

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF STEVE MADDOX BEING NAMED THE 2019 WORLD DAIRY EXPO'S DAIRYMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. TJ COX

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Mr. COX of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Steve Maddox, Sr. of RuAnn and Maddox Dairies on being named the 2019 World Dairy Expo's Dairyman of the Year.

Steve Maddox, a third-generation dairyman from Riverdale in Fresno County, knows that dairy farming is not just a career it's a way of life. A life that proudly unites generations of his family. In 1957 Steve's father, Doug Maddox started RuAnn Dairy. There Steve's love for dairy farming was kindled and when the family purchased a farm in 1980 just 10 miles off RuAnn Dairy he took on new responsibilities managing the new farm, Maddox Dairy.

Maddox Dairy has grown tremendously since then and now Steve manages the 3,200 milking cows there and his brother, Patrick Maddox, the 1,100 at RuAnn Dairy. Steve's commitment to the industry goes beyond his own dairy operation. He was one of the initial board of directors for California Dairies, Inc., and has served as board secretary for over 10 years. He was also involved with the creation of the producer owned dairy cooperative Dairy America Inc. and has sat on the board of the National Milk Producers Federation.

Additionally, through his commitment to the Dairy Industry, Steve has served as a model for genetic innovation for dairymen throughout the United States. The Maddox Dairy began as a grade commercial herd, however, through Steve's dedication to genetic advancement and through embryo transfer the herd was transitioned to 100 percent registered Holsteins. Both RuAnn and Maddox Dairies are committed to advancing genetics in the industry striving to improve not just the breed genetics of their operation but now export their dairy cattle genetics to 35 countries.

Due to the hard work and commitment of local family farmers like Steve Maddox, the 21st Congressional District is the largest dairy producing district in the country, and Fresno County is amongst the top ag producing counties in the nation. I offer my sincerest congratulations to Mr. Maddox for being named the 2019 World Dairy Expo's Dairyman of the Year and wish him continued success as he continues to lead the front of the Dairy Industry.

TRIBUTE TO MAJOR JOSEPH STORTI, UNITED STATES ARMY

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Major Joseph Storti for his exemplary dedication to duty and service as an Army Congressional Fellow and Congressional Budget Liaison for the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management and Comptroller. Major Storti is transitioning from his present assignment to serve as the Director of the Army Budget's Executive Officer.

A native of Pensacola, Florida, Major Storti was commissioned as an infantry officer after completion from the Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning. He also earned a Master's degree in Legislative Affairs from the George Washington University, a Master of Business Administration from American Public University, as well as a Master of Public Administration from the University of South Florida.

Major Storti has served in a broad range of assignments during his Army career. His most recent assignment was as the Chief for Special Authorities at the Joint Special Operations Command. In this position he provided guidance and support, with a full range of special authority funding. He also served as the commander of the Financial Management Support Unit while with the command. Prior to his duty with Joint Special Operations Command, Major Storti simultaneously served as the Executive Officer for the 82nd Financial Management Support Unit and as the Commander of Alpha Detachment, 82nd Financial Management Support Unit. As an Infantry Officer, Major Storti held myriad positions, which included: mechanized infantry platoon leader, company executive officer, brigade planner, and battalion assistant operations officer.

In his capacity as an Army Congressional Fellow, I had the privilege to host Joe in my office and, subsequently, enjoyed his ongoing and diligent support during his assignment as a Congressional Budget Liaison for the U.S. Army. Major Storti worked tirelessly with Members of Congress and their staff to accurately articulate the Army's budget positions to the Appropriations Committees and track down information to assist offices pursue Army related priorities. His professionalism, energy, diligence, and commitment to the mission are refreshing and unmatched. As both a fellow and as a liaison, he effectively represented the U.S. Army and the Department of Defense to the United States Congress.

The foundation of Joe's military success is his family. He is a devoted husband to his wife, Brittany, and committed father to their children, Noah and Logan. Brittany, Noah, and Logan provide the foundation for Joe's service. The Storti's attitude of service, sacrifice, and care for others permeates every organization and activity in which they participate. They are true examples of servant leaders in the Army and the communities they engage.

Throughout his career, Major Storti has positively impacted soldiers, peers, and superiors. Our country has benefited tremendously from his extraordinary leadership, judgment, and passion. I join my colleagues today in honoring his dedication to our Nation and invaluable service to the United States Congress as an Army Congressional Liaison.

Madam Speaker, it has been a genuine pleasure to have worked with Major Joseph Storti over the last three years. On behalf of a grateful nation, this body recognizes and commends Joe for his service to our country. We wish him all the best as he continues his service in the United States Army.

GORDON CHARLES LAMPITT

HON. DONALD NORCROSS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Mr. NORCROSS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Browns Mills, New Jersey resident Gordon Charles Lampitt.

Gordon Charles Lampitt was a Bronx, New York native, but has called Browns Mills home since 1958. Gordon dedicated his life to his family and his country.

Command Sergeant Major Gordon Lampitt retired with 28 years in the United States Army. He was a decorated Army Veteran and served in the Second World War, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. He served three tours in the Second World War, three tours in the Korean War, and two tours in the Vietnam War. There were only 171,000 total service men and women who served in all three of those wars, out of the millions of American service members who served in each of them.

After Gordon retired from the United States Army his commitment to serving his country did not stop there. Gordon worked for 15 years in property management at Fort Dix. He was a member of St. Ann's Church, Browns Mills, and the Browns Mills Memorial VFW Post 6805. He was also a life member of the Bass Masters and an avid fisherman.

Gordon was a loving husband to his late wife Rose Lampitt for 71 years. Gordon was a beloved father of Margaret R. Long and husband William, Charles Lampitt and his wife Assemblywoman Pamela Lampitt, Susan L. Veres and husband Michael, Elizabeth Stelljes and husband Scott, and Phillip Lampitt and wife Christa. He was also a loving grandfather of ten and a loving great grandfather of six.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in honoring Command Sergeant Major Gordon Charles Lampitt, of Browns Mills, New Jersey, for his unwavering commitment to serving our country over the course of his lifetime. His remarkable dedication to this country, exemplified by his service in three wars is the ultimate testament of his patriotism and courage.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LARRY BUCSHON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Mr. BUCSHON. Madam Speaker, I was unfortunately unable to attend votes on July 20, 2020, due to unavoidable personal obligations. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 139; NAY on Roll Call No. 140; NAY on Roll Call No. 141; NAY on Roll Call No. 142; and YEA on Roll call No. 143.

RECOGNIZING CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL'S AIR FORCE ROTC FOR RECEIVING UNIT OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION FOR THE STATE OF TENNESSEE

HON. CHARLES J. "CHUCK" FLEISCHMANN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Mr. FLEISCHMANN. Madam Speaker, the mission of the Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps is to develop citizens of character who are dedicated to serving their nation and community. Clinton High School AFJROTC did it in spades, and superbly.

Clinton High TN 2011-1 is in its 9th year of existence; the program consists of 107 cadets; 58 percent of the school students are on free/reduced cost lunch, and 2019 through 2020 has been a year of accolades, achievements, and superlatives. As of the coronavirus pandemic shutdown in mid-March, Clinton High TN 2011-1 had accumulated 565 Community Service Hours and 608 Leadership Development Hours. In addition, Cadets Dylan Montgomery and Dylan Butler both earned the Boy Scout Eagle award which also included extensive community service projects.

Clinton High TN 2011-1 has also displayed excellence in scholarship. Their academic team made the semi-finals for the Joint Leadership Academic Bowl for the third year in a row. Five of the top eight graduating seniors were AFJROTC cadets. Cadet Dylan Butler graduated third out of 300 and received a 4-year AFROTC scholarship to the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, the state university system's flagship school. Cadet Kaylee Puleo graduated fourth out of 300 and received an appointment to the US Military Academy at West Point. Cadet Dylan Montgomery graduated fifth out of 300 and received a 4-year scholarship to The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina. Cadet Travis Vaughn graduated seventh out of 300 and was selected for the Nuclear Navy's submarine career track based on his GPA and ASVAP scores. Cadet Summer Sieber graduated eighth out of 300 and received a 4-year scholarship to The University of Tennessee at Knoxville's Tickle College of Engineering.

Clinton High TN 2011-1 has also shown excellence in leadership, with two cadets sitting on the Principal's Student Action Leadership Team and two cadets representing Clinton High School on the Anderson County School Board.

Clinton High TN 2011-1 also showed excellence in drill and ceremonies at the Daniel

Boone Drill Meet. They received the outstanding unit, Esprit de Corps, award, the color guard received third place, received third place in the All-Freshman Team unit inspection, and Cadet Dylan Butler came in second place for the individual knockout.

Finally, Clinton High TN 2011-1 has shown excellence in orienteering by coming in third place during the Anderson County High Orienteering Competition.

Clinton High School AFJROTC 2011-1 makes a difference. In spite of growing up in challenging economic, family, and educational backgrounds, they exemplify the Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps' mission to develop citizens of character who are dedicated to serving their nation and community; personify the Air Force Core Values of Integrity First, Service before Self, and Excellence in All We Do, and merit selection as the Air Force Association AFJROTC Unit of the Year for 2020.

IN CELEBRATION OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF HOLIDAY GRILL CONEY ISLAND

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer my heartfelt congratulations to Holiday Grill Coney Island on its twenty-fifth anniversary. This wonderful milestone is worthy of commendation and celebration.

Holiday Grill was founded in 1995 by John Mourselas. Twenty-five years later, Holiday Grill continues to be a cherished Dearborn institution that is beloved by many. Throughout the community, Holiday Grill is recognized for its delectable food, attentive and friendly staff, and welcoming ambiance that draws customers in and brings people together. Located in the heart of Dearborn, Holiday Grill has undoubtedly become a pillar of the community. Many patrons are regulars who have frequented the restaurant for decades, and even newcomers are made to feel like lifelong friends.

In the midst of the coronavirus pandemic, the twenty-fifth anniversary of Holiday Grill has given our community a reason to celebrate. Holiday Grill has provided a sense of comfort, community, and normalcy in a time of unprecedented strife. Their demonstrated commitment to serving the community is immensely appreciated and is something we all should strive to emulate.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of Holiday Grill Coney Island in Dearborn, Michigan. Holiday Grill has been a community favorite for years, and we wish the restaurant continued success in the years ahead.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. STEVEN M. PALAZZO

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Mr. PALAZZO. Madam Speaker, due to limited flight schedules from COVID-related travel

restrictions, I was not present in the House during the first vote series. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 139, and NAY on Roll Call No. 140.

WILLIAM M. (MAC) THORNBERRY
NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021

SPEECH OF

HON. GREGORY F. MURPHY

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 20, 2020

Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of my amendment, floor amendment 272 in en bloc two, which provides clarity to a decades-long controversy about funding for Fleet Readiness Centers. These Naval facilities on Marine bases are major national security assets for the United States. My amendment would clarify that military construction projects at FRCs, including FRC-East in my district, must be funded by the Department of the Navy rather than by the Marine Corps itself. FRCs are naval facilities that work on naval aircraft. That said, their construction projects should be paid for by the Department of the Navy. Military construction projects at FRCs have been starved for decades due to this bureaucratic confusion.

Most of the industrial buildings at FRC-East are more than 50 years old because of this uncertainty. This lack of core investment can directly degrade the long-term readiness related to Marine Corps and Naval aviation. I thank the committee for including this amendment and I urge my colleagues to support it en bloc.

HONORING LIEUTENANT GENERAL
TODD T. SEMONITE

HON. GRACE F. NAPOLITANO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Madam Speaker, we rise today to honor an American who has made his life's work to be of service to this country. It is our pleasure to honor Lieutenant General Todd Thurston Semonite, Commanding General and 54th Chief of the United States Army Corps of Engineers, on his military retirement after three decades of service. We would like to thank him for his dedication to this nation, and his family for the personal sacrifices they have made for the betterment of our country.

Lieutenant General Semonite's many accolades, awards, and achievements are already well known. He is an engineer from the start, a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point and was commissioned into the United States Army Corps of Engineers upon graduation in 1979. General Semonite quickly gained recognition for his engineering skills and his leadership abilities as reflected in his various Command posts, domestic and abroad. Semonite's awards include the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Award, Legion of Merit, and a Bronze Star. There are many defining moments in his outstanding career. Yet it is in