

In 1971, Tim and his wife Janice moved to Horn Lake, Mississippi. Tim's dedication to his country and community were made evident by his service in the United States Army and 40 years of service to the City of Horn Lake. He was a reserve Police Officer for 10 years and an Alderman for 27 years. Additionally, he served three years on the Planning Commission and one year on Design Review. Tim believed in the potential of his beloved city and was widely known for his commitment to its improvement.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Janice; son, Larry Sheffield; daughters Tina Judd and Lee Antley; eight grandchildren, and many other family members.

Thomas "Tim" Milton Smith's life was one of service, grace, and love for his family, community, and country. He will be greatly missed by all whom he encountered.

IN RECOGNITION OF AY YOUNG  
AND THE BATTERY TOUR

**HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 23, 2020*

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize AY Young, an entertainer, singer-songwriter, dancer, producer, entrepreneur, and leader in the fight for a more sustainable world. On September 18th, the Office of the Secretary General of the United Nations announced that Mr. Young had been named one of the U.N.'s seventeen Youth World Leaders, a position he will hold for a two-year term. Standing out as the only American on that list, Mr. Young was then placed on Energy News Network's annual "40 Under 40" list, which recognizes young leaders paving the way for a clean energy economy. While these honors have shined an international spotlight on Mr. Young, his musical talents are rooted on street corners in the heart of America.

Mr. Young grew up in Kansas City, Missouri. A home-schooled Eagle Scout, he began writing poetry at the young age of fourteen, drawing attention to topics far beyond his years. In fact, his earliest compositions brought focus to the "Troost Divide," a deep and painfully visible scar left by decades of redlining and a lasting symbol of the residential segregation and economic disparities that persist in Kansas City to this very day. Mr. Young and his trademark fedora soon became fixtures of Kansas City street corners from the River Market to the Plaza. His shows have always been interactive and engaging, looking more like spontaneous parties than standard routines. In 2012, Mr. Young appeared on The X Factor, receiving a "Yes" vote from all four judges. However, despite this noteworthy accomplishment, Mr. Young was still unable to find a manager or record label willing to carry his career to the next rung on the conventional ladder to stardom. Unfazed, he went back to the street corners, this time not just in Kansas City but across the country, garnering a grassroots following while opening for the likes of Wiz Khalifa, SHAGGY, T-Pain, Flo-Rida, Aaron Carter, and Wyclef Jean. But Mr. Young wasn't just busking his way across America to earn his keep; this too was simply an opening act. After learning that over a billion people on

Earth lack access to electricity, Mr. Young decided to turn his tour into the start of a much deeper, much more difficult, journey. Mr. Young's tour, it turned out, would be powered entirely by renewal energy.

Thus was born the Battery Tour, a global movement developed by Mr. Young and his enterprising business partner Thor Dietrich. Showcasing musical artists alongside innovative new technologies designed to address global crises, the Battery Tour takes the forces of a musical experience, sustainability education, and a humanitarian mission and unites them into a whole that is more powerful than any of its parts. Mr. Young has hosted and performed more than 800 shows around the world—each a unique fusion of original solos, interactive covers, and personal requests—powered only by renewable energy. His performances are pure collaboration—collaboration between artists, collaboration between music and technology, collaboration between Mr. Young and his audiences. If you have a request or want a turn at the mic, he will make it happen. Mr. Young calls his fans "outlets" because they provide the power that drives both his shows and the causes he champions. They see a world and a way of life in need of drastic change. "Outlets" across the globe have faith, I have faith, the U.N. has faith, that Mr. Young can help make it happen.

The Battery Tour is a bold, innovative, and powerful idea, aimed at leveraging creative passion in pursuit of a societal goal, while leveraging a societal goal in pursuit of creative development. If the Battery Tour expands its reach and proves successful in raising awareness the world over, significant innovations will be seen in the realms of sustainable energy, music, and live performance. And they're just getting started. Young and Dietrich's newest addition to the Battery Tour global brand is the creation of an app that promotes and incentivizes small acts of sustainable altruism among their many "outlets." They hope the Tour will one day feature a large variety of artists who can each be fully compensated for their work as they promote sustainability on the world stage.

Madam Speaker, please join me, a proud Fifth District, and "outlets" around the world in congratulating Mr. Young on these well-deserved honors and wishing him luck as he goes forth as an ambassador for our country, the 193 members of the United Nations, and a better, cleaner, more equitable future for all of humanity. Let each of us aspire to his example and seek to set our talents upon such a noble and pressing goal. Our unsustainable life is contributing to worldwide inequality and condemning future generations to build their lives in a world on fire. So, to my colleagues on both sides of the aisle, I say this: if we truly want to honor Mr. Young and his leadership, it's time to plug in.

RECOGNIZING THE ROLE OF CREDIT  
UNIONS AND CONGRATULATING  
LISA SCHLEHUBER ON  
HER ELECTION TO THE NAFCU  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**HON. ANDRÉ CARSON**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 23, 2020*

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the role of credit

unions across the country, and especially in Indiana. I'd also like congratulate Indiana's Lisa Schlehuber on her recent election to the Board of Directors of the National Association of Federally-Insured Credit Unions (NAFCU).

Credit unions play a vital role in our nation's banking ecosystem allowing more people to access capital, obtain mortgages, and receive other financial tools that are otherwise difficult to obtain. Additionally, I've seen firsthand in my own district, how credit unions provided vital services during the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure that the smallest of businesses received the necessary aid to assist during such trying times.

Lisa currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer of Elements Financial Federal Credit Union, headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana. She has 37 years of experience in accounting and financial management and has served as the CEO of Elements since 2005. During her tenure as CEO of Elements, the credit union has grown by over 60% and now manages \$1.66 billion in assets and serves 112,000 members. Recently, Elements was honored as one of Indiana's best places to work.

Lisa has a wealth of financial services and leadership knowledge. Her vision and decision-making skills will be a valuable addition to the NAFCU Board and credit unions for years to come. Lisa attended DePauw University and is an active member of her community, sitting on the local United Way and Chamber of Commerce boards.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Lisa Schlehuber and wishing her the best of luck in her new role on the NAFCU Board of Directors. I look forward to working with her and NAFCU members to better serve our constituents during these challenging times.

RECOGNIZING TOM BULGER

**HON. ERIC SWALWELL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 23, 2020*

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize and pay tribute to Tom Bulger and his more than 40 years of service to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), on the occasion of his well-earned retirement.

The MTC is the San Francisco Bay Area's designated metropolitan planning organization and the region's transportation planning, financing, and coordinating agency. After beginning his career as a member of the MTC staff, Tom soon felt the pull of our nation's capital and moved to Washington, DC, where for 35 years he has represented MTC as President of Government Relations, Inc. During his time as MTC's advocate, Tom has played a key role in advancing national transportation policy.

Tom's tireless efforts spanning four decades assisted in establishing Surface Transportation Program and the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program through the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 and continued to the present-day Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act which currently is funding projects throughout the country. Tom's fierce advocacy helped secure full funding grant agreements

for major Bay Area transit expansion projects. During his tenure, MTC has developed a well-earned reputation for being one of the nation's most creative and effective transportation organizations.

Tom's career achievements reflect not only his deep knowledge of transportation policy but also his genuine respect and affection for the people of both parties who put policy into action. Congratulations, Tom, on an outstanding career. Please accept our deepest appreciation to you for dedicating your intellect, your energy, and your gregarious good humor to keeping our nation on the move.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE PREVENTING UNWARRANTED COMMUNICATIONS SHUTDOWNS ACT

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 23, 2020*

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I'm proud to introduce the Preventing Unwarranted Communications Shutdowns Act, a bipartisan bill to limit presidential powers to control or shut down communications networks, including the internet.

The American people rely on the internet for nearly every aspect of their personal and professional lives and this dependence has only increased during the pandemic. As such, internet shutdowns are an extraordinary infringement of individual rights. Sadly, authoritarians in many countries have used internet shutdowns as a tool to squash rights. The public interest group Access Now reports that in 2019, the internet was shutdown at least 213 times.

Section 706 of the Communications Act (47 U.S.C. 606) currently authorizes the President to take control of communications facilities or equipment in certain circumstances. While the internet is, by design, decentralized and cannot be 'shut down,' this provision leaves open the possibility for a presidential order that leads to Americans not being able to access the internet.

While this provision is codified as part of the Communications Act of 1934, and it was amended in 1942 and 1951, the provision directly traces back to Section 2 of the Radio Act of 1912. President Woodrow Wilson used the authorities granted by the Radio Act during World War I in 1914 and 1918 with respect to telephone systems, radio stations, and marine cables. Earlier still, in February 1862, Congress gave President Abraham Lincoln the authority to take over telegraph lines during the Civil War.

While historians can debate about whether these actions were warranted, they serve as an important basis for my rationale that the appropriate public policy measure to reform Section 706 is not to cut the power completely, but to add strict checks to it.

The Preventing Unwarranted Communications Shutdowns Act limits the President's authorities and adds checks to any actions taken under section 706. In particular, my legislation limits the reasons the President may take action under Section 706 to ones necessary to protect against an imminent and specific threat to human life or national security, if such action is narrowly tailored and is the least restric-

tive means for the purpose; requires that the President notify congressional leaders (i.e., Speaker, House Minority Leader, and Senate Majority and Minority Leaders), senior executive branch officials (i.e., Vice President, department heads, intelligence community heads, Joint Chiefs of Staff), and the FCC before or not later than 12 hours after taking any action authorized under Section 706; nullifies Section 706 orders 12 hours after issuance of the order if the President does not provide notification in the specified time and form; nullifies Section 706 orders 48 hours after the President provides notice unless three-fifths of each of the House and the Senate vote to pass an approval resolution, with an affirmative vote of at least one-quarter of the minority party in each chamber; requires a report by the Government Accountability Office (GAO) after every Section 706 order, and requires a one-time GAO report estimating the impact of a communication shutdown; and requires that the U.S. government compensate providers and customers of providers for any communications shutdown under Section 706.

Unchecked executive powers and the emergency authorities of the President under Section 7-6 of the Communications Act need to be revisited. May there never be in a situation where these authorities are needed, but if there is, the representatives of the people should decide the scope and extent of any shutdown, not any single individual.

I thank my colleague Congressman MORGAN GRIFFITH for partnering with me to introduce this important, bipartisan legislation, and I ask my colleagues to support it.

#### UNITED STATES AND REPUBLIC OF INDIA RELATIONS

**HON. BARRY LOUDERMILK**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 23, 2020*

Mr. LOUDERMILK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the robust friendship and solidarity between the United States of America and the Republic of India.

Our two nations share a long history of partnership in response to the most ardent of global challenges. In 2007, Vice President of the United States Dick Cheney and Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, along with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and Australian Prime Minister John Howard, created the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue. This framework led to the creation of the Malabar naval exercise. This agreement has proven to be prescient given the Chinese Communist Party's recent malign actions in the South China Sea. In recognition of China's threatening posture, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and United States President Trump, along with their Japanese and Australian counterparts have invested in the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue as a commitment to a more free and open Indo-Pacific. I urge our G-7 partners to consider inviting the Republic of India into the G-7 to further our multilateral cooperation.

During a previous meeting with the Consul General of India in Atlanta Dr. Swati Kulkarni, I learned of the recent conflict at the Line of Actual Control and the Galwan River. While India records countless times where China

has crossed this border, this increase in tensions resulted in the deaths of Indian soldiers. I appreciate Prime Minister Modi's interest in reducing tensions and agree with the recent statements from United States Secretary of State Mike Pompeo regarding the conflict. I applaud joint efforts by the United States and the Republic of India to combat terrorism and urge both countries to find additional areas of cooperation.

Our two nations have grown closer and increased collaboration as a result of COVID-19. This global pandemic has shown the world that it must do more to secure pharmaceutical supply chains and insulate them from harmful actors. It is my firm belief that increasing trade partnerships between the United States and the Republic of India will result in greater prosperity for our people.

Madam Speaker, I thank the Consul General for her time and for her sincere desire to build a better relationship between the United States and the Republic of India.

#### INDEPENDENCE FOR ARTSAKH

**HON. TONY CÁRDENAS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 23, 2020*

Mr. CÁRDENAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to call on the United States government to formally recognize the independence of the Republic of Artsakh.

For too long, we have failed as a country to state unequivocally that the people of Artsakh, a historical part of Armenia populated by Armenians to this day, have a right to self-determination as an independent republic and it has opened the door to violence.

For weeks, Artsakh has suffered a brutal assault by Azerbaijan and Turkey in the form of merciless rocket attacks and bombings. This is, in part, the consequence of our past failures to exert leadership in this region of the world.

We must make clear that we will stand against the aggression of Azerbaijan and their allies in Turkey when they would wage war against a people for seeking self-rule and independence, a people for whom the specter of genocide still lingers.

It is time for the United States to correct course and make it clear that we stand behind the protection of life and preservation of human dignity by standing behind the Republic of Artsakh. As the world's oldest modern democracy, it is our heritage and duty to do so.

#### IN CELEBRATION OF MS. RAFAELA "LALI" GARCIA'S 93RD BIRTHDAY

**HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 23, 2020*

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today with abundant joy and immense pride to celebrate the 93rd birthday of Ms. Rafaela Garcia, known to friends, family, and community members as "Lali." A cornerstone of the Hispanic community in Kansas City, her work as a private citizen, as an activist, and as an