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The House met at 3:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BUCSHON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
October 4, 2024.

I hereby appoint the Honorable LARRY BUCSHON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Spirit of the living God, make Your presence known to us this day. For it is Your spirit that guides and directs us throughout the course of our comings and goings. It is Your spirit that counsels and advises us when we are faced with challenges and dilemmas. It is Your spirit that comforts us in the uncertainty and anxieties of our lives.

Knowing that You are in our midst in all that we do and endure, may we reflect Your spirit of gentleness when we encounter those who are, as we often are, ensnared by their own bad decisions, trapped in their own bad attitudes.

Without ourselves falling into our natural inclinations to shun and deride and having been ministered to by the power of Your spirit and our wrongdoing and set right by Your own endless mercy, may we serve as Your agents of grace to those who have strayed from the right.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us, break our willfulness, melt our coldness, mold our kindness, and fill us with Your peace.

In Your eternal name we pray.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

Thereupon (at 3 o'clock and 32 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-5535. A letter from the Program Analyst, OBPA/USDA, National Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Tribe or Tribal Organization Sponsor Option for Watershed Projects [Docket ID: NRCS-2023-0020] (RIN: 0578-AA72) received August 28, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5536. A letter from the Counsel, Bank Activities, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury,

transmitting the Department's final rule — Business Combinations Under the Bank Merger Act [Docket ID: OCC-2023-0017] (RIN: 1557-AF24) received September 25, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-5537. A letter from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's Major final rule — Regulation NMS: Minimum Pricing Increments, Access Fees, and Transparency of Better Priced Orders [Release No.: 34-101070; File No. S7-30-22] (RIN: 3235-AN23) received September 26, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-5538. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — In the Matter of Amendment of Section 73.622(j), Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations (Cape Girardeau, Missouri) [MB Docket No.: 24-176; RM-11984; DA 24-891] received September 26, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5539. A letter from the Chief, Revenue and Receivables, Financial Operations, Office of Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — In the Matter of Review of the Commission's Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2024 [MD Docket No.: 24-861]; Assessment and Collection of Space and Earth Station Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2024 [MD Docket No. 24-85] received September 26, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5540. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — In the Matter of Amendment of Section 73.622(j), Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations (Boise, Idaho) [MB Docket No.: 24-152; RM-11982; DA 24-870] received September 26, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5541. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — In the Matter of Amendment of

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Section 73.622(j). Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations (Augusta, Georgia) [MB Docket No.: 24-153; RM-11983; DA 24-865] received September 26, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5542. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's direct final rule — Administrative Changes to Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure [NRC-2023-0210] (RIN: 3150-AL09) received September 6, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5543. A letter from the General Counsel, Selective Service System, transmitting the System's final rule — Freedom of Information Act Regulations (RIN: 3240-AA03) received September 26, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-5544. A letter from the Chief Administrative Officer, U.S. House of Representatives, transmitting the Statement of Disbursements of the House of Representatives covering the period July 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024, pursuant to pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 553sa (H. Doc. No. 118-170); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

EC-5545. A letter from the Acting Regulations Specialist, Office of Subsistence Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Subsistence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska—2024-25 and 2025-26 Subsistence Taking of Wildlife Regulations [Docket No.: FWS-R7-SM-2022-0105; FXFR13350700640-245-FF07J00000] (RIN: 1018-BG72) received September 26, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-5546. A letter from the Biologist, Office of Protected Resources, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Taking of Marine Mammals Incidental to Commercial Fishing Operations; Amendment to the Atlantic Pelagic Longline Take Reduction Plan [Docket No.: 240624-0175] (RIN: 0648-BN14) received September 26, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-5547. A letter from the Social Insurance Specialist, Regulations Writer, Office of Regulations and Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Setting the Manner of Appearance of Parties and Witnesses at Hearings [Docket No.: SSA-2022-0013] (RIN: 0960-AI71) received September 6, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. SMITH of Missouri: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 9462. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against tax for charitable donations to nonprofit organizations providing education scholarships to qualified elementary and sec-

ondary students; with an amendment (Rept. 118-707, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Education and the Workforce discharged from further consideration. H.R. 9462 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Ms. BONAMICI (for herself, Mr. POSEY, and Mr. BEYER):

H.R. 9912. A bill to require the Subcommittee on Ocean Science and Technology of the National Science and Technology Council to establish the Interagency Working Group on Coastal Blue Carbon, require the Interagency Working Group to produce a national map and inventory of coastal blue carbon ecosystems, require the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to carry out pilot programs to protect intact and restore degraded coastal blue carbon ecosystems, require the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution to establish the Coastal Carbon Data Clearinghouse, require the Administrator to seek to enter into an agreement with the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine to conduct an assessment regarding geologic stores of carbon dioxide, require the Administrator to establish the Coastal Blue Carbon Inventory Program, and require the Administrator to conduct a national assessment to quantify the carbon sequestration potential of coastal blue carbon ecosystems; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology, House Administration, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CLYDE (for himself, Mr. BAIRD, Ms. HAGEMAN, Ms. TENNEY, and Mr. LAMALFA):

H.R. 9913. A bill to prohibit the Federal Communications Commission from promulgating or enforcing rules regarding disclosure of artificial intelligence-generated content in political advertisements; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. COHEN:

H.R. 9914. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for the establishment of grocery stores in certain underserved areas; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CURTIS:

H.R. 9915. A bill to permanently extend the first right of refusal for the purchase of tribal assets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. DE LA CRUZ (for herself, Mr. CORREA, Mr. NEHLS, and Mr. WILLIAMS of New York):

H.R. 9916. A bill to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study relating to 1-800-MEDICARE; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FINSTAD (for himself, Mr. BERGMAN, and Mr. VEASEY):

H.R. 9917. A bill to modify procurement requirements relating to rare earth elements and strategic and critical materials by contractors of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California:

H.R. 9918. A bill to exclude from gross income certain relief payments to the victims of the Chiquita Canyon elevated temperature landfill event; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GOLDEN of Maine (for himself and Mr. PFLUGER):

H.R. 9919. A bill to amend title 39 of the United States Code to require the Postmaster General to be appointed by the President, subject to Senate confirmation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas (for himself, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mr. McCaul, Mr. OWENS, Mr. DUNCAN, Ms. MACE, Ms. VAN DUYNE, Mr. BACON, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Mr. STAUBER, and Mr. FEENSTRA):

H.R. 9920. A bill to include sexual assault and aggravated sexual violence in the definition of aggravated felonies under the Immigration and Nationality Act in order to expedite the removal of aliens convicted of such crimes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana (for himself and Mr. SCALISE):

H.R. 9921. A bill to amend the Delta Development Act to include the parish of Terrebonne as a Delta Regional Authority area; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ISSA (for himself and Mr. FITZGERALD):

H.R. 9922. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for transparency and oversight of third-party beneficiaries in civil actions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JACKSON of Texas:

H.R. 9923. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 505 East 9th Avenue in Amarillo, Texas, as the "Mayor Jerry H. Hodge Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. LANDSMAN (for himself, Mr. LUTTRELL, Mr. DELUZIO, Mr. VAN ORDEN, Mrs. CHERFILUS-MC CORMICK, Ms. BROWNLAY, and Mr. KENNEDY):

H.R. 9924. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish standard practices for a grant or pilot program administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs through the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. LEE of Nevada (for herself and Mr. LATURNER):

H.R. 9925. A bill to establish a process to furnish to State educational agencies certain demographic data regarding members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. MACE:

H.R. 9926. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to carry out a program under which all Federal funds for elementary and secondary education are provided directly to parents of eligible children or approved by parents for distribution to schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of

such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. MACE (for herself, Mr. DONALDS, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. LANGWORTHY, Mr. POSEY, Ms. BOEBERT, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. MOONEY, Mr. MILLS, and Ms. MALLIOTAKIS):

H.R. 9927. A bill to terminate the Shelter and Services Program of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. MALLIOTAKIS:

H.R. 9928. A bill to reduce the number of, and shorten the time between, pay grade steps for officers and members of the United States Park Police, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS:

H.R. 9929. A bill to provide funding to the Bureau of Prisons, States, and localities to carry out mental health screenings and provide referrals to mental healthcare providers for certain corrections officers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MOORE of Alabama (for himself, Ms. SEWELL, and Mr. ELLZEY):

H.R. 9930. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to include surviving children in the definition of small business concern owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. NADLER (for himself, Mr. CORREA, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. SWALWELL, Ms. NORTON, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. LIEU, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Ms. WATERS, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. LEE of California, and Mr. CARSON):

H.R. 9931. A bill to provide bankruptcy relief for student borrowers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NEWHOUSE:

H.R. 9932. A bill to prohibit the United States Postal Service from using funds to close small post offices or perform mail processing facility reviews in election years, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. PANETTA (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. LIEU):

H.R. 9933. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to design and implement a foreign military officer subject matter expert exchange program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PANETTA (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. LIEU):

H.R. 9934. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to make permanent the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide transportation to and from Department of Veterans Affairs facilities in connection with vocational rehabilitation or counseling; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. PEREZ:

H.R. 9935. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a refundable tax credit for the addition of skirting to certain manufactured homes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. SPANBERGER (for herself and Mr. MOLINARO):

H.R. 9936. A bill to amend the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 with respect to workforce development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mrs. SYKES (for herself, Mr. EVANS, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 9937. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to deny interest and depreciation deductions for taxpayers owning 5 or more single family properties; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WESTERMAN (for himself and Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California):

H.R. 9938. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to establish a time-limited conditional approval pathway, subject to specific obligations, for certain drugs and biological products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. WITTMAN (for himself, Ms. MCCLELLAN, Mr. COSTA, and Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS):

H.R. 9939. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, to conduct a study on existing efforts of hospitals with respect to electronic automated referrals for purposes of organ donation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. DINGELL:

H. Res. 1531. A resolution expressing support for designation of the week of October 6, 2024, through October 12, 2024, as "Latex Allergy Awareness Week"; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mrs. DINGELL (for herself and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H. Res. 1532. A resolution expressing support for designation of the week of October 4, 2024, through October 10, 2024, as "World Space Week"; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FRY (for himself, Mr. ISSA, Mr. BIGGS, Mrs. HOUCHEIN, Mr. DUARTE, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, Mr. GUEST, Mr. CRENSHAW, and Mr. CARL):

H. Res. 1533. A resolution reaffirming United States support of the State of Israel one year after the October 7, 2023, attacks; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. THOMPSON of California (for himself, Mr. HORSFORD, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. COHEN, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. COSTA, and Mr. VEASEY):

H. Res. 1534. A resolution recognizing the 15th anniversary of Outdoor Afro; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. VAN DREW:

H. Res. 1535. A resolution expressing support for the month of September as "Founding Fathers' Month"; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia (for herself and Mrs. SYKES):

H. Res. 1536. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of "National Nonviolence Week" to raise awareness of youth violence in the United States; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY AND SINGLE SUBJECT STATEMENTS

Pursuant to clause 7(c)(1) of rule XII and Section 3(c) of H. Res. 5 the following statements are submitted regarding (1) the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or

joint resolution and (2) the single subject of the bill or joint resolution.

By Ms. BONAMICI:

H.R. 9912.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Coastal blue carbon ecosystem research, protection, and restoration.

By Mr. CLYDE:

H.R. 9913.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18: [The Congress shall have Power . . .] To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To prohibit the Federal Communications Commission from promulgating or enforcing rules regarding disclosure of artificial intelligence-generated content in political advertisements.

By Mr. COHEN:

H.R. 9914.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1 Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Taxation

By Mr. CURTIS:

H.R. 9915.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

A bill to permanently extend the first right of refusal for the purchases of Tribal assets.

By Ms. DE LA CRUZ:

H.R. 9916.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study relating to 1-800-MEDICARE.

By Mr. FINSTAD:

H.R. 9917.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

Modifying procurement requirements relating to rare earth elements and strategic and critical materials by contractors of the Department of Defense.

By Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California:

H.R. 9918.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

The single subject of this legislation is:

To exclude certain payments to victims related to the Chiquita Canyon elevated temperature landfill event from gross income.

By Mr. GOLDEN of Maine:

H.R. 9919.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, clause 18

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend title 39 of the United States Code to require the Postmaster General to be appointed by the President, subject to Senate confirmation, and for other purposes.

By Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas:

H.R. 9920.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To include sexual assault and aggravated sexual violence in the definition of aggravated felonies under the Immigration and Nationality Act in order to expedite the removal of aliens convicted of such crimes.

By Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana:

H.R. 9921.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Delta Regional Authority Areas

By Mr. ISSA:

H.R. 9922.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, clause 18 allows Congress to make all laws "which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution" any "other" powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States.

According to the Supreme Court, the Necessary and Proper Clause gives Congress the "power to make laws for carrying into execution all the judgments which the judicial department has power to pronounce" (Wayman v. Southard, 10 Wheat. 1, 22 (1825)), and, thereby, Congress has "undoubted power to regulate the practice and procedure of federal courts." See Sibbach v. Wilson & Co., 312 U.S. 1, 9 (1941).

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for transparency and oversight of third-party beneficiaries in civil actions.

By Mr. JACKSON of Texas:

H.R. 9923.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 505 East 9th Avenue in Amarillo, Texas, as the "Mayor Jerry H. Hodge Post Office Building".

By Mr. LANDSMAN:

H.R. 9924.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section VIII

The single subject of this legislation is:

To establish standard practices for a grant or pilot program administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs through the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes.

By Ms. LEE of Nevada:

H.R. 9925.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1 provides Congress with the power to "lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises" in order to "provide for the . . . general Welfare of the United States."

The single subject of this legislation is:

Military Data

By Ms. MACE:

H.R. 9926.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Secretary of the Treasury to carry out a program under which all Federal funds for elementary and secondary education are provided directly to parents of eligible children or approved by parents for distribution to schools.

By Ms. MACE:

H.R. 9927.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To terminate the Shelter and Services Program of the Federal Emergency Management Agency and transfer unobligated balances to be made available for necessary expenses to carry out the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act

By Ms. MALLIOTAKIS:

H.R. 9928.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18

The single subject of this legislation is:

To reduce the number of, and shorten the time between, pay grade steps for officers and members of the United States Park Police, and for other purposes.

By Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS:

H.R. 9929.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill provides grant funding for mental health services for Bureau of Prison employees

By Mr. MOORE of Alabama:

H.R. 9930.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Amends the Small Business Act to allow for children of a service disabled veteran owned small business (SDVOSB) to run such business for a transition period of not more than 3 years after the veteran's death.

By Mr. NADLER:

H.R. 9931.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Judiciary

By Mr. NEWHOUSE:

H.R. 9932.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 7

The single subject of this legislation is:

To prohibit the United States Postal Service from using funds to close small post offices or perform mail processing facility reviews in election years, and for other purposes.

By Mr. PANETTA:

H.R. 9933.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18

The single subject of this legislation is:

Creates a subject matter expert exchange program among senior military leaders in the United States and Middle East partners.

By Mr. PANETTA:

H.R. 9934.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18

The single subject of this legislation is:

Reauthorizes a Department of Veterans Affairs program providing transportation services to or from VA facilities or other locations.

By Ms. PEREZ:

H.R. 9935.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I of the U.S. Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

Taxes

By Ms. SPANBERGER:

H.R. 9936.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

U.S. Constitution, Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

A bill to grant the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service direct hiring authority

By Mrs. SYKES:

H.R. 9937.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill addresses owning 50 or more single family properties.

By Mr. WESTERMAN:

H.R. 9938.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Interstate Commerce Clause: Clause 3 of Section 8 of Article I

The single subject of this legislation is:

Pharmaceutical approval and safety

By Mr. WITTMAN:

H.R. 9939.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1 Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Planning and Evaluation to conduct a study on electronic automated deceased donor referrals. The study and accompanying report shall include recommendations on how to remove barriers to implementing such referrals, identify costs of installing the system, savings in staff time, the impact on organ donation volumes, best practices, and organ donor referral criteria that can be standardized across technologies to promote its broader adoption.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 321: Mr. GRIJALVA.

H.R. 472: Mr. BACON.

H.R. 528: Mr. PHILLIPS.

H.R. 534: Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. TITUS, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. COSTA.

H.R. 584: Mr. GRIJALVA.

H.R. 670: Mr. WILLIAMS of New York.

H.R. 724: Mr. CARBAJAL.

H.R. 866: Ms. BUDZINSKI, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. SAR-BANES.

H.R. 889: Mr. ROGERS of Alabama.

H.R. 1002: Ms. HOYLE of Oregon, Ms. BUDZINSKI, Mr. CASE, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. COSTA, Ms. TITUS, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. LIEU.

H.R. 1045: Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER and Ms. PETTERSEN.

H.R. 1200: Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS.

H.R. 1232: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana and Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 1235: Ms. BUDZINSKI, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. NADLER, Mr. SAR-BANES, Mr. THANEDAR, and Mr. GALLEGOS.

H.R. 1239: Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 1280: Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 1406: Mr. SUOZZI.

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H.R. 1465: Ms. BUDZINSKI.

H.R. 1491: Mr. LIEU.

H.R. 1572: Mr. VASQUEZ, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. CASE, Mr. LANDSMAN, Mr. CROW, and Ms. SCANLON.

H.R. 1610: Mr. LAHOOD.

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H.R. 1834: Mr. PHILLIPS.

- H.R. 2370: Mr. LARSON of Connecticut.
 H.R. 2402: Mr. CARBAJAL.
 H.R. 2413: Mr. VASQUEZ.
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 H.R. 2471: Mr. DELUZIO.
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 H. Res. 1530: Mr. David SCOTT of Georgia, Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE, Mr. LALOTA, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. MENG, Mr. IVEY, Mr. COSTA, and Mr. CARL.



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Senate

The Senate met at 10 and 2 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable GEORGE S. HELMY, a Senator from the State of New Jersey.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mrs. MURRAY).

The senior assistant executive clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, October 4, 2024.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable GEORGE S. HELMY, a Senator from the State of New Jersey, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATTY MURRAY,
President pro tempore.

Mr. HELMY thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 8, 2024, AT 2:30 P.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 10 and 32 seconds a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 2:30 p.m.

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EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING SENIOR CHIEF PETTY OFFICER WALTER MILLER LAVENDER II, USN, RETIRED, WITH A CONGRESSIONAL VETERAN COMMENDATION

HON. PETE SESSIONS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor retired USN Senior Chief Petty Officer Walter Miller Lavender II, of Lorena, Texas, by presenting him with a Congressional Veteran Commendation. His remarkable accomplishments reflect a life dedicated not only to the greater good but also to his community and his country, exemplifying the values that define true patriotism.

Walter began his journey at Cisco Junior College on a football scholarship and gained recognition as an award-winning boxer. He later transferred to Midwestern State University but chose in 1961 to enlist in the United States Navy, answering a higher call to serve.

Trained as a medic, he was first stationed in Guam, where he honed his medical skills and survived the devastating Super Typhoon Karen in 1962. His resilience and commitment were further demonstrated during two tours in Vietnam. In 1965, as a Combat Medic with the 7th Marines near Quy Nhon, he provided critical care to wounded soldiers under fire. In 1970, aboard the helicopter carrier USS *Iwo Jima*, he was responsible for evacuating casualties, ensuring that injured service members received timely medical attention.

Walter also served aboard the USS *Dewey* and the USS *Ward*, showcasing versatility and leadership across multiple assignments. After over 22 years of distinguished service, he retired in 1983 as a Senior Chief Hospital Corpsman from the Marine Corps Reserve in Waco, Texas.

His exemplary service is reflected in the numerous decorations he received: the Presidential Unit Citation, Navy Unit Commendation, five Good Conduct Awards, the National Defense Service Medal, the Republic of Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device, the Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation Gallantry Cross, and the Seventh Fleet "Shell Back" Recognition aboard the USS *Dewey*.

Following his military career, Walter continued to serve his community as a Radiologic Technologist in local hospitals until his retirement in 2014. He also served as a Municipal Court Judge in the 1980s, demonstrating his ongoing commitment to public service.

Today, he remains actively involved as the treasurer of the Heart of Texas Vietnam Veterans Association Chapter 1012 and serves as a health and wellness advisor and PTSD mentor at the Waco Veterans One-Stop and the Heart of Texas Behavioral Health Network. His dedication to supporting fellow veterans and their families highlights his belief in service beyond self.

Those who know Walter describe him as embodying the values of duty, honor, and country. His selfless commitment to helping others continues to inspire all who meet him.

To honor his sacrifice and service, I am pleased to award retired USN Senior Chief Petty Officer Walter Miller Lavender II with a Congressional Veteran Commendation.

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF TMCO

HON. MIKE FLOOD

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. FLOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate five decades of innovation, excellence, and leadership by one of Nebraska's foremost industrial leaders and economic drivers: TMCO.

Over the last half century, TMCO has earned a reputation as a cornerstone of Nebraska's growing economy. What began with just eight machines in a small shop—smaller in square footage than most apartments—has grown into a symbol of economic opportunity, proving that hard work and vision are still rewarded in our country.

TMCO's impact extends far beyond creating jobs and fueling Nebraska's economy. Its commitment to community engagement has built a legacy of uplifting the very communities that it serves. From mentoring the next generation to supporting local events and art installations, TMCO and its employees have always put Lincoln and Nebraska first.

Given all of this and more, it's no surprise that TMCO has thrived for five decades. From its leadership to its employees, the company's reputation for quality manufacturing, coupled with its deep community involvement, has made it a pillar of the Lincoln economy.

On behalf of the people of the first district, I want to extend our best wishes for TMCO's continued success.

I look forward to another five decades of remarkable leadership and community engagement.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF MS.

LAURIE HADLEY

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the career of Ms. Laurie Hadley as she retires after nearly 14 years of service as the City Manager of Round Rock, Texas. With over 37 years working in local government, Ms. Hadley has been an integral part of Round Rock's transformation into one of the most dynamic and well-managed municipalities in Texas.

During her tenure, Round Rock grew to 140,000 residents and became a major hub

for economic development, attracting international industries and serving as the world headquarters for Dell Technologies. Under her leadership, the city expanded its medical facilities, welcomed two university campuses, and bolstered its transportation infrastructure.

Notably, Ms. Hadley spearheaded the largest bond election in the city's history, securing \$274 million to enhance public safety, parks, and infrastructure. Her focus on cementing Round Rock's reputation as a destination for business and tourism is further exemplified by her role in bringing Kalahari Resorts & Conventions to the city—one of her many achievements that will leave a lasting legacy.

Beyond infrastructure and economic development, Ms. Hadley's commitment to the people of Round Rock has fostered a stronger, more connected community. Ms. Hadley announced her plans to retire in December 2024, marking the end of a remarkable era of leadership. Her pride in Round Rock's transformation is evident, and her visionary leadership will continue to benefit the community for years to come.

On behalf of the United States House of Representatives, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Ms. Hadley for her dedicated service and wish her all the best in her well-deserved retirement.

HONORING NEW JERSEY'S SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT'S HOMETOWN HEROES

HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. KEAN of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the hometown heroes, first responders and law enforcement, who keep us safe every day. In recognition of National Police Week in May, my office put out a call for nominations for the first NJ-07 Law Enforcement Hometown Heroes initiative. Twenty-two law enforcement professionals from across New Jersey's 7th Congressional District were nominated by their chiefs and supervisors for the outstanding work they do every day. It is my honor to play a small role in recognizing their efforts as a token of appreciation for the difficult and often thankless task of keeping our communities safe. I will always support these men and women in blue. In recognition of their bravery and commitment, I would like to include in the RECORD the names of these twenty-two Hometown Heroes: Officer Alyse Brown, Sparta Township Police Department, Staff Sergeant Brent Hawkswell, New Jersey State Police, Officer Connor Strohm, Readington Township Police Department, Sergeant Daniel Kern, Hopatcong Police Department, Lieutenant Donald Sretenovic, New Providence Police Department, Lieutenant Douglas Baylor, Phillipsburg Police Department, Detective Elizabeth Savnik, Westfield Police Department, Corporal

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Gretchen Malone, Hunterdon County Sheriff's Office, Officer Jarren Mann, Hunterdon County Sheriff's Office, Officer Jessica Gutsick, High Bridge Police Department, Officer John M. Simonetti Jr., Mount Olive Police Department, Captain Jonathan Rachel, Springfield Police Department, Captain Michael Jackson, Mountainside Police Department, Captain Miguel Acabou, Clark Police Department, Officer Nicholas J. Villa, Raritan Township Police Department, Patrolman Peter Zabita, Hopatcong Police Department, Corporal Ryan Kamieniencki, Far Hills Police Department, Captain Scott Rayack, Rahway Police Department, Lieutenant Thomas Polito, Bedminster Township Police Department, Sergeant Timothy Richard, Bernardsville Police Department, Sergeant Tracy Baldassare, Bernards Township Police Department, Officer Vincent Conti, Scotch Plains Police Department. We are grateful for the commitment and sacrifice they make every single day.

HONORING COLONEL TIMOTHY EARL BOOK

HON. SCOTT PERRY
OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I'm honored and humbled to recognize the distinguished career and tireless service of Colonel (Col.) Timothy Earl Book, United States Air Force, upon the auspicious occasion of his retirement after 30 years of selfless and loyal service to our Nation.

Col. Book's legacy—most recently as Assistant Professor and Director of Strategic Management Systems at the United States Army War College—is a testament to his unwavering commitment and dedication in myriad ways.

Col. Book's service began in 1989, when he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. He initially served as an F-16 crew chief in Misawa, Japan and Spangdahlem, Germany. He separated briefly to pursue higher education, while working in aviation maintenance, and was commissioned in 2000 through Officer Training School at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. On the horrific day of September 11, 2001, then-Second Lieutenant Book was in pilot training. He served in Operations Iraqi Freedom, Noble Eagle, Inherent Resolve, and Enduring Freedom—where his exceptional performance earned him numerous awards and commendations, to include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, four Meritorious Service Medals, six Air Medals, and an Aerial Achievement Award. His talents were further used as Branch Chief at United States Strategic Command, where he successfully integrated the Joint All-Domain Command and Control with the Nuclear Command, Control, and Communications Branch, streamlining operations and eliminating redundancies.

Col. Books military career concludes as a command pilot with 4,152 flight hours—1,376 in combat—a flight instructor and evaluator pilot in the RC-135 and E-3 AWAVS aircrafts, and having served in theaters around the globe. He has served in key positions across Squadron Wing, Headquarters Air Staff, and Combatant command levels, and notably deployed to U.S. Central Command as Director

of Operations for the 763rd Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron—leading over 1,000 Airmen in the operation and maintenance of a \$712 million aircraft fleet, finally executing 645 critical missions. He went on to lead the 55th Operations Support Squadron at Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska, commanding 234 personnel while providing operational support to twelve active component and two Air National Guard squadrons across five worldwide locations—further demonstrating his leadership and excellence at all levels.

In addition to his exceptional service, Colonel Book is fiercely dedicated to education; he's earned three Masters Degrees, and currently is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Command, Leadership, and Management at the United States Army War College. His instruction of graduate-level Joint Professional Military Education for Joint and Coalition Officers and select civilian members of the U.S. Government, and his contributions to the design, execution, and evaluation of care and elective curricula and research projects, underscore his commitment to our Nation and his critical role in shaping future leaders of America.

Colonel Book is fiercely dedicated to his wife, Julia, with him tirelessly on their lifetime of service, and his sons, John and Colin. Their sacrifices and unwavering support were pivotal to Colonel Book's successes and legacy, as were the sacrifices of the Veterans upon whose shoulders he stood throughout his career.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful Nation, I commend and render heartfelt thanks to Colonel Timothy Book for his unwavering dedication, tireless service, and faithful duty to the United States of America.

RECOGNIZING APPLE VALLEY POLICE OFFICER JORDAN MACK

HON. ANGIE CRAIG

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Ms. CRAIG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank and honor Apple Valley Police Officer Jordan Mack for his courageous service during the tragic February 18th incident in Burnsville, MN which lost officers Matthew Ruge and Paul Elmstrand and firefighter/paramedic Adam Finseth.

Officer Mack provided mutual aid support to Burnsville and was in the Bearcat and helped extract the mortally wounded officers and the rest of the Burnsville staff that were on scene.

Officer Mack has been with his hometown Apple Valley Police Department since 2019. During high school he was part of the local Police Explorer Post and earned a bachelor's in law enforcement from Winona State University. Prior to joining the Apple Valley Police Department, he worked as a park ranger for the Dakota County Sheriff's Office.

I'm grateful for Officer Mack's service to Apple Valley, Burnsville and Minnesota. He represents the best of law enforcement and it is a privilege to represent him in Congress.

RECOGNIZING RICHARD AND BERNADETTE KRINGE'S 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize outstanding constituents from my district, Richard and Bernadette Kringe, as we celebrate their golden wedding anniversary.

Richard Kringe and Bernadette Kringe were married on September 14, 1974 in Philadelphia, PA and soon moved to Croydon, PA where they have lived ever since. Rich recently retired from a life-long career as a plumber, and Bern was a school bus driver for many years: gaining the moniker "Driver."

They raised two sons, Rich and Bob, and instilled in them the importance of family. They are also the proud grandparents of RJ, Dennis, and Jack.

Congratulations to Rich and Bern on their golden milestone anniversary.

CELEBRATING MS. LILLIE CUNNINGHAM'S 110TH BIRTHDAY

HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. ADERHOLT. Mr. Speaker, Lillie Cunningham, of Florence, Alabama, has hit a milestone in her life that few will ever reach. Born in 1914, she celebrated her 110th birthday on September 26, 2024.

It's difficult to imagine how different times were when Lillie was born. President Woodrow Wilson was in his first term as President, the United States had not yet entered World War I, and movies still had no sound.

Lillie has lived a life of service to her community, volunteering with the kitchen ministry at her church, and exemplifying a true servant heart in all she does.

When Lillie turned 108, she joked that she had found a secret diet that was responsible for allowing her to live to that age. Now, when asked how she has made it to 110 years old, Lillie says that there is no secret. Instead, she contributes her long, healthy life to the grace of God. Even at 110 years old, Lillie continues to do some of her favorite activities, such as cooking and finishing puzzles.

Despite all the festivities surrounding her birthday, which included: receiving a golden key to the city, a proclamation designating September 26, 2024, as Lillie Cunningham Day, and being sent over two hundred cards from people across the nation, Lillie never neglects reading her Bible.

I want to personally wish Lillie a Happy 110th Birthday. I pray that she will enjoy many more birthdays surrounded by those who love her and care for her. I know that her servant heart and love for her community will continue to inspire all those who have had the privilege of knowing her for years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I hope the entire United States House of Representatives will join me in sending our best wishes to Lillie as she continues to celebrate this remarkable milestone in her life.

Happy Birthday, Ms. Lillie.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
MAUREEN KINDEL

HON. JIMMY GOMEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. GOMEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mourn the loss of Maureen Kindel, who passed away on September 26, 2024 at the age of 86.

Maureen was a longtime civic leader who mentored and advised dozens of elected and appointed officials in Los Angeles and was a special contributor to the political, educational, and business life of our city. As an adviser to Mayor Tom Bradley, she was appointed as the first woman in the history of the city to serve as President of the Los Angeles Board of Public Works. In that role, she initiated the city's first program to increase the participation of minority and women-owned businesses in public contracting. Maureen was a leader in business: she co-founded two prominent public affairs and lobbying firms, and was a founding director of the Los Angeles Business Federation, the Los Angeles Business Council, and the Pacific Council on Foreign Relations.

Maureen served as a member of the Organizing Committee for the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles, and founded the LA84 Foundation alongside Rafer Johnson, Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Gil Vasquez, and Peter Ueberroth. She also helped organize the hugely successful Los Angeles Summer Arts Festival preceding the games.

In addition, Maureen contributed her personal and professional passion to public education. She helped design, organize, and lead three major education summits in Los Angeles, integrating participation by business and civic leaders, educators, and public officials in examining the status and acute needs of the public education system. For her years of service, Maureen received many honors and awards, including the Los Angeles League of Women Voters Founder's Award. Among her proudest achievements was working with President Nelson Mandela when he was released from prison and after he was elected President of South Africa.

Maureen is survived by sons Tom and Gerry Flintoft, daughters-in-law Ingrid and Jannette, and grandchildren Chelsea, Stefan, Collin, Caroline, and Aidan.

Mr. Speaker, I hope everyone will join me in mourning the loss of Maureen Kindel and celebrating her dedication to a life of service.

HONORING THE 85TH BIRTHDAY OF
FORMER REP. JOHN LAFALCE

HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor former Rep. John J. LaFalce on his 85th birthday.

Born on October 6, 1939, in Buffalo, New York, John LaFalce has served, throughout his entire life and career, as a public servant to

the American people. He undoubtedly gave his very best to representing the needs of every American, and Western New York will never forget the care, attention, and dedication that Rep. LaFalce provided for our community.

Rep. LaFalce began his career of service in Vietnam, where he committed himself to fighting to protect American values and democracy. After rising to the rank of Captain in the United States Army, LaFalce returned home to Western New York. Continuing his journey and commitment to service, John LaFalce decided to run for the New York State Senate and later for the New York State Assembly. While in the Legislature, LaFalce worked tirelessly for his constituents.

After a successful few years in New York State politics, at the age of 35, LaFalce ran to represent the people of New York's 36th congressional district. Serving in Congress for almost three decades, Congressman LaFalce achieved an incredible list of legislative and personal accomplishments. LaFalce worked hard to provide Western New York with quality representation, whether through his advocacy for residents in his district affected by the Love Canal disaster, or through Renewal Community legislation that greatly benefitted Buffalo, Rochester, and Niagara Falls.

While achieving so much for Western New Yorkers, LaFalce also pushed forward legislation that has had a monumental impact on all Americans. Specifically, during his time on the Committee on Small Business and the then-Committee on Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs, Rep. LaFalce crafted consequential legislation, including the Financial Services Modernization Act and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, which both revolutionized the United States' banking and financial sector.

Today, we honor John J. LaFalce on his 85th birthday. We also celebrate his ongoing commitment to serving Western New York, and his inextinguishable desire for seeking to better his community. I, and many Western New Yorkers thank him tremendously for his service to our region, and to our country.

HONORING TAMMIE HOLLAND

HON. CORI BUSH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Ms. BUSH. Mr. Speaker, I, along with the people of St. Louis, rise today to honor and commemorate the exceptional life and legacy of Ms. Tammie Holland, a beloved on-air media personality and a voice for the community. Ms. Holland used her platform to connect with and inspire her listeners, engage with community issues and promote positive change. Her voice served as a guiding light to the St. Louis region for over three decades and will remain forever imprinted on our hearts.

Tammie Holland, a St. Louis native, broke barriers for Black women throughout her work at "Majic 108" KMJM, KDHX radio, Channel 5 KSDK-TV and Channel 46 WWRB-TV. We can all remember her as our morning motivator on the Breakfast Crew with co-host Tony Scott. She continued to break barriers becoming the leading voice on FOXY 106.9 FM's first all-Black female radio show.

Throughout her life, Tammie always centered love for her community. Her career re-

flected her unwavering commitment to her audience. She gave back in countless ways, always showed up, and used her voice to help whenever she could. Her warmth and authenticity and sweetness brought comfort to many.

On behalf of Missouri's First District, our prayers are with her beautiful daughter, Meadow, her family, her friends, and all who loved her. Tammie Holland has built a remarkable legacy, and she will continue to inspire future generations.

HONORING THE LIFE OF THE REV-
EREND DR. CHARLES EDWARD
KIRBY, SR.

HON. MORGAN McGARVEY

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. McGARVEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the remarkable life of Reverend Dr. Charles Edward Kirby, Sr., a true servant of our community and an extraordinary and iconic Louisvillian.

Reverend Kirby was born in 1928 in Trigg County, Kentucky, "a real country place," and for nearly a century, he lived a life dedicated to serving his Lord and the people of Kentucky. After coming to Louisville and with the support of just a handful of dedicated followers, Reverend Kirby answered a divine call and established the work of his life, the Southern Star Missionary Baptist Church, in the 1950s. Under his leadership, the church quickly grew to 34 members and secured its first permanent building, but Reverend Kirby knew he wanted to expand his reach, and he made Southern Star the first church to broadcast live services on WLOU Radio.

Reverend Kirby was called to a still higher mission, and he became one of Louisville's great civil rights leaders. He joined 10,000 Kentuckians, alongside Martin Luther King Jr., in a 1964 demonstration in Frankfort advocating for equal public accommodations for Black Americans, and Southern Star Missionary Baptist Church served as a vital meeting place for civil rights groups in Louisville throughout the civil rights movement. Reverend Kirby spoke out against injustice wherever he saw it, and he held a number of demonstrations against investments in Apartheid South Africa and used his voice and his influence to attend open housing marches in Louisville where he, side by side with other community leaders, marched into white neighborhoods for multiple nights in 1967. Eventually, the Kentucky Fair Housing Act was passed.

In 1972, his deep commitment to service led him to establish the Martin Luther King Free Food Store, a pioneering food distribution program run from his church. He was recognized by Louisville and Jefferson County for feeding thousands of people citywide, and he even received an Outstanding Community Service Award. Years later, Reverend Kirby became president of the Kentucky Southern Christian Leadership Conference, from which he received the Chapter of the Year Award and a Leadership Award.

Reverend Kirby's influence extended beyond his church and civil rights work. He began recording gospel music in 1961 and produced records well into the 1980s. His gospel classic "Lord Come On," was recorded

live right at Southern Star, and his album "God is Real" made its way onto digital streaming platforms in the 2000s.

Reverend Kirby was born to sharecroppers who worked for just a dollar a day. He was born in a state and country that did not consider him fully, equally human. He did not let that stop him from changing Louisville and the Commonwealth of Kentucky. A believer in the promise of a life in paradise after this imperfect life on Earth, Reverend Kirby sang from the pulpit, "come on, and let's go to that land where I am bound." Go on, Reverend Kirby, to your eternal rest.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in honoring the life and legacy of Reverend Dr. Charles Edward Kirby Sr. His leadership, compassion, and service will continue to inspire, and his memory will live on in the hearts of those who were touched by his work, his voice, and his unwavering commitment to justice.

HONORING JIMMY TORRES-VÉLEZ AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR HIS-PANIC HERITAGE MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Jimmy Torres is the executive director of APM/Iniciativa, Florida, that advocates for the improvements and advances of the Puerto Rican and Latino communities in our communities in Orlando, Kissimmee, and other geographical areas that are part of District Nine.

With the support and collaboration of many, Iniciativa has built opportunities for students, teachers, working people, and new residents of our greater Orlando/Kissimmee community.

As part of his employment responsibilities, Jimmy coordinated the 1199 SEIU Retirees political program in Florida in support of the thousands of healthcare workers represented by the union in the state.

He holds a master's from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and has been a professor at the University of Puerto Rico.

Jimmy has been a community activist for the last 40 years and has worked in many Puerto Rican and Latino communities throughout the United States.

As part of his work, he has created communication and educational spaces on radio, TV, and social media, and has published opinion columns in newspapers.

Jimmy has experience in political-legislative work, adult education, and the development of mobilization projects, and he is a founder of the Boricua Vota Movement.

Currently, he is the vice president of the National Puerto Rican Agenda and chair of the Civic Engagement and Action Communities that strategize ways of mobilizing and representing 5.9 million Boricuas in the United States.

RECOGNIZING ANDREW MICHAEL HUFFMAN WITH A CONGRESSIONAL VETERAN COMMENDATION

HON. PETE SESSIONS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to present Andrew Michael Huffman, of Centerville, Texas, with a Congressional Veteran Commendation. His servant's life reflects the hard work and dedication that exemplifies the best of our East Texas values.

Andrew Huffman entered active duty at Fort Snelling, Minnesota in June of 2006 at age nineteen. As Operation Enduring Freedom gained momentum, Air Force Security Force deployments to Afghanistan accelerated as the Taliban were driven from power and the Air Force moved in and secured bases in country. He served as protector and defender ensuring Air Force, joint and coalition forces were safe. The duty assignment was intensely dangerous as Andrew was once thrown from the top of an MRAP and out of a HUMVEE on two separate occasions in Afghanistan and later on assignment in Iraq. Andrew suffered two traumatic brain injuries, and his back was broken bringing him stateside for healing.

In 4 years of service, Senior Airman Huffman completed extensive training in law enforcement, criminal justice and combat tactics and was rewarded many times. Huffman earned the Army Achievement Medal, Meritorious Unit Award, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, Air Force Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with one Service Star, Iraq Campaign Medal with one Service Star, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Air Force Overseas Ribbon Short, Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Force Longevity Service, Air Force Training Ribbon and NATO Medal.

After war, Andrew struggled through alcohol and prescription drug addiction treatment programs but found success with the Retrieving Freedom program with his service dog, Wilson. Andrew helped grow a service dog non-profit, Bella's Buddies, while earning his college degree. In a new mission, Andrew began to speak at area schools, helped foster relationships with Cadets at Texas A&M, and regularly met with Veterans groups in the region and visited VA patients on a regular basis.

As Bella's Buddies grew, it developed connections to groups like Zac Brown's Camp Southern Ground, where Andrew served as a facilitator using dogs to guide veterans to better opportunities in life and living forward no matter what.

Andrew found personal love marrying Samantha over a year ago. Andrew now teaches and coaches at Buffalo Elementary while mentoring boys how to fix things around campus. He also coaches High School cross country and just joined the Centerville Volunteer Fire Department. Andrew still volunteers with Bella's Buddies as well as Rebuilding Warriors, a service dog group out of Madisonville.

Senior Airman Huffman has seen how fleeting life is on the battlefield, and in personal matters. Fortunately, for Andrew, he is figuring

out that a key to a successful life is by serving others and celebrating their victories.

I proudly commend Andrew Michael Huffman, of Centerville, Texas to his friends, family, and colleagues, and salute his service to the Air Force, his country and community of Centerville by awarding him the 2024 Congressional Veteran Commendation.

RECOGNIZING ABRAHAM WILLIAMS

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Dr. Abraham Williams. I am proud to join the Bowling Green community in celebrating his retirement as Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Bowling Green.

Dr. Williams began his career as Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Bowling Green in September of 1995. Since then, he has been an inspiration to the community working to make everyone around him better. Aside from overseeing 600 Units of public housing, 36 Section 202 units, and 20 elderly housing units, Dr. Williams served on the Kentucky Housing Board of Directors and numerous other local boards dedicated to community service. Dr. Williams' career was devoted to empowering people to be self-sufficient and creating six non-profits under the Housing Authority and seeing great success with eighty percent of the Reach Higher's program graduates achieving full-time employment. For his dedication, he and the Bowling Green Housing Authority have been the recipient of many honors including HUD's Housing Authority of the Year and NAHRO's National Award of Excellence. In 2022, he received an Honorary Doctorate of Public Service from Western Kentucky University.

A proud husband, father, and grandfather, Dr. Abraham Williams is looking forward to spending more time with his wife, Mildred, and his family. I thank him for his career of service and dedication to the people of Bowling Green.

CELEBRATING FLY CREEK CIDER MILL & ORCHARD

HON. MARCUS J. MOLINARO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. MOLINARO. Mr. Speaker, today, I stand before you to recognize the remarkable community destination, Fly Creek Cider Mill & Orchard. A pillar of upstate New York and a landmark in the Cooperstown area, Fly Creek Cider Mill has been providing incredible, one-of-a-kind touring and tasting experiences since 1856.

Small family-owned businesses like this make upstate New York the heart of family traditions. The mill creates apple wines and hard ciders from 100 percent New York state grown apples, and visitors can experience the cider making process through the mill's most recent Learning Center. A testament to local cuisine, Mill Store Marketplace is the heart of

activity offering more than 150 specialty food products made on site. As a result of years of hard work and dedication, USA Today recognized Fly Creek Cider Mill & Orchard as the No. 1 best cidery in the U.S. for 2024. Passed down for three generations in the Michaels family, this honor is well deserved and a testament to the orchard's historic legacy.

Visitors experience the delicious food and drinks, the welcoming hospitality, and the family-oriented culture in every trip. Fly Creek Cider Mill is truly special to the community, and it is important we honor and recognize their legacy and continued growth.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in celebrating Fly Creek Cider Mill & Orchard as a pillar of Cooperstown that deserves to continue to be enjoyed and cherished by families and generations to come.

TRIBUTE RECOGNIZING ST. LUKE'S OF THE MOUNTAINS EPISCOPAL CHURCH'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the centennial milestone of St. Luke's of the Mountains Episcopal Church, a cherished institution in La Crescenta, California.

St. Luke's traces its roots back to the early 1920's when Canon Burson Renison, an Episcopal missionary and founder of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Los Angeles, began visiting the Crescenta Valley area to establish a new church. After meeting with renowned American portrait artist S. Seymour Thomas and his wife, Helen, who had fled their home in Paris, France during World War I to relocate in La Cañada, the Thomas and Canon Renison began planning for the new church. The inaugural service was held in a school auditorium on November 25, 1923, and on the following Easter Sunday, April 20, 1924, 179 people gathered to lay the church's cornerstone on land donated by Pasadena philanthropist Louise Janvier. The church was believed to have been named by S. Seymour Thomas after St. Luke, the biblical saint who was an artist and medical practitioner.

Nestled in the beautiful foothills of La Crescenta, the new church, as a result of Mr. Thomas' artistic vision, was reminiscent of the California missions and chapels of the French countryside. The church's look is distinctive because it was constructed from rocks and stones that Mr. Thomas chose on his hikes in the local mountains and that the new parishioners gathered. On Christmas Day in 1925, the church opened its doors for its first service and in 1931, St. Luke's was admitted as a parish church of the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles.

From its beginning, St. Luke's of the Mountains Episcopal Church thrived and grew, becoming the center of, and the spiritual home for, the greater La Crescenta community. The church has steadfastly followed its mission of service for one hundred years, meeting the spiritual needs of the community, continuing to positively impact the Crescenta Valley area. Some of St. Luke's programs include a community garden to support its Food Justice pro-

gram, the Fire House youth center which is open to all youth, free breakfasts for middle school children, and participation in local civic organizations that host food drives and programs for foster children.

I am proud to recognize St. Luke's of the Mountains Episcopal Church upon its 100th anniversary, and I invite all Members to join me in honoring this remarkable institution.

PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 100TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF ABRAMS MEMORIAL CHURCH OF DENTON, MARYLAND

HON. ANDY HARRIS

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. HARRIS. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamation in honor of the 100th year anniversary of Abrams Memorial Church in Denton, Maryland.

Whereas, the Abrams Memorial Church was established in 1924 as the Kings Apostle Holy Temple Holiness Church of Good by Mother Carrie Virginia Curry and;

Whereas, it has served God with passion and commitment throughout its existence and;

Whereas, it has served the local community in Denton and the surrounding area and;

Whereas, on October 19, 2024 the church is commemorating its 100th year anniversary;

Now, Therefore, I, Andy Harris, Member of Congress, do hereby proclaim and celebrate Abrams Memorial Church in Denton, Maryland on its 100th anniversary.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF DAISY BARNES

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention today to recognize the 100th birthday of Daisy Barnes.

Daisy was born to Willie Andrew and Sally Ann Hooks Barnes on October 11, 1924, in Lapine, Alabama. On May 16, 1942, she married the love of her life, Charlie W. Sankey. They were married 68 years before his death in 2010 and were blessed with nine children: Theodias Sankey (deceased), Charlie Lee Sankey, Willie Sankey, Daisy Sankey Henderson, Dorothy Sankey Brown, Doris Sankey, Diana Sankey Motley, David Sankey and Danny Sankey.

Daisy attends Rockdale Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Samuel Robinson and has served as an usher and deaconess. She is also a founding member of The Sunrising Five gospel group and sang with them for over 50 years.

Daisy is full of laughter and is a fabulous dresser. She loves gardening, cooking and caring for her family. She is also a member of Eastern Star.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing Daisy on this milestone and wishing her a very happy 100th birthday.

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF KAWASAKI MOTORS MANUFACTURING

HON. MIKE FLOOD

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. FLOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate fifty years of one of Nebraska's crucial industrial leaders and centers of innovation: Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing.

Over its five decades of growth in Lincoln, Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing has demonstrated great stability and leadership. Through it all, Kawasaki has remained a key driver of Nebraska's economic growth, burnishing its reputation as a globally competitive manufacturing company.

Starting as a fledgling motorcycle assembly plant in 1974, Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing has expanded to produce ATVs, Utility Vehicles, and even passenger railcars.

To this day, Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing holds to the highest standards, maintaining a commitment to manufacturing innovative products of the highest quality.

With its strong leadership and dedicated workforce, it is clear why Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing has flourished for the past fifty years.

On behalf of the people of the first district, I want to extend our best wishes for Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing's continued success and growth.

May Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing continue to flourish over the next fifty years and serve as a global beacon of Nebraska's innovation.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF MASTER SERGEANT KAHLIL "KD" WARNER

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I proudly salute Master Sergeant Kahlil "KD" Warner as he retires after 22 years of honorable service in the United States Army. Throughout his extraordinary military career, MSG Warner embodied the duty, honor, and loyalty that makes the U.S. Army the world's premier fighting force.

Kahlil served in various logistics positions during his unique and distinguished career. He held numerous tactical and organizational leadership roles within Brigade Combat Teams and served in the elite 75th Ranger Regiment. In addition to leading our Nation's sons and daughters, Kahlil helped train the next generation of Soldiers as an Advanced Individual Training Instructor and advised leaders at the Defense Logistics Agency Distribution Headquarters.

I had the privilege of meeting Kahlil when he was selected to participate in the prestigious Army Congressional Fellowship Program and became my Defense Fellow. After his tenure as my Defense Fellow, MSG Warner went on to serve as the Military Construction Legislative Liaison for the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management

and Comptroller. In this role, he maintained a close relationship with my office and assisted other Members and staff in understanding the Army's policies, requirements, and actions.

Kahlil's accolades include the designation of "Demonstrated Senior Logistian" from the Society of Logistics Engineers, FY 2019 Office of the Secretary of Defense Enlisted Member of the Year and is a member of the U.S. Army Forces Command Sergeant Audie Murphy Club. With six combat deployments across Iraq and Afghanistan and receiving numerous awards and commendations, including a Purple Heart, MSG Warner has dedicated his life to serving our nation.

On behalf of the United States House of Representatives, I extend my heartfelt thanks to Master Sergeant Kahlil Warner for his 22 years of distinguished service. It is a privilege and an honor to recognize his selfless service to our Nation. I wish him, his wife Anna, and their five boys all the best in the years to come as he embarks on a well-earned retirement.

CELEBRATING THE MORRIS COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE ON THEIR 200TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. KEAN of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate and congratulate the Morris County Prosecutor's Office on its 200th anniversary. I am extremely grateful to be able to celebrate this incredible milestone with the Prosecutor's Office and the Morris County community. As an office of integrity, the Morris County Prosecutor's Office stands on the principles of justice, fairness, and a commitment to attentive response to the public. This truly selfless office is dedicated to ensuring the safety of those in Morris County. By cooperating with law enforcement, the members of the office work to reduce crime and protect the families of Morris County. As we reflect on the past 200 years of the Morris County Prosecutor's Office, it is clear they have exceeded the expectations of their community, and I know they will continue to do so for the next 200 years. I am honored to represent such an amazing community in the 7th Congressional District, and I look forward to what the future holds.

HONORING 50 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE BY CITY COUNCILMAN CHARLIE MIRANDA

HON. KATHY CASTOR

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Ms. CASTOR of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career and contributions of Tampa City Councilman Charlie Miranda who is a fierce leader and public servant. We celebrate the 50th anniversary of Charlie being elected to Tampa City Council. Few public servants have served the City of Tampa with such steadfast and personal devotion. As he continues his ninth term. I congratulate and

thank Charlie for the incredible impact he has had on our Tampa Bay Community.

Charlie is a quintessential Tampeño-born and raised in Ybor City, the son of a Cuban father and a mother born in Ybor City to Spanish parents. He grew up speaking both Spanish and English in public housing, surrounded by a community of working-class families. Back in the day, Ybor City was a cigar capital of the world. People in Charlie's Ponce De Leon Court neighborhood spent their evenings playing dominoes, catching up with neighbors on front porches and talking baseball. This community shaped Charlie's devotion to Tampa. Seeing the way people in Ybor took care of each other inspired his work on behalf of Tampa neighbors, such as proposing three healthcare clinics for 10,000 city workers, their dependents, and retirees to provide low-cost treatment alternatives.

Charlie attended Thomas Jefferson High School and graduated in 1959. After high school, he began working, usually multiple jobs at a time. At one of those jobs, he met Shirley—his true partner in all he has accomplished and the love of his life. At age 21, Charlie married Shirley. Shirley was a true public servant herself who I was blessed to work with as she tirelessly gave back to her neighbors. I miss Shirley every day.

As they did all things, they raised their three children together: Yvette, Danette and Frank. Before the advent of computers, Charlie supported his family by calculating payouts at Tampa's Jai-Alai fronton. In addition to serving as a City Councilman, Charlie still holds a job he has worked since 1988, serving as a steward for the State of Florida Horse Racing at Tampa Bay Downs.

When Charlie first ran for City Council in 1974, his campaign slogan was: "Who cares? Miranda Cares." Currently, in his ninth term of serving on the City Council, Charlie Miranda has not stopped caring about the people of Tampa. Charlie is a levelheaded, practical leader with a focus on the issues that impact people's quality of life, like public safety, mass transportation and affordable housing. His work on water issues has been invaluable to City residents and businesses, and to every mayor during his service. His institutional knowledge and commitment to improving the city's basic infrastructure have been critical to Tampa's growth and the quality of life for all of us. The Tampa Bay Times said. "Miranda is the council member residents turn to when they have a problem. He is open, accessible and accountable, a strong advocate for open government and a voice for the little guy."

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of my neighbors across the Tampa Bay area and the citizens of Florida, I am proud to honor Charlie Miranda for his service to the City of Tampa. Hardworking and selfless public servants like Charlie make Tampa the welcoming and generous place it is today. Our community is better for Charlie's immense contributions.

HONORING DR. JOSEPH SPEICHER

HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Joseph Speicher,

a mental health professional and Chief Executive Officer of South County Mental Health Center. Dr. Speicher earned the rank of corporal when he served in the United States Army. He served as a marine engineer working on supply boats originating from Cam Ranh Bay and continued through the waters of South Vietnam during the 1968 Tet Offensive, one of the largest military campaigns of the Vietnam War.

Dr. Speicher earned an undergraduate degree in Sociology and a master's in social work. He obtained a Doctoral degree in Public Administration from Nova Southeastern University. Dr. Speicher has been with the South County Mental Health Center (SCMHC) for 48 years, working as an Intake Evaluator, Case Manager, Team Leader, and Vietnam Veteran Outreach Therapist. He has served as Chief Executive Officer for 29 years with exceptional leadership.

As CEO, Dr. Speicher has ensured that adults and children of Palm Beach County have access to quality behavioral health and substance abuse care. He oversees a wide range of health care professionals, and SCMHC's outpatient programs serve over 600,000 residents in Palm Beach County. Dr. Speicher also serves our community as a member of the Board of Directors for the Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network.

I admire Dr. Speicher's dedication to health care and his service to the people of South Florida. I am proud to recognize him today and celebrate his contributions to our community.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF JUDGE NANCY LEO

HON. TOM McCLINTOCK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. McCLINTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and service of The Honorable Nancy Leo, who passed away on July 29, 2024, at the age of 64.

Judge Leo was born and raised in California, where she attended El Camino Real High School. After graduation, Judge Leo attended California State University, Northridge, where she earned a bachelor's degree in marketing in 1981. Afterwards, her love of the law led her to Santa Barbara College of Law to earn her Juris Doctorate before passing the California Bar in 1990.

Judge Leo began her distinguished legal career at the Stanislaus County District Attorney's office. In 1996, she was elected to the Stanislaus County Municipal Court and two years later, she was elevated to the Stanislaus Superior Court, where she primarily presided over criminal cases. Despite the challenging nature of these cases, Judge Leo was known for her thoughtful, kind, and deliberate approach, treating everyone in her courtroom with the utmost respect. Her commitment to justice in Stanislaus County earned her the respect of her colleagues on the bench, court staff, and community justice partners.

Judge Leo's passions extended beyond the courtroom, as she was also an avid music lover, particularly enjoying The Beatles, Frank Sinatra, and Dean Martin. Additionally, she loved baking her famous Christmas cookies

for her friends and family. Throughout her life, Judge Leo developed a love for Hawaii, which she considered a second home. She travelled frequently to visit the island of Oahu, where she married her husband, Douglas Leo.

Judge Leo is survived by her husband, step-daughters, and beloved grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, Judge Nancy Leo spent her life honorably serving the community in her judicial capacity for over 27 years. It is with a heavy heart that I rise today to honor her memory.

**HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF
SERGEANT MAJOR ANTHONY
SWANN**

HON. ABIGAIL DAVIS SPANBERGER

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Ms. SPANBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Retired U.S. Marine Corps Sergeant Major Anthony Swann for his leadership and countless contributions over the 14 years that he served as the Peer Services Director at the Virginia Department of Veterans Services.

Sgt. Maj. Swann's career began with 27 years of dedicated military service. Throughout his time in the U.S. Marine Corps, he demonstrated his commitment to duty while gaining valuable leadership skills and the respect of his peers. Following his time in the Marines, Sgt. Maj. Swann transitioned to the Virginia Department of Veterans Services. At DVS, he worked to develop peer support services and has continued to serve his fellow Veterans and their families as Peer Services Director. His vision and leadership in addressing the diverse needs of our Commonwealth's Veterans—particularly as it relates to mental health, housing, and reintegration into civilian life—have served as a blueprint that will continue to provide guidance for years to come.

I want to especially thank Sgt. Maj. Swann for his advocacy and work on behalf of Veterans contending with post-traumatic stress disorder. His dedication to service is matched only by his compassion for those he serves—making him a trusted leader and advocate for Virginia's Veterans.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in honoring Sgt. Maj. Anthony Swann. His commitment to public service and dedication to our country has been immeasurable. I would like to congratulate him on an exceptional career and wish him the best on his well-earned retirement.

HONORING ALEX SAMUEL CLOUD

HON. LAUREN BOEBERT

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Ms. BOEBERT. Mr. Speaker, last month, Colorado lost Alex Samuel Cloud, a member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe who passed on August 13, 2024, at the age of 58 survived by two daughters, Somer and Jada Cloud. Alex departed this earthly life too early, yet he left a legacy of service to his Tribe and his community.

He was born to Elliot Cloud and Phoebe Kent on March 29, 1966, and grew to be a respected mentor to the youth and a dedicated leader to all. He provided a strong pillar of spiritual support for his family and was known never to turn anyone down when asked for prayers. He learned this from his beloved grandfather Bonny Kent, who was a roper and cattleman, served on the Southern Ute Tribal Council, and was a role model and father figure for Alex. With his grandfather's example, Alex developed dedication to preserving his Ute identity and culture, and he excelled in his knowledge of tribal history and governance.

Alex was known as an avid softball and basketball player. His passion for sports was evident in his 15 years of service in leadership roles, including that of coach, for the Southern Ute Tribe's Recreation Department. There, he exemplified the importance of hard work and encouraged countless young people to excel in academics and athletics.

As was his destiny, Alex's leadership for the youth developed into a leadership position for all his people upon election to Tribal Council, Alex served nine years on the Southern Ute Tribal Council, including three years as Vice Chairman, representing a Tribe known as a leader among Indian Country. Alex Cloud lived with passion and passed with honor. His legacy serves as an inspiration to all, a testament to the power of love, service, and a deep connection to one's heritage. His family and community miss him greatly but are now blessed by his prayers from heaven—Punikyavaat sama'ara (see you sometime, translated by Dr. Stacey Oberly) Alex egap.

**RECOGNIZING EARNEST WAYNE
BARRON WITH A CONGRESSIONAL
VETERAN COMMENDA-
TION**

HON. PETE SESSIONS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to present Earnest Wayne Barron, of Huntsville, Texas, with a Congressional Veteran Commendation. His servant life reflects the hard work and dedication that exemplify the best of our East Texas values.

Earnest Barron entered active duty at Corpus Christi, Texas, in April of 1966 at twenty years of age. Earnest served with honor during the Vietnam War, setting the stage for a life of hard work and service to his family, country, and veteran brothers. Earnest served for four years overseas in the Vietnam War, first as a combat medic in country and then on board the USS *Repose*, which was used as an offshore hospital to treat those with the worst injuries, including soldiers and civilians. He was a dependable, trustworthy, and resourceful Corpsman, all hallmarks of what the Navy needed for this duty. With a compassionate heart, Earnest learned to be a skilled first responder in a combat environment. He saw the worst of the worst but kept his wits while serving to assist some of the best medical professionals in getting our soldiers well.

Earnest completed Basic Military Requirements to be a Hospital Corpsman, trained for Petty Officer 2nd and 3rd Class, was professionally recommended for Hospital Corpsman

3rd Class, completed the Military Leadership Class for E-4/5 status, ECC for Hospital Corpsman, and Navy Hospital 'A' School. Petty Officer Barron was rewarded many times and recognized by earning the National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with one Bronze Star, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal.

After serving in Vietnam, Earnest married Donna, and in his professional career, he has worked for Armco Steel, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, the University of Texas Medical Branch, and for Carnes Funeral Home through his business, First Call Mortuary Transport, which transported bodies across Texas and the rest of the Nation, upholding the last wishes and requests of families of the deceased with great care.

In retirement, Earnest is a member of VFW Post 5871, serves as a trustee at his church, and still serves as a valued volunteer at the H.E.A.R.T.S. Veterans Museum. There, he still maintains the title of 'most favored' tour guide, doing his best to go above and beyond in helping visitors understand what it was truly like to serve. The children especially love his tours as he dresses them up in helmets, vests, and unique wooden 'weapon' replicas he had made for a more authentic experience. Earnest is also the museum photographer and videographer and has spent many years capturing the stories of veterans that visit the museum. As Earnest gives precious time at the museum, he and Donna make time to give back to their community with needs outside of the museum through their church and community. Earnest has been known to go above and beyond for his neighbors in need, delivering groceries and necessities when he finds out they have none.

It is with this level of care for his fellow man that I proudly commend Earnest Wayne Barron of Huntsville, Texas, to his friends, family, and colleagues, and salute his service to the Navy and Walker County by awarding him the 2024 Congressional Veteran Commendation.

**HONORING THE MEMORY OF MR.
JOE STIRES**

HON. GABE VASQUEZ

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. VASQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Joe Stires and to celebrate his legacy of service.

Joe Stires began his lifetime of service to our community when he joined the United States Air Force, immediately after finishing high school. He served our community honorably in the Air Force for nearly a decade. It was during this time that he met his life partner, Matilde.

After leaving the military, Joe took on challenge after challenge. After working as an insurance agent in Chaparral, Stires eventually opened his own grocery store. This store became a huge success, leading him to open many more stores. Throughout his career, Joe never lost his heart for service and giving back to his community. In his spare time, he became a licensed EMT and eventually a paramedic. He used these certifications to serve as a firefighter for the Chaparral Volunteer Fire Department for nearly 25 years. His exposure to loud sirens during this period led to

significant hearing loss, but Joe was willing to sacrifice his own health for those around him.

Joe was a well-known pillar of his community and was there to lend a hand to anyone who was in need. He would help people that did not have food and people who could not pay their bills. Joe never hesitated to support his community with time, money or labor. His loved ones say that he viewed his community as an extension of his family, fondly sharing stories about the time he helped deliver a baby at his grocery store. Joe wanted nothing more than to share love and family, and if we all cared about our communities the way that he did, the world would be a much brighter place.

On this day, I would like to celebrate Joe Stires as a veteran, a volunteer firefighter and as a pillar in our community who dedicated himself to a life of giving. His service has made his community and New Mexico a better place.

On behalf of the great people of New Mexico's 2nd Congressional District, I thank Joe Stires, for all he has done for us.

HONORING SUPERVISOR CINDY CHAVEZ

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Santa Clara County Supervisor Cindy Chavez, who has dedicated her career to serving the residents of District 2 in Santa Clara County.

Supervisor Cindy Chavez represents approximately 500,000 individuals in one of the most densely populated areas of our county. Sworn into office in August 2013 after a special election, Supervisor Chavez has been re-elected twice. She has been committed and effective in her leadership.

Supervisor Cindy Chavez was a leader in the establishment of the Children's Health Initiative and helped champion efforts that resulted in the County of Santa Clara to become the first county in the nation to assure health care for every child living in the County.

Supervisor Cindy Chavez has made significant strides in ensuring that Santa Clara County remains an affordable, safe, and engaging community for all. Her leadership on the CalTrain Board of Directors has been pivotal in advancing the electrification of CalTrain and planning for a highspeed rail. A commissioner on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and a board member of the Valley Transportation Authority, she actively addresses regional transportation needs.

In 2016, she led Measure A, a landmark \$950 million housing bond that has funded nearly 5,000 units of affordable housing, prioritizing vulnerable communities in Santa Clara County. Additionally, Chavez is a state-wide leader, championing programs for survivors of sexual assault and human trafficking, securing a 400 percent increase in funding for essential services for survivors.

She has tirelessly worked to expand public services and create community partnerships, including the establishment of the Vietnamese American Service Center, the first of its kind in the Nation.

In closing, Supervisor Cindy Chavez exemplifies public service through her dedication to improving lives in Santa Clara County. Her innovative policies and advocacy have set a standard for community leadership, making her a vital asset to our community, addressing pressing social issues. It has been a privilege to work alongside her, and I am proud to call her my friend.

HONORING VERNON 'LEON' DAVIS

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mourn the loss of Vernon "Leon" Davis.

Leon Davis was a firefighter for over 30 years in Blackshear, Georgia. Mr. Davis worked his way up to Assistant Fire Chief of Blackshear while serving part time over his expansive 30-year career.

Sadly, Davis passed in the line of duty while helping his Blackshear community during Hurricane Helene.

This Hurricane has hit Georgia and the Southeast region of United States hard. Without the tremendous efforts and service of people like Mr. Davis, our communities would not be able to recover.

Mr. Davis was known to be an exceptional man by his friends, family, and all the people he worked with throughout his career. He has deeply touched the Blackshear community and will be greatly missed by many.

Our community is forever indebted to Mr. Davis's service, and I send my deepest condolences to his family and friends.

RECOGNIZING JASON SODANO

HON. RICK LARSEN

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. LARSEN of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and celebrate Jason Sodano, who has been honored with the prestigious 2024 William M. Usdane Award that recognizes outstanding achievement and exceptional character by an employee with a disability.

SourceAmerica confers this award as part of its AbilityOne Program, which leverages federal procurement to create job opportunities for Americans with disabilities through the nonprofit organizations that employ them.

Jason overcame his developmental disability and earned both his high school diploma and an associate's degree in office technology.

His perseverance helped him land a job with New Leaf, a participating nonprofit in the AbilityOne Program that operates at Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Washington.

For the past 13 years, Jason has worked on the naval base as a janitor.

Jason's supervisors, colleagues and family praise his commitment to excellence and his positive attitude that seems to brighten the workplace and inspire those around him.

Along the way, Jason has earned awards for perfect attendance and exceeding quality

standards by ensuring cleanliness for up to 1,700 military personnel at NAS Whidbey Island.

Jason exemplifies the American spirit in overcoming adversity. His journey from struggling with standardized tests to becoming a valued employee at New Leaf is a testament to his resilience and determination.

He has shown that regardless of the challenges one faces, it is possible to achieve great success through hard work and a positive attitude.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in extending heartfelt congratulations to Jason Sodano for his well-deserved recognition with the 2024 William M. Usdane Award.

Jason's dedication and achievements are an inspiration to us all. May he continue to excel and make profound impacts in his workplace and beyond.

CELEBRATING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF EL GALLO BAKERY

HON. JIMMY GOMEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. GOMEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate El Gallo Bakery on their 75th anniversary of doing business in California's 34th Congressional District.

El Gallo Bakery is an outstanding small business in East Los Angeles that exemplifies the entrepreneurial spirit of small businesses. Founded by Magdalena Martinez de Huerta on February 2, 1949, 5 years after immigrating to East Los Angeles from Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico.

El Gallo Bakery was passed down to Mr. Jesus Huerta, the son of Magdalena Martinez de Huerta. Mr. Huerta became the owner at 18 years old in 1984 and has transformed El Gallo Bakery into a staple of the East Los Angeles community.

Mr. Huerta has also provided numerous contributions to the East Los Angeles community through his exceptional civic and business leadership and has brought the vibrant flavors of Mexico to East Los Angeles, enriching the cultural tapestry and creating a legacy of delicious memories and culinary excellence.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring and celebrating El Gallo Bakery on its 75th anniversary. Congratulations again on reaching this impressive milestone. I wish them continued success and here's to the next 75 years.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF ROBERT FRENCH, JR.

HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. Aderholt. Mr. Speaker, I would like to acknowledge the incredible life and legacy of an 8th-generation Alabamian who exemplifies the notion of a life lived in service to his community and his country.

Mr. Robert B. French, Jr., known as Bob to those who are fortunate enough to know him, hails from a family of American patriots who

served in the American Revolutionary War. Upon completion of their service, Mr. French's descendants settled in Madison County, Alabama.

Growing up in Decatur, Alabama, Bob graduated from Decatur High School in 1952 before attending the University of North Alabama. Bob knew service to his country was important to him, leading him to attend the United States Military Academy Preparatory School in Newburg, New York. From there, he attended the University of Alabama where he earned his bachelor's degree and went on to receive his law degree from the University of Alabama School of Law.

Bob went on to serve in the United States Air Force during the Korean Conflict as a communications operator in the intelligence field. For his efforts, he received three medals and an Honorable Discharge after completing his service.

Bob, using his law degree, has published a multitude of papers in addition to his outstanding accomplishments as a trial Lawyer. He has tried some of the most famous cases in Alabama history. Before 2001, Bob maintained a caseload that included more than 100 cases a year.

Perhaps his biggest accomplishment was marrying his late wife, Celeste. Together, Bob and Celeste raised three wonderful children: daughters Michelle and Tammy, and son Tommy. Tommy and his wife Sandra Kay are the parents of two grandchildren, Trevor French and Victoria French Ignacio. Tammy is the mother of Bob's third grandchild, Katie Prewitt. Bob and Celeste were dedicated members of the First Baptist Church of Fort Payne. For 36 years, Bob taught a bible class at the church that consistently saw more than 100 members attend.

Bob's call to be a spiritual guide to others was realized when he began teaching a college-level class on spiritual development. Guiding those who took his class by proclaiming the teachings of Jesus Christ led Bob to complete a six-volume work expanding on the Gospels found in the Bible.

As counsel to the DeKalb County Board of Education, Bob was lead counsel in America's foremost school prayer case. The United States Supreme Court decided this case, which allowed student-initiated prayer in public schools.

Bob has received numerous awards through his church, civic organizations, his profession, and other organizations.

I am honored, not only to represent, but to also recognize such an incredible individual and great American. He is a shining example of the accomplishments that can be realized when life is built on hard work and great faith.

This Nation is blessed by men such as Robert B. French, Jr. and we as a Nation are thankful for his dedication to making Alabama and the United States a better place to live. We wish him many, many years of success and congratulate him on his retirement.

**RECOGNIZING BETTY STOUT'S
101ST BIRTHDAY**

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK
OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a remarkable constituent, Betty

Stout of Pennswood Village in Newtown. Betty was born on September 30, 1923, in Trenton, N.J., and is now turning 101.

Betty was known during her childhood in Trenton as the "The Little Mother of Rutherford Avenue," because of the long hours she spent caring for her younger brother, Gary. Her father worked even longer hours, leading a band, playing the organ in local movie theaters, and delivering newspapers before the crack of dawn.

After graduating from Trenton High, Betty worked for the Trenton Banking Company. She married Ralph Stout, who also worked there, in 1947. Ralph had a liberating effect on her life, mainly by encouraging her to do many of the things she had not been able to do as a child. They were wonderful dancers and excelled at bridge. Betty learned to swim and play golf, a sport that gave her great pleasure until she was 90. She was an active member of the Hopewell Valley Golf Club for 50 years. One of her grandchildren jokes she even looked down on the 9-holers.

Betty was a member of Ewing Presbyterian Church for many years before joining Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church. She now attends services at Pennswood. She volunteered with the Children's Committee of Mercer Hospital. Betty is adored by her three children, seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. At her 100th birthday party, one of the grandchildren described her as the hub of the family's wheel. At the age of 94, she served as the celebrant at another grandchild's wedding.

At Pennswood, Betty is surrounded by loving friends and staff. To be her friend or a spoke on her family's wheel is a rare, and always rewarding privilege. To be on the Pennswood staff is often to become her friend. Her capacity for friendship is matched by her passion for setting wrongs right. Happy Birthday, Betty.

**RECOGNIZING ROSEmount POLICE
SERGEANT SHAWN MCMENOMY**

HON. ANGIE CRAIG
OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Ms. CRAIG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank and honor Rosemount Police Sergeant Shawn McMenomy for his courageous service during the tragic February 18th incident in Burnsville, MN which lost officers Matthew Ruge and Paul Elmstrand and firefighter/paramedic Adam Finseth.

Sergeant McMenomy provided mutual aid support to Burnsville and was in the Bearcat and helped extract the mortally wounded officers and the rest of the Burnsville staff that were on scene. Sergeant McMenomy joined the South Metro SWAT team in 2018 and is currently serving as a Team Leader for the team that handles critical incidents across Dakota and Rice County.

A Hastings native, Sergeant McMenomy began his service with the Rosemount Police Department in 2011 and was previously a park ranger and correctional officer for Dakota County. He has served as a patrol officer, on the department's crime scene team, as an advisor for the police Explorer program and was promoted to Sergeant in 2015 assigned as a detective.

I'm grateful for Sergeant McMenomy's service to Rosemount, Burnsville and Minnesota. He represents the best of law enforcement and it is a privilege to represent him in Congress.

**RECOGNIZING MECHANICSBURG
LIONS CLUB**

HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I'm honored to recognize the Mechanicsburg Lions Club on their 75th Anniversary.

Chartered in 1949, the Mechanicsburg Lions Club has provided continuous service to our local community and the Lions International organization—fostering a spirit of understanding among people for humanitarian needs by providing voluntary services through community involvement and international cooperation. In some of their recent work, the Mechanicsburg Lions Club supported the Operation Wildcat Project Clothing initiative, volunteered at One80 Ministries preparing their new transitional living space, and volunteered for Pink Hands of Hope during a last-minute emergency cleanup. The organization also supports Boys Little League Baseball and Girls Softball leagues, Red Cross Blood Drives, Meals on Wheels, subsidizes eyeglasses and hearing aids for needy adults and children, supported the Silver Spring Township Veterans Memorial, and myriad other worthy causes.

In recent years, with more than 50 members, the Mechanicsburg Lions Club has raised and distributed approximately \$40,000 to help local and worldwide charities—proving an indispensable Godsend to our community. Every penny the Club collects is distributed to those in need, and the administration of the Club and international organization is provided for through modest annual dues, which provides maximum charitable impact. Their work focuses on alleviating humanitarian crises, hunger, childhood cancer, and support of many other critical needs truly makes our communities, Commonwealth, the United States, and the world a better place.

Mr. Speaker, I'm privileged to recognize the Mechanicsburg Lions Club on their 75th Anniversary. Their work is the standard by which we should all be judged, and I wish their organization and selfless members Godspeed on their future missions.

**CONGRATULATING OAK KNOLL
SCHOOL OF THE HOLY CHILD'S
100TH ANNIVERSARY**

HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. KEAN of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend my warmest congratulations to the Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child on their 100th anniversary. I am truly grateful to be celebrating this monumental milestone with you all. The Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child was founded by the Society of the Holy

Child Jesus and has been at the forefront of empowering students not only academically but also in personal growth and social responsibility. Over the past 100 years, Oak Knoll has fostered a welcoming diverse student body of inquisitive students who think critically, embrace knowledge, respond with moral and ethical integrity, and make responsible choices that enrich their own lives and contribute to the lives of others. The Oak Knoll school has maintained a steadfast commitment to integrating faith with education, promoting a community of compassionate and informed citizens who are ready to lead and serve in a global society. The past 100 years have served as a reflection of the vibrant legacy that will continue to inspire and shape future generations. The Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child has stood as a testament to a century's worth of educational innovation, resilience, and dedication. May the schools next 100 years be filled with as much success as the past 100 years.

and to the United States House of Representatives. His service, leadership, and dedication to excellence will be remembered long after his departure.

On behalf of the United States House of Representatives, I extend my heartfelt thanks to Mr. Grady Bourn for his 25 years of distinguished service, and I wish him all the best as he enters a well-earned retirement. His dedication to public service will be greatly missed by all who had the honor of working alongside him.

eighteen years of age. Bobby served honorably through peacetime and a lengthy and volatile period in the Gulf War including Operation Desert Storm, Operation Desert Shield and the Liberation of Kuwait. Bobby is a highly decorated airman.

Bobby was trained and served as an Electronic Warfare Systems Craftsman, and during the Gulf War, he operated from Kuwait and Saudi Arabia ensuring the safety and effectiveness of aircraft, their crews and completion of their missions guiding their every move. Bobby was required to operate at a technically high level operating sophisticated systems given the precision and coordination of coalition forces and their individual missions. This element was critical for success and Bobby and his fellow airmen performed admirably allowing the U.S. and Coalition Forces to attain their objectives with great and quick success.

In his twenty years of service, Bobby completed Basic Training, the NCO Orientation Course and the NCO Academy. Through service and combat duty, Bobby was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal with one device, Air Medal, Aerial Achievement Medal with 13 devices, Air Force Longevity Service Award with four devices, Air Force Training Ribbon, Southwest Asia Service Medal with three devices, Armed Forces Service Medal, Air Force Overseas Short and Long Tour Ribbons with one device, National Defense Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal with two devices, Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon with one device, Combat Readiness Medal with three devices, NCO Professional Military Education Ribbon, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with one device (Provide Hope)(Provide Promise), NATO Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Saudi Arabia), Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor with seven devices, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Air Force Good Conduct Medal with five devices, and the Meritorious Service Medal.

After retiring from the Air Force, Bobby continued his service to his brothers and community by serving on the New Hampshire Veteran Advisory Board and after working his way up, he served as Commander of the Combat Veteran Motorcycle Association (CVMA). Eventually Bobby made his way to Texas as fast as he could and currently serves as Commander of the local chapter of the Combat Veteran Motorcycle Association. Bobby also serves as an officer with VFW Post 5871, board member for the H.E.A.R.T.S. Veterans Museum and makes himself available to any local Veterans advocacy groups raising money and helping to achieve their goals. When a Veteran calls, Bobby is there and takes them to the doctor's office or provide emergency funds, Bobby finds a way.

It is with this level of loyalty and care for his fellow man and Veteran brothers, that I proudly commend retired USAF Master Sergeant Bobby Dean Brioneske of Huntsville, Texas to his friends, family, and colleagues, and salute his service to the Air Force, and Walker County by awarding him the 2024 Congressional Veteran Commendation.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF MR. GRADY BOURN

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the dedicated career of Mr. Grady Bourn as he embarks on his well-deserved retirement after 25 years of exemplary service in the United States House of Representatives. As my Legislative Director, Grady has been a cornerstone of legislative expertise, driven by an unwavering passion for improving the lives of everyday Americans during his many years in my office.

Grady began his journey on Capitol Hill a quarter of a century ago in the office of former House Appropriations Chairman Jerry Lewis. From there, his tireless dedication to integrity and even-keeled leadership brought him to my team, where he has been an indispensable asset. I have been blessed to call Grady a part of Team Carter, and his profound influence on my legislative agenda has been felt across a wide range of issues.

As Legislative Director, Grady has been instrumental in shaping our efforts to pass high-quality legislation that protects the homeland, stands up for America's veterans, and upholds the rule of law. His contributions have directly improved the lives of Americans from all walks of life. His commitment to ensuring the success of every policy detail has been nothing short of remarkable.

Beyond his legislative prowess, Grady's leadership and mentorship have left an indelible mark on those fortunate enough to work with him. His steady guidance has not only influenced my staff but also touched staff members across the House, regardless of political affiliation. His dedication to nurturing the next generation of public servants will undoubtedly leave a legacy in the halls of Congress.

As Grady embarks on this new chapter in his life, I want to express my deepest gratitude for his immense contributions to Team Carter

CONGRATULATING ISLES PUB & PIZZA ON THEIR 40TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MIKE FLOOD

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. FLOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to wish Dave Cole and Isles Pub & Pizza a very happy 40th anniversary.

Established in 1984, Dave Cole turned an old Italian restaurant into a community favorite pizza kitchen with the help of many dedicated friends.

After a customer led naming contest for the business, the restaurant became "The Isles Pub & Pizza", more oftenly called "The Isles."

Since then, Isles Pub & Pizza has grown and distinguished itself in many ways. Cole and company have dedicated hours of their time curating the perfect pizza sauce for their customers.

Many local community leaders consider Isles Pub & Pizza to be some of the best pizza in the area. Cole and his staff have continued to provide quality food and excellent service for 40 years.

Isles Pub & Pizza have been recognized with many achievements including Lincoln's recent 2024 Choice Award.

As Dave Cole and Isles Pub & Pizza reach their 40th anniversary, there is much to celebrate.

On behalf of the people of Nebraska's First Congressional District, I congratulate them on 40 years and wish them fun as they celebrate this incredible milestone.

RECOGNIZING MASTER SERGEANT BOBBY DEAN BRONESKE, USAF, RETIRED, WITH A CONGRESSIONAL VETERAN COMMENDATION

HON. PETE SESSIONS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2024

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to present retired USAF Master Sergeant Bobby Dean Brioneske, of Huntsville, Texas, with a Congressional Veteran Commendation. His servant's life reflects the hard work and dedication that exemplifies the best of our East Texas values.

Bobby Brioneske entered active duty in Boston, Massachusetts in February of 1981 at

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Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 10:00:02 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 10:00:32 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 9912–9939; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 1531–1536 were introduced. **Pages H5852–53**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5854–55**

Reports Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 3799, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for health reimbursement arrangements integrated with individual health insurance coverage, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–107). **Page H5852**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Bucshon to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5851**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 3:30 p.m. and adjourned at 3:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the Senate
2:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 8

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
9 a.m., Tuesday, October 8

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 9 a.m.

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