area for many years to come. I am thankful for the opportunity to recognize and honor Kathy Deer's unwavering commitment to the City of Pearl for the last 21 years, and I wish her the best in retirement.

HONORING DEIRDRE M. JACOBS

HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 24, 2026

Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Deirdre M. Jacobs. Assistant City Manager for the City of Riviera Beach, on earning the prestigious designation of International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Credentialed Manager (CM).

This historic achievement makes Deirdre the first municipal executive serving the City of Riviera Beach to earn the ICMA—CM designation and the only currently active Black woman serving as an ICMA Credentialed Manager in Palm Beach County. It is the latest milestone in a distinguished career spanning nearly four decades of municipal public service.

Deirdre is a graduate of Florida A&M University, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Public Management, and Florida State University, where she earned a Master of Public Administration. Her career in public service began with internships in the Riviera Beach City Manager's Office and the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners' Human Resources Department. In 1989, she formally began her municipal career as a Budget Analyst with the City of Tallahassee.

Deirdre later joined the City of West Palm Beach, where she rose through the ranks to become a Division Program Manager in Community Development. I had the privilege of working directly with her when she served as a Special Assistant to the Mayor during my tenure as Mayor of West Palm Beach.

I am especially proud of the work we did together to uplift families in Coleman Park, a historically under-resourced neighborhood. Our efforts included building new homes, rehabilitating existing homes' improving the community center, supporting seniors, and strengthening neighborhood services and resources. Deirdre brought dedication, compassion, and a deep commitment to improving the quality of life for the families we served.

Deirdre has brought the same commitment to public service to the City of Riviera Beach, where she was unanimously appointed Interim City Manager in 2019. During a pivotal leadership transition, she helped guide the City through a significant cybersecurity attack, maintained essential municipal services, recruited professional staff for key leadership positions, strengthened City operations, and advanced important infrastructure investments.

Today, she continues to serve Riviera Beach as Assistant City Manager, bringing decades of experience, professionalism, and a deep commitment to effective and responsive local government. Her designation as an ICMA Credentialed Manager reflects not only her expertise, but also her sustained dedication to the highest standards of public service. Her career is a testament to the impact of principled leadership and a powerful example for the next generation of public servants.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Deirdre Jacobs on this historic achievement and recognizing her decades of distinguished public service. Deirdre's career reflects a lifetime commitment to professional local government and the communities we serve. Deirdre is not only a talented and dedicated public servant, but also someone who genuinely cares about people and works tirelessly to make their lives better.

I am proud to recognize her contributions to our community and call her a friend.

HONORING SOUTH OAK CLIFF HIGH SCHOOL ON ACHIEVING AN A RATING BY THE TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY

HON. JASMINE CROCKETT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 24, 2026

Ms. CROCKETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of the students, faculty, staff, families, and entire community of South Oak Cliff High School in Dallas, Texas, on achieving an A rating from the Texas Education Agency.

This historic achievement reflects years of hard work, perseverance, and a commitment to academic excellence. In 2026, South Oak Cliff earned an A rating with a score of 91 out of 100—a remarkable milestone for a school with such a proud history and deep roots in the Oak Cliff community.

What makes this achievement especially remarkable is that South Oak Cliff has excelled both in the classroom and on the football field. The Golden Bears have won three state championships and made five consecutive UIL 5A State Championship appearances. They now stand among the schools that have demonstrated excellence both academically and athletically, making this a truly historic moment for South Oak Cliff and Dallas ISD.

This success reflects the dedication of generations of students, educators, coaches, families, and community leaders, as well as the leadership of Principal Dr. Willie F. Johnson.

For generations, South Oak Cliff High School has been a cornerstone of the Oak Cliff community. Today, the Golden Bears are continuing that legacy by showing that excellence can be achieved both on the field and in the classroom.

I congratulate the students, faculty, staff, families, coaches, and entire South Oak Cliff community on this historic A rating. I am proud to recognize the Golden Bears for this extraordinary achievement.

HONORING THE ALFRED MOORE CHAPTER, NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 24, 2026

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Alfred Moore Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) for its generous gift of an America 250 Revolutionary War Patriots' Marker to Moore County.

On October 1, 2026, members of the Alfred Moore Chapter, descendants of Revolutionary War patriots, community leaders, and citizens will gather at the Moore County Courthouse in Carthage to dedicate this permanent tribute to the men and women whose courage, sacrifice, and service helped secure the independence of our great Nation.

It is particularly fitting this tribute to our revolutionary generation should stand in a county bearing the name of one of North Carolina's own revolutionary patriots. Both Moore County and the Alfred Moore Chapter, NSDAR, were named in honor of Alfred Moore, a Revolutionary War patriot and distinguished statesman.

Moore served as an officer in the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War and later devoted himself to public service, ultimately serving as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from 1800 to 1804. His legacy of patriotism and service provides a meaningful connection between this community and the revolutionary generation honored by this marker.

For more than a century, the Alfred Moore Chapter, NSDAR, has worked to preserve our history, educate future generations, promote patriotism, and serve the people of its community. This marker continues the tradition and establishes a permanent legacy for the 250th anniversary of our country in Moore County.

I am especially proud to recognize the Alfred Moore Chapter for ensuring the legacy of our revolutionary patriots is preserved here in Moore County for generations to come.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today celebrating the Alfred Moore Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

HONORING THE LATE JEANET GRAYSON

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 24, 2026

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, from the 24th District of the great state of Florida, I rise today to recognize the late Mrs. Jeanet Grayson, a beloved mother, grandmother, sister, daughter, friend, and devoted member of Bethel Baptist Church.

I include in the RECORD the following proclamation:

Whereas, Mrs. Jeanet Grayson was the rock and foundation of her large and loving family of 17 children, 68 grandchildren, 63 great-grandchildren, 10 great-great-grandchildren, 2 brothers, 2 nephews, 2 nieces, 2 great nephews, 1 great niece, 2 godchildren, 3 adopted daughters, 7 sisters-in-law, and 6 brothers-in-law; and

Whereas, Mrs. Grayson was entrusted with the lives of hundreds of schol children and took great responsibility in caring for them as a bus driver and food service provider with Miami Dade County Public Schools, and as a bus driver and student attendant at Whole Word Christian Academy: and

Whereas, Mrs. Grayson was a founder of The Road Runners, an organization of Southwest Transportation; and

Whereas, Mrs. Grayson was a faithful member of Bethel Baptist Church, where she