

flourished as it has without the integrity of partners like both Ms. Garcia and Mr. Rojas.

A central focus of the Center has been, and still is, to provide social services for the community and create an intergenerational impact. The social services provided by Guadalupe Centers range from their Older Adults Program, a Credit Union, to a large Food Bank, to name a few. Furthermore, the Guadalupe Centers Schools have become an integral part of the Kansas City educational landscape. Since their founding under the visionary leadership of the school's first superintendent, Gilbert Guerrero, the schools have provided academic access to historically under-served Latino communities. In addition to the schools, Guadalupe Centers Inc. inspires children and young adults around the city through their expansive Sports, Recreation, and Youth Programs. The idea for these programs was spearheaded and encouraged through the diligent volunteer hours put in by pillars in the community like Tony Aguirre who led by their enthusiasm and diligence.

The wide range of cultural opportunities offered by Guadalupe Centers reinforce a celebration of the culture in the historic Westside, as they have done since their earliest days. These events also help raise the funds for the expansive programs led by the Center. Both the longevity and attendance of these celebrations are a testimony to what the Center means to the local community and the city-at-large. Guadalupe Center hosted Kansas City's first Cinco de Mayo festival and one that has run annually since 1922. Today, the Festival draws up to 10,000 people over a two-day span. The Tony Aguirre Latino Men's Basketball tournament has been a Kansas City tradition for over fifty years and is the oldest continually running event of its kind. These are just several events out of a myriad offered by the Centers.

Madam Speaker, please join with Missouri's Fifth Congressional District in honoring Guadalupe Centers Inc. for the indelible mark their one hundred years of service have left on our community. Through the visionary leadership of individuals from Dorothy Gallagher to Paul Rojas and Chris Medina, Guadalupe Centers have been and remain an integral part of, not only the Mexican or Mexican American community, but the larger Latino community in Kansas City. As Congressman in Missouri, I am honored and privileged to serve the community alongside all those who have contributed and continue to pour into Guadalupe Centers Inc. I encourage my fellow colleagues and citizens across the country to reflect upon the dedicated service of Guadalupe Centers as an inspiration and to thank them for all they have done and continue to do for the vibrancy, wellbeing, and cultural heritage of our city.

CONGRATULATING THE GALESBURG KIWANIS CLUB ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 6, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate September 10th, 2019 as Galesburg Kiwanis Club's 100th anniversary. On this occasion, I extend my gratitude to Faye Schulz, the proud secretary of the Club.

Since its origin in 1919, the Galesburg Kiwanis Club has gone above and beyond to enrich the community through their commitment to community and service. The Club engages in multiple projects to positively impact the community, including driver's education senior classes; volunteer reading buddies; donating hand-maid dolls to local hospitals; and their annual Pancake Day in November. In addition, Club members engage in countless fundraisers that go toward local organizations for community development. Galesburg Kiwanis Club has prospered by always remaining true to its core mission and values.

Madam Speaker, I would once again like to congratulate Galesburg Kiwanis Club on their 100th anniversary. I am proud to know that organizations, such as Galesburg Kiwanis Club, continue to flourish and strengthen our community.

11TH ANNUAL BLACK WOMEN'S WELLNESS DAY

HON. MARK POCAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 6, 2019

Mr. POCAN. Madam Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamation.

Whereas, Investments today that improve the quality of life for African American Women and their families will ensure that Dane County becomes the healthiest county in the state, and that Wisconsin becomes the healthiest state in the U.S. for all of its citizens as well as the health care leader of the world; and

Whereas, the Foundation for Black Women's Wellness was established for the purpose of empowering women and girls of African descent to live healthy, balanced, thriving lives by promoting mind-body-spirit wellness as a core quality for being productive members and leaders of their families, communities and society; and

Whereas, the Foundation for Black Women's Wellness works to eliminate health disparities impacting black women and their communities by partnering with the community to provide educational outreach programs, conferences and seminars including the Annual Black Women's Wellness Day to inform, inspire and empower Black Women and Girls to build and sustain healthy, wellness-centered lives; now, therefore, I hereby proclaim September 21st, 2019 as the 11th annual Black Women's Wellness Day and urge all citizens to support this worthy and life sustaining endeavor by celebrating this day with pride and distinction, and recognizing its organizers as advocates and ambassadors of health and healing in our community.

RECOGNIZING JAMES NATHANIAL SHORT JR.

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 6, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing James Nathaniel Short Jr., a District of Columbia native and retired 33-

year veteran of the D.C. Fire and Emergency Medical Services, on the occasion of his 73rd birthday.

James Short Jr., who can trace his lineage in the United States as far back as 1781, was born to James N. Short Sr. and Ollie W. Short. The couple raised their six children in the historic Langston Terrace Dwellings, named for John Mercer Langston, who was Dean of Howard University Law School. Langston Terrace, the first public housing complex in Washington, D.C. (3rd in our Nation), was erected in 1938, designed by African-American architects and managed by Mr. Short's father. James Short Jr. learned the value of God, family and community in this nurturing setting.

During his tenure in the fire department, Mr. Short continuously put his life on the line to protect D.C. residents. At one point during his career, a building collapsed on him, yet his injuries did not hold him back and he rose to become Deputy Fire Chief. Mr. Short worked with his colleagues to stop illegal businesses in the District and to curb drug sales.

Mr. Short has been a member of Brown Memorial African Methodist Episcopal Church, on Capitol Hill since 1966 and is also a member of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia (Redemption Lodge #24).

Mr. Short has been a leader in the civic life of the District. He is the former Chairman of the Marshall Heights Community Development Organization, Executive Board Member of the National Kidney Foundation, former Boy Scout master for Brown Memorial AME Church and a member of the Hillcrest Community Civic Association.

Mr. Short was educated in D.C. public schools and became a certified public manager upon graduating from the George Washington University Graduate School of Business and Public Management. He also received the District of Columbia's "Center for Excellence in Municipal Management" certificate. He was a D.C. Master Barber for over 40 years and owned and operated the Le Droit Park Barber shop on Florida Avenue, Northwest. Currently, Mr. Short is President and CEO of Short Consultation, LLC.

Mr. Short was granted membership in the University Club of the District of Columbia in 2013 and remains a member in good standing. He enjoys hosting family, community and business gatherings and celebrations there.

Mr. Short is blessed with two daughters, Kym Elder and Nicole Short, five grandchildren, one great-granddaughter and a host of family members scattered across the country.

Madam Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing James Nathaniel Short Jr. for his outstanding achievements and contributions to the District of Columbia on the occasion of his 73rd birthday.

RECOGNIZING PATRICIA "PAT" MCGUIGAN FOR A LIFE DEDICATED TO COMMUNITY SERVICE

HON. HARLEY ROUDA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 6, 2019

Mr. ROUDA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Councilwoman Patricia A.

McGuigan. Patricia McGuigan was the first woman elected to the Santa Ana City Council, and faithfully served her constituents for over two decades.

On Monday, September 2, 2019, Mrs. McGuigan passed away at the age of 85 years old, but her legacy lives on in Santa Ana and Orange County.

Mrs. McGuigan, known to many as “Pat,” served as a Santa Ana Councilwoman at a time when the City was growing increasingly diverse. She was known for her ability to build strong relationships with the City’s immigrant populations and would go on to create the Asian-Pacific Advisory Council of Santa Ana to better help the refugees that now called the City home.

After retiring from public office in 2002, Mrs. McGuigan remained active in her community. From the opening of the Salgado Community Center to serving on the Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council, Mrs. McGuigan exemplified what it meant to be a dedicated public servant.

I ask that all Members join me in recognizing the extraordinary life of Patricia McGuigan.

RECOGNIZING BARBARA GRIMM-MARSHALL AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE JOHN BROCK AWARD

HON. KEVIN McCARTHY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 6, 2019

Mr. McCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the distinguished accomplishments and philanthropic work of Barbara Grimm-Marshall. Barbara has been an exemplary member of our community, and was deservedly recognized yesterday with the 2019 John Brock Award for her distinguished service to the communities of the 23rd District of California, which I represent.

Barbara’s co-owned family farm, Grimmway Farms, is the largest producer and exporter of carrots on the globe. Grimmway Farms has provided exceptional agricultural service to Kern County since 1981 and has since been a staple of the Bakersfield community. This past June, Barbara was appointed to the Agricultural Technical Advisory Committee for Trade in Fruits and Vegetables, a recognition of her expertise in agriculture. Through her knowledge and experience in the trade realm, her advice and counsel is unmatched and will be most valuable to the U.S. Department of Agriculture and our country.

Beyond professional development and achievement, Barbara is a community problem-solver, and it is no surprise that she recently received the 2019 John Brock Community Service Award for her charitable efforts, particularly in the education realm. In 2017, I spoke in this Chamber honoring Barbara for her work and the establishment of The Rod & Bob Memorial Scholarship Fund, which provides higher education access to hundreds of prospective university students and bolsters the success of many underprivileged children in the congressional district I represent. Barbara’s passion to see more children gain access to education resources did not end with a scholarship fund. She established the Grimm Family Education Foundation and

Grimmway Academy for the purpose of educating underprivileged children in our community from grades K–8. Barbara’s vision and goals for these programs has only expanded over time, as the Foundation now operates a vast network of educational institutions and partnerships throughout Kern County.

Barbara’s leadership in public service is an inspiration to our community and a model for effective problem-solving at the community level. Her philanthropy and work shows that solutions often depend on exceptional leaders up to the task of bettering their community, rather than sweeping governmental action that often proves ineffective. Barbara does not sit on the sidelines when she notices a problem, but instead works to find a way to find a solution. Our community is proud of the work she has done and I look forward to all that she will continue to accomplish in the future. On behalf of California’s 23rd Congressional District, Judy and I want to thank Barbara, Darcy, and the entire Grimm family for their continued service to our community, and congratulate Barbara for being this year’s recipient of the John Brock Award.

IN HONOR OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH HUNTSVILLE 175TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 6, 2019

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, today I rise in celebration of the 175th Anniversary of the First Baptist Church of Huntsville, Texas.

On September 16, 1844, Rev. Z.N. Morrell, Thomas Horsely, and Rev. Benjamin Fry established the First Baptist Church of Huntsville, Texas. The early congregation met in the Dean School House until their first building was constructed on the corner of 13th Street and Avenue J, where the church still stands today. The President of Baylor University, Dr. Rufus C. Burleson, preached the opening ceremony sermon.

Legendary Texas figure General Sam Houston and his wife were among the first members of the First Baptist Church. In fact, a swimming pool at Houston’s residence was used by the early congregation for baptisms and church ceremonies.

In 1891, the congregation built a second building for worship services, which stood until 1924 when the congregation decided to construct an elegant four-story, red-brick church with tall white pillars and stained glass windows on the second floor.

In a terrible tragedy, the new church building caught on fire in 1954, and congregation member and college student James E.V. Davis lost his life. Thankfully, members of the congregation were able to save church records, nursery furniture, an organ, and even some pews. The church then held services in a local high school auditorium until the fourth and final church building opened on December 11, 1955. In 1985, the First Baptist Church added a new Family Life Center, which offered sporting facilities, locker rooms, a kitchen, and a parlor to its members.

For the past 175 years, The First Baptist Church of Huntsville, Texas has stood as a reminder of the meaning of community and resil-

ience. Please join me in celebrating this momentous anniversary, and remembering the people whose desire to worship created a rich history of knowing, following, and sharing in Christ.

COMMEMORATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF SENATOR EVERETT DIRKSEN’S PASSING

HON. DARIN LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 6, 2019

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Senator Everett Dirksen’s death.

Senator Dirksen passed away on September 7, 1969, in Washington, DC, after serving sixteen years in the United States House of Representatives and seventeen years in the United States Senate.

Before starting his career in public office, Senator Dirksen served abroad as a second lieutenant during the First World War. After returning from war, Dirksen studied law at the University of Minnesota College of Law at Minneapolis.

Senator Dirksen practiced law in his home town of Pekin, Illinois, but public service was always Senator Dirksen’s true passion. Dirksen served as a Member of Congress from 1933 to 1949, representing the 13th District of Illinois, then went on to represent Illinois in the U.S. Senate from 1951 until his death in 1969.

As the Minority Leader of the Senate, Dirksen played a vital role in shaping many major pieces of legislation. Senator Dirksen earned the reputation of being a true champion of civil rights. It was his hard work and determination that allowed Dirksen to ensure the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

I include in the RECORD the essay, “Everett Dirksen’s Last Days,” by Frank Mackaman. Frank is not only a close friend, but also the Director of The Dirksen Congressional Center in Senator Dirksen’s hometown of Pekin, IL.

I am grateful for all the work that Senator Dirksen did for our country, and I am proud to represent his former congressional district.

EVERETT DIRKSEN’S LAST DAYS

(By Frank H. Mackaman, The Dirksen Congressional Center, Pekin, IL)

On August 12, 1969, just before the U.S. Senate recessed for a few weeks, Senator Everet McKinley Dirksen held a press conference in his office. It would be his last. Dirksen seemed relaxed and in a genial mood, chatting amiably with reporters and joking with his staff. To the casual observer everything seemed normal—but it was not. Doctors had just told the Senate Minority Leader he was seriously ill. They had discovered a spot on Dirksen’s right lung and suspected cancer. A second x-ray on the 14th showed the tumor had grown, making an operation necessary.

To prepare, the senator from Pekin rested for three weeks at “Heart’s Desire,” his home outside Washington DC, rummaging in his beloved garden and working on a memoir he would never complete. A realist, Dirksen transferred title to most of his property to his wife, Louella. He also gave her a pre-signed resignation from the Senate if the operation left him incapacitated. He loved the Senate, and it was ever on his mind.