

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING STUDENTS SRIKRISHNA DOWLAPALLI, AVNEET SINGH, KUSH DAVE, AND AARON PERSKY OF BRIDGEWATER-RARITAN HIGH SCHOOL

HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Mr. KEAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor students Srikrishna Dowlapalli, Avneet Singh, Kush Dave, and Aaron Persky of Bridgewater-Raritan High School. I applaud their work in expanding awareness for early lung cancer screening as New Jersey's first high school chapter of the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative (ALCSI).

As President and founder of the chapter, Srikrishna authored S4042/A5028, the First Responders and Veterans Lung Cancer Screening Access Act. The bill aims to create a free education and referral program informing our most vulnerable citizens about their eligibility for low dose CT lung cancer screening—a test proven to reduce lung cancer mortality by 20 percent when caught early.

This once student project is now before the New Jersey Legislature with 10 bipartisan sponsors, the endorsement of the Professional Firefighters Association of New Jersey, and the support of the New Jersey State Fraternal Order of Police.

Srikrishna has also taken his vision globally. Working with the Rwanda Biomedical Centre to help establish their first lung cancer screening program. Under the mentorship of Dr. Pax Karamage of the Center's Public Health Surveillance and Emergency Preparedness Division, these students have built a comprehensive partnership that now includes the U.S. Embassy in Kigali's Economic and Commercial Section.

The members of Bridgewater-Raritan High School's Chapter of ALCSI have exhibited tremendous effort on behalf of first responders, veterans, and victims of lung cancer worldwide. As a former volunteer firefighter myself, I am honored to celebrate the accomplishments of these dedicated individuals. I sincerely wish them continued success in their exemplary service.

RECOGNIZING THE SONS OF ALLEN MINISTRY'S 100 MEN IN BLACK PROGRAM AT SAINT STEPHEN AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, from the 24th District of the great state of Florida, I rise today to recognize The Sons of Allen Ministry's Second Annual 100 Men in Black

Program at Saint Stephen African Methodist Episcopal Church in Miami Gardens, Florida. I include in the RECORD the following proclamation:

Whereas, The Sons of Allen Ministry's 100 Men in Black program is a "rite" of passage for young men to enter into Christian maturity, develop as leaders and role models for the youth;

Whereas, The Sons of Allen Ministry's 100 Men in Black program seeks to galvanize the latent power of men for the worship of God and service to God's people, equipping them through the vital, vibrant, spiritual and social message of God and the African Methodist Episcopal Church;

Whereas, The Sons of Allen Ministry, the official Men's Ministry of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, fosters an atmosphere where men are inspired through worship, study and prayer to have fellowship and a relationship with God and their fellowman;

Whereas, The Sons of Allen Ministry builds men as providers, protectors, producers and priests for their families and the community of the faithful;

Whereas, The Sons of Allen Ministry has programs that enhance men in their abilities to serve God and God's people through social outreach, Godly civic leadership and vital Christian testimony; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that I, Frederica S. Wilson, a Member of the United States House of Representatives, representing the 24th Congressional District of Florida, recognize The Sons of Allen Ministry's 100 Men in Black program at Saint Stephen African Methodist Episcopal Church for its commitment to serving God, for its dedication to being a positive influence in the lives of young men and for its service to our community.

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF D&D INGREDIENTS

HON. JIM JORDAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Mr. JORDAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the contributions of the founders, owners, and employees of D&D Ingredients of Delphos, Ohio, as they mark fifty years in business.

Founded in 1976 by Doc and Dorothy Miller, D&D Ingredients is one of the region's most prominent animal nutrition companies. Through their integrity and hard work, commitment to delivering high-quality products, and dedication to meeting the needs of their customers, the Millers formed the foundation for steady growth that has made D&D a major force in the animal feed and pet food space. The company now employs 156 and serves customers across the globe.

Five years ago, D&D became a part of the California-based Swanson Family of Companies, allowing D&D to serve new markets while maintaining the family-friendly culture and values that have shaped the company since its founding.

Mr. Speaker, D&D will hold an open house on Saturday to commemorate this milestone. On behalf of the people of Ohio's 4th Congressional District, I am proud to join in the accolades to the men and women of D&D Ingredients as they celebrate fifty years of outstanding service to their customers. They have my very best wishes for continued excellence in the decades to come.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JAKE AUCHINCLOSS

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Mr. AUCHINCLOSS. Mr. Speaker, I mistakenly recorded my vote as NO when I should have voted YES on Roll Call No. 271.

CELEBRATING THE CHRISTOPHER FAMILY AND THE GILROY GARLIC FESTIVAL

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the Gilroy Garlic Festival, a beloved annual tradition in Santa Clara County dating back to 1979.

Drawing thousands of visitors from across the country, this three-day festival has raised millions of dollars for local schools and charities.

With everything from garlic fries to garlic ice cream, the Gilroy Garlic Festival reminds people every year why Gilroy is the Garlic Capital of the World. In fact, over half of America's garlic is now grown around Gilroy and 90 percent of the country's garlic harvest is processed here.

This cherished event is thanks in large part to the Christopher Family, who made the long journey from Denmark to America in the 1890s. After hearing tale of the Santa Clara Valley's dark, fertile soil and Mediterranean climate, they knew this land would be where they would settle.

In 1979, Donald Christopher co-founded the Gilroy Garlic Festival, with an estimated 15,000 people showing up to the two-day event, about triple the number they expected. By the 1980s, there were more than 100,000 ticket buyers.

Today, the legacy of Don Christopher is carried on by his family, including his son, Bill, and grandsons, Ken and Jason. Thanks to their hard work, the Gilroy Garlic Festival remains a critical part of Gilroy's identity and a moment that families look forward to year after year. The festival also could not take place without the help of thousands of volunteers. We thank them for their help, and we honor the Christopher family for their long service to our community.

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COMMENDING THE MIAMI ALUMNI
CHAPTER OF KAPPA ALPHA PSI
FRATERNITY, INCORPORATED

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, from the 24th District of the great state of Florida, I rise today to recognize the Miami Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated host of the 64th Southern Province Council. I include in the RECORD the following proclamation:

Whereas, the Miami Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated has been a leader in service to the community, advocating for youth, providing scholarships and sponsoring cultural, educational and civic projects;

Whereas, the Miami Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated is devoted to improving the outcomes and clear pathways to success for disadvantaged youth and African-American boys, by maintaining active roles with programs such as the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project and the Big Time Boys organization, an acronym for Black Individuals Giving Time Investing Money and Effort to Better Our Young Society;

Whereas, the Miami Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated has partnered with elected officials and Farm Share to provide food for struggling individuals and families and holds its Annual Senior Thanksgiving Dinner to feed seniors at assisted living facilities;

Whereas, the Miami Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated works diligently to educate women about breast cancer and heart disease through its Women's Breast Health Initiative, which provides free mammograms for uninsured women;

Whereas, the Miami Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated is tackling subjects such as Profiling, Gun Control, "Stand Your Ground" Legislation, Conflict Resolution, and Effectively Dealing with Police Encounters to educate its members and our youth to make a difference in the wake of the death of Trayvon Martin; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that I, Frederica S. Wilson, a Member of the United States House of Representatives, representing the 24th Congressional District of Florida, recognize and commend the Miami Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated for its unwavering service, commitment and dedication to the growth and prosperity our community.

HONORING 10 YEAR 4-H MEMBERS
IN INDIANA'S 4TH DISTRICT

HON. JAMES R. BAIRD

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Mr. BAIRD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the many 4-H members through the 4th District who recently reached 10 years of 4-H membership. As a 10 year 4-H member myself, this truly gives me joy to speak about.

4-H members pledge their minds, hearts, and whole person toward serving their communities. Supporting the very future of agriculture will have an impact that extends far beyond their current endeavors.

So, with all my head, heart, hands, and health, I thank all the 10 year 4-H members for helping strengthen the bonds of all those they meet through their 4-H mission.

HONORING BILL HENDERSON

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Bill Henderson, a Savannah-based commercial truck driver, on a milestone achievement in American trucking.

After 37 years behind the wheel, Bill recently completed four million consecutive accident-free miles, becoming just the fifth driver in XPO's history to reach this distinction. To put that number in perspective, four million miles is roughly 160 trips around the globe.

Every one of those miles was driven while hauling freight that keeps Georgia's economy moving and our shelves stocked. Bill's discipline behind the wheel has kept his fellow drivers and everyday Georgians safe on our highways.

Professional truck drivers like Bill are the backbone of our supply chains, and safety records like his are a testimony to his daily commitment.

On behalf of the 1st District of Georgia, I congratulate Bill on this remarkable career achievement and thank him for his decades of service on our roads.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DARIN LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call No. 269, I mistakenly voted NO when I intended to vote AYE.

HONORING THE LIFE AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF MR. MICHAEL JOHNSON

HON. MARK POCAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Mr. POCAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the life and service of Mr. Michael Johnson, who passed away unexpectedly this year.

Michael Johnson was a member of the Dane County community for many years and spent his life dedicated to improving equality and higher educational prospects for young people in his city and state at large.

Michael grew up in Chicago, honoring the Boys & Girls Clubs of his youth for providing

him with a safe space and opportunities to grow beyond his neighborhood. After his graduation from Cornell University, Michael climbed the ranks of many non-profits in the Midwest before settling in Madison where he spent 17 years working tirelessly to close youth opportunity gaps in education and the skilled trades.

In his role as President and CEO of the Boys & Girls Club of Dane County, Michael endeavored to raise over 50 million dollars for projects such as the McKenzie Regional Workforce Center, a hands-on skilled trades training and career center, and was a key leader in the largest public-private partnership in the history of the Madison Metropolitan School District.

Michael played a profound role in the development of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Dane County, quadrupling the number of students and families served in the area—his aspirations were never small, nor did they relent at the walls of his organization. Colleagues and friends of Michael recognized how his vision and generosity for the state extended beyond closing the education gaps and providing opportunities for students to pursue higher education. In 2020, following the murder of George Floyd, Michael talked extensively with youth protestors in downtown Madison and campaigned for the construction of a statue of Vel Philips, the first woman and African American elected to a statewide office to be erected on the grounds of the Capitol, where it stands today. He was a passionate advocate of challenging assumptions and the need for equity and representation in the state.

Michael was a Champion for Children, honored in his life with the Boys & Girls Clubs Heart and Soul Award, the highest recognition of local executives in the organization, as well as the Hometown Hero award in the Wisconsin State Assembly for his courage and conviction in pursuit of a more equitable world.

He is survived by his wife, Toya, and three children. Michael will be dearly missed by the Dane County and greater Wisconsin communities for his extraordinary leadership, integrity, and deep commitment to his important work.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LORI TRAHAN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Mrs. TRAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I was not able to be present for votes on July 20, 2026. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 251, H.R. 8823, and YEA on Roll Call No. 250, H.R. 4541.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LLOYD SMUCKER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Mr. SMUCKER. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call No. 264, I mistakenly voted YES when I intended to vote NO.