

The Garretsons had built to last,
While time has added to the past
A heritage for here and now—
To keep it whole should be our vow.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Garretson Forge and Farm's 300th anniversary. I know that we will continue to enjoy Garretson for many generations to come.

HONORING LYLE ENDICOTT

HON. MIKE BOST

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 17, 2019

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Lyle Endicott of Mt. Vernon, Illinois, for his selfless service to our country during World War II and for his upcoming 98th birthday. Mr. Endicott served his country with honor, started multiple successful businesses, and is a staple in his community.

Mr. Endicott was born in Mt. Vernon on December 7, 1921. Twenty years later, when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, he enlisted in the United States Navy and became a fighter pilot. As a naval aviator, Mr. Endicott deployed to the Pacific on the Steamer Bay Aircraft Carrier, where he supported the invasions of Iwo Jima and the Okinawa Islands. After his honorable discharge, he married Elizabeth "Annie" Piercy and started a family. Upon settling in Woodlawn, Illinois, the two opened a grocery store and Endicott Interiors, a furniture business that still operates today. Mr. Endicott later became the head pilot for Self Oil Company in Mt. Vernon and was renowned as one of Southern Illinois' finest aviators. Those who know Mr. Endicott say that he is fun-loving and fearless in his approach to life. As a father, grandfather, and now great-grandfather, he is a true family man who has touched countless lives.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Lyle Endicott for his unwavering patriotism and celebrate his birthday. On behalf of Southern Illinois, happy 98th.

IN HONOR OF KRISTI FEHR

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 17, 2019

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a special teacher, Mrs. Kristi Fehr. Mrs. Fehr is an educator at Cassidy Elementary School in Lexington, Kentucky.

Mrs. Fehr has been selected to receive a Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching by the National Science Foundation. This award, administered on behalf of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, recognizes outstanding K–12 teachers for their contributions to the teaching and learning of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and/or computer science.

Mrs. Fehr, a graduate of Xavier University, has been an elementary teacher for 24 years and has taught at Cassidy Elementary School since 2014. She is a science lab teacher for grades K–5. Among many of her accomplish-

ments, she partnered with a bio-systems engineer at the University of Kentucky to implement a science garden at Cassidy. She led a Scientists and Engineers Empowering Kids (SEEEK) Science Club for 3rd through 5th graders. She annually recruits engineers from the community to lead sessions with students during National Engineers Week. Mrs. Fehr has been awarded numerous environmental and sustainability awards. She is a recognized leader in her school and among science educators.

I thank Mrs. Fehr for educating and inspiring her students in the field of science. This prestigious award is well-deserved by Mrs. Fehr due to her innovation, dedication, and passion that she brings to science education. I congratulate her on being awarded the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.

MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN

SPEECH OF

HON. DAN NEWHOUSE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 16, 2019

Mr. NEWHOUSE. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following letter regarding the Special Order on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women on October 17, 2019.

NEZ PERCE,

TRIBAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Lapwai, ID, September 18, 2019.

Hon. JERROLD NADLER,
Chairman, House Committee on the Judiciary,
Washington, DC.

Hon. RAÚL GRIJALVA,
Chairman, House Committee on Natural Resources,
Washington, DC.

Hon. DOUG COLLINS,
Ranking Member, House Committee on the Judiciary,
Washington, DC.

Hon. ROB BISHOP,
Ranking Member, House Committee on Natural Resources,
Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMEN NADLER AND GRIJALVA AND RANKING MEMBERS COLLINS AND BISHOP: As Congressman Newhouse stated in his June 6 letter, Native American and Alaska Native women face a murder rate ten times higher than the national average, with 84% experiencing some form of violence in their lifetime. Still, the tools and resources to document and address this issue are severely lacking in Indian Country due to outdated databases and a lack of coordination between law enforcement agencies. In addition to the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019 (H.R. 1585), legislation such as Savanna's Act (H.R. 2733), the Native Youth and Tribal Officer Protection Act (H.R. 958), and the Bridging Agency Data Gaps and Ensuring Safety for Native Communities Act (H.R. 4289) are each distinctly designed to provide an array of solutions to some of these unique problems.

To fully understand the need for this type of legislation and the federal resources and programs necessary to combat violence against women and the resulting issues, it is important to hear directly from communities to learn how reservations, families, and law enforcement are impacted by this crisis. The Nez Perce Tribe has suffered the loss of a number of our tribal citizens as a result of violence. It is for this reason, and because Washington State encompasses some of the Tribe's treaty-reserved homelands,

that the Nez Perce Tribe supports Congressman Newhouse's request that either one or both of your committees host field hearings in the state of Washington to examine issues relating to missing and murdered Indian women.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

SHANNON F. WHEELER,

Chairman.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF LOUIS
M. CHIBBARO, JR.

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 17, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, during the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Riot, it is my honor and pleasure to rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing my friend, Ward 6 neighbor and Washington institution Louis M. Chibbaro, Jr. Chibbaro is the Senior News Reporter for our nation's LGBTQ newspaper of record, The Washington Blade.

Washington, D.C. contains one of the largest LGBTQ communities in the United States. Among the thousands of LGBTQ Washingtonians, two names stand out: the late Dr. Franklin Kameny, who made the headlines, and Lou Chibbaro, Jr., who wrote the bylines.

Chibbaro is a native New Yorker who came to D.C. in 1971 as a college student with the State University of New York at Brockport Washington Semester Program. Upon graduation, he returned to work for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. He continued his studies at American University before beginning his career as a reporter for several Washington-based independent newsletters, Environment Report, Energy Today and Science Trends.

Chibbaro became a public information representative for the American Public Power Association in 1975. Chibbaro volunteered as a freelance news writer and co-host for the then D.C. gay radio program "Friends." He soon began freelancing for The Washington Blade. The Blade hired him in 1982 part-time and later promoted him to full-time staff in 1984.

Chibbaro pounds the LGBTQ beat. He has covered the panoply of national and local LGBTQ interests of social, religious, and governmental institutions: the White House, Congress, the U.S. Supreme Court, the military, law enforcement agencies and the Catholic Church. Chibbaro began reporting on D.C. local politics with the 1978 mayoral and council elections. He commenced his chronicles of the Democratic and Republican conventions as a credentialed reporter in 1984.

Chibbaro has covered HIV and AIDS since the 1980s. He reported on the Matthew Shepherd trial from Laramie, Wyoming. Chibbaro filed radio news reports on LGBTQ developments for the Sirius XM Radio Network's "OutQ News" program from 2013 to 2019.

Chibbaro has received accolades for his contributions to journalism. The Office of the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia presented him with the 1998 Justice for Victims of Crime Award. The Office cited his "outstanding service to crime victims and their families" through his news reporting. His colleagues at Society of Professional Journalists

D.C. Professional Chapter (SJP D.C. Pro) have awarded Chibbaro several Dateline Awards for Excellence in Local Journalism, most recently in 2016. Chibbaro became the first out-LGBTQ inductee to SJP D.C. Pro's Hall of Fame, where he joined such journalistic greats as Nina Totenberg and Bob Woodward.

This Friday, October 18th, The Washington Blade celebrates its 50th anniversary with a gala at Washington's Wharf. Madam Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Lou Chibbaro's accomplishments and his contributions to journalism, The Blade and our Nation's Capital.

MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN

SPEECH OF

HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 16, 2019

Mr. YOUNG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak about the ongoing epidemic of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. Alaska Native and American Indian women and girls face disproportionately high rates of violent crimes including murder, rape, kidnapping, and trafficking. Alaska Native and American Indian women are 10 times more likely to be murdered than other Americans. The National Crime Information Center reported that, in 2016, there were close to 6000 reports of missing American Indian and Alaska Native women and girls. According to the Urban Indian Health Institute, Alaska is the fourth highest state in terms of the number of these cases.

In Alaska, extreme isolation and lack of law enforcement in remote Native communities make it difficult to prevent and respond to these crimes. In fact, only one out of every three Alaska Native villages have any law enforcement at all. These villages are not connected to the road system, and it can take days for state troopers to respond to incidents, particularly when weather prevents flights from landing. Women and girls in urban areas also face risk factors, particularly when they are away from the support of family and culture.

Given the scale of the crisis, it is troubling that tribes and Native communities do not have adequate resources to respond. Native communities around the country are governed by a varying patchwork of criminal jurisdictions that complicate law enforcement and leave Native women and girls unprotected. Native communities and tribes also lack full access to crime databases, which undermines the efforts of tribal law enforcement and tribal courts. In addition, the Justice Department, which is responsible for pursuing the most serious crimes in Native communities, declines to prosecute the majority of these cases.

Instead of simply acknowledging these issues, Congress must act. We must reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act. VAWA funds vital programs, like domestic violence shelters. The House's reauthorization bill expands legal authority for tribes to prosecute violent crimes against women. It also includes a new demonstration program, enhanced by an amendment I offered, that would expand Alaska Native villages' jurisdictional authority.

We must pass the BADGES Act, which Rep. HAALAND sponsored and I cosponsored. The BADGES Act improves BIA law enforcement recruitment and retention. The bill also improves federal law enforcement reporting mechanisms for missing and murdered Indigenous women. In addition, it expands tribal access to federal criminal databases. Congress must honor the trust relationship and pass this crucial legislation.

HONORING THE NEW MEMORIAL PARK IN THE TOWN OF SARATOGA DEDICATED TO THE HISTORIC SURRENDER OF BRITISH GENERAL BURGOYNE TO AMERICAN GENERAL GATES ON OCTOBER 17, 1777

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 17, 2019

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the new memorial park in the town of Saratoga dedicated to the historic surrender of British General Burgoyne to American General Gates on October 17, 1777.

242 Years ago, the first and second battles of Saratoga marked a crucial turning point in the American Revolutionary War. The courage and effectiveness of American troops during the battles broke the British Army's air of invincibility and led to the Franco-American alliance that proved crucial to winning the war. Today, that famous battle is memorialized in the rotunda of the Capitol with the famous painting by John Trumbull depicting General Burgoyne surrendering his sword to General Gates. That image was used to create a bronze relief that is displayed at the new memorial park. Many historians rank The Battle of Saratoga as one of the most consequential battles in history and I am glad to see this recognition for the heroism and sacrifices made that day.

On behalf of New York's 21st Congressional District, I want to thank The Friends of Saratoga Battlefield, Open Space Institute, the Hudson-Hoosic Partnership and Saratoga National Historical Park for their hard work making this memorial a reality. It is crucial that we honor the achievements and sacrifices of those Americans who came before us as we chart our path forward. I look forward to this memorial serving as a space for all Americans to come and reflect on our history while we contemplate the future.

COMMEMORATING THE 50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 17, 2019

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues in the House join me in congratulating Community Human Services on the occasion of their 50th Anniversary. Throughout the last half-century, Community Human Services has not only brought attention to, but also alleviated the hardships that

middle and low income individuals and families in Monterey County face on a daily basis. Under the leadership of Chief Executive Officer Robin McCrae, the agency has grown from three programs, 55 employees, and a \$1 million budget to a multi-million dollar organization with a workforce that has doubled and operates twelve programs throughout Monterey County.

Community Human Services' mission is to address the tribulations that can be associated with addiction, mental illness, emotional health, domestic violence, child abuse, homelessness, and any other issue individuals may have trouble solving on their own. The institution allows people of all ages access to the tools necessary to overcome these challenges, creating lasting and sustainable changes on the central coast of California.

A key aspect of Community Human Services' mission involves connecting with individuals in our community and ensuring them that help is available to them without insurance or monetary compensation. Information regarding programs and corresponding issues are widely distributed to schools, businesses, civic groups, churches, and service organizations.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing and congratulating the commitment that Community Human Services has provided the Central Coast. As the organization celebrates its 50th Anniversary, I am proud to recognize Community Human Services for its continued work to address the challenges of individuals and families on the Central Coast. We are fortunate to have an institution like Community Human Services call the 20th Congressional District of California home.

SALUTING THE CHINESE AMERICAN PLANNING COUNCIL BROOKLYN COMMUNITY SERVICES ON THEIR 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 17, 2019

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to salute the Chinese American Planning Council Brooklyn Community Services on its milestone 40th Anniversary Celebration. I thank them for their commitment to bettering Chinese-American Communities in Brooklyn and greater New York City.

Since 1979, CPC Brooklyn Community Services has provided Chinese-American residents in Brooklyn with vital social services, such as child care, youth organizing, workforce development, adult literacy opportunities, senior services and housing support. Since inception, it has delivered culturally competent social services and has been instrumental in enriching and enhancing the quality of life of Chinese-American families in Brooklyn and beyond. The families it serves are grateful for their dedication and commitment to the community.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating the Chinese American Planning Council Brooklyn Community Services on this special anniversary. These dedicated individuals exemplify outstanding leadership through their public service to the community. I am confident the Chinese American Planning