending a heartfelt appreciation to Katie Wheeler Mathews for her outstanding service to the State of California and in wishing her the best in her next chapter. California is better for her service, and we thank her for it.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LAUREL M. LEE

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Ms. LEE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 353; YEA on Roll Call No. 354; and YEA on Roll Call No. 355.

HONORING PRETRIAL, PROBATION AND PAROLE SUPERVISION WEEK

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Nation's community supervision professionals, who are dedicated public servants and perform many vital roles in their work with justice-involved adults and juveniles. Community supervision professionals identify opportunities and services to help justice-involved individuals contribute to society, while holding them accountable for their actions. They remain mindful of their role in protecting public safety.

In honor of Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week 2024, we salute all those

who have chosen this important career. In the District of Columbia, we especially thank the employees of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia (CSOSA) and the Pretrial Services Agency for the District of Columbia (PSA) for their service. CSOSA and PSA are models of excellence in community supervision. The theme of Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week 2024 is "Wellness Unveiled: Navigating the Journey."

Community supervision agencies are valuable partners of other government agencies, nonprofits, neighborhood-based groups and all who strive to make our Nation safer and stronger. We extend our gratitude to community supervision professionals and encourage all people to recognize their many achievements as we proclaim July 21–27, 2024, as Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week 2024.

HONORING MR. GENE LEEHAN'S RETIREMENT FROM CLEAR CHANNEL OUTDOOR NORTH AMERICA

HON. TROY E. NEHLS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Mr. NEHLS. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to congratulate a fellow Texan upon his retirement on July 19th. Mr. Gene Leehan is a past president of the Outdoor Advertising Association of Texas (OAAT) and has worked in the out of home advertising industry for 38 years. Mr. Leehan is retiring from his position as Executive Vice President and Senior Regional President of Clear Channel Outdoor North America (CCOA).

Over the years, CCOA and the Texas association have been key partners with federal and state agencies in times of emergency, using outdoor advertising assets to display important public messaging. This partnership has been valuable to constituents in my district, and to all Texans, including recently with Hurricane Beryl.

In recognition of his many industry contributions, Mr. Leehan was inducted into the out of home advertising Hall of Fame in 2015. Mr. Leehan's public service also includes work with the National Multicultural Western Heritage Museum, a Texas non-profit that recognizes pioneers of the American western frontier.

Again, I want to congratulate Mr. Leehan on a long and fulfilling career.

CELEBRATING MRS. KIMBERLY LEACH-WRIGHT ON 40 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE

HON. ABIGAIL DAVIS SPANBERGER

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Ms. SPANBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commend Mrs. Kimberly "Kim" Leach-Wright for her outstanding service at the U.S. Department of Justice, Executive Office for Immigration Review.

For more than 40 years, Mrs. Leach-Wright has been a dedicated public servant. She