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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, January 3, 2022
Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today out of great respect for a public servant who has since left us, Linda Davis of Ledyard, Connecticut. Linda passed at the age of 71 on December 31, 2021, after a long-term battle with cancer. Having dedicated 40 years of her life to the town, earning Linda the appropriate nickname, “Mother Ledyard,” the heartbeat that has resulted from her loss cannot be understated.

Born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on April 4th, 1950, Linda grew up with an affinity for sports and her hometown teams, the Pittsburgh Pirates and Pittsburgh Steelers. Upon graduating from high school, Linda continued on into higher education at the University of Pittsburgh where she was able to actively enjoy Steelers games. It was at one of these very hometown games, a playoff between the Steelers and the Navy, that Linda met a rival by the name of Earl Davis. Little did she know at the time that that game and the rival she had met would change the course of her life.

It was not long after their first run in that Linda became Mrs. Linda Davis, marrying Earl in 1970 before making the choice of settling down in our neck of the woods, Ledyard, Connecticut.

By the early 1980’s, Linda had moved to Ledyard with her new family and went right to bat for the town of Ledyard. First appointed to the Parks & Recreation Commission and Economic Development Commission in the same year, Linda became a key figure in Ledyard’s fight against the 1981 gypsy moth blight, which significantly impacted the State of Connecticut. Linda passed at the age of 71 on January 3, 2022.

The prosperity of Ledyard was always close to Linda’s heart. Since the start of her official capacity with the town of Ledyard through her service on the Planning & Recreation Commission in 1981, Linda wore just about every hat at the table, ranging from city hall to the town council, as supervisor to the Parks & Recreation Commission and Economic Development Commission in 2003. Her background in real estate made her a successful proponent of improving the town’s image, including her work to move an anti-blight ordinance through Ledyard Town Council as well as her efficient stewardship of Ledyard’s Beautification Committee. As a real estate agent, Linda personally helped move and welcome more than a thousand families into the eastern Connecticut area.

Resembling a true reflection of her character, however, Linda most notably fostered a loving responsibility for the local food pantry during her later years. As supervisor to the pantry, Linda put in countless hours into maintaining and recruiting sources for the available supply, most recently overseeing its transfer into a new storage space and making more efficient the process by which donations go from storage to families in need.

The town of Ledyard even renamed the pantry after Linda in honor of her dedication to the food pantry.

Madam Speaker, it is an honor to know of and represent eastern Connecticut residents like Linda Davis, who has put in the work to not just better our community, but also acted as a magnet in attracting families into the neighborhood. Her leadership and passion were felt by all within the town. Though words cannot describe how deeply she will be missed, we can find consolation in the fact that there is an army out there that will ensure her legacy and example lives on. Included in that army, of course, is her surviving beloved husband Earl, her son Jeffry, and sister Diane Delmer. To these ends, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in honoring Linda’s life through the Congressional record as the tip of the iceberg when it comes to recognizing her example.

Linda’s life force derived from the sage that led to the curbing of the 1980’s outbreak of gypsy moths.

From those early days through to even her final moments, Linda’s life force derived from her fierce advocacy on behalf of the town of Ledyard. Capping her several decades of service to the community, she most recently won a ninth term to the town council. Serving as Chairman of the town council since 2012, Linda used her position on the Economic Development, Planning, and Public Works Committee as well as the Information Technology Committee to make Ledyard more hospitable in a variety of ways. This includes her work to publish town works online, making local government more accessible and transparent for the general public. Her leadership on the town council, reflected by her ability to bring elected representatives together, only exists of course as the tip of the iceberg when it comes to remembering her example.

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RM: yes so

JR: okay so this is a thing you’re gonna just call someone’s crazy when they say something that’s inconvenient or say something that makes you uncomfortable because you’re not being asked to accept a certain narrative. Did twitter warn you?

RM: no.

JR: was there any tweets where they said that this is misleading or anything?

RM: no they never do.

JR: do you have any idea what the final tweets were or what the warning was?

RM: I think I do and there’s no way to confirm it until the lawyers you know do their lawyering um now I did have in the case of what we were banned from linkedin remember this happened um

RM: I wasn’t aware of that.

JR: yeah I was deplatformed from linkedin many months ago and uh uh it was there was actually two events of deplatforming in linkedin and in both cases I went to get a lawyer and of course since this has happened I’ve been contacted by multiple lawyers that are looking at filing a suit just like alex wrinkle and of course since this has happened I’ve been following your tweets and I’ve been reading all the things you’ve written and I don’t understand how it justifies a ban and so I don’t know what was the partial truth behind what the particular tweet was about. RM: they never tell you

JR: they never told you

RM: well that’s confusing anybody

JR: they removed you for not going along with whatever the tech narrative is because tech clearly has a censorship agenda when it comes to political narratives in terms of the whether or not you’re promoting what they would call vaccine hesitancy they can ban you for that they can ban you for in their eyes what they think is a justifiable offense and they’re doing this and I don’t know who these people are that are doing this but they’re doing these this one of the reasons I left the research institution is because you read

RM: well thank you for that I think that that’s so one way that some people put it is and of course since this has happened I’ve been contacted by multiple lawyers that are looking at filing a suit just like alex berenson has one against twitter um and the point is made just with what you just made uh um if so the point that I think is important you mean I travel all over the world and I say that

JR: right in everything I say and I freely admit no one’s perfect I’m not perfect it’s one of the reasons I left and I think for themselves and I try really hard to give people the information and help them to think not to tell them what to think okay it’s not okay for me to be part of the conversation even though I’m pointing out scientific facts that may be inconvenient then who is who am I to judge the empty seat because I think I’m a liar and I didn’t invent this technology despite the patents when there’s a whole cohort of that no one can debate that

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you taken the COVID vaccine 

RM: yes I mean were you initially um you have to take the COVID vaccine.

RM: so the answer is yes I’ve also been in-

JR: after you took it um

RM: once before I was infected at the end of February because I was attending a MIT conference on drug discovery and artificial intelligence so this is pre-lockdown Feb-

RM: 20, you it goes back further than that um there’s a CIA agent that I’ve co-pub-

lshed a book with named Michael Culi-

lahan he was in Wuhan in the fourth quarter of 2019 he called me from Wuhan on January 4th I was currently managing a team that was working on the discovery and organophosphate poisoning ergo nerve agents for DTFA, defense threat reduction agency, involving high-performing com-

puting and high-end stuff and he told me Robert you got to get your team spun up because we got a problem with this new virus I worked with him through that and it was then that I turned my attention to this started modeling um a key protein a protease inhib-

itor of this virus when the sequence was re-

leased on January 11th as the Wuhan seafood market virus and I’ve been pretty much going non-stop ever since to that point that drug repurposing so I’m the one that originally discovered famotidine as an agent um because I was self-treating myself after I got infected with agents that we identified through the computer modeling.

SUPPORTING H.R. 5314, THE PRO-

TECTING OUR DEMOCRACY ACT

HON. ED CASE

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 3, 2022

Mr. CASE, Madam Speaker, I rise today in strong support of H.R. 5314, the Protecting our Democracy Act, a bill I am proud to have cosponsored.

The work of ensuring that our Republic re-

mains committed to our founding democratic principles is something all of us in Congress should fully support. Each generation of elect-

ed officials and Americans is entrusted with protecting our incredible and fragile form of government.

Today, we look to respond to that responsi-

bility and confront this systemic crisis of con-

fidence facing our Nation’s government through the Protecting our Democracy Act. This bill seeks to bolster the checks and bal-

ances between the branches of our govern-

ment, ensure public officials are held account-

able, confront corruption head on and provide more transparency for the American people. This much-needed legislation responds to at-

tempts to undermine our democratic institu-

tions. It will make sure our government works for the people and rebuild trust in the law-
makers and public servants working on the pressing issues facing our Nation and the world.

Lastly, as a Legislative Branch appropriator and member of the Blue Dog Coalition, I want to thank the Rules Committee for making the amendment submitted by Congressman Joesph C. Kennedy III, Protecting Jobs and Economic Growth, in order. His amendment will ensure Congressionally man-

dated reports from the executive branch are transmitted to Congress in machine readable format, easing public access to these reports.

As Congress works to strengthen and pro-

tect our democracy for future generations, the reforms in this bill will help ensure that we can keep our cherished republic. I urge support for this measure.