# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING GLOVE CITIES VETERINARY HOSPITAL FOR RECEIVING THE FULTON MONTGOMERY REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE THOMAS B. CONSTANTINO ENTREPRENEURIAL AWARD

### HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, January 27, 2020

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Glove Cities Veterinary Hospital for receiving the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce Thomas B. Constantino Entrepreneurial Award.

Glove Cities Veterinary Hospital, led by Dr. Mark Will, has built a strong reputation thanks to its kind and professional staff and their commitment to offering high standards of care. The practice was established in 1939 by Dr. Mark "Doc" Crandall in Gloversville and now employs eight licensed veterinary technicians and two client service representatives. Glove Cities Veterinary Hospital is highly involved in the community, conducting an annual Shelter Supply Drive to support the local shelter pets. The practice's mission is "to promote responsible pet ownership, to communicate compassionately as we educate our clients, and to nurture a longer, more comfortable, and better quality of life for our patients."

Glove Cities Veterinary Hospital is a staple of the Gloversville community and on behalf of New York's 21st District, I would like to thank and congratulate Dr. Mark Will and his team for this well-deserved recognition. I look forward to their future success.

CELEBRATING LOU MAIELLO'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

# HON. MAX ROSE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, January 27, 2020

Mr. ROSE of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mr. Lou Maiello's 100th birthday.

Born in 1920 to his Italian immigrant parents Elena and Benjamin, Lou is the fourth of seven siblings. He attended PS 78 and Benjamin Franklin High School, then moved out to Idaho as a member of the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Eventually Lou moved back to New York City to work for a series of construction companies. At the Rockefeller Construction Company, he met the love of his life, Nancy. Nancy and Lou will celebrate their 64th anniversary in June.

Although Lou retired in 1990, he has kept himself busy. An avid golfer, Lou won the Staten Island Senior League Club Championship against a man 43 years his junior. He followed up his victory a week later with the first hole in one of his golfing career.

During his retirement, Lou learned to paint while watching Bob Ross on PBS. His artwork now hangs in the homes of his friends and family. Lou is also known for his gardening skills, often sharing his harvest with the neighbors.

Lou and Nancy moved to Staten Island in 1960 from the Bronx. They raised their four children, Anne Marie, Barbara, Robert and Rick, in Westerleigh. Lou's children are all proud of their father and thrilled to be celebrating this huge milestone together, and I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in celebrating with them.

I wish Lou a very happy 100th birthday surrounded by his loving family.

#### BEYONDHOME

# HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize BeyondHome for receiving the 2019 Non-Profit of the Year Award from the Arvada Chamber of Commerce.

For 30 years, BeyondHome, formerly Colorado Homeless Families, has been helping working families who are experiencing homelessness or who are on the verge of becoming homeless by helping them through difficult periods and ultimately to achieve self-sufficiency for life. BeyondHome housed its first family in December 1988. As of December 2019, it has housed 543 families with children. Of those, 446 families have graduated from BeyondHome achieving full self-sufficiency, including purchasing their own homes, graduating from tech schools, colleges or universities, and increasing their income.

Today BeyondHome's specific services include affordable housing, career development, counseling, direct financial assistance and resources, and group classes focused on job readiness, nutrition and cooking, parenting or recovering from domestic violence. In 2016, BeyondHome expanded their services to include private trauma-informed therapy for parents and children. Every adult served by BeyondHome is required to complete courses in life skills, parenting, healthy relationships, financial literacy and much more.

BeyondHome continues to play a critical role in the lives of working families. Congratulations on this recognition from the Arvada Chamber, and I extend my deepest appreciation for their contribution to our community.

HONORING CRYSTAL GROVE DIA-MOND MINE & CAMPGROUND FOR RECEIVING THE FULTON MONTGOMERY REGIONAL CHAM-BER OF COMMERCE BARBARA V. SPRAKER TOURISM PARTNER AWARD

### HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Crystal Grove Diamond Mine & Campground for receiving the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce Barbara V. Spraker Tourism Partner Award.

Crystal Grove Diamond Mine & Campground offers visitors a unique and memorable North Country camping experience. In the mines, visitors can personally sift and dig for Herkimer Diamonds, which are only found throughout Herkimer County and the Mohawk Valley. These diamonds are precious to collectors worldwide and recognized for their unique properties and beauty. The grounds also attract campers, who are drawn to the spacious and quiet upstate setting, which is dotted with hardwood trees and traversed by the bubbling Timmerman Creek. Billie Jo and Joel Davis are on-site managers for both the Crystal Grove campsite and mines. The couple was asked to manage the property by their dear friend, owner Marion "Bessie" Bartlett, who passed away in January of 2018. The site is now owned by Bartlett's children, Christopher Evans and Madigan Evans Rollins.

Crystal Grove Diamond Mine & Campground showcases the natural beauty and treasures of the North Country for all to see. On behalf of New York's 21st District, I would like to congratulate Billie Jo Davis, Joel Davis, Christopher Evans, Madigan Evans Rollins and their entire team for this well-deserved recognition. I look forward to their future success.

HONORING THE LIFE OF FORMER TORRANCE MAYOR KEN MILLER

## HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of Ken Miller—a beloved husband, father, and grandfather—who passed away on January 19, 2020 at the age of 97. Ken was a beloved community member who formerly served as the Mayor of the City of Torrance in my congressional district

Born on August 20, 1922 in Torrance, California, Ken remains the only Mayor of Torrance to have been born in Torrance. After graduating high school in 1941, Ken joined the U.S. Army Air Corps and served in China,

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor. Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor. Burma, and India during World War II. Upon the conclusion of the war, Ken returned to his education, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts from Occidental College. He later received his teaching credential from the University of Southern California. Shortly after receiving his credential, Ken discovered a love for real estate and founded Ken Miller Realty. Ken met his wife, Judy, in 1952, and they married that same year.

Ken<sup>5</sup>s career in local government began with his service on the Torrance Planning Commission from 1960 to 1962. Ken went on to serve as a City Councilmember from 1962 to 1970. Following his service on the City Council, Ken was elected Mayor in 1970. Ken served two terms as the Mayor of Torrance, leaving office in 1978.

During his tenure as Mayor, Ken successfully spearheaded efforts to impose a two-term limit on the mayoral office through changes to the City Charter. The City of Torrance also owes much of its park space to Ken and his efforts to acquire land for public use. While in office, Ken helped to establish the Torrance Sister City Association, a program that aims to foster relationships between two different countries. Through his efforts, the City of Torrance developed a relationship with the City of Kashiwa, Japan that still exists today.

After ending his political career, Ken cofounded South Bay Bank in 1982, serving as a chairman until 2007. Ken's civic service commitments extend to his presidency of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors, his board membership at Torrance Memorial Medical Center, and his presidency of the Switzer Center Board of Directors. In 1990, the City of Torrance honored Ken with the Jared Sidney Torrance Award.

Ken is survived by his wife, Judy, their three children, Randy, Jim, and Cathy, six grand-children, and one great-grandson, whom I hope take comfort in the way Ken lived his life serving the city that he loved. Torrance loved him back. May his memory be a blessing to us all

### DWAYNE CAMERON

#### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dwayne Cameron for receiving the 2019 Ambassador of the Year Award from the Arvada Chamber of Commerce.

Dwayne has shown incredible commitment to the Arvada Chamber and the Arvada community through his role as an Arvada Chamber ambassador. As an ambassador, he consistently attends events and meetings and offers support and a friendly face to other business owners. It is clear Dwayne has a deep understanding of the local business community and is invested in the success of businesses in Arvada.

In addition, Dwayne contributes to the Arvada community through his ownership of the Minuteman Press, a full-service marketing and print and design company based in Arvada. With years of experience and unparalleled expertise in the print industry, Dwayne and his staff offer a variety of offerings—from business

cards and brochures, to labels and calendars—but always reliable service and affordable prices.

Congratulations to Dwayne for this recognition from the Arvada Chamber, and I extend my deepest appreciation for his contribution to our community.

HONORING DR. DEXTER CRISS FOR HIS WORK WITH THE PLATTS-BURGH STATE GOSPEL CHOIR AND THE LIFE OF HIS SON, DAL-TON CRISS

## HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, January 27, 2020

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Dexter Criss for his work with the Plattsburgh State Gospel Choir and the life of his son, Dalton Criss.

Dr. Dexter Criss is an Associate Professor of Chemistry and Music Director at SUNY Plattsburgh. He has been involved with the Plattsburgh State Gospel Choir since 2001. The choir actively performs on campus, in the community, and throughout the region. They average 25 appearances each year in settings including colleges, campus events, K–12 schools, churches, memorial services, weddings, and other community events. For many years, Dr. Criss has led the choir during the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day events. Sadly, Dr. Criss is not leading the choir in remembrance of Dr. King this year.

Dr. Criss' wife Barbara and his son Dalton were involved in a serious car accident. On August 20th, Dalton tragically passed away from his injuries at just 18 years old, while Barbara remained in critical condition in Burlington. Dalton had just graduated from Peru High School and was planning on beginning his first semester at SUNY Plattsburgh the very next week. Dalton was an accomplished football player and wrestler for Peru High School, winning the Section VII title in the 285-pound class his junior and senior years. He also took after his father in his musical ability, playing drums and bass for the Faith Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church of Glens Falls.

Dr. Criss' absence is a further reminder of this tragedy that has rocked the Plattsburgh community. On behalf of New York's 21st District, I would like to thank Dr. Criss for his amazing work and honor the life of his son, Dalton. My thoughts and prayers are with him and his family.

CELEBRATING THE SERVICE OF SANDRA FERNIZA

# HON. RUBEN GALLEGO

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Mr. GALLEGO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Sandra Ferniza's service to the community of Phoenix. After 5 years of working in my District Office as the Director of Intergovernmental Relations and Director of Constituent Services, Sandra is retiring. I am grateful for her many years of dedication to our state.

Constituent casework provides Congressional offices with a unique and vital opportunity to engage with individuals in the moments that they need us most. From passport applications to grant proposals, Sandra has connected with constituents and guided them through problem-solving processes, many of which involve federal agencies. She has used her own wealth of experience and connections in all sectors of the Phoenix community to help our office and go above and beyond in helping our constituents, organizations and local government entities.

In addition to her work in our office, Sandra has an illustrious legacy of breaking barriers for the Latino community. She has helped Latinos win groundbreaking elections at many levels of government, provided visibility as a Latina leader within the banking and investment world, and served as the CEO of the Arizona Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Throughout her long and varied career, two consistencies that stand out are service and leadership. Her professional commitment has been matched only by her dedication to her family and friends. She has selflessly cared for multiple ailing family members and serves as a model of a value-driven life for her extensive network of younger family and friends.

I am grateful to have worked alongside Sandra for the entirety of my time in Congress. While I wish her only the best in her retirement, she will also be missed. She has been an asset and an advocate that I have been grateful to have on my team. Her selflessness, attention to detail, and determination are remarkable traits that have allowed her to advance good in Arizona over the entirety of her career.

On behalf of myself, the countless constituents of Arizona's seventh district that she has helped, and the entire State of Arizona, I want to express my gratitude for the service of Sandra Ferniza. I have no doubt that she will continue to be a leader within the Phoenix community. We will thank her by continuing to dedicate ourselves to constituent services and the improvement of as many lives as possible.

RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIBERATION OF AUSCHWITZ

### HON. GRACE MENG

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 27, 2020

Ms. MENG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to announce the introduction of a resolution commemorating the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz.

Today, International Holocaust Remembrance Day, marks the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz. On this day in 1945, Allied troops entered the Auschwitz concentration camp and liberated the more than 7,000 still-living prisoners.

During World War II, the Nazi regime systematically killed approximately 6 million Jews, as well as millions of other minority populations. At least 1.3 million of these people were deported to Auschwitz, 1.1 million of whom were murdered.

Today, we not only remember the Jewish lives cut short by the heinous crimes perpetrated by the Nazi regime, but we honor the