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## House of Representatives

The House met at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SELF).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
October 18, 2024.

I hereby appoint the Honorable KEITH SELF 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:

Grant us Your grace, O God, this day and relieve us of the burdens we bear, the weight of concern for our country, and the load of worry we carry for our world. Even as we pray these words, our consciences are overwhelmed by the weight of the reports of devastation in North Carolina, Georgia, and Florida, just to name a few.

Only You can open the way and provide a means for restoration and healing in those regions. Empower and inspire us to bear our responsibility to carry the burdens of those who suffer from these tragedies.

May we serve as Your hands and feet and give what we must and go where You send us to care for Your people. May we serve as agents of Your deliverance and a reassuring presence in support of the efforts of aid workers and caregivers tending to this dire situation.

Dispel the fear and anxiety that get in the way of Your provision, that we and all who are in need would receive the bounty of Your sure and steadfast loving kindness.

In the hope found in Your name do 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.

### BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Kevin F. McCumber, Acting Clerk of the House, reported that on October 1, 2024, the following bills were presented to the President of the United States for approval:

H.R. 6513. To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to confirm the requirement that States allow access to designated congressional election observers to observe the election administration procedures in congressional elections.

H.R. 9106. To direct the Director of the United States Secret Service to apply the same standards for determining the number of agents required to protect Presidents, Vice Presidents, and major Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates, and for other purposes.

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 22, 2024.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 32 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at 11 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-5665. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final guideline — Significant Guidance: Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Scoping Guide — Level 3 [DOD-CIO-00007] (ZRIN: 0790-ZA23) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5666. A letter from the OSC Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's direct final rule — Implementation of HAVANA Act of 2021 [Docket ID: DoD-2024-OS-0054] (RIN 0790-AL61) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5667. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final guideline — Significant Guidance: Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Scoping Guide — Level 2 [DoD-CIO-00006] (ZRIN: 0790-ZA22) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5668. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final guideline — Significant Guidance: Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Scoping Guide — Level 1 [DoD-CIO-00005] (ZRIN: 0790-ZA21) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5669. A letter from the Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Modification of Notification of Intent To Transport Supplies by Sea (DFARS Case 2020-D026) [Docket: DARS-2024-0007] (RIN 0750-AL12) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.

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801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5670. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final guideline — Significant Guidance: Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Model Overview [DoD-CIO-00001] (ZRIN: 0790-ZA17) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5671. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final guideline — Significant Guidance: Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Hashing Guide [DoD-CIO-00008] (ZRIN: 0790-ZA24) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5672. A letter from the Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Modification of Prize Authority for Advanced Technology Achievements (DFARS Case 2022-D014) [Docket: DARS-2024-0014] (RIN: 0750-AL65) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5673. A letter from the Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Data Universal Numbering System to Unique Entity Identifier Transition (DFARS Case 2022-D023) [Docket: DARS-2024-0030] (RIN: 0750-AL70) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5674. A letter from the Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Technical Amendments [Docket: DARS-2024-0001] received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5675. A letter from the Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Assuring Integrity of Overseas Fuel Supplies (DFARS Case 2022-D013) [Docket: DARS-2024-0002] (RIN: 0750-AL64) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5676. A letter from the OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final guidance — Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Assessment Guide — Level 1 [DoD-CIO-00002] (ZRIN: 0790-ZA18) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5677. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing Benefits received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110

Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

EC-5678. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval and Promulgation of State Plans (Negative Declarations) for Designated Facilities and Pollutants: Maine and Massachusetts [EPA-R01-OAR-2024-0462; FRL-12317-01-R1] received October 4, 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-5679. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Flazasulfuron; Pesticide Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2023-0269; FRL-12097-01-OCSP] received October 4, 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-5680. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; New Mexico; Periodic Emission Inventory SIP for Sunland Park Nonattainment Area for 2015 Ozone NAAQS [EPA-R06-OAR-2023-0648; FRL-11992-02-R6] received October 4, 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-5681. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Ohio; Greif Packaging LLC [EPA-R05-OAR-2023-0318; FRL-11926-02-R5] received October 4, 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-5682. A letter from the Chief, Performance and Program Management, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — In the Matter of Spectrum Rules and Policies for the Operation of Unmanned Aircraft Systems [WT Docket No.: 22-323] 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-5683. A letter from the Office of General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines [Docket No.: RM96-1-043] (RIN: 1902-AG18) received October 3, 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-5684. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: DDTC 24-049, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5685. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: DDTC 24-047, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5686. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: DDTC 24-053, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5687. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: DDTC 24-036, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5688. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a letter regarding the developments in Israel and the United States Government's response to them (H. Doc. No. 118–174); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-5689. A letter from the Agency Representative, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Rules Governing Director Review of Patent Trial and Appeal Board Decisions [Docket No. PTO-P-2024-0014] (RIN: 0651-AD79) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5690. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Visas: Visa Ineligibility [Public Notice: 12464] (RIN: 1400-AF77) received October 1, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5691. A letter from the Legal Tech, CG-LRA, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Great Lakes Pilotage Modernization [Docket No.: USCG-2022-0025] (RIN: 1625-AC79) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5692. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Hurricanes, Tropical Storms, and other Storms with High Winds; Captain of the Port Zone Sector Delaware Bay [Docket No.: USCG-2024-0251] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5693. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Grosse Tete, Iberville, LA [Docket No.: USCG-2024-0875] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5694. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Special Local Regulation; Elizabeth River, Norfolk Harbor, Norfolk, VA [Docket No.: USCG-2024-0751] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5695. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone, Paddleboat Race, Chesapeake Bay, Annapolis, MD [Docket No.: USCG-2024-0643] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5696. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary interim rule — Safety Zone; Kentucky River, Frankfort, KY [Docket No.: USCG-2024-0824] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.

801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5697. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Upper Galveston Bay, Kemah, TX [Docket No.: USCG-2024-0503] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5698. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Key West Paddleboard Classic, Key West, FL [Docket No.: USCG-2024-0705] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received October 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5699. A letter from the Attorney-Adviser, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's notice of funding opportunity — For projects located off the Northeast Corridor for the Fiscal Year 2024 Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Program [FR-FSP-24-003] received October 7, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5700. A letter from the Section Chief, Publications and Regulations Section, Associate Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Section 1256 Qualified Board or Exchange — Bourse de Montreal (Rev. Rul. 2024-22) received October 4, 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.

## 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 Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. VAN DREW, and Mr. KIM of New Jersey):

H.R. 9997. A bill to name the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Toms River, New Jersey, the Leonard G. 'Bud' Lomell, Jr. VA Clinic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania (for herself, Mr. DELUZIO, Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. GOLDMAN of New York, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. NORTON, Ms. LEE of California, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. BROWNLEY, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. KHANNA, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Ms. SALINAS, Ms. TITUS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. BUSH, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Ms. BUDZINSKI, and Mr. COHEN):

H.R. 9998. A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to issue a final rule setting minimum structural standards for railroad bridges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. ARRINGTON (for himself, Mr. YAKYM, and Mr. SORENSEN):

H.R. 9999. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to include timely completion of budgetary actions as an essential purpose of such Act and to establish limitations on the offi-

cial travel of Members of Congress upon failure to timely adopt a concurrent resolution on the budget, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, and Rules, 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. BURCHETT (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. MACE, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, and Mrs. LUNA):

H.R. 10000. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure that sexual assault nurse examiners are employed at certain Department of Veterans Affairs medical facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. COHEN:

H.R. 10001. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for taxpayers who remove lead-based hazards; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. DE LA CRUZ:

H.R. 10002. A bill to award the Congressional Gold Medal posthumously to Edinburg, Texas war hero Lance Corporal Dustin Sekula, in recognition of his heroic life; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. GAETZ:

H.R. 10003. A bill to amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to clarify the authority of States to remove individuals from the official lists of eligible voters on the basis of citizenship status; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER (for himself and Mr. GARBARINO):

H.R. 10004. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an above-the-line deduction for flood insurance premiums; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. HAGEMAN (for herself, Mr. HUNT, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. CARL, Mr. TIFFANY, Mr. GOSAR, and Mr. NEWHOUSE):

H.R. 10005. A bill to establish a process to expedite the review of appeals of certain decisions by the Department of the Interior; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. HARDER of California:

H.R. 10006. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve transparency with respect to the suspension of Medicare payments pending an investigation into a credible allegation of fraud; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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 Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana:

H.R. 10007. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize the admission of nonimmigrant emergency medical technicians and paramedics; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HUNT:

H.R. 10008. A bill to address the effect of litigation on applications to export liquefied natural gas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. LAWLER:

H.R. 10009. A bill to improve the safety of, affordability of, and access to housing; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Oversight and Accountability, Energy and Commerce, and Veterans' Affairs, 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. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. GOLDEN of Maine, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. CARL, Mr. D'ESPOSITO, and Mr. DONALDS):

H.R. 10010. A bill to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to add an economic cause as an allowable cause to declare a fishery resource disaster; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. MALLIOTAKIS (for herself, Ms. TITUS, Mr. BILIRAKIS, and Mr. PAPPAS):

H.R. 10011. A bill to eliminate certain limitations and exclusions regarding defense articles and requirements regarding security assistance and sales with respect to the Republic of Cyprus; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. MALOY (for herself, Mr. VAN ORDEN, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER, and Mr. CURTIS):

H.R. 10012. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to include eyeglass lens fittings in the category of medical services authorized to be furnished to veterans under the Veterans Community Care Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. MURPHY:

H.R. 10013. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude individuals who have committed certain crimes from being eligible students for purposes of the American opportunity credit, the lifetime learning credit, and the deduction on interest paid on qualified education loans; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NEWHOUSE:

H.R. 10014. A bill to prohibit certain telework employees from receiving certain annual adjustments to pay schedules, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Ms. PEREZ (for herself and Ms. FOXX):

H.R. 10015. A bill to require that States that receive a grant under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990, will not prohibit licensed child care providers from performing simple food preparation of fruits and vegetables; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky:

H.R. 10016. A bill to amend the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act to designate as a component of the National Heritage Area System the Kentucky Wildlands National Heritage Area in the State of Kentucky; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 10017. A bill to amend the United States Housing Act of 1937 to provide for training for employees of public housing agencies regarding issues relating to the abuse, neglect, or exploitation of elder persons; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. VAN DREW:

H.R. 10018. A bill to require retail electric utilities to notify electric consumers of rate increases, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. VAN DREW:

H.R. 10019. A bill to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to require States to consider prohibiting cost recovery related to smart grid projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. PALMER:

H.J. Res. 211. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8

of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission relating to “The Emergency Alert System and Wireless Emergency Alerts”; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. PALMER:

H.J. Res. 212. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network relating to “Anti-Money Laundering Regulations for Residential Real Estate Transfers”; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. PALMER:

H.J. Res. 213. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network relating to “Financial Crimes Enforcement Network: Anti-Money Laundering/Countering the Financing of Terrorism Program and Suspicious Activity Report Filing Requirements for Registered Investment Advisers and Exempt Reporting Advisers”; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. PALMER:

H.J. Res. 214. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to “Migratory Bird Hunting; Final 2024-25 Frameworks for Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations”; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. PALMER:

H.J. Res. 215. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to “Migratory Bird Hunting; 2024-25 Seasons for Certain Migratory Game Birds”; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. PALMER:

H.J. Res. 216. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services relating to “Medicare Program; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System for Federal Fiscal Year 2025 and Updates to the IRF Quality Reporting Program”; 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. GREEN of Texas:

H. Res. 1546. A resolution seeking additions to the resolved text of H. Res. 1537; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

## 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 Mr. SMITH of New Jersey:

H.R. 9997.

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:

Veterans Clinic Designation

By Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania:

H.R. 9998.

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

Article I, Section 8, clause 3 provides Congress with the power to “regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes.”

The single subject of this legislation is:

Transportation and Public Works

By Mr. ARRINGTON:

H.R. 9999.

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 prohibits Members of Congress from leaving the National Capital Region until a budget resolution has passed.

By Mr. BURCHETT:

H.R. 10000.

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 Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure that sexual assault nurse examiners are employed at certain Department of Veterans Affairs medical facilities.

By Mr. COHEN:

H.R. 10001.

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

Article 1 Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Taxes

By Ms. DE LA CRUZ:

H.R. 10002.

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

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To award the Congressional Gold Medal posthumously to Edinburg, Texas war hero Lance Corporal Dustin Sekula, in recognition of his heroic life.

By Mr. GAETZ:

H.R. 10003.

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

Article I, Section 4, Clause I

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to clarify the authority of States to remove individuals from the official lists of eligible voters on the basis of citizenship status.

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER:

H.R. 10004.

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

Article I Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an above-the-line deduction for flood insurance premiums.

By Ms. HAGEMAN:

H.R. 10005.

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

Article 1 Section 8.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To establish a process to expedite the review of appeals of certain decisions by the Department of the Interior.

By Mr. HARDER of California:

H.R. 10006.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

To improve transparency and accountability of CMS auditing contractors.

By Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana:

H.R. 10007.

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

Under Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution, Congress has the 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 any Department or Officer thereof”

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize the admission of non-immigrant emergency medical technicians and paramedics.

By Mr. HUNT:

H.R. 10008.

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

Article 1, Section 8, clauses 1 & 3

The single subject of this legislation is:

Energy

By Mr. LAWLER:

H.R. 10009.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the U.S. Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

To improve the safety of, affordability of, and access to housing.

By Ms. MACE:

H.R. 10010.

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 amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to add an economic cause as an allowable cause to declare a fishery resource disaster.

By Ms. MALLIOTAKIS:

H.R. 10011.

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 eliminate certain limitations and exclusions regarding defense articles and requirements regarding security assistance and sales with respect to the Republic of Cyprus.

By Ms. MALOY:

H.R. 10012.

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

Article 1 Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To Amend title 38, United States Code, to include eyeglass lens fittings in the category of medical services authorized to be furnished to veterans under the Veterans Community Care Program, and for other purposes.

By Mr. MURPHY:

H.R. 10013.

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

Article I, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Tax

By Mr. NEWHOUSE:

H.R. 10014.

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 certain telework employees from receiving certain annual adjustments to pay schedules, and for other purposes.

By Ms. PEREZ:

H.R. 10015.

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

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Child care

By Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky:

H.R. 10016.

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

Article I, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:  
This bill would designate the Kentucky  
Wildlands region as a National Heritage  
Area.

By Mr. TORRES of New York:  
H.R. 10017.  
Congress has the power to enact this legis-  
lation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8.  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
Elder Abuse Prevention

By Mr. VAN DREW:  
H.R. 10018.  
Congress has the power to enact this legis-  
lation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To require retail electric utilities to notify  
electric consumers of rate increases, and for  
other purposes.

By Mr. VAN DREW:  
H.R. 10019.  
Congress has the power to enact this legis-  
lation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To amend the Public Utility Regulatory  
Policies Act of 1978 to require States to con-  
sider prohibiting cost recovery related to  
smart grid projects, and for other purposes

By Mr. PALMER:  
H.J. Res. 211.  
Congress has the power to enact this legis-  
lation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To disapprove of the rule submitted by the  
Federal Communications Commission relat-  
ing to "The Emergency Alert System and  
Wireless Emergency Alerts".

By Mr. PALMER:  
H.J. Res. 212.  
Congress has the power to enact this legis-  
lation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To disapprove of the rule submitted by the  
Financial Crimes Enforcement Network relat-  
ing to "Anti-Money Laundering Regula-  
tions for Residential Real Estate Transfers".

By Mr. PALMER:  
H.J. Res. 213.  
Congress has the power to enact this legis-  
lation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To disapprove of the rule submitted by the  
Financial Crimes Enforcement Network relat-  
ing to "Financial Crimes Enforcement  
Network: Anti-Money Laundering/Coun-  
terering the Financing of Terrorism Program  
and Suspicious Activity Report Filing Re-  
quirements for Registered Investment Advis-  
ers and Exempt Reporting Advisers".

By Mr. PALMER:  
H.J. Res. 214.  
Congress has the power to enact this legis-  
lation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To disapprove of the rule submitted by the  
United States Fish and Wildlife Service relat-  
ing to "Migratory Bird Hunting; Final  
2024-25 Frameworks for Migratory Bird  
Hunting Regulations".

By Mr. PALMER:  
H.J. Res. 215.  
Congress has the power to enact this legis-  
lation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To disapprove of the rule submitted by the  
United States Fish and Wildlife Service relat-  
ing to "Migratory Bird Hunting; 2024-25  
Seasons for Certain Migratory Game Birds".

By Mr. PALMER:  
H.J. Res. 216.  
Congress has the power to enact this legis-  
lation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To disapprove of the rule submitted by the  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services re-  
lating to "Medicare Program; Inpatient Re-  
habilitation Facility Prospective Payment  
System for Federal Fiscal Year 2025 and Up-  
dates to the IRF Quality Reporting Pro-  
gram".

### ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 11: Mrs. McIVER.  
H.R. 15: Mrs. McIVER.  
H.R. 321: Mr. THANEDAR.  
H.R. 491: Ms. SÁNCHEZ and Mr. LARSEN of  
Washington.  
H.R. 549: Ms. HOYLE of Oregon and Ms.  
GRANGER.  
H.R. 603: Mr. TAKANO.  
H.R. 681: Mr. GREEN of Texas.  
H.R. 709: Mr. SHERMAN.  
H.R. 791: Mr. SHERMAN and Mr. COHEN.  
H.R. 793: Ms. MCCLELLAN, Mr. VASQUEZ,  
and Mrs. DINGELL.  
H.R. 827: Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ and Mr. CAR-  
TER of Louisiana.  
H.R. 838: Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania.  
H.R. 1139: Mr. KUSTOFF, Ms. MATSUI, Mr.  
NORCROSS, and Mr. KHANNA.  
H.R. 1222: Mr. LANDSMAN.  
H.R. 1232: Mr. DOGGETT and Mr. THOMPSON  
of Mississippi.  
H.R. 1259: Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. GOLDMAN of  
New York, and Mr. NEGUSE.  
H.R. 1280: Mr. LANDSMAN.  
H.R. 1369: Mr. DELUZIO and Mr. LEVIN.  
H.R. 1394: Mr. MEUSER.  
H.R. 1448: Mr. NUNN of Iowa.  
H.R. 1478: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY and Ms.  
KUSTER.  
H.R. 1491: Mr. MORELLE, Ms. SCHOLTEN, and  
Mr. FOSTER.  
H.R. 1572: Ms. CARAVEO, Mr. KELLY of  
Pennsylvania, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr.  
ADERHOLT, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MOLINARO,  
and Ms. ESHOO.  
H.R. 1703: Mr. MOORE of Alabama.  
H.R. 1705: Mr. GREEN of Texas.  
H.R. 1728: Mrs. SPARTZ.  
H.R. 1737: Mr. LEVIN.  
H.R. 1787: Mr. THANEDAR.  
H.R. 1833: Mrs. McIVER.  
H.R. 2370: Ms. STEVENS.  
H.R. 2433: Mr. PHILLIPS.  
H.R. 2604: Mr. GRIJALVA.  
H.R. 2685: Mr. AMODEI.  
H.R. 2742: Mr. COHEN.  
H.R. 2808: Mr. PHILLIPS and Mr. DUNCAN.  
H.R. 3005: Mr. GOLDEN of Maine and Ms.  
SCHOLTEN.  
H.R. 3061: Mr. GARBARINO.  
H.R. 3310: Ms. STEVENS.  
H.R. 3344: Ms. STEVENS.  
H.R. 3350: Ms. DELBENE.  
H.R. 3376: Ms. HOULAHAN and Mr. TONY  
GONZALES of Texas.  
H.R. 3420: Ms. STEVENS, Mr. RASKIN, Mr.  
PETERS, and Mr. LARSEN of Washington.  
H.R. 3617: Ms. NORTON.  
H.R. 3619: Ms. MATSUI.  
H.R. 3620: Ms. MATSUI.  
H.R. 3622: Ms. MATSUI.  
H.R. 3686: Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina.  
H.R. 3825: Mr. MOORE of Alabama.  
H.R. 3851: Mrs. PELTOLA.  
H.R. 3889: Mr. MOORE of Alabama.  
H.R. 4045: Mr. NEWHOUSE.  
H.R. 4052: Mr. RYAN and Mr. KHANNA.  
H.R. 4122: Mrs. RAMIREZ.  
H.R. 4263: Mr. D'ESPOSITO, Mr. PANETTA,  
and Ms. SCANLON.  
H.R. 4336: Mrs. MCBATH.

H.R. 4392: Mr. LIEU, Mr. AGUILAR, and Ms.  
LEE of Nevada.  
H.R. 4426: Ms. SÁNCHEZ and Mr. TRONE.  
H.R. 4432: Mr. CORREA, Ms. SCHRIER, Mr.  
LARSON of Connecticut, and Ms. SCHA-  
KOWSKY.  
H.R. 4456: Mr. COHEN.  
H.R. 4483: Mr. TONKO, Mr. PANETTA, and  
Mr. COHEN.  
H.R. 4636: Mr. KENNEDY.  
H.R. 4721: Mr. GRIFFITH.  
H.R. 4963: Ms. PEREZ.  
H.R. 5012: Mr. GREEN of Texas.  
H.R. 5020: Mr. OBERNOLTE.  
H.R. 5073: Mr. CARTER of Texas and Ms.  
GRANGER.  
H.R. 5074: Mr. MEEKS, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr.  
VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas, and Mr.  
HORSFORD.  
H.R. 5305: Ms. BROWNLEY and Mr. SCHIFF.  
H.R. 5456: Mr. SCHNEIDER.  
H.R. 5645: Ms. CARAVEO and Mr. VALADAO.  
H.R. 5793: Mr. LIEU.  
H.R. 5976: Mr. LANDSMAN.  
H.R. 6031: Mr. NEGUSE.  
H.R. 6123: Mr. HILL.  
H.R. 6161: Ms. NORTON and Mr. LANDSMAN.  
H.R. 6201: Mr. GOLDMAN of New York.  
H.R. 6500: Mr. GOLDMAN of New York.  
H.R. 6693: Mr. LANGWORTHY.  
H.R. 6747: Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ.  
H.R. 7183: Mrs. FISCHBACH.  
H.R. 7195: Mr. MURPHY.  
H.R. 7222: Mrs. PELTOLA and Mr. HILL.  
H.R. 7390: Ms. PRESSLEY.  
H.R. 7414: Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEMER and Mr.  
LAWLER.  
H.R. 7504: Mr. NUNN of Iowa.  
H.R. 7573: Ms. BUSH and Mr. KHANNA.  
H.R. 7597: Mr. CORREA.  
H.R. 7629: Mr. SHERMAN.  
H.R. 7735: Ms. JACOBS.  
H.R. 7779: Mr. STAUBER.  
H.R. 8061: Ms. HOULAHAN, Mrs. MILLER of  
Illinois, and Ms. MACE.  
H.R. 8092: Ms. NORTON.  
H.R. 8147: Mr. WEBER of Texas, Ms. TENNEY,  
and Mr. CLYDE.  
H.R. 8340: Mrs. BEATTY and Mr. OBERNOLTE.  
H.R. 8370: Mr. HARDER of California, Mrs.  
CHERFILUS-McCORMICK, Mr. VASQUEZ, and  
Mrs. McIVER.  
H.R. 8481: Mr. LaLOTA, Ms. HOULAHAN, Mr.  
CARBAJAL, and Mr. MOULTON.  
H.R. 8488: Ms. STANSBURY.  
H.R. 8514: Mr. HARDER of California and Mr.  
LARSEN of Washington.  
H.R. 8575: Mr. BACON and Mr. SCHIFF.  
H.R. 8724: Ms. BROWNLEY, Mrs. NAPOLITANO,  
and Mr. CARBAJAL.  
H.R. 8843: Ms. DELBENE, Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs.  
PELTOLA, and Mr. COHEN.  
H.R. 8936: Mr. KHANNA.  
H.R. 9007: Mr. LAWLER.  
H.R. 9060: Mr. SMITH of Nebraska and Mr.  
CURTIS.  
H.R. 9061: Ms. BARRAGÁN.  
H.R. 9096: Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana.  
H.R. 9182: Mr. NUNN of Iowa.  
H.R. 9274: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Ms.  
BROWNLEY, and Ms. KUSTER.  
H.R. 9324: Ms. NORTON, Mrs. KIGGANS of  
Virginia, and Mr. COHEN.  
H.R. 9382: Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK, Ms.  
NORTON, Mr. STAUBER, and Mr. SMITH of New  
Jersey.  
H.R. 9389: Mr. CISCOMANI.  
H.R. 9412: Mr. NUNN of Iowa.  
H.R. 9448: Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania.  
H.R. 9481: Ms. STEFANIK.  
H.R. 9522: Mr. BUCSHON and Mr. VASQUEZ.  
H.R. 9525: Mr. COHEN and Mr. THOMPSON of  
California.  
H.R. 9527: Mr. HILL.  
H.R. 9544: Ms. WATERS.  
H.R. 9572: Ms. NORTON.  
H.R. 9614: Ms. BALINT.  
H.R. 9625: Mr. CORREA, Mr. GARBARINO, Mr.  
SWALWELL, and Mr. PETERS.

H.R. 9639: Mr. KHANNA.  
H.R. 9691: Mr. CARSON, Mr. SCHNEIDER, and Ms. NORTON.  
H.R. 9734: Mr. FROST, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CASTEN, and Mr. GRIJALVA.  
H.R. 9746: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.  
H.R. 9763: Mr. FULCHER and Mr. ROUZER.  
H.R. 9804: Ms. TLAIB.  
H.R. 9826: Mr. MULLIN.  
H.R. 9853: Mr. HARRIS.  
H.R. 9855: Mr. COHEN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. GOLDMAN of New York, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. HARDER of California, and Mr. RASKIN.  
H.R. 9891: Mrs. LESKO.  
H.R. 9916: Mr. LAWLER.  
H.R. 9924: Ms. BUDZINSKI.  
H.R. 9925: Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, and Mr. CASE.  
H.R. 9927: Mr. NEHLS, Mr. DUNN of Florida, Mr. ROSENDALE, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, and Ms. FOXX.  
H.R. 9929: Mr. LAWLER and Mr. OBERNOLTE.  
H.R. 9950: Mr. BUCHANAN, Mrs. FISCHBACH, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.  
H.R. 9977: Ms. CHU and Ms. TLAIB.  
H.R. 9982: Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania and Ms. STANSBURY.  
H.R. 9987: Mr. PANETTA.  
H.J. Res. 54: Ms. SALINAS.  
H.J. Res. 65: Mr. CARTER of Georgia and Mr. KELLY of Mississippi.  
H.J. Res. 171: Mr. NUNN of Iowa.  
H.J. Res. 193: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mrs. McIVER, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, and Mr. LANDSMAN.  
H. Con. Res. 99: Mr. FROST, Mr. NADLER, Ms. CHU, and Mr. BOWMAN.  
H. Res. 17: Ms. HAGEMAN.  
H. Res. 337: Mrs. DINGELL.  
H. Res. 539: Mr. THANEDAR.  
H. Res. 616: Mr. LANDSMAN.  
H. Res. 929: Mr. GRIJALVA.  
H. Res. 1131: Mrs. KIM of California.  
H. Res. 1394: Mr. COLLINS.  
H. Res. 1496: Mr. DONALDS, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. BARRAGAN, Mr. CASE, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mrs. PELTOLA, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, and Mr. CARL.  
H. Res. 1525: Ms. BROWNLEY.  
H. Res. 1533: Mr. OGLES, Ms. HAGEMAN, and Mr. LaLOTA.  
H. Res. 1544: Mrs. TRAHAN.



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## Senate

The Senate met at 10:02 and 18 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 legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, October 18, 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 22, 2024, AT 8 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 8 a.m. on Tuesday, October 22, 2024.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 10:02 and 47 seconds a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at 8 a.m.

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## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING WOMEN OF THE YEAR,  
BISA FRENCH

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Bisa French as she is honored as one of California's 8th Congressional District's Women of the Year. Ms. French is a dedicated and compassionate leader of the Richmond Police Department. Beginning her career with the Richmond Police Department in 1998, Ms. French has worked in various roles throughout the department, including Community Policing Officer and Detective for Family Services.

Through her work, Ms. French developed a deep passion for youth advocacy. She rose through the ranks, becoming a Sergeant in 2006, Lieutenant in 2011, and Captain in 2013, where she became the first African American and Latina to hold the position. She also worked with numerous stakeholders in the community, including Contra Costa County, STAND! For Families Free of Violence, and Community Violence Solutions, to establish the Family Justice Center in West Contra Costa County, which opened in 2015.

In 2019, Ms. French was appointed Interim Chief and became the first woman to serve as Chief of Police in the 110-year history of the department. In 2020, she was hired as the permanent Chief of Police. Ms. French's leadership and dedication to the community have impacted numerous lives. On behalf of the people of California's 8th Congressional District, it is my pleasure to honor and recognize Bisa French for her invaluable contributions to our community.

RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2023  
CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH

**HON. MIKE LEVIN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to recognize community advocate and Del Mar resident Bonnie Grossman as my October 2023 Constituent of the Month.

Bonnie is a fierce champion for children facing abuse and neglect. As a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), she advocates for foster care youth in court, school, medical settings, and more to ensure their needs are met. Over the past seven years she has supported numerous foster children, including her current case youth who was 15 years old when he first met Grossman at the height of the pandemic in 2020.

I am thankful for Bonnie's work and the work of CASA leaders who dedicate themselves to uplifting and protecting our most vulnerable communities. She is an incredible ex-

ample of a compassionate and hard-working public servant, and I'm proud to honor Bonnie Grossman as my October 2023 Constituent of the Month.

HONORING ETHAN SUAREZ AS A  
DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL  
FLORIDA FOR PRIDE  
MONTH

**HON. DARREN SOTO**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Ethan Suarez, the dynamic CEO of Pineapple Healthcare, has steered the institution towards becoming a cornerstone of support and care for the LGBTQ+ community in Central Florida.

With a visionary approach and a genuine spirit of philanthropy, Suarez has transformed Pineapple Healthcare into more than just a healthcare provider; it is now a trusted ally and advocate for LGBTQ+ individuals. Under Suarez's leadership, Pineapple Healthcare has seen unprecedented growth, both in its scope of services and its impact on the community. His strategic initiatives have expanded the organization's reach, ensuring that comprehensive and inclusive healthcare services are accessible to all members of the LGBTQ+ community. Suarez's dedication to inclusivity is evident in the welcoming environment Pineapple Healthcare offers, where every individual feels respected and valued.

Philanthropy is at the heart of Suarez's leadership philosophy. He firmly believes in the importance of investing back into the community. This belief is reflected in Pineapple Healthcare's numerous community outreach programs, educational initiatives, and support services. From sponsoring local LGBTQ+ events to providing free health screenings and educational workshops, the institution plays a pivotal role in fostering a healthier, more informed community. Suarez's efforts have cemented Pineapple Healthcare as a vital player in Central Florida's LGBTQ+ ecosystem. By addressing the unique healthcare needs of LGBTQ+ individuals and advocating for their rights, Pineapple Healthcare not only enhances the well-being of its patients but also contributes to the broader fight for equality and acceptance. Under Ethan Suarez's visionary leadership, Pineapple Healthcare continues to thrive as a beacon of hope, support, and empowerment for the LGBTQ+ community.

HONORING FRANCIS L.H. CAILLES

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Francis L.H. Cailles, an

esteemed member of our community. Mr. Cailles is being honored today for his outstanding career in service to the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

Mr. Cailles dedicated 29 years of public service to the State of California. On June 14, 1994, he began his career in public service as a Staff Services Management Auditor with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's Audits Services Section, which is now known as the Office of Audits and Court Compliance.

He worked in this department until his retirement, holding many positions. He was first promoted to Associate Management Auditor in 1997. Then, he was appointed to Staff Management Auditor in 2006, and Senior Management Auditor in 2008.

After nearly three decades in public service, he retired from state service in 2023.

Mr. Cailles's colleagues describe him as a true leader and mentor. He is known to be unfailingly thorough in his work, diligent, conscientious, and a person his peers could always depend upon. Mr. Cailles is also a deeply caring and humble man, known to all around him as a patient person, with a good sense.

Mr. Speaker, it is my esteemed privilege to acknowledge Mr. Cailles for his dedication to public service, and the state of California. His many years of service deserve recognition. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

CELEBRATING THE RECOGNITION  
OF CITY HONORS SCHOOL AS A  
2024 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON  
SCHOOL

**HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate a remarkable achievement for City Honors School. On September 23, 2024, City Honors was named a 2024 National Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education. This prestigious designation recognizes the school for its culture of effective teaching, collaboration, a caring environment, and, above all, academic excellence.

In the winter of 2023, the New York State Department of Education recognized City Honors as a Blue Ribbon candidate, highlighting their success with a diverse range of students. The comprehensive application submitted this spring showcased the school's vibrant culture, innovative programs, robust assessments, exemplary instructional practices, and strong leadership. This achievement speaks volumes about the dedication, commitment, and talent that permeate City Honors' halls.

We must also take a moment to express our gratitude to the Buffalo Board of Education and Superintendent Dr. Tonja Williams Knight

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for their steadfast support of the Blue Ribbon application. Dr. Williams' belief in City Honors' mission and unwavering support have been invaluable to the journey toward this recognition.

As we celebrate this significant milestone, let us remember that this award is not merely a recognition of their past achievements, but a promise for the future to the community of Buffalo. It is a call to continue fostering an inclusive, supportive, and academically enriching environment for all students.

We celebrate and congratulate City Honors School, Principal William Kresse, Dr. Tonja Williams Knight, and the entire school community. Together, we will continue to inspire and empower all students to reach new heights.

RECOGNIZING COLUMBIANA SOUTH  
SIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL IN  
COLUMBIANA, OHIO, AS A 2024  
BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

**HON. MICHAEL A. RULLI**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. RULLI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the accomplishments of South Side Middle School in Columbiana, Ohio, as they were recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School for 2024. I thank the Columbiana Exempted School District and their supportive educators and staff for leading students on the path to success.

As a resident of Columbiana County, I am proud to be able to honor South Side Middle School for their exceptional work as upstanding academic leaders in the community.

The teachers and faculty not only strive for students to achieve their academic goals but are also invested in the well-being of each student. They go above and beyond, focusing on academic success but also the students' growth as an individual.

We are grateful for the gifted teachers and staff of the Columbiana Exempted School District for the countless hours of time and energy they invest into youth education, as it is having a profoundly positive impact on our children.

I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in recognizing South Side Middle School in Columbiana, Ohio, as we congratulate its students, teachers, staff, and families on their accomplishments and their contributions to the community. These admirable citizens illustrate the preeminent standard of the Ohio educators and community leaders I am proud to represent. May their work continue to be a blessing to our Nation.

HONORING WOMEN OF THE YEAR,  
DARIA BAUTISTA

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Daria Bautista, recognized as one of California's 8th Congressional District's Women of the Year. Ms. Bautista is a dedicated public servant, exceptional leader, and

vital asset to the United States Air Force. With over 32 years of administrative experience, Ms. Bautista has served at three Air Force Bases throughout her career. She is currently the Executive Assistant to the Commander of the 60th Air Mobility Wing at Travis Air Force Base. In this role, she has executed nearly 3,000 wing-level meetings, managed 1,100 personal records, and coordinated the Wing's awards program and official correspondence with the 18th Air Force, Air Mobility Command, Headquarters Air Force, and local community leadership.

Her efforts ensure the seamless coordination of critical initiatives that support one of our Nation's most essential Air Mobility Wings. Beyond her official duties, Ms. Bautista mentors a team of 33 active-duty and civilian personnel, overseeing a \$216,000 Wing Staff Agency budget to facilitate 11 senior leader travel events and ensure efficient resource utilization supporting the base's mission. Ms. Bautista also initiated the first-ever Base Defense Council, with lessons learned that have informed installation protection procedures throughout the 110,000-member command. Her extraordinary service, leadership, and commitment to the United States Air Force's mission are truly commendable. On behalf of the people of California's 8th Congressional District, it is my pleasure to honor Ms. Bautista for her invaluable contributions to our community.

RECOGNIZING DECEMBER 2023  
CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH

**HON. MIKE LEVIN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to recognize public servant and Vista resident Jeffrey Olsen as my December 2023 Constituent of the Month.

Mr. Olsen is a generous local hero, helping over 57,000 people in his 35 years of service to the San Diego region. He largely uses his own money to buy the goods he donates, filling his shed with toys and clothes throughout the year. This past February, he also donated tens of thousands of dollars' worth of sports memorabilia to help military families and veterans.

During the holiday season, I am honored to recognize leaders, like Jeffrey, whose selfless dedication to giving back to others is truly admirable. He is a compassionate and inspiring member of our community, and I'm proud to honor Jeffrey Olsen as my December 2023 Constituent of the Month.

RECOGNIZING HAWAII SENATE  
PRESIDENT RON KOUCHI FOR  
RECEIVING THE LEGISLATOR OF  
THE YEAR AWARD FROM THE  
HEALTHCARE ASSOCIATION OF  
HAWAII

**HON. JILL N. TOKUDA**

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Ms. TOKUDA. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor and privilege to recognize Senate President

Ron Kouchi of the Hawaii State Legislature, a life-long and distinguished legislator and this year's recipient of the Legislator of the Year award from the Healthcare Association of Hawaii.

Hawaii Senate President Ron Kouchi has spent 14 years in the Hawaii State Senate, with nearly a decade as Senate President. During that time, he has championed significant increases in funding for rural hospitals, providing care for some of our more remote communities in Hawaii and truly making a difference in the lives and wellbeing of our residents. His support for growing our local healthcare workforce and prioritizing access to care to encourage regular school attendance are further examples of his commitment to a healthy Hawaii.

As Senate President, Ron Kouchi also helped lead Hawaii through and out of a global pandemic. His leadership helped our state successfully navigate an unprecedented worldwide public health emergency.

President Kouchi's steadfast commitment and lifelong achievements are an inspiration to many, and I am pleased to join the Healthcare Association of Hawaii in celebrating his many accomplishments. Congratulations and mahalo to Senate President Kouchi for all his contributions to the people of Hawaii.

HONORING BRANDON RAGAN AS A  
DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL  
FLORIDA FOR PRIDE  
MONTH

**HON. DARREN SOTO**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Captain Brandon Ragan is a trailblazing law enforcement leader who has proudly served his hometown of Orlando, Florida, as a longtime member of the Orange County Sheriffs Office (OCSO). Knowing in high school that he wanted to be a deputy sheriff, Captain Ragan joined OCSO's Explorer program as a teenager in the late 1990s. As an Explorer, he gained invaluable experience that amplified his motivation to pursue a career in public service.

In 2003, Captain Ragan took his oath to become an Orange County Deputy, hitting the ground running in a variety of roles. He has worked as a patrol deputy, a sergeant for school resource officers, a detective in Criminal Investigations, a night watch commander, and a lieutenant in both Criminal Investigations and Strategic Communications.

A tireless force for change, Captain Ragan has spearheaded multiple LGBTQ+ advocacy efforts fostering unity, understanding, and inclusion in Orange County. As a founding member of the first nationally accredited LGBTQ+ liaison program launched in 2016 at OCSO, Captain Ragan has strengthened the relationship between deputies and LGBTQ+ residents while educating the agency about LGBTQ+ topics and policy updates. He also spent five years as vice president, then president of the Gay Officers Action League of Central Florida (GOALcfl) and continues to advise the board of directors. In addition, he helped create the OCSO Safe Place program, which invites businesses to display a decal identifying them as safe environments for

LGBTQ+ community members to report crimes or harassment.

In 2020, the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) named Captain Ragan one of the "40 Under 40" law enforcement professionals worldwide.

Captain Ragan earned a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration and a Master of Arts in Management and Leadership. He also holds a graduate certificate in cybersecurity threat detection.

#### RECOGNIZING THE OZARK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY

##### HON. ERIC BURLISON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 18, 2024

Mr. BURLISON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Ozark, Missouri, Chamber of Commerce on its 75th anniversary.

The chamber was formed on Monday, October 14, 1949, when approximately 90 visionary business leaders from Ozark gathered to establish the chamber. Joe Majors, who was owner of Major Cheese Co., was elected as the first president while Dr. Stanley Roper was named vice president and Herbert Taylor was elected treasurer.

Recognizing the need to grow, the chamber's first committee was focused on gaining membership. They started with 49 members who paid an annual fee of \$15 for men and \$7.50 for women. Later that month, the membership had already grown to 58 business leaders. The following month, the chamber hired a part-time secretary and joined the National Chamber of Commerce. These efforts were just the start of three-quarters of a century of growth and success. Today, nearly 400 businesses and individuals make up the organization that is dedicated to supporting local businesses, fostering economic growth, and enhancing the quality of life in the community.

While a lot has changed over the past 75 years, the chambers dedication to the Ozark community has not wavered. Members continue to work tirelessly to support local businesses, engage with citizens, and collaborate with organizations that make Ozark a vibrant place to live and to work. Events such as the annual community awards banquet, the free business and community expo, the Welcome Home Event for new teachers, the widely anticipated annual Christmas parade, and partnerships with city, school and county entities all serve to enhance local businesses, the local economy and the local community.

I would like to congratulate Chamber President and Chief Executive Officer Chris Russell on this landmark occasion, and I wish the chamber many, many more years of growth and success.

#### RECOGNIZING MIRACLE FLIGHTS 100-MILLIONTH MILE FLOWN

##### HON. DINA TITUS

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 18, 2024

Ms. TITUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Miracle Flights as they prepare to celebrate

their 100-millionth mile flown on October 24th. Miracle Flights was founded in Clark County, Nevada, in 1985, and has remained dedicated to its mission of providing free flights to children and families in need of specialized medical care across the United States.

Their long-standing partnership with Southwest Airlines has been instrumental in facilitating these flights, providing essential support to families who would otherwise be unable to access the specialized medical care they require.

On Thursday, October 24, Miracle Flights will reach an extraordinary milestone of 100 million miles flown, symbolizing the organization's unwavering commitment to ensuring no distance is too great for children to receive life-saving treatment, regardless of their financial means.

The flight will benefit 8-year-old Luna D. of Las Vegas, who was diagnosed with an optic glioma tumor in May 2017. Luna travels to Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah, every three months for specialized oncology care, testing, and an MRI. Before boarding the flight, Luna and her family will get a big sendoff from the Miracle Flights team at Harry Reid International Airport.

This monumental achievement is not only a testament to Miracle Flights' enduring dedication to families in Clark County and Nevada's First Congressional District, but it also reflects its nationwide impact on reducing barriers to essential healthcare.

#### HONORING UPVALLEY FAMILY CENTERS

##### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 18, 2024

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor UpValley Family Centers, an esteemed group in our community. This organization is being honored today for their 25th anniversary and outstanding service in promoting equity and access to social resources throughout Napa County.

Since its founding in 1999, UpValley Family Centers has worked to support working families in the greater Calistoga and St. Helena area. UpValley Family Centers is an organization committed to offering prevention and intervention services at a local level. It generously serves our community with time and the money it raises.

UpValley Family Centers' 25 years of service have been commendable. They serve over 4,000 people annually. Last year, 94 percent of those served fell below the median income for Napa County. Sixty percent were women, and 56 percent were Spanish speakers. The family center itself provides a variety of programs: from assisting residents with accessing health insurance and housing resources to playgroups and family support. UpValley also collaborates with over 40 partner organizations to help engage residents and community members as volunteers.

Over their 25 years of service, UpValley Family Centers' programs have made significant longterm impacts. As a Department of Justice recognized organization, UpValley has helped over 2,000 people become U.S. citizens in tandem with the Napa Citizenship

Legal Service. They have increased early literacy, socialization, and school readiness skills in over 1,000 children 0–5 through weekly bilingual playgroups. Children participating in their youth mentoring services are more likely to meet requirements needed to attend a 4-year college. And in 2020, they distributed over \$2.1 million in pandemic and wildfire-related emergency funds, which reached over 300 households.

UpValley Family Centers also participates in broader civic initiatives throughout Napa County. As a part of the Drug-Free Communities Initiative, they partnered with local officials and helped pass social host ordinances in Calistoga and St. Helena. And in 2020, they assisted local messengers and other Napa County-based community organizations to increase participation in the 2020 Census. Napa County saw a 2 percent increase in census participation as a result of their efforts.

Mr. Speaker, we thank UpValley Family Centers for their dedicated service to the Napa County community. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor them here today.

#### HONORING 75 YEARS OF SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH CONDUCTED BY THE INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

##### HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 18, 2024

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and commend the historic work conducted by the Institute of Social Research, or ISR, at the University of Michigan in the social sciences. As one of the world's largest and oldest academic survey research organizations, the ISR has paved the way for modern social science methods across the globe. Their work is worthy of recognition.

The ISR's founding director, Rensis Likert, creator of the Likert scale, along with six of his colleagues from the Bureau of Agricultural Economics established the institute in 1948. One of the center's first major projects was changing the way they sampled people to conduct polling for the 1948 U.S. presidential election between Harry Truman and Thomas Dewey. While most national polls, using biased methods, predicted a Dewey landslide, the ISR accurately concluded that Harry Truman had a popular advantage.

Currently, the ISR consists of five separate, but interdependent centers, including the Center for Political Studies, Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research, Population Studies Center, Research Center for Group Dynamics, and the Survey Research Center. These five centers are home to over 300 professionally acclaimed research scientists ranging from over 20 academic disciplines that focus on the fields of governance, economics, demographics, inequality, health, and sustainability. Some of the institute's major projects include the University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index, which has become an industry standard in indicating how American consumers feel about the general economy. The American National Election Studies, founded in 1948 by the ISR, has been the oldest continuous research study

producing high-quality voting and public opinion data in the country. Methods developed at ISR have helped academics, government agencies, and corporations for 75 years learn about how people think and act.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in commending the incredible work conducted by the ISR at the University of Michigan for the past 75 years. Their dedication to continually improving the rigor of the social sciences has made an everlasting impact across Ann Arbor, Michigan, the United States, and the world. Their educational and training programs have influenced the social sciences everywhere. Thousands of researchers who work around the country have had training ISR, and they produce high-quality studies on the full spectrum of human behavior. ISRs impact cannot be overstated, and their work should be celebrated.

**HONORING THE LEGACY OF MR.  
CHARLES WILLIAM CAMP**

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Mr. Charles William Camp. Mr. Camp, who passed away at the age of 80, leaves behind an indelible legacy of advocacy for social and economic justice for all.

Born in Anderson, South Carolina, in 1944, Mr. Camp dedicated his life to championing the rights of workers and marginalized communities. His journey began at Millsaps College, where he first engaged in the civil rights work and organizing efforts that shaped his lifelong commitment to equity and justice. As a student, Mr. Camp faced threats to his safety because of his activism, yet he never wavered in his fight for racial equity and workers rights.

Throughout his career, Mr. Camp was a tireless advocate for the fair treatment of workers, serving in various influential roles including as Executive Secretary of the Sacramento Central Labor Council. He skillfully combined his passion for economic justice with a commitment to inclusivity, ensuring that the voices of all community members were heard and valued.

Mr. Camp was also a devoted family man, actively supporting the artistic and personal endeavors of his sons and grandchildren. His generosity extended beyond his family, and he was known for mentoring young activists and always encouraging others to engage in the political process and work towards a more just society.

Mr. Camp's legacy is one of compassion, leadership, and unwavering dedication to advancing a progressive vision of social justice for all. His impact will be felt for generations to come, not only through the organizations he strengthened but also through the countless lives he touched.

Mr. Camp's enduring spirit will live on in his beloved wife, two sons, and five grandchildren, who will carry on his legacy of service and commitment to justice. I want to extend my deepest sympathies to Mr. Camp's family and all who were fortunate to know him. Together, let us celebrate his life and the enduring impact he made on our community.

**RECOGNIZING JANUARY 2024  
CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH**

**HON. MIKE LEVIN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to recognize health care advocates and Encinitas residents, Ted and Carla DeBont, as my January 2024 Constituents of the Month.

In fall of 2021, Ted aged into Medicare while Carla stayed on her Affordable Care Act approved medical plan. However, due to a loophole in the ACA's premium tax credit formula, their premiums increased from \$300 to \$600 a month. Ted reached out to our office to see what he could do.

In response, I introduced the Health Insurance Premium Fairness Act. This bill would close the loophole that penalizes married couples whenever one spouse ages into Medicare while the other remains on the ACA marketplace plan. Thanks to Ted and Carla's advocacy, this bill will save them—and countless other Americans like them—thousands of dollars annually on healthcare premiums costs and bills.

This year a record 20 million Americans signed up for an ACA plan, and because of Ted and Carla's advocacy, we're fighting to ensure that all Americans can access the quality, affordable health care they deserve. Ted and Carla's advocacy is admirable and I'm proud to honor them as my January 2024 Constituent of the Month.

**HONORING THE EXCEPTIONAL  
SERVICE OF PAUL O'KEEFE**

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the dedicated service of United States Army veteran and hometown hero Paul O'Keefe.

Paul O'Keefe, an esteemed member of the Mechanicville community, graduated from Mechanicville High School in 1950. Two years after his graduation, he was drafted into the army and served bravely in the Korean War. Following his service to his country, Paul returned home to Mechanicville where he married his high school sweetheart, Marie Cavotta, and together they raised a wonderful family with four children.

Throughout his life, Paul demonstrated an unwavering dedication to his community. While balancing his professional commitments at West Virginia Pulp and Paper and General Electric, he served as a volunteer firefighter for an astounding 65 years. His service extended far beyond the fire department, acting as a chaplain for various organizations, including the Hemstreet Park Fire Department, American Legion Post 91, Saratoga County Deceased Veterans Monthly Ceremony, and the Department of New York State, a testament to his remarkable 56 years of dedicated service.

Throughout his life, Paul demonstrated an unwavering dedication to his community and his commitment to others knew no bounds.

Notably, in 1965, during his daily commute, Paul observed two children suffering from muscular dystrophy and became aware of their family's financial struggles. Determined to make a difference, Paul conceived a unique idea. In an effort to raise money and awareness, Paul pushed a wheelbarrow twenty-two miles from Mechanicville to City Hall in Albany asking travelers for donations to help the family. Paul's initial fundraiser was a resounding success raising \$16,000 dollars for the family on his first walk alone. Inspired by the impact he had made on the children's futures, he embarked on two more walks to City Hall, wheelbarrow in tow.

Paul's service to those around him is truly inspiring and we are immensely grateful to have him as our Grand Marshall for the parade. On behalf of New York's 21st District, I am honored to recognize the incredible service and commitment to his community of Paul O'Keefe for his decades of service. I congratulate him on his incredible achievements and look forward to witnessing his future endeavors in the community. Today, I stand before you to honor the exemplary service of a distinguished United States Army Veteran and hometown hero, Mr. Paul O'Keefe, a respected member of the Mechanicville community.

**HONORING JAMIE PERDUE AS A  
DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL  
FLORIDA FOR PRIDE  
MONTH**

**HON. DARREN SOTO**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Jamie Perdue is a dedicated and invaluable volunteer at The Center Kissimmee. He plays a crucial role in maintaining the daily operations of the center, particularly through his management of the front desk. In this capacity, Jamie welcomes visitors, answers inquiries, and provides detailed information on the wide range of services available, ensuring that everyone who enters the center feels comfortable and supported.

In addition to his front desk duties, Jamie is also a certified volunteer HIV tester. He performs rapid HIV testing, offering both compassionate care and essential information to individuals seeking to know their HIV status. His contributions in this area help bridge the gap to critical health services and raise awareness about sexual health in the community.

Through his volunteer work, Jamie has become a valued member of The Center Kissimmee team consistently demonstrating a commitment to supporting the LGBTQ+ community and fostering a safe, inclusive, and educational environment for all.

**CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF  
NANCY DEWITT**

**HON. PAT FALLON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Mrs. Nancy Elizabeth

DeWitt of Frisco, Texas, who peacefully passed away on June 26, 2024.

Mrs. DeWitt was born on April 11, 1936, in Evergreen Park, Illinois to Thomas and Verena Colvin. She grew up with five other siblings in Downers Grove, where she enjoyed bike riding, ice skating, and staying at her family's lake cottage in Wisconsin. In 1953, Mrs. DeWitt graduated from Downers Grove North High School and began working as a secretary for Swift & Co. in Chicago. This is where she met the love of her life, Dale, and the two married just four years later. Together, they traveled across the country for work and raised six amazing children. During this time, Mrs. DeWitt worked at a bowling league and bridge club while volunteering at her children's Catholic schools. Along with her best friend Robyn, she co-founded the Bent Tree Travel agency and took advantage of travel perks to take her family on fantastic vacations around the world.

After retirement, the DeWitts settled in Frisco Lakes. Mrs. DeWitt was an active member of our community, and she spent many hours volunteering with the Republican Conservative Coalition to advocate for her values and support conservative candidates for office. Throughout her life, Mrs. DeWitt was most proud of having raised a wonderful family and spending time with loved ones. In her free time, she enjoyed singing along to Elvis Presley and Engelbert Humperdinck, her two favorite artists. Moreover, Mrs. DeWitt had a great sense of humor and always had a clever joke ready to bring laughs to those around her. I am saddened to hear of her passing, as her presence brought joy and warmth wherever she went.

I have requested the United States flag to be flown over our nation's Capitol to honor Mrs. DeWitt's wonderful life and contributions to our community. She will be dearly missed by her friends, family, and all who knew her.

#### HONORING MICHAEL DAHM

#### HON. JIM BANKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. BANKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the distinguished career of business and community leader Michael Dahm of Fort Wayne, Indiana. His contributions have greatly improved the lives of those in our community and helped make the region a wonderful place to live and do business.

A native Hoosier, Michael has been deeply committed to the growth and prosperity of northeast Indiana. After graduating from Central Catholic High School in Fort Wayne, he earned a bachelor of business administration with a minor in real estate from Xavier University. Upon returning to Fort Wayne, he co-founded NAI Harding Dahm, now Bradley Company, where I had the privilege of working alongside him as a commercial real estate broker. More than five decades later, Michael continues to share his expertise in office, industrial, and investment sales and leasing.

Throughout his career, Michael has given back to the community in numerous ways. Among his many service contributions and accolades, he was named "Realtor of the Year" by the Indiana Commercial Board of Realtors

(ICBR). He has also served as president of the Society of Industrial and Office Realtors (SIOR) and the Fort Wayne Board of Realtors. His volunteer work includes serving on the boards of the Better Business Bureau and Big Brothers Big Sisters of America. Additionally, he is a past member of the Anthony Wayne Rotary Club and a current member of the Rotary Club of Fort Wayne.

Recently, Michael celebrated both his 90th birthday and his 61st wedding anniversary with his wife, Dee Dee. As he prepares to retire after 66 years in real estate, I want to express my gratitude for his decades of service to our region. People like Michael are the reason the Midwest remains the backbone of America. I wish him continued success in this next great chapter of life.

#### CELEBRATING THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF SAINT GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH IN BAKERSFIELD

#### HON. VINCE FONG

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. FONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Saint George Greek Orthodox Church in Bakersfield, California. As St. George Greek Orthodox Church celebrates a century of faith, heritage, and hope this year, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the history and roots this Church has upheld since its founding.

Bakersfield's Greek Orthodox organized formally after a time when the Greek community experienced ethnic and religious persecution in their homeland and were forced to look for a new home overseas to practice their culture and faith. Many found work building the transcontinental railroad, venturing further and further west until some reached Kern County in the early 20th century. St. George Greek Orthodox Church's precursor community was founded in 1916 under the name Uplift Society Socrates. According to the narrative history of St. George Greek Orthodox Church in these early years, Greek Americans worked to balance two values so characteristic of the American immigrant experience—upholding the faith and customs of their homeland while also adapting to a new life in the United States.

In 1924, Uplift Society Socrates accomplished the former by constructing a modest hall for religious and social gatherings at 401 Truxtun Avenue. This hall became the foundation upon and around where the Bakersfield Greek Orthodox Church community has since grown. By the early 1930s, the Bakersfield Greek Orthodox community had grown to over 200 families, who soon called for the construction of a Church, which was completed in 1932. Also in 1932, the community changed its name to The Hellenic Community of St. George Greek Orthodox Church. Father Vasilios Markopoulos became the community's first official priest in 1944, though four "Pioneer Priests" had been active in the community in the preceding few decades. Unfortunately, the 1952 Kern County earthquake precipitated the demolition of the original hall. As a mark of the faith of the Greek Orthodox community in Bakersfield, the new Church was blessed by the Bishop of the Fourth Dio-

cese of Los Angeles in 1956. St. George Greek Orthodox Church continues to thrive. And it continues to exemplify the role of faith as the heart of such a vibrant community, uniting individuals in love, compassion, and shared purpose.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate St. George Greek Orthodox Church as it marks its 100th Anniversary, standing as an example of the incredible growth and faith of the Bakersfield community. Generations of Bakersfield Greek Orthodox have worked to ensure that their traditions and sense of community remain strong in the heart of Bakersfield.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF ROSE MARIE HANSEN

#### HON. MARK DESAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. DESAULNIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of longtime Concord resident Rose Marie Hansen.

Rose Marie was born in Kansas, where she spent many of her formative years working on the family farm with her father and brother. She eventually moved to Oakland, California, where she worked as a nanny. Shortly after, Rose Marie met her husband, Alfred "Bud" Hansen, at a dance in Alameda. The two married in 1941 and were together for 52 years until Bud's passing in 1993.

She and her husband owned a contracting business and later partnered with a local businessman to open a bowling alley and retail complex, known today as Clayton Fair Properties. When Bud passed away in the early 1990s, Rose Marie took over as manager, a position she held until 2023, helping the successful business for more than 60 years.

Rose Marie was also very active in her community, volunteering at Concord's First Presbyterian Church where she served as an accountant, deacon, and elder. She also volunteered at the American Cancer Society as their coordinator of transportation for over 21 years, served as president of the Concord Diablo Historical Society for over 7 years, and traveled the world as international president of the of the USA Inner Wheel Association. On top of it all, she was also vice president of the Concord Homes Board of Directors, overseeing the development of two multi-story residential buildings for seniors.

Rose Marie will be greatly missed, but I am confident her impact will be felt in the community for generations to come. Please join me in recognizing Rose Marie for her many contributions to our community and devoted service to the city of Concord.

#### HONORING WOMEN OF THE YEAR, MYRTLE BRAXTON

#### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Myrtle Braxton, honored as one of California's 8th Congressional District's Women of the Year.

Ms. Braxton is a dedicated community leader and advocate, renowned for her tireless work in social justice and public service. As a long-standing member of Easter Hill United Methodist Church.

Ms. Braxton has worn many hats, championing justice and environmental causes. Following her 35-year career with the Social Security Administration, she continued her public service by becoming the first Black female president of a national citizens branch of the National Parks Association.

Ms. Braxton remains actively involved in numerous community organizations, including the Richmond Commission on Aging and the West Contra Costa County League of Women Voters. A staunch advocate for women's rights and police accountability, she inspires others with her compassion and unwavering dedication to justice. On behalf of the people of California's 8th Congressional District, it is my pleasure to honor Ms. Braxton for her invaluable contributions to our community.

#### RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 2024 CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH

#### HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to recognize a leading figure in the Oceanside community, Robbie Hass, as my Constituent of the Month for February 2024.

For more than 20 years, Robbie has been an active member of our community, donating her time and energy, as well as being active in numerous clubs and organizations. In 2000 she joined the North County African American Women's Association, which provides scholarships to young women in our district to fulfill their academic ambitions.

As a lifetime member of the NAACP, Robbie was named Woman of the Year in 2017 for all the work she's done in our community as a local business owner. She now serves as the first Black President of the Oceanside Chamber of Commerce and most recently joined the Board of Directors of Community Housing works, an affordable housing non-profit dedicated to making sure working families have housing opportunities in an expensive housing market.

Robbie's work as a public servant is inspirational and I'm proud to honor her as my February 2024 Constituent of the Month.

#### HONORING SALVADOR PRECIADO ZAMORA

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Salvador Preciado on his 85th birthday. Mr. Preciado is a pillar of our community, having revolutionized grape growing through his techniques of grafting vines.

Mr. Preciado grew up in El Grullo, Mexico. In 1963, Mr. Preciado immigrated to the United States from Mexico. He began working with Annie and Frank Emmolo at their plant

nursery, where he was first introduced to grafting. Mr. Preciado then fell in love with grafting, and this led him to start his own company. Simultaneously, Mr. Preciado attended language classes to help strengthen his English. Today, Mr. Preciado resides in St. Helena and is regarded as one of the most successful grafters in the wine community.

Mr. Preciado has had a thriving career in the wine community. He has taught grafting around the world, including South America, Europe, and throughout the United States. Mr. Preciado's hard work created many job opportunities within the wine community. The lessons he shared with fellow grafters have been spread throughout the world's wine community. Mr. Preciado has helped shape many vineyards in Napa, Sonoma, and in other countries.

Mr. Preciado is a strong community servant, guided by the desire to help others. In the 1980s he was given the title, "The Vine Whisperer" as Mr. Preciado proved essential when he used his grafting skills to save vineyards during the phylloxera outbreak in Sonoma and Napa Counties. Mr. Preciado and his crew have worked tirelessly to graft infected vines and preserve local vineyards. In response, the University of California, Davis invited Mr. Preciado to help identify vines in their vineyards because of his impressive abilities. Mr. Preciado was also recognized for his work in the "Latino Winemakers Oral History Project Collection" of the Smithsonian National Museum of American History Kenneth E. Behring Center.

Mr. Preciado's wife, Gloria, also gives back to the community. Mrs. Preciado was recognized in 2001 by the Dalai Lama for the work she did in the St. Helena community as well as in El Grullo. In Mexico, she worked to help build a local drug and alcohol rehabilitation center and a soup kitchen for underserved children. Mr. and Mrs. Preciado also helped start a local soccer team in St. Helena so people from El Grullo could feel connected to their hometown and to each other. They maintain an open door, often hosting community dinners and inviting community members and friends to stay in their home.

Mr. Preciado has positively impacted our community. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor Mr. Preciado here today.

#### HONORING SHANNON CASEY AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR PRIDE MONTH

#### HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Shannon Casey is a proud firefighter and paramedic, currently a distinguished member of Osceola County Fire Rescue. She graduated from Coral Springs Regional Institute of Public Safety with class 17-05, receiving the student achievement award for her class. She has since served the communities of Coral Springs and Osceola County for the last five years.

Working as a firefighter/paramedic is not for the faint of heart. They work long hours, receiving call after call, going from one trauma to the next, many times never receiving clo-

sure or recognition for their efforts. When everyone else is running away from danger, they are the ones running towards it, bravely fighting to keep the community safe. In a male-dominated and heteronormative field, Shannon has not only survived, but she has thrived.

With over 15 years of experience in the field, she has a wealth of knowledge and experience that makes her a natural leader and role model for her peers. She has gained the respect of a diverse group of individuals while working as a float firefighter/paramedic across Osceola County. She responds to a multitude of emergencies, both fire and medical, often encountering adversity and exposing herself to a great deal of trauma. She continues to carry herself with honor and dedication with each and every call and willingly makes many personal sacrifices in order to be there for people in need on their worst days.

Her ability to remain calm in the face of chaos is unmatched, making life-or-death decisions in a matter of seconds. Her positive outcomes speak for themselves, as her accomplishments have deeply benefited her patients and community. She always strives to do and learn more, and her strength and resilience are inspiring, to say the least.

#### CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL COLBY K. KRUG

#### HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the retirement of Lieutenant Colonel Colby K. Krug and recognize his professional leadership skills in the Armed Forces of the United States. He is a Buffalo native and leaves active service with numerous decorations and accolades.

Lieutenant Colonel Colby K. Krug received his commission as an engineering officer from St. Bonaventure University Reserve Officer's Training Corps in 2004, where he also earned his bachelor of business administration degree in accounting and a master of arts degree in engineering management from Missouri University School of Science and Technology. Lieutenant Colonel Krug also holds a master of arts degree in operational art from the Army School of Advanced Military Studies and is a certified project manager and associate emergency manager.

Showing his loyalty and dedication to his Nation, Lieutenant Colonel Krug has received several awards, including the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Ranger Tab, Sapper Tab, Combat Action Badge, Air Assault Badge, and Parachutist Badge. Under his leadership, his regiment received accolades for "Most Outstanding Engineer Company" in the U.S. Forces Command in 2011. He was awarded the Army's Best Sapper Competition in 2007 with a Bronze DeFluery Medal. He has been deployed multiple times in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

At his side throughout his military career has been his beloved wife, Erin, and daughter, Chloe, and son, Jack. Today, we thank Lieutenant Colonel Colby K. Krug for his outstanding service accolades and duty to serve

the country. Please join me in celebrating Lieutenant Colonel Colby K. Krug upon the occasion of his retirement from active service.

#### HONORING EDITH MORGAN AND CELEBRATING HER 94TH BIRTH- DAY

##### HON. JAMES P. McGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Edith Morgan, to recognize her 94th birthday, and to celebrate her remarkable life and legacy of service.

Edith's story is one of resilience, courage, and dedication. Fleeing Nazi persecution during one of the darkest periods of our world's history, she eventually found a home in the U.S. Midwest. After earning her bachelor of arts from Macalester College, she set out to make a lasting impact in the world.

Edith later made Worcester, Massachusetts, her permanent home, where she earned her masters in education from Worcester State University. She went on to dedicate over 40 years of her life to teaching elementary school students. Her exceptional contributions to education were recognized by the late Senator Ted Kennedy when she was awarded the "Master Educator in Massachusetts" award.

Edith's commitment to serving others extended beyond the classroom. She played a key role in refugee resettlement, fostering three children from Vietnam, all of whom remain close to her and still reside in Worcester today. This speaks to her deep compassion and the bonds she has formed with those she has helped.

In addition to her work as an educator, Edith has been a tireless advocate for the Worcester community. She helped revitalize Green Hill Park, served as an active member of the Worcester School Committee, and has long been involved in local politics as a committed member of the Worcester Democrats and a dedicated neighborhood activist.

Edith's contributions to our community are immeasurable, and her lifetime of achievement, service, and leadership continues to inspire all of us. She has been a steadfast advocate for immigrant youth, for our local education system, and for those in need.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in wishing Edith a very happy 94th birthday and to extend our deepest gratitude for her many years of service to our community and our country. We honor Edith today for the countless lives she has touched and the lasting legacy she has created. I thank her for her dedication and for continuing to inspire future generations.

#### COMMEMORATING THE DIAMOND DIVA EMPOWERMENT FOUNDA- TION

##### HON. CORI BUSH

OF MISSOURI  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Ms. BUSH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, along with the people of St. Louis, to honor and rec-

ognize the Diamond Diva Empowerment Foundation for their unwavering commitment to empower victims and survivors of domestic violence through their Fourth Annual Domestic Violence Awareness Rally & Walk.

This event is a testament to the foundation's vital role in raising awareness, providing resources, and standing in solidarity with victims and survivors, not just in our community but across the Nation. Their dedication has helped countless women, men, and families to find safety, healing, and hope in the face of unimaginable adversity.

As a survivor of domestic violence myself, this issue is deeply personal. I know firsthand the scars—both seen and unseen—that domestic violence leaves behind, and the importance of having a community that empowers your resilience and worth. Organizations like the Diamond Diva Empowerment Foundation remind survivors that we are not alone and that our stories matter.

We must continue to support organizations like Diamond Diva that are ensuring survivors have access to the support networks and resources they need to reclaim their lives. As they host their annual rally and walk, the people of Missouri's First District stand with them in the push to end domestic violence.

I commend the Diamond Diva Empowerment Foundation for its leadership, advocacy, and dedication to creating a safer, more supportive world for survivors. Let this event be a powerful reminder of the work we still must do, and of the strength that comes from standing together.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF JON WEST

##### HON. ASHLEY HINSON

OF IOWA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mrs. HINSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of a fellow Iowan, Jon West.

Mr. West was born in 1971 in Mason City, Iowa, to Terry and Linda West. He grew up in Forest City and graduated from Forest City High School in 1989.

In 1990, Jon married the love of his life, Tammy Schoolcraft, in Forest City, Iowa. Their love story is one of true partnership and devotion, standing as a testament to the power of enduring love and commitment.

Jon dedicated 30 years of his professional life to Winnebago Industries. He started in an entry-level position and worked his way up to become the lead manufacturing engineer in the cabinet shop. His unwavering dedication and innovative spirit led to numerous improvements within the company, benefiting his community.

Beyond his professional achievements, Jon was deeply committed to his community. He served as a two-term city council member in Forest City, always striving to give back and make a positive impact. His love for farming, alongside his dear friends Jay and Kevin, further demonstrated his desire to contribute to the local community.

Jon was a fourth-generation Iowan, with his family history in the State dating back to the late 1800s. His roots ran deep in Iowa and pride in his heritage was evident in everything he did. Jon's greatest joy, however, came

from being with his family. Whether it was spending time with his children TJ and Ashley or his granddaughter, Rhea Lou, Jon found happiness in the warmth and love of those around him. He continues to live on through his family, especially his second grandchild and namesake, Lyra Jon, whom he never met.

Jon West was a proud Iowan, a dedicated member of the Forest City community, and a devoted husband, father, and friend. I am honored to recognize his life, and I invite my esteemed colleagues to join me in paying tribute to the memory of Jon West.

#### HONORING WOMEN OF THE YEAR, KEYCHA GALLON

##### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Keycha Gallon as she is honored as one of California's 8th Congressional District's Women of the Year. As a devoted mother, entrepreneur, community leader, and author, Ms. Gallon has made a lasting impact on her community. Serving as Treasurer for Motivated 2 Help Others, Ms. Gallon provides critical resources to underserved populations. Under her leadership, six major community resource events are held annually across Richmond and Vallejo, addressing urgent needs such as housing, food security, and health services.

Ms. Gallon's passion for raising awareness about vital social issues is evident in her coordination of the annual Cancer and Domestic Violence Awareness Walk, which educates and advocates for health and justice in these crucial areas. In addition to her extensive non-profit work, Ms. Gallon is the Founder and CEO of Keyz 2 The Future, a grassroots organization focused on supporting Black and Brown youth in the Greater Bay Area who have been affected by gun violence. Through this nonprofit, Ms. Gallon has established a safe environment that fosters healing, leadership development, and entrepreneurial skills for young people facing the challenges of grief and loss.

Her advocacy extends to her volunteer leadership with Moms Demand Action, where she works diligently to end gun violence in our communities. Ms. Gallon is also a talented author, using her platform to elevate important societal conversations. On behalf of the people of California's 8th Congressional District, it is my pleasure to honor Ms. Gallon for her invaluable contributions to our community.

#### RECOGNIZING MARCH 2024 CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH

##### HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, during Women's History Month, it is my great honor to recognize a leading figure in the Oceanside community, Gabriela Hooshmand, as my Constituent of the Month for March 2024.

Gabriela is the current President and Co-founder of MANA de North County San Diego

and has contributed over fifteen years to the organization, which aims to empower Latinas to be involved in community service, develop their leadership skills, and advocate for themselves.

MANA de North County San Diego's Hermanitas Program matches students' skills and passions to a career path. Gabriela's introduction of this program has been instrumental in the betterment of my district's youth, especially for young Latinas. Carlsbad Unified School District, Oceanside Unified School District, Vista Unified School District, and Vista Charter Public Schools all participate in this unique national youth mentoring program for Latinas.

Gabriela's work to improve the lives of countless Latinas in my district is inspirational and I'm proud to honor her as my March 2024 Constituent of the Month.

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF FOUR GUYS  
FIRETRUCKS

**HON. GUY RESCENTIALER**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. RESCENTIALER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Four Guys Firetrucks.

Four Guys Firetrucks started in October 1974, when four friends worked to repair stainless steel milk tankers in Meyersdale, Pennsylvania. These individuals capitalized on the similarities between milk tankers and firetrucks, bought a small factory, and started Four Guys Firetrucks.

Four Guys has adapted and expanded over the last 50 years. The original factory went through multiple renovations but is still used by the company today. Over the past five decades, the company has made a significant impact on the people of southwestern Pennsylvania. They provide jobs to over 50 residents, fueling our local small business economy. Four Guys also serves the greater Pennsylvania area, fulfilling orders throughout the Commonwealth.

Today, Four Guys prides themselves on their top-quality products that offer a high degree of customization. They value personable service and believe that customer satisfaction is the key to success. These values are what sets this company apart from other firetruck manufacturers.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of Pennsylvania's 14th Congressional District, I congratulate Four Guys Firetrucks on their 50th anniversary and wish them all the best in the future.

HONORING SCOTT ARELLANO-ZANE  
AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN  
CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR PRIDE  
MONTH

**HON. DARREN SOTO**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Scott Arellano-Zane began his public service career in Illinois

in 1988. He moved to Orlando in 1996 and worked at the Orlando Police Department. In November 1999, he became a police officer at the Edgewood Police Department, where he has served for 25 years.

Throughout his career, Scott has also held roles such as city information technology manager, LGBTQ+ liaison officer, and field training officer. In 2019, Scott was selected as a founding board member of the Gay Officers Action League Central Florida (GOALcfl), an official chapter of GOAL New York. Alongside his fellow board members, they brought about a new era in Central Florida law enforcement. Their focus shifted from being recognized solely for LGBTQ+ efforts within their agencies to actively engaging with the surrounding communities. GOALcfl now proudly includes several LGBTQ+ liaisons and allies serving in various Central Florida law enforcement agencies. He is equally as proud of his LGBTQ+ community work as he is of his other work for the City of Edgewood. This past year, he wrote grants awarding the agency two new patrol vehicles, all-new ruggedized laptops for officers, and more technology upgrades. The value of these grants alone exceeded \$300,000.

Scott's commitment to promoting transparency, equality, and trust in the community is evident in his work. In partnership with agency leadership, he secured a grant in 2016 to equip all officers with body-worn cameras. This initiative was a testament to Scott's values and his dedication to serving the community.

With over 35 years in public service, Scott still wakes up each day excited to serve. He looks forward to serving the Central Florida community for many years to come. Scott would like to thank his mother, Janine; father, Jack; sister, Dianne; and spouse of 11 years, Alex, for their unconditional love, support, and sacrifices.

RECOGNIZING HARDING MIDDLE  
SCHOOL IN STEUBENVILLE,  
OHIO, AS A 2024 BLUE RIBBON  
SCHOOL

**HON. MICHAEL A. RULLI**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. RULLI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the success of Harding Middle School in Steubenville, Ohio, as they were recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School for 2024. I thank the Steubenville City School District and their determined, compassionate, and caring staff for guiding students to success.

I am proud to be able to honor Harding Middle School for their exceptional work as upstanding academic leaders in the community. The teachers and faculty not only strive for students to achieve their academic goals but are also invested in the well-being of each student. The educators of this district devote excessive amounts of their time and energy to the success of their learners because they understand the great impact it will have on the students' lives and the advancement of their region.

I want to acknowledge and thank the Steubenville City School District's gifted teachers and staff for their dedication to the prosperity of Ohio's youth.

I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in recognizing these honorable leaders, pillars of Harding Middle School in Steubenville, Ohio, as we congratulate them on their accomplishments and their contributions to the community. These admirable citizens illustrate the preeminent standard of the Ohio educators I am proud to represent. May their work continue to be a blessing to our industrious Nation.

HONORING DR. ANTHONY  
TRUCHARD AND MRS. JO ANN  
TRUCHARD

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Anthony Truchard and Mrs. Jo Ann Truchard as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of Truchard Vineyards. For the last five decades, Dr. and Mrs. Truchard have worked tirelessly to develop their vineyard in Carneros. With their son, Anthony Truchard II, the family continues to operate their successful vineyard and support the Napa community.

Dr. and Mrs. Truchard met at a country dance while they were both attending the University of Texas, Austin. After graduating, Dr. Truchard embarked on his medical career, graduating from medical school and consequently joining the Army. He completed his internship at Walter Reed Memorial and his residency at Brooke General Hospital in San Antonio.

While Mrs. Truchard was pregnant with their fourth child, Dr. Truchard was set to be stationed in South Korea for a two-year tour. That all changed when a very pregnant Mrs. Truchard slipped on a grape at a grocery store and broke her knee. As a result, Dr. Truchard was diverted from Korea and reassigned to an Army base in Northern California to serve as a medical commander. While in California, the Truchards loved taking road trips and after a trip to the Presidio in San Francisco, they got the idea to go see the vineyards in Napa.

After the Napa trip, Dr. Truchard thought it would be "fun" to buy 20 acres of property in Napa and start a vineyard. Growing the Carneros vineyard to what it is today was no easy task. Historically, the Carneros region was long thought to be unsuitable for grapes due to its little rainfall and dense clay soils. Additionally, Dr. Truchard was a practicing physician during the week. However, he still found time to develop the land into a beautiful property with over 400 acres of land and over 280 acres of grapevines. The work ethic and effort that Dr. and Mrs. Truchard displayed while expanding their vineyard embodies the very essence of the American Dream.

In addition to their work in the wine industry, Dr. and Mrs. Truchard have supported various causes throughout their five decades in the region. These causes include Napa Little League, OLE Health, Cope Family Center, Puertas Abiertas, and many more organizations.

Their legacy continues with their six children and twelve grandchildren, many of whom continue to serve on the boards of these organizations that their parents support, making the

Truchards an integral pillar of the Napa community.

Dr. and Mrs. Truchard have undoubtedly touched our community of Napa. As pioneers of the region, they are widely credited for making the area into the thriving wine region it is today. Therefore, it is fitting that we honor Dr. and Mrs. Truchard for the 50th anniversary of Truchard Vineyards here today.

#### RECOGNIZING HEALTH WORKERS IN BUTLER, PENNSYLVANIA, ON JULY 13, 2024

##### HON. MIKE KELLY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the outstanding care and emergency response from Independence Health System Butler Memorial Hospital and Allegheny Health Network, Allegheny General Hospital following the July 13 shooting at former President Trump's campaign rally in Butler, Pennsylvania.

These tragedies reveal the enduring strength within our communities and the caregivers who are always there when we need them. The emergency response from our local hospitals included emergency medical service providers, trauma specialists, emergency management leaders, nurses and clinical staff, and countless others who worked together to care for and support the victims at the scene and at their respective facilities.

I thank the medical teams and leaders at Independence Health System Butler Memorial Hospital and Allegheny Health Network, Allegheny General Hospital for their care for the victims and for their unwavering commitment to their communities.

#### CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNI- VERSARY OF LANSING CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

##### HON. ELISSA SLOTKIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Ms. SLOTKIN. Mr. Speaker, today I honor and celebrate the 100th anniversary of Lansing Church of God in Christ, a cherished institution that has provided spiritual guidance to mid-Michigan and beyond for the past century. Since its founding on August 6, 1924, by Elder Richard Wilson, this church has been a beacon of faith, service, and unity in Lansing, Michigan, making a profound impact on its congregation and the broader community.

Lansing Church of God in Christ held its first official Bible study in 1924 in a small edifice on Williams Street. As its membership grew, so did the need for a larger facility. In 1926, the church relocated to Birch Street, where it became known as the "Birch Street Church of God in Christ." There, Elder Wilson, with the help of Elder Perry Robinson, Sister Dunkin, and Missionary Carrie Williams, laid a strong foundation for the church's growth. In the early 1970s, the church moved to its current location on Wise Road, where it has continued to serve the city ever since.

Over the years, Lansing Church of God in Christ has remained steadfast in its mission to enlighten and uplift the community. Through its many programs and partnerships with local nonprofit organizations, the church has offered spiritual support while addressing the practical needs of Lansing residents. The church's food pantry, computer learning lab, and youth mentoring programs exemplify its dedication to supporting individuals and families. Additionally, through its service groups, grief ministry, men's and women's ministries, and 412 Youth Ministry, the church helps members find freedom, purpose, and the ability to make a positive impact in Michigan and beyond.

Under the leadership of Bishop Samuel Duncan, Jr., who has served as pastor since 1992, the church continues to be a place of hope, healing, and inspiration. Alongside his wife, Evangelist Dorothy Duncan; their son, co-pastor Samuel "Cisco" Duncan IV; and daughter-in-law, Evangelist Benita Duncan; the Duncan family's dedication to the church and its members is a testament to their deep roots in Lansing and commitment to serving the needs of their community.

Lansing Church of God in Christ is more than a place; it is a fellowship of people devoted to living out their faith and strengthening relationships. The church's vision of empowering and developing individuals has been realized through generations of leaders and worshipers who have passed through its doors. With its strong focus on youth programming, the church has demonstrated its commitment to raising the next generation of compassionate, visionary leaders.

As we celebrate the church's 100th anniversary, it is with great appreciation that I recognize Lansing Church of God in Christ's century of service and guidance. May it continue to inspire and uplift for many more years to come.

#### HONORING WOMEN OF THE YEAR, GENOVEVA GARCIA CALLOWAY

##### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Genoveva Garcia Calloway as she is honored as one of California's 8th Congressional District's Women of the Year. After completing high school, she enrolled at Contra Costa Community College in San Pablo, California. During the Civil Rights Movement of the late 1960s and early 1970s, she was a founding member of the Chicano Studies Department, now known as La Raza Studies Department, at Contra Costa College. She also worked with Cesar Chavez's United Farm Workers Union, supporting local strikes and encouraging high school graduates to pursue higher education.

After receiving a master's degree in social work from UC Berkeley, Ms. Calloway began working at La Clinica de La Raza in Oakland, dedicating five years to improving community health. Her career later led her to Contra Costa County Behavioral Health Services, where she served for 35 years as a Program Manager, working with individuals and families facing severe mental illness. In 2004, Ms. Calloway was elected to the San Pablo City Council, where she served four terms, includ-

ing two terms as Mayor. Following her retirement four years ago, she began mentoring individuals interested in political office or nonprofit board appointments.

As a co-founder of Familias Unidas Counseling Center in Richmond, Ms. Calloway has played a vital role in supporting families throughout West Contra Costa County. She continues to serve her community as a Board Member of the San Pablo Economic Development Corporation and a representative on the Contra Costa Community College District's Equal Employment Advisory Committee. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Ms. Calloway became an active member of United Latino Voices of Contra Costa County, working to provide critical information on testing and vaccination to Spanish-speaking communities. In light of the upcoming general elections, she has taken on the role of Elections Ambassador, ensuring voters understand the safety and accuracy of the voting process. I commend Ms. Calloway for her extraordinary contributions to her community and her dedication to public service. On behalf of the people of California's 8th Congressional District, it is my pleasure to honor Ms. Calloway for her positive contributions to our community.

#### RECOGNIZING APRIL 2024 CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH

##### HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to recognize a leading figure in our local health care community, Deysi Merino-Gonzalez, as my Constituent of the Month for April 2024.

A Vista resident, Deysi immigrated to the United States from Mexico almost 20 years ago. After joining the Vista Community Clinic as a community health specialist in 2020 during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, Deysi played an important role in bringing vaccines and health care to agricultural workers in my district.

Thanks to her efforts, Deysi was awarded the 2020 Jugal & Zuroweste Health Justice Award by the Migrant Clinicians Network. This nationwide nonprofit addresses the health needs of migrants, immigrants, and other underserved communities. Deysi's previous experiences have given her valuable insight to understand how to improve our health care system for everyone.

Deysi's work to provide countless migrant and immigrant farmers in my district and region with vital access to health care is inspirational, and I'm proud to honor her as my April 2024 Constituent of the Month.

#### RECOGNIZING PLYMOUTH TUBE COMPANY'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

##### HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the remarkable journey of Plymouth

Tube Company as it marks its 100th anniversary. Since its establishment in 1924 by Herbert and Donald Van Pelt in Plymouth, Michigan, this fifth-generation family-owned specialty metals manufacturer has been guided by its core values—people, customer focus, community and environment, and long-term orientation.

Plymouth Tube Company is a global specialty manufacturer of carbon alloy, nickel alloy, and stainless precision steel tubing, comprised of eight manufacturing plants and nine business units. It has long been at the forefront of innovation in the specialty metals industry. Plymouth Tube has consistently demonstrated a commitment to excellence through its production of tubular products in industries including aerospace, life sciences, fluid power, nuclear energy, performance racing, and industrial markets.

Plymouth Tube Company is committed to its people and the communities it serves. Over the last century, this company has fostered a workplace culture that prioritizes safety, diversity, and professional growth. The employees of Plymouth Tube are not just workers; they are artisans of their craft, dedicated to pushing the boundaries of what is possible. In doing so, they have created a legacy of craftsmanship and integrity that has earned the trust of customers.

Plymouth Tube Company's dedication to sustainability and responsible manufacturing practices reflects the company's understanding of its role in building a better world. Facing the challenges of climate change and environmental stewardship, Plymouth Tube has taken a proactive stance by investing in technologies and practices that not only benefit their business but also contribute to a healthier planet.

The success of Plymouth Tube Company is not just a testament to its innovation but also to its dedication to building strong relationships with its customers and partners. By engaging deeply with those they serve, Plymouth has fostered an environment of continuous improvement, making it a trusted global source for steel tubing and titanium and steel extrusions.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to have Plymouth Tube Companies corporate headquarters in Warrenville, Illinois, part of the Illinois 11th District. I invite my colleagues to join me in celebrating this centennial achievement of excellence in manufacturing and innovation. We look forward to witnessing their continued success in the years to come.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF  
PETTY OFFICER FIRST CLASS  
BILLY WAYNE MACHEN AND  
DEDICATING CAMP BILLY  
MACHEN MEMORIAL PARK

**HON. NATHANIEL MORAN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my gratitude and admiration as we honor the service and valor of someone who truly embodies Texas spirit, Petty Officer First Class Billy Wayne Machen. Today, we honor his legacy and dedicate a Texas Historical Commission Marker at the Camp Billy Machen Memorial Park.

East Texans are tough-minded, kind-hearted, hard-working, selfless, and service-oriented individuals. Petty Officer Machen personified each of these characteristics, as evidenced by his service and sacrifice—not just for our country, but also for his fellow service members in combat.

During the Vietnam war, Petty Officer Machen and his Underwater Demolition Team—a unit that pioneered the creation of the Navy SEALs—were assigned to the Rung Sat Special Zone, also known as the “Forest of Assassins.”

Despite the imminent danger he faced as the team's point man, he made the courageous decision to confront enemy forces alone, allowing his comrades to escape safely and unharmed. In spite of being mortally wounded, Petty Officer Machen was rescued by his comrades, Roger Moscone and Nick Benzschawel, and carried more than 500 yards to safety.

Through his swift actions and sacrifice, Petty Officer Machen laid the foundation for our Nation's most elite force of fighters by never leaving a teammate behind—a motto that holds as much weight across our military today as it did nearly 60 years ago when he perished in the line of duty.

Today, generations after the Founding Fathers sacrificed to preserve our freedom, the spirit and essence of that freedom are defended and embodied by the acts of heroism of our service members. Petty Officer Machen's story is a testament to the enduring spirit of our sovereign Nation.

I want to commend all who have played a role in honoring the life and service of Petty Officer First Class Billy Wayne Machen. This commitment to an American hero reflects our shared values in promoting and preserving freedom for generations past, present, and future.

HONORING KRISTINA BOZANICH AS  
A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN  
CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR PRIDE  
MONTH

**HON. DARREN SOTO**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Kristina Bozanich is a multi-passionate academic, celebrated photographer, and creative director. With a passion for the artistic process and the science of how audiences perceive art and relate to the world, she's built a career honoring self-expression and individuality. Her purely artistic intentions for inclusivity resulted in international recognition as an advocate for LGBTQIA rights while spearheading the historic pride celebration in St. Cloud, Florida.

Before picking up a camera, Kristina immersed herself in academia for the path of a primatologist. She attended the University of Nevada, Reno, where she acquired degrees in both neuroscience and wildlife ecology and conservation. She also achieved a master's in primate biology, behavior, and conservation from the University of Roehampton, London. While the study of neuroscience continues to influence her creative process, she left animal research to embrace her artistic side.

As a full-time photographer, her commercial work has been published domestically and

internationally. She's best known for a pandemic project, SPECTACLE, a self-produced show capturing the spontaneity and authenticity of life's moments in a live shoot for on-line distribution.

In 2022, the memorable episode featuring drag queens sparked a movement that led to the inaugural Pride celebration in the town of St. Cloud, Florida. Despite facing backlash for organizing a Pride event in a traditionally conservative community, Kristina's unwavering belief in celebrating all people propelled her forward, cementing her commitment to artistry and inclusion. Overcoming obstacles presented by the state in 2023, she organized a committee of passionate volunteers and is credited for the inception of the St. Cloud Pride Alliance and Proud in the Cloud, a community-supported event.

Kristina's ability to lead the alliance and inspire community involvement was the driving force in ensuring Proud in the Cloud made history. Her work and dedication continue to break barriers and foster acceptance.

RECOGNIZING BRACKEN AMERICAN  
LEGION CADETS 100TH ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATION

**HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an outstanding organization from my district, Bristol's Bracken American Legion Cadet Junior Drum and Bugle Corps. In 1922, a Boy Scout troop in Bristol, PA, introduced drums and military-style bugles for parades, adopting the name “Cadets of Bristol.” This initiative quickly gained popularity among Bristol's youth, and, by 1924, the Cadets of Bristol sought sponsorship from the Robert W. Bracken American Legion Post 382. The Bracken Post graciously agreed, leading to the establishment of the Robert W. Bracken Cadets Junior Drum and Bugle Corps. Now, a century later, Bracken Post 382 remains the proud sponsor of our corps.

Bristol's Bracken American Legion Cadet Junior Drum and Bugle Corps promotes an appreciation of music through a historical looking glass, and embraces the musical talents of its members, while cultivating confidence and self-development among its participants.

Bristol's Bracken Cadets have flourished over the last century and have brought joy and entertainment through hosting concerts and festivals and even achieved numerous State Championships and Eastern States Titles.

The renowned Bracken Cadets were in high demand for parades and exhibitions and performed in prestigious venues, including Madison Square Garden in 1970. They charmed audiences across the Philadelphia region with their performances from the 1950s to the 1970s in parades and have since transitioned from marching to performing on a flatbed float in a concert-style format.

In 1981, during Bristol's 300th anniversary, corps alumni proudly paraded through the streets to the delight of the townspeople. In 2004, a grand 80th Anniversary Celebration reunited former members in Bristol. They performed the National Anthem to open Historic Bristol Day and enjoyed a memorable reunion

dinner and other corps activities. In 2005, an Alumni corps was established and remains active to this day. However, it is set to conclude after their final performance on Saturday, October 19th, 2024, at the All-Fresh Market on Pond St., Bristol (Historic Bristol Day).

A mural commemorating their legacy will be dedicated during the event. The day will culminate with a celebration dinner at Georgine's and a farewell breakfast at the Golden Eagle Diner on Sunday morning at 11 a.m.

We are incredibly grateful for all that Bristol's Bracken American Legion Cadet Junior Drum and Bugle Corps has done for our community, and we proudly pay tribute to an amazing 100 years.

**CELEBRATING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF PASTOR JEFFREY C. CHAMBLESS OF MOUNT MORIAH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

**HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the 10th pastoral anniversary of Pastor Jeffrey C. Chambliss of Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church. Pastor Chambliss' story began in Rockville Centre, Long Island, where he was nurtured in the faith as a Baptist believer at the Shiloh Baptist Church, becoming an active member at the age of 10. Pastor Chambliss received his education at Canisius College, now Canisius University, in the city of Buffalo, later attending Erie Community College in pursuit of a major in police services.

Under the spiritual leadership of Reverend Dr. Robert E. Baines, Sr., in 2014, Pastor Chambliss was sent to serve at Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church. Mount Moriah was founded in 1960 by the late Rev. Anthony Benson, Sr. Since assuming the pastorship of the church, Mount Moriah has grown due to Pastor Chambliss' lifelong commitment to serving Christ and his people, guided by the teachings of the late Rev. Dr. Morgan M. Days, Jr.

His move to Buffalo to attend Canisius was not just an academic pursuit; it was a divine appointment. It was there that he met his beloved wife, Clarisse Y. Williams, and together they formed a family grounded in faith, welcoming their daughter, Camille. Their marriage exemplifies the strength found in a family that prays and worships together.

As a licensed and ordained minister of the Gospel, Pastor Chambliss embodies the belief that we are all called to be servants of the Lord. His passion for service resonates throughout our church, and his leadership inspires us to grow in faith and unity.

Today, as we celebrate a decade of Pastor Chambliss' unwavering dedication, let us recognize the countless lives he has touched and the profound impact he has made at Mount Moriah and beyond. Congratulations, Pastor Jeffrey C. Chambliss, on this significant milestone. Your service is a blessing, and we look forward to many more years of your inspired leadership.

HONORING BRANDON STAGLIN,  
GAREN STAGLIN, SHANNON  
STAGLIN, AND SHARI STAGLIN  
AND ONE MIND

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Brandon Staglin, Garen Staglin, Shannon Staglin, and Shari Staglin, the founders of One Mind, in recognition of the 30th One Mind Music Festival for Brain Health, the organization's annual premier brain health charity event.

One Mind was founded by the Staglins in 1995 to address the gaps they identified in brain health research and patient support in the wake of Garen and Shannon's son, Brandon's, diagnosis of schizophrenia. That same year, the Staglins hosted a small concert fundraiser at their Napa vineyard, to support the burgeoning organization and its ambitious goals. Since this first iteration, the One Mind Music Festival for Brain Health has evolved to become one of the most important fundraising events for brain health in the country, raising over \$600 million over the years to support invaluable research and initiatives revolutionizing the mental health field.

With the money it fundraises through its music festival, One Mind has been able to play an integral role in pushing the brain health field forward. In 2003, One Mind partnered with the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) to launch the North American Prodrome Longitudinal Study, leading to the discovery of biomarkers enabling the prediction of psychosis onset in clinical high-risk youth with 70 percent accuracy. One Mind was also the principal fundraiser for the 2021 Ken Burns documentary "Hiding in Plain Sight: Youth Mental Illness", which was screened at the White House and the U.S. Capitol and has aired on 350 PBS stations. Furthermore, One Mind has been instrumental in launching the careers of boundary-pushing scientists with their Rising Star Awards, recognizing the likes of Dr. Kafui Dzirasa, a pioneer of the brain pacemaker, and Dr. Joshua Gordon, the director of NIMH from 2017 to 2024.

Outside of One Mind, the Staglins have continued to commit themselves to lives of service. In 2008, Shari and Garen advocated alongside U.S. Representative Patrick Kennedy to pass the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008, a bill mandating fair and equal insurance coverage for physical and mental health. In 2009, Shari, Garen, and Brandon collaborated with actor Glenn Close to launch the nonprofit Bring Change to Mind, an organization dedicated to ending the stigma surrounding mental health. Additionally, Shari and Garen chaired UCLA's Centennial Fundraising Campaign, leading the campaign to raise over \$5.49 billion to support the school and its programs.

Mr. Speaker, the Staglins have left an indelible mark on mental health in this country. Their philanthropic efforts and continued support of scientific innovation in the brain health field through their One Mind organization deserves recognition. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor them here today.

HONORING WOMEN OF THE YEAR,  
DR. MAYA ALTMAN

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Dr. Myra Altman as she is honored as one of California's 8th Congressional District's Women of the Year. Dr. Altman has dedicated her career to advancing mental health care, particularly for children. Through her leadership, she helped develop and implement the Brightline Kids program, which provides free mental health coaching to parents and children in California. This innovative program is available to all California residents with children aged 0–12, offering crucial support in a system often hindered by financial and administrative barriers.

Dr. Altman's commitment to improving mental health care is evident in her tireless work leading a national team of clinicians, conducting research to enhance care quality, and developing sustainable models for affordable mental health services. Her vision to expand access to care through both government and private insurance reflects her dedication to ensuring individuals receive the care they need, regardless of financial circumstances. She is a role model whose work is transforming mental health care for children and families across our state and nation. On behalf of the people of California's 8th Congressional District, it is my pleasure to honor Dr. Myra Altman for her invaluable contributions to our community.

**RECOGNIZING MAY 2024  
CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH**

**HON. MIKE LEVIN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, during Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, it is my great honor to recognize Shannalei Seau, a leading figure in our Oceanside community, as my Constituent of the Month for May 2024.

Ms. Seau serves on the Oceanside Parks and Recreation Commission. She is dedicated to fostering inclusive ways for residents and visitors to engage in our beautiful community.

Through her efforts on the Oceanside Parks and Recreation Commissions, she works to ensure that there are programs and activities for everyone in our community. She is not afraid to ask questions to ensure that Oceanside parks and facilities are not only safe, but also sanitary.

Ms. Seau collaborates with multiple key stakeholders, including community leaders and the Oceanside Police Department, and proactively engages with other agencies to seek where community members can take proactive action. She exemplifies what it means to be a community leader, and I especially commend her efforts within the AAPI community in Oceanside.

Ms. Seau's work to improve the lives of residents in my district is inspirational, and I am proud to honor her as my May 2024 Constituent of the Month.

# RECOGNIZING STARLINK'S ROLE IN HURRICANE RECOVERY EF- FORTS

## HON. MICHAEL CLOUD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. CLOUD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the vital work of Starlink in the recovery efforts following Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton. With one of its key facilities in Bastrop, Texas, located in the 27th District, Starlink has made a significant impact by providing internet access to areas where traditional communication infrastructure has been severely damaged or destroyed completely. Our South Texas community is honored to play a small role in driving technological innovation that is directly benefiting Americans in times of crisis.

In response to the devastation, Starlink quickly deployed over 20,000 of its satellite kits—many of which were made in Bastrop—reconnecting families and facilitating emergency services in some of the hardest-hit areas. Starlink has extended free satellite internet service through the end of the year, ensuring that Americans maintain access to essential communications as they rebuild and support relief efforts.

In addition, this initiative exemplifies the strength of the free market in delivering rapid, lifesaving solutions. The ability of private-sector companies like SpaceX to innovate and respond to crises faster than traditional channels is a testament to the importance of entrepreneurial spirit in serving the public good. I would also like to personally thank Elon Musk for his leadership and commitment to providing this invaluable resource to disaster-stricken communities.

Mr. Speaker, may God bless the recovery efforts, the victims affected, and those tirelessly working to provide them with relief and support.

# RECOGNIZING THE DISTINGUISHED CAREER OF ELIZABETH HOLLOMAN

## HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the distinguished career of Elizabeth Holloman, Executive Director for the Orange Chamber of Commerce.

Known for an unmatched sense of humor capable of keeping team morale high during difficult times, Elizabeth has built a reputation as a resourceful, trustworthy, and kind community leader. She served our neighborhoods as a math teacher for 20 years before opening a jam-making business in the city.

Since June 2021, Elizabeth has led the Orange Chamber of Commerce as its Executive Director—and she will be retiring from her role after four years at the helm. During her tenure as the Executive Director, Elizabeth spearheaded many important partnerships and initiatives, including re-introducing the Orange Chamber of Commerce May Parade, partnering with the City on economic develop-

ment projects, and creating new opportunities for businesses to engage with the community in meaningful ways.

From advocating for the wellbeing of her staff to supporting innovation and growth with an equity mindset, Elizabeth stands out as an outstanding example of servant leadership. She is always looking to include unique voices in conversations where fresh perspectives are needed and never failed to set the tone for a respectful and productive environment in the boardroom.

I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Elizabeth Holloman, the retiring Executive Director of the Orange Chamber of Commerce, and her career-long contributions to the growth and prosperity of communities in the City of Orange and throughout Orange County.

# HONORING NEW JERSEY'S SEV- ENTH CONGRESSIONAL DIS- TRICT'S HOMETOWN HEROES

## HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 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 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 KATIE KLÜTZ AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CEN- TRAL FLORIDA FOR PRIDE MONTH

## HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Katie Klütz, MSW, LCSW, ASDCS, is a licensed clinical social worker with nearly 20 years of experience in Florida's non-profit sector. She earned a bachelor's degree in social work with a double major in psychology in 2005 and a master's degree in social work in 2006, both from Florida State University.

Throughout her career, Katie has worked in various pediatric specialties, including foster care, adoption, juvenile justice, and medical social work. She has led initiatives in child welfare by utilizing solution-focused, multisystemic, and trauma-informed approaches with at-risk youth and families.

Since 2017, Katie has specialized in childhood cancer and blood disorders, focusing on support for patients and their family members by providing mental health interventions, support, education, and addressing any barriers to their care. Katie's strong belief in the empowerment of others inspired her to organize a community program for children and young adults living with chronic medical conditions to promote a successful healthcare transition from pediatric to adult care.

Her commitment to advocacy and the empowerment of others is evident in her work and achievements. Her recent notable achievements include being the 2022 recipient of the National Bleeding Disorders Foundation's Social Work Excellence Fellowship and the 2023 Orlando Health Support Services Excellence Award. Additionally, she has co-authored healthcare transition curriculum workbooks, which were created to help patients navigate the transition from pediatric to adult healthcare, emphasizing a focus on empowering young patients and their families.

Lastly, she served as a sub-investigator on a study in 2024 that aimed to improve clinical practices and direct patient education. These achievements demonstrate her leadership in social work and her ongoing commitment to enhancing the quality of care for patients and families within this community.

# RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF LORI STEVENS

## HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Lori Stevens of Rockwall, Texas. Lori has served our community through her work as the Founder and Executive Director of Patriot PAWS Service Dogs.

For over four decades, Lori has specialized in dog training and sought to make a difference in the lives of those in need. Prior to

founding Patriot PAWS, she became certified in professional dog training at the Karen Pryor Academy and later owned Country K9 Academy. In 2005, Lori was approached by disabled veterans at the Dallas VA hospital, who requested her assistance with training service animals. In the following year, she established Patriot PAWS, a nonprofit organization that trains and provides highly skilled service dogs at no cost to veterans with physical disabilities, traumatic brain injuries, and post-traumatic stress. Due to Lori's passion and visionary leadership, Patriot PAWS has provided over 600 service dogs to wounded veterans nationwide. These incredible service dogs have helped veterans meet their needs, improve their quality of life, and spend time with a faithful companion.

As a result of her outstanding contributions to the service dog industry, Lori has received numerous awards, including the Champion of Freedom Award by the Texas Federation of Republican Women, the Texas Animal Hall of Fame Award, and the Governor's Criminal Justice Volunteer Service Award. In November 2023, Lori was recognized by Governor Greg Abbott and presented with the prestigious Yellow Rose of Texas Commission award, the highest award bestowed on women by the Texas governor. I am proud of the work that Patriot PAWS has accomplished for our veterans, and I know Lori will continue to make a positive impact on the world around us for many years to come.

I have requested the United States flag to be flown over our nation's Capitol in recognition of Lori's exceptional contributions to the people of North Texas. I thank her for all she has done.

#### HONORING SUPERVISOR JEAN RAYMOND

#### HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Town Supervisor Jean Raymond for her thirty-six years of public service to the Town of Edinburg, New York.

As the longest-serving member of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors, Jean Raymond's legacy is one of commitment, leadership, and unwavering dedication to her community. After spending her formative years in her hometown of Stamford, Connecticut, Jean and her family relocated to their new home in Edinburg in the 1970s. Jean owned and operated a local general store while also managing responsibilities as a single mother before selling the business in 1987.

When the position of Town Supervisor opened, the Edinburg community encouraged Jean to run. Jean stepped into the role in 1988 and brought her strong convictions and work ethic to serve the town and give her time back to the community, working through evenings, weekends, and holidays.

Jean has taken great strides to improve the Town of Edinburg. Early in her tenure, she secured a dedicated space for Edinburg's government offices and oversaw the construction of a new Town Hall, which opened in July 2005. Jean helped to close the Town's landfill and played a pivotal role in securing state

funding that covered ninety percent of the associated costs. One of her most significant achievements was securing \$46 million to repair the Batchellerville Bridge, a piece of critical infrastructure and the linchpin of a central Town route. Complete repairs to the 3,000-foot bridge took eighteen years and were successfully completed under her supervision.

Jean continues to embark on new projects, including the development of a local park and nature trail. Today, Jean Raymond serves the Town with the same passion that has guided her for more than three decades. On behalf of New York's 21st Congressional District, I am honored to recognize her record of extraordinary public service.

#### HONORING WOMEN OF THE YEAR, DR. DIANE DOOLEY

#### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Diane Dooley, recognized as one of California's 8th Congressional District's Women of the Year. Dr. Dooley is a dedicated pediatrician, public health advocate, community leader, former school board trustee, and proud Benicia native. For 41 years, Dr. Dooley served as a pediatrician at Contra Costa Medical Center, providing compassionate care to countless families and ensuring that children received the medical attention they deserve.

In 2004, Dr. Dooley became a Pediatric Quality Physician, working tirelessly for 14 years to improve the quality of care and expand healthcare access for low-income youth. Beyond her clinical work, Dr. Dooley founded the Healthy and Active Before 5 initiative, which advances health equity for children by collaborating with community organizations to advocate for sustainable practices through local policy. Since her retirement from clinical roles, she has taken on the role of Chairperson for the California American Academy of Pediatrics Mental Health Legislative Team, where she has been instrumental in advancing legislation that supports the mental well-being of children across our state.

In addition to her healthcare work, Dr. Dooley served on the Board of Trustees for the Benicia Unified School District for eight years, influencing policies that support student success. On behalf of the people of California's 8th Congressional District, it is my pleasure to honor Dr. Diane Dooley for her invaluable contributions to our community.

#### RECOGNIZING JUNE 2024 CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH

#### HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, during Gun Violence Prevention Month, it is my great honor to recognize Nikki Faddick, a leading gun violence prevention advocate from Carlsbad, as my Constituent of the Month for June 2024.

Ms. Faddick has spearheaded gun safety efforts in our community. She serves as a vol-

unteer for the California chapter of Moms Demand Action and is a senior organizing manager at Everytown for Gun Safety.

Through her efforts, Ms. Faddick advocates for commonsense gun reform and fights to protect our community members. She has participated in the Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America's advocacy days and has fought for increased funding for the state's most vulnerable cities through the California Violence Intervention and Prevention grant program.

As part of her work, Ms. Faddick has met with leaders across all levels of government to push for gun violence reduction measures, and she helped lead local volunteers in a phone bank effort placing over a million calls to make communities across the country safer.

Ms. Faddick's work to protect the residents in my district from gun violence is inspirational, and I am proud to honor her as my June 2024 Constituent of the Month.

#### CELEBRATING DETROIT CHINA DAY

#### HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 8th annual Chinese American Culture and Arts Festival for Detroit China Day. This year also marks the 45th anniversary of the normalization of U.S.-China relations, a time to recognize the cultural and economic contributions of Chinese Americans to Michigan. Detroit China Day, which allows the community to experience the richness of Chinese culture and to build stronger ties with members of our community, is worthy of commendation.

Michigan's 6th Congressional District is home to one of the largest concentrations of Chinese Americans in the Midwest. In these challenging times, when our Nation faces divisions that may seem insurmountable, it is essential to embrace and celebrate our diversity. This festival is a testament to the power of unity among different cultures through showcasing Chinese performances, fashion shows, live paintings, food and tea tastings, and more. By sharing and educating our fellow community members on our stories, traditions, and art, we can bridge divides and cultivate understanding to strengthen the bonds that connect us all.

This year marks the 45th anniversary of the normalization of U.S.-China relations and provides a fitting opportunity to reflect on the contributions of Chinese Americans to our community, state, and Nation. Their entrepreneurial spirit, innovation, and hard work have been pivotal in driving economic growth and fostering a thriving business environment. Chinese American professionals and entrepreneurs have left an indelible mark on our economic landscape, demonstrating resilience, creativity, and leadership.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in celebrating the 8th annual Chinese American Culture and Arts Festival for Detroit China Day and the 45th anniversary of the normalization of U.S.-China relations. For the last eight years, this festival has been monumental in cultivating a deeper appreciation for

the ways in which Chinese culture has enhanced the American way of life, celebrating decades of contributions to Michigan's communities and economy. I thank Detroit and its community members for their commitment to hosting the Chinese American Culture and Arts Festival, and we are excited to see how the festival will continue to educate and unite the community.

### HONORING THE NAPA COUNTY HISPANIC NETWORK

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Napa County Hispanic Network for the occasion of their 40th anniversary.

As the oldest Latino nonprofit organization in Napa County, the Napa County Hispanic Network seeks to develop the Napa County Latino community through political and economic empowerment, pursuit of education, and social advocacy. The network was established in 1983 by a group of local professionals seeing a gap in access to services for the Spanish-speaking community. In addition to emphasizing collaboration, voluntary civil service, and the value of cultural heritage for Latino communities, the network raises critical funds for Napa County students in their pursuit of higher education.

With a mission of closing the opportunity gap for Napa County's Latino students financial needs, the Napa County Hispanic Network has worked tirelessly to increase access to financial support and scholarship services for graduating high school students in our district. Since its founding, the network has distributed over \$500,000 of academic scholarships to more than 700 Napa County students, with the organization increasing their annual impact each year.

Higher education in the United States has always been heralded as the road to career success and fulfillment for our children. By providing students from our county with scholarship funds that empower that pathway, the network has performed an incredible service to our community.

In 2024, the Napa County Hispanic Network awarded \$41,000 in the form of \$1,000 to \$2,500 scholarships through seven different programs, the largest contributions for a single year to date. As college costs have risen over the years, the network has increased its level of support to help parents navigate the growing financial challenges of sending their children to college and university. The impact of assisting children's journeys through education will benefit students and their families for generations to come.

Mr. Speaker, through academic scholarships and community contributions, the Napa County Hispanic Network has spent an impactful 40 years striving to cultivate the next generation of Latino community leaders in Napa County. This invaluable mission is central to the health and preservation of our community, as well as the prosperity of our children. For the terrific work the network has done, we honor them here today.

### CELEBRATING SARA DENTON'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

#### HON. DINA TITUS

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Ms. TITUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the 100th birthday of Sara Denton, a close friend and trailblazer in Nevada politics. Sara Pittard Denton was born on November 12, 1924, in Paducah, Kentucky.

In 1943, during her first year in college at Southern Illinois University, the U.S. Army Signal Corps, the forerunner to Military Intelligence, recruited her to work as a "Code Girl" in Washington, D.C. at the height of World War II. There she met Ralph Denton, a young U.S. Army lieutenant from Caliente, Nevada, who was attending law school under the patronage of U.S. Senator Pat McCarran. They married in 1949 and after Ralph's graduation, the newlyweds moved to Nevada where for 75 years Sara volunteered in numerous state and national political campaigns while also rearing their three children: renown author Sally, Dr. Scott Denton, and Judge Mark Denton.

Following her participation in U.S. Senator Howard Cannon's successful 1976 campaign, Sara was hired as his Administrative Assistant, her first and only paid position in Nevada politics.

In recent decades, Sara has been instrumental in other Nevada campaigns, including presidential candidates Bill Clinton, Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton, Joe Biden, and Kamala Harris. In addition to her political work, Sara has been involved in numerous community and charitable organizations, including the 1964 founding of Boulder City's Art in the Park, the largest juried art festival in the Southwest with proceeds going towards the Boulder City Hospital Foundation.

The State of Nevada has benefitted tremendously from her work. She is greatly respected, highly admired, and deeply loved by so many. I join my fellow Nevadans in wishing her a Happy One-Hundredth Birthday.

### HONORING THE LIFE OF SAM HAMRA OF SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

#### HON. ERIC BURLISON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. BURLISON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life and legacy of Mr. Sam Hamra of Springfield, Missouri. He was 92 years old when he recently passed away.

Mr. Hamra was the founder and chairman of Hamra Enterprises, which owns and operates 156 restaurants and other projects across Missouri and the United States. These include locations for Wendy's, Panera Bread, Noodles & Company, and more. He opened the first Wendy's in Springfield in 1976, and the rest is history.

Sam Hamra grew up in Steele, Missouri, as the son of Lebanese immigrants. He graduated from the University of Missouri with business and law degrees. He served as an officer in the U.S. Army, where he was appointed as U.S. Civilian Aide to the Secretary

of the Army for Western Missouri. He later served as the attorney for the city of Nixa, Missouri, where he helped build the city's electric distribution system. He also advocated for funding to expand transportation arteries connecting Branson to Springfield, as well as expanding a major thoroughfare in the city of Springfield.

Mr. Hamra was active in his community. He was a founding member of OakStar Bank, charter president of the Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast, and a member of the foundation board for Ozarks Technical Community College, which also houses the Sam and June Hamra Family Library. The Sam F. Hamra Center for Justice also was named for his work organizing and serving as the first board chairman of Legal Services of Southern Missouri, which serves 43 southern Missouri counties. He and his wife, June, also donated the funds to purchase the land for the Kitchen Homeless Family Shelter on the O'Reilly Campus.

Sam Hamra was a community builder who made an impact on so many aspects of Springfield. He will be greatly missed, but his legacy will live on.

### HONORING DARCEL STEVENS AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR PRIDE MONTH

#### HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Darcel Stevens is an individual with a diverse range of accomplishments and experiences. Not only is he a graduate of the esteemed University of Florida and a proud U.S. Army veteran, but he/she is also a talented comedian, a dedicated political-social activist, and the recent organizer of the impactful "THE DRAG QUEEN'S MARCH 2023," a statewide mobilization of over 540 drag queens and their allies from across Florida to the state's Capitol, protesting against discriminatory anti-drag queen legislation, FLSB-1438.

Recognized for outstanding contributions to the community, Darcel has received numerous prestigious certificates and community service awards, including the Orlando Come Out With Pride Award, the Chuck Hummer Award, the Orlando Social Justice Award, Watermark Orlando's Most Outstanding People Honors, the 2023 Naples Pride Award, and the 2023 Rainbow Awards for Outstanding Community Service.

In the competitive realm of drag, Darcel has proven herself. She has emerged victorious in several regional, state, and national competitions, including the titles of Miss National at Large, Miss Continental Plus, and Miss FL Universo Latina. She is also the reigning Miss FL Babalu International 2024.

Professionally, Darcel excels as Harmony Healthcare's marketing-outreach coordinator, with a passion for providing valuable health services to marginalized communities. Darcel showcases his exceptional skills utilizing diverse marketing strategies while building valuable community partnerships.

However, it is during the weekends that her unique talents shine through as she takes the

stage across the nation and Florida, captivating audiences with mesmerizing performances and quick-witted improvisational repertoire.

Beyond the glitz and glamour, Darcel Stevens is a remarkable individual with a heart of gold known for her brassy and complicated persona, but behind the scenes, a true gem. Always ready to lend a helping hand to those in need, generously giving time and resources to support numerous charitable causes. Her unique combination of humor, complexity, and unwavering kindness leaves a lasting impression on all who cross his or her fabulous path. "Let us be vigilant but not afraid!"

RECOGNIZING HAWAII REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT SAIKI FOR RECEIVING THE ACHIEVEMENT IN ADVOCACY AWARD FROM THE HEALTHCARE ASSOCIATION OF HAWAII

**HON. JILL N. TOKUDA**

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Ms. TOKUDA. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor and privilege to recognize Speaker Scott Saiki of the Hawaii State House of Representatives, a distinguished legislator and this year's recipient of the Achievement in Advocacy award from the Healthcare Association of Hawaii.

Throughout his 20 years in the Hawaii State Legislature, Speaker Saiki has championed access to care, especially for the underserved and most vulnerable in Hawaii. His commitment to care included support for innovative ideas to grow our healthcare workforce, training local talent for critical positions. Never one to shy away from difficult issues, he also led efforts to give our families the power to make some of the most personal decisions in their lifetimes.

As Speaker of the Hawaii House of Representatives, he also helped lead Hawaii through a global pandemic. His work was instrumental in protecting residents by setting up vaccination sites, testing, and metrics for the eventual reopening of our State. His leadership, including in spearheading the House Select Committee on COVID-19 Economic and Financial Preparedness, ensured our State could successfully make it through a worldwide public health emergency.

Speaker Saiki's unflagging dedication and commitment to others is an inspiration to many, and I am pleased to join the Healthcare Association of Hawaii in celebrating his many accomplishments. Congratulations and mahalo to Speaker Saiki for all his contributions to the people and the State of Hawaii.

HONORING WOMEN OF THE YEAR,  
BARBARA AKORO

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Barbara Akoro as she is honored as one of California's 8th Congressional District's Women of the

Year. Ms. Akoro leads her life with resilience and compassion. After the tragic loss of her children's father, she raised her two children with remarkable strength and determination.

In addition to her family responsibilities, Ms. Akoro has achieved significant academic milestones, earning degrees in chemistry and forensic chemistry, and she will soon complete her doctorate in public health. She has worked as a laboratory scientist and caregiver and has interned with the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent, focusing on climate change as a public health environmental specialist.

Driven by her passion for helping others, Ms. Akoro co-founded TishZeeLCC, a home care agency dedicated to ensuring individuals can live healthy lives. As a member of Rivertown Community Church in Antioch, her faith and values guide her purpose. Ms. Akoro's commitment to making a meaningful difference is truly an inspiration to our community. On behalf of the people of California's 8th Congressional District, I am proud to recognize Barbara Akoro for her invaluable contributions to our community.

RECOGNIZING JULY 2024  
CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH

**HON. MIKE LEVIN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to recognize public servant and owner of local restaurant Captain Keno's, Gerry Sova from Encinitas, as my Constituent of the Month for July 2024.

Mr. Sova is a generous local leader who has dedicated his life to making his fellow community members feel accepted. For the past 54 years, Gerry has worked to ensure that Captain Keno's could accommodate anyone who wanted a safe space to eat, drink, and simply feel welcome.

Over the years, Mr. Sova has fed thousands of local firefighters, nonprofit groups, and customers during special holiday meals—regardless of whether they could afford to pay or not.

With Captain Keno's set to permanently close at the end of August, it is my honor to recognize Gerry for his selfless dedication to giving back to others. He is an inspiring member of our community whose work and commitment over the past five decades is truly admirable, and I'm proud to honor Gerry Sova as my July 2024 Constituent of the Month.

RECOGNIZING LEONA AVE MIDDLE  
SCHOOL IN SHADYSIDE, OHIO, AS  
A 2024 BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

**HON. MICHAEL A. RULLI**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. RULLI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the success of Leona Ave Middle School in Shadyside, Ohio, as they were recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School for 2024. I thank the Shadyside Local School District and their determined, compassionate, and caring staff for guiding students to success.

I am proud to be able to honor Leona Ave Middle School for their exceptional work as upstanding academic leaders in the community.

The teachers and faculty not only strive for students to achieve their academic goals but are also invested in the well-being of each student. The educators of this district devote excessive amounts of their time and energy to the success of their learners because they understand the great impact it will have on the students' lives and the advancement of their region.

I want to acknowledge and thank the Shadyside Local School District's gifted teachers and staff for their dedication to the prosperity of Ohio's youth.

I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in recognizing these honorable leaders, pillars of Leona Ave Middle School in Shadyside, Ohio, as we congratulate them on their accomplishments and their contributions to the community. These admirable citizens illustrate the preeminent standard of the Ohio educators I am proud to represent. May their work continue to be a blessing to our industrious Nation.

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF UNILAND DEVELOPMENT  
COMPANY

**HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the 50th anniversary of Uniland Development Company. Uniland Development was founded in a single warehouse in Tonawanda, New York, by Carl J. Montante and Nancy R. Dobson in 1974. Since then Uniland has grown into the largest commercial real estate developer in western New York, changing the face of Buffalo and western New York through passion and dedication.

Uniland's success stems from a steadfast focus on improving the community. With a talented team of over 200 associates, the company has consistently delivered solutions for businesses throughout the region, helping to spur economic development and growth. Their guiding principles of integrity, professionalism, excellence, innovation, customer focus, and teamwork are not just words; they are the foundation upon which Uniland has built its legacy.

Over the past five decades, Uniland has transformed the landscape of western New York with remarkable projects that have enhanced our communities. From the early days at 260 Wales Avenue to the expansive CrossPoint Business Park, Uniland has continually set the standard for commercial real estate. Their developments have created thousands of jobs and revitalized neighborhoods, ensuring that both businesses and communities thrive.

Notable milestones, such as the transformation of the Elm-Oak corridor in Buffalo and the iconic Avant mixed-use redevelopment, showcase Uniland's commitment to innovation and community improvement. Their ongoing work in residential rentals and their

dedication to socially responsible initiatives speak volumes about their mission to build better communities.

Congratulations to Carl Montante, Nancy Dobson, and the entire Uniland team on this extraordinary 50-year journey. Your unwavering commitment to excellence and community enhancement has made a lasting impact on western New York.

#### HONORING THE CALISTOGA LIBRARY

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Calistoga Library, as it celebrates its 100th year in service to the Calistoga community.

The Calistoga Library has consistently provided our community with education and entertainment catered to all ages, but most important for our youth. The library's role of informing children in fun and innovative ways has continually inspired a love for learning from one generation to the next. Cultivating a safe environment for individuals who seek knowledge, Calistoga's library contributes to the lifelong passion for learning that so many of us hold dear.

The Calistoga Library has a rich history in our community. The library traces its origins back to the 1880s, when the property was rented for just \$3.00 a month. Thanks to the early 20th century efforts of the Calistoga Civics Club, which fundraised for a permanent building to be established for the library, the building we know today as the Calistoga Library was completed in 1924 for \$20,000.

Decades of hard work by library staff have seen the library grow from the once rented room above the police station with a handful of paperbacks, to a community center that distributes games, puzzles, and e-books. The library's services, such as rentals and publicly accessible computers, have adapted with the ever-changing technological advancements of the modern era, displaying the dynamic nature and dedication of countless employees over the years.

In addition to offering an outstanding variety of materials to the people of Calistoga, the library has partnered with public and private agencies to assist in improving lives and the quality of our community. In collaborating with schools, government agencies, and numerous local businesses over the years, the library has acted as a forum for events that the whole town enjoys. The past 100 years have tested the resilience of Calistoga: wildfires, social unrest, even pandemics. With the help of incredible institutions such as the library, our town has navigated one crisis after another and remains stronger than ever.

Mr. Speaker, the Calistoga Library has evolved from small beginnings into a beloved institution deserving of our recognition for its 100 years of service to all whom love to learn. Over the decades, the building and organization has become a staple of our town. Years of quality service to our community have em-

bedded the library as a core aspect of the town. Without it, Calistoga would not be the same. As such, it is fitting and proper that it be honored on this terrific anniversary as we look forward to the next 100 years of meaningful education and civil service.

#### HONORING CLINTON MCCrackEN AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR PRIDE MONTH

#### HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Clinton McCracken has dedicated much of his life to teaching and advocating for teachers and LGBTQ+ students. In 2022, Clinton was named National Teacher of the Year by MSA. He has been a teacher for 24 years and is honored to serve as the president of the Orange County Classroom Teachers Association—the teacher's union for the eighth-largest school district in the country.

In 2004, Clinton and his [now] husband, Mike Palmateer, along with three other same-sex couples, sought marriage licenses at the Orange County courthouse. After being denied, they held a public commitment ceremony in downtown Orlando to bring attention to the injustice of marriage inequality. In 2011, Clinton mobilized the community to lobby the school board to add "sexual orientation and gender identity/expression" to the non-discrimination policy and add domestic partner benefits. In 2019, Clinton lobbied the board to designate October as LGBTQ+ Awareness/History Month.

Clinton has received numerous awards for his teaching and advocacy in education, including Equality Florida's Voice for Equality Award, the FEA Human and Civil Rights Award, and the ASN Emerging Leader Award. In 2021, Clinton was recognized by the Orlando Sentinel as one of "10 people who make Orlando a better place to live." He has been interviewed by CNN, NPR, TIME, The Guardian, The Washington Post, Rolling Stone, and numerous local news affiliates. Clinton serves on the AFT Teachers Program and Policy Council, AFT LGBTQ+ Task Force, FEA Government Relations Committee, and Human and Civil Rights Committee.

Clinton graduated from Truman State in 1996 with a BFA in art. He began teaching art in 2001 for OCPS and received an MA in art education from the University of Central Florida. During his free time, Clinton loves drawing with oil pastels and spending time with his best friend and husband, Mike.

#### RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 2023 CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH

#### HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to recognize veteran and Oceanside

resident Dr. Jack Morgan as my November 2023 Constituent of the Month.

Jack is a hero of our Nation, serving as a naval gunnery officer aboard the battleship USS *South Dakota* (BB-57) at the close of WWII, aboard the Navy cruiser USS *Saint Paul* (CA-73) during the Korean War, and as a Navy and Marine Corps medic during the Vietnam War. After retiring from military service, Dr. Morgan has dedicated himself to increasing educational support to veterans by founding a scholarship program that awards funding to veterans at California colleges and universities.

I am honored to recognize veterans, like Jack, who served our country with pride and now give back to their fellow veterans. He is a courageous and inspiring community leader, and I'm proud to recognize Dr. Jack Morgan as my November 2023 Constituent of the Month.

#### HONORING WOMEN OF THE YEAR, RUTHIE ABELSON OLIVAS

#### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 18, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ruthie Abelson Olivas as one of California's 8th Congressional District's Women of the Year. Ms. Olivas has made an indelible mark on West Contra Costa County through her tireless volunteer work and leadership in multiple organizations. As a board member of the Greater Richmond Interfaith Program, she addresses the needs of our most vulnerable populations.

As Vice Treasurer and Violet Richardson Scholarship Chair for the Soroptimist of El Cerrito, she skillfully manages financial responsibilities while championing educational opportunities for young women. Ms. Olivas' dedication extends to her service as Secretary of the West County Forum and as a board member for the Bay Area Girls Club and the California Association of Realtors. At the Contra Costa Association of Realtors, she serves as a Trustee for the Scholarship Foundation, where she has significantly increased both the number of applications and the diversity of recipients.

As Vice Chair of the Local Government Relations Committee, she advocates for policies that best support our community's needs. Beyond these roles, Ms. Olivas is an active participant in various local committees, including the Richmond Rotary and the Galileo Club of Richmond, where she spearheads fundraising initiatives to support local projects. Her efforts resonate deeply throughout our community, inspiring many to get involved and make a difference. On behalf of the people of California's 8th Congressional District, I am proud to honor Ruthie Abelson Olivas for her remarkable contributions to our community.

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### *Chamber Action*

The Senate met at 10:02:18 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 10:02:47 a.m. until 8 a.m. on Tuesday, October 22, 2024.

### *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 23 public bills, H.R. 9997–10019; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 211–216; and H. Res. 1546, were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

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

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**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 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

### *Committee Meetings*

No hearings were held.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

8 a.m., Tuesday, October 22

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

11 a.m., Tuesday, October 22

## 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 11 a.m.

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