

Two, more than 20 employees resigned from DOGE, refusing to “jeopardize Americans’ sensitive data, or dismantle critical public services.”

Three, one of Musk’s companies secured a lucrative FAA contract, laying bare his blatant conflicts of interest. Somehow, I doubt that one will be canceled.

Number four, he fired 6,000 veterans serving the American people.

Why? Apparently, it is because a disabled vet’s salary is wasteful, but \$4.5 trillion in billionaire tax breaks are necessary.

Five, he axed bird flu experts, nuclear safety officers, and IRS workers, right in the middle of tax season.

So before Elon Musk demands five justifications from a VA nurse in Cleveland, maybe he should justify his own job. Instead of asking nurses, firefighters, air traffic controllers, and Federal scientists to justify their jobs, let’s ask the billionaire to justify his.

Mr. Speaker, I promise you, the American people won’t need more than five reasons to fire him.

#### CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF KURT KREUTZ

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. CISCOMANI) for 5 minutes.

Mr. CISCOMANI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the well-deserved retirement and to honor Kurt Kreutz’s lifetime of service as a law enforcement officer.

Born and raised on the northwest side of Tucson, Kurt’s life had been defined by his dedication to his family, his community, and his decades-long career in law enforcement.

He began his journey in law enforcement at just 19 years old, starting as a community service officer in the Tucson Police Department in 1977. A year later, he became a commissioned officer, launching a distinguished career spanning over 45 years.

He served in various critical roles, including uniform patrol, metro narcotics, undercover, SWAT, and the DEA task force. In 1991, he was promoted to sergeant where he played a pivotal role in the department’s first Bravo unit and the neighborhood crimes detective unit.

After retirement from the Tucson Police Department, Kurt transitioned to working for the Pima County attorney’s office as a law enforcement investigator. His expertise and commitment made a lasting impact, particularly during his 18-year assignment to the juvenile office.

Kurt’s contributions to law enforcement have been recognized with numerous awards, including the 88-CRIME TPD Officer of the Year in 1995. That same year, he was honored as Father of the Year by Tucson Lifestyle Magazine, a testament of his devotion not only to his career but also to his family.

Kurt has been married to his wife, Angie, for 40 years, and together they

have built a loving family, including 3 daughters, 10 grandchildren, and 1 great-grandson.

With a lifetime dedicated to service, leadership, and family, Kurt Kreutz’s legacy stands as a shining example of the American Dream.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Kurt for all he has done and all he will continue to do for our community. We wish him all the best in his retirement. God bless Kurt Kreutz.

#### CELEBRATING TUCSON RODEO’S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. CISCOMANI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate 100 years of the Tucson Rodeo, a cherished tradition that showcases the rich history and culture of the American West.

Better known as “The Celebration of the Cowboys,” “La Fiesta de los Vaqueros,” this iconic tradition is a testament to our community’s frontier spirit and deep-rooted heritage.

From the heart-pounding bull rides to steer wrestling, barrel racing, and many, many more things, every event showcases the skill, determination, and grit that define this historic rodeo.

Last weekend, the stands were filled with families, fans, and first-time visitors alike, all coming together to celebrate a century of this rich tradition.

Mr. Speaker, whether you come for the thrill of the competition or simply to take part in this iconic event, the Tucson Rodeo has something to offer to everyone.

Here is to another century of keeping the Western spirit alive and thriving.

While we celebrate, let us also recognize and give thanks to the hard-working cowboys and cowgirls, the dedicated organizers as well, and the countless volunteers who make this event possible year after year after year. Their commitment ensures that this tradition can be enjoyed by generations to come.

I grew up enjoying it myself. My kids now enjoy it, and I am hoping that my grandkids also will enjoy it one day. It is an amazing festivity in our district and in our State. I hope it continues for many, many more years.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF SAMUEL LEON RADFORD, JR.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York (Mr. KENNEDY) for 5 minutes.

Mr. KENNEDY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Samuel Leon Radford, Jr., whose contributions to our community will be felt for generations to come.

Born in Niagara Falls, New York, and raised in Buffalo, New York, Samuel dedicated his life to service, faith, and family. He attended Bennett High School before continuing his education at the University of Buffalo where he learned a strong sense of discipline and a love of knowledge.

Throughout his successful career at General Motors American Axle and

Manufacturing facility in Buffalo, he took pride in a job well done. Of course, his guiding light was his family, his faith, and his community. He was baptized at Linwood Church of Christ.

Samuel was a man who led by example. He was steadfast in his values, generous in spirit, and had a heart filled with humility and kindness.

On February 16, 2025, Samuel passed away peacefully, leaving behind a legacy of resilience, faith, and love.

A devoted father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Samuel’s greatest legacy is the love he poured into his family, including his wife, Lorraine Davis Radford; his five children, Samuel L. Radford III; Desiree Radford; Tracy Radford; Tana-Nile Coleman; and Shirley Radford. He was immensely blessed with 38 grandchildren and more than 100 great-grandchildren.

His legacy will endure in the hearts of his family and his community, who loved him deeply.

May Samuel’s spirit continue to inspire and uplift all who had the privilege of knowing him, and may Samuel Leon Radford, Jr., rest in peace.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF GERALD KAMINSKI, SR.

Mr. KENNEDY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Gerald Kaminski, Sr., a dedicated public servant, prominent leader in the business community, beloved family man, and my dear friend.

Jerry was a lifelong Cheektowaga resident and a proud veteran of the National Guard.

In 1971, Jerry founded Kaminski Refrigeration with his beloved wife, Kathy, in Buffalo, New York. In 1990 his son Jerry, Jr., and in 1993 his son Jamie joined the growing business, and it began operating under the name Kaminski & Sons.

Since then Kaminski & Sons has provided high-quality trucking equipment across western New York as a locally owned, family operated business with Jerry at the helm.

In 2011, Jerry chose to run for office and was elected to the Cheektowaga town board where he served for over a decade, most recently as deputy supervisor. He demonstrated that fun and good humor could be paired with a serious focus on delivering for our community. His mentorship of fellow board members, leadership, and commitment to his neighbors made an enduring impact on our community.

Above all else, Jerry was a devoted husband, father, and friend. He celebrated more than 50 years of marriage with his wife, Kathy, and leaves behind his sons, Jerry, Jr., and Jamie; and seven grandchildren, each of whom held a special place in his heart.

His passing is a tremendous loss, but his legacy of service and kindness will live on. My deepest condolences to his family and the Cheektowaga community.

Gerald Kaminski, Sr., rest in peace.