

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF KELLIE  
GOODMAN SHAFFER

**HON. JOHN JOYCE**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 23, 2021*

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate Kellie Goodman Shaffer of Osterburg, Pennsylvania, for receiving Pittsburgh Professional Women's 2021 Influential Leadership Award.

In her capacity as President and CEO of the Bedford County Chamber of Commerce, Kellie has worked tirelessly to make Bedford County a better place to live and work. Since she assumed her position in 2010, she has consistently advocated for Bedford's small business community and helped to grow our economy.

Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, Kellie has been a tireless advocate for Bedford County's businesses, ensuring that they are able to utilize programs and opportunities designed to support small businesses during this challenging time.

Kellie is an outstanding Pennsylvanian and leader. It is my privilege to work alongside her to serve the people of Bedford County, and I wish her every continued success as she advocates for our community.

RECOGNIZING JOANNE GOODWIN  
AND HER SERVICE TO THE  
SOUTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY

**HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 23, 2021*

Mr. DEUTCH. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor Joanne Goodwin for her years of dedicated and unwavering service to our country and to the South Florida area. For decades, Joanne has made it her goal every day to make other people's lives around her better, and has enjoyed a record of success throughout her career everyone ought to strive for. Born in 1947, in New York, she made her way to the National Association of Securities Dealers in the mid-1960's where she became a registered trader.

Beginning in 1979, she became the director of the Smith New Court Securities firm in England. She used her expertise in her field to continue to break new barriers for women in her business and a host of others. In later years, Joanne made her way to the South Florida area, settling in Broward County in 1999. She became especially active in the political sphere and worked tirelessly to elect candidates she felt were in the best interest of the American people.

She first volunteered on John Kerry's 2004 presidential run, and became an active member of the North Broward Democratic Club. Beginning in 2010, Goodwin became the president of the club, and has helped the party

in-and-around the Fort Lauderdale area continue to blossom and grow each and every year since. She also volunteered on former congressman Ron Klein's campaign for the House of Representatives, and congresswoman LOIS FRANKEL's in the same district.

Goodwin has been recognized for her amazing work before. She has been named Broward County Volunteer of the Year three separate times, in 2013, 2015, and 2017. In 2018, she was given the Broward Young Democrats Lifetime Young Democrat Award. In addition, she remains an avid reader, traveler, and continues her commitment to electing progressive candidates, particularly women, up-and-down the ballot in the future.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Joanne Goodwin for her continued support for Florida's 22nd Congressional district and the broader South Florida community.

RECOGNIZING MAJOR DANIEL  
NASKE

**HON. KAY GRANGER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 23, 2021*

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Major Daniel Naske of the U.S. Air Force, upon his departure from the Department of the Air Force, Directorate of Legislative Liaison. As Executive Officer, Major Naske serves as the critical bridge between key senior leaders within the Department of Defense, to include the Secretary of the Air Force, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, Chief of Space Operations and Members of Congress and the White House. His responsibilities include leading a 6-member team in executing senior leader communication and resource support responding to 535 Members of Congress. His role as the principal advisor to the Director of Legislative Liaison ensures the Department's strategic communication and vision is synchronized and thoughtfully executed across 6 divisions and 85 members in the planning of over 200 Member engagements on Department programs, policies and weapon systems.

Major Naske is a native of upstate New York and is a Distinguished Graduate from Clarkson University ROTC with a degree in Electrical Engineering. He also holds a Master of Arts in Military History from American Military University, and is a 2019 graduated Defense Legislative Fellow.

Major Naske began his flying career in 2009, and was first assigned as a pilot of the MC-12W reconnaissance aircraft. In 2011, Major Naske became qualified on the C-17A Globemaster III and became an Instructor Pilot in 2013. Additionally, he is a graduate of the esteemed U.S. Air Force Weapons School. Major Naske's exemplary U.S. Air Force career spans more than 2,741 hours in airlift and reconnaissance aircraft, and of that, 1,002 are in combat.

Major Naske and his wife, Caitlin, have two beautiful daughters, Ava and Mara and his family continues to support him and his service to our nation.

We wish Major Naske the best of luck in his new role leading an operational C-17 unit as the Director of Operations. Madam Speaker, on behalf of the U.S. Congress and a grateful Nation, I extend our deepest appreciation to Major Daniel Naske for his dedicated service to the U.S. Air Force, and to our Nation.

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING  
JUDGE ANITA SUKOLA  
ON THE OCCASION OF HER  
RETIREMENT

**HON. MICHAEL F. Q. SAN NICOLAS**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 23, 2021*

Mr. SAN NICOLAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a true public servant and a fine example of women leadership, the Honorable Anita A. Sukola. I congratulate her on her retirement after 36 years of service to the people of Guam in our government as a respected educator, attorney, and judge.

Early in her career, Judge Anita Sukola maintained a firm commitment to the betterment of our community through education. After graduating from John F. Kennedy High School in 1969, she went on to Washington State University and earned her bachelor's degree in History and Secondary Education. Hoping to foster her same passion for growth and learning in others, she became a full-time educator in the public school system while working towards her master's degree in Administration and Supervision. By 1983, Judge Sukola obtained her Juris Doctor from the People's College of Law and expanded her role in educating our island's youth through her appointment as Deputy Director of the Department of Education. The following year, she was confirmed to serve as the DOE Director and continued her service through this position until 1991. During her tenure at DOE, she simultaneously contributed to our island community as Chairperson for the Government of Guam Retirement Fund Board of Directors for eight years. Her role as an educator also extended beyond the public school system with an assistant professorship at the University of Guam's Criminal Justice program. In this capacity, she helped to develop minds that would eventually go on to pursue careers in various areas of law, police, probation, social work, and other security and military organizations.

Upon closing her chapter with DOE, Judge Sukola established a private practice alongside late Justice Monessa G. Lujan and served Guam through this partnership for nearly 11 years. Prior to her judgeship, she further fortified her legal expertise through service as an attorney with the Public Defender Service Corporation, Legal Counsel for

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the Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors and Chamorro Land Trust Commission, and Staff Attorney to former Senator Don Parkinson of the 17th Guam Legislature. Demonstrating her sharp mind, capacity for excellence, and disposition of fairness for almost two decades in law, Judge Sukola established herself as a champion of justice and respected pillar of our community. In 2002, Governor Carl T.C. Gutierrez recognized these outstanding qualities and appointed her to serve as a trial court judge at the Judiciary of Guam, wherein she handled a diverse docket ranging from family violence cases to complex civil litigation. In addition to her various court assignments of General Jurisdiction, Mental Health Court, Family Court I, and Juvenile Drug Court, Judge Sukola also brought new meaning to the mission of making justice accessible to all as a Co-Chair of the Judiciary's Juvenile Justice Reform Focus Area on Evidence-Based Practices and 2016–2019 Strategic Plan Focus Area on Access to Courts and Delivery of Services as well as the Subcommittees on Pro-Se Litigation and Criminal Jury Instructions.

Throughout her career and in her judicial service, Judge Sukola has built an exemplary legacy of compassionate service and understanding through professionalism which doubly emanates from her courtroom. Recognized for her interminable advocacy for the welfare and best interests of Guam's children and their families while specifically advancing the System of Care and Wraparound in the Juvenile Court System and promoting cultural sensitivity, Judge Sukola received the icareguam 2017 Goodwill Ambassador Award. Judge Anita Sukola served our island with incredible distinction and continues to inspire many members of our community. Madam Speaker, I rise on behalf of the people of Guam, offering my greatest appreciation for Judge Sukola's commitment to justice for all on our island. Her dedication to our youth and families, fidelity to justice, and unwavering integrity is commendable, and I sincerely thank her for her many years of service, congratulate her on a well-deserved retirement, and wish her the best as she embarks on a new chapter in life.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE 50TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF THE BENGALI  
HINDU GENOCIDE

**HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 23, 2021*

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, I rise in sad remembrance of the 50th anniversary of the Bengali Hindu Genocide, and celebrate and honor the lives of the more than two million Bengali Hindu persons who were systematically killed by the Pakistani Army when it launched an offensive into East Pakistan, present-day Bangladesh, thus beginning the 10-month reign of terror known as "Operation Searchlight."

Over that time, approximately 2 to 3 million people were killed, over 200,000 women were raped in organized rape camps, and over 10 million people were displaced, most finding refuge in India.

I offer my prayers and condolences to the victims and their families who still feel the very real effects of this heinous crime against humanity.

March 25th officially marks the beginning of the genocide in Bangladesh.

The brutality unleashed by the Pakistani army and the targeting of Bengali Hindus simply because of their religion must be strongly condemned as religious freedom is one of the most sacred of human rights.

It has been 50 years since the genocide in Bangladesh, and the survivors and their descendants are still fighting for recognition; they are still fighting for an apology from Pakistan, as the Prime Minister of Bangladesh formerly asked her Pakistani counterpart as recently as January of 2021; and they are still fighting for justice and for closure.

On March 28, 1971, Archer K. Blood, U.S. Consul General stationed in Dhaka, East Pakistan, present-day Bangladesh, during the genocide, sent a cable back to Foggy Bottom with the subject reading "Selective Genocide."

In his cable, the Consul General informs his superiors at the State Department that "Here in Dacca we are mute and horrified witnesses to a reign of terror by the Pak military," and that the full horror of its atrocities "will come to light sooner or later."

That is why I rise; to remember and acknowledge that history so that victims and survivors of the Bengali Hindu Genocide know that the people of the United States stand in solidarity with them.

IN RECOGNITION OF JILL SELLERS

**HON. JOHN JOYCE**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 23, 2021*

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Jill Sellers on her new role as the Executive Director of Main Street Gettysburg, a non-profit organization committed to the preservation and revitalization of historic Gettysburg.

In this new role, Jill will collaborate with community leaders and volunteers to steward the mission of Main Street Gettysburg. Since first visiting Gettysburg two decades ago, Jill has been a passionate advocate for this town and community.

Jill has extensive leadership and management experience. Prior to moving to Adams County, Jill founded a public relations firm and served as the President of the Weston County Hospital in Wyoming. Earlier in her career, she served as an intelligence officer with the Defense Intelligence Agency as a program manager for Northrop Grumman. Jill is a graduate of the Middlebury Institute of International Studies, where she earned a master's degree in international policy.

Jill Sellers will be an incredible partner to small businesses and the tourism community in Adams County. I congratulate Jill on this new chapter, and I look forward to working alongside her to serve the Gettysburg community.

HONORING THE LIFE AND CAREER  
OF HEATHER SCHAFER

**HON. BILL PASCHELL, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 23, 2021*

Mr. PASCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay my respects to Ms. Heather Schafer, former Chief Executive Officer of the National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC). She passed away unexpectedly on March 15, 2021.

Celebrating its 45th year of service, the NVFC is the leading nonprofit association representing the interests of the volunteer fire, EMS, and rescue services. Ms. Schafer began her career with the NVFC in 1993, and within one year of service became the NVFC's Executive Director and CEO.

Madam Speaker, I know you are well aware of my passion for supporting our firefighters and emergency services personnel. They are our first responders to all disasters. They face daunting challenges which require high levels of training and specialized equipment.

They need strong voices at the local, state, and national levels to ensure that their needs are addressed by government officials. Heather Schafer provided such a voice, always advocating forcefully for our volunteer firefighters. Her passion for nonprofit work led her to the NVFC and her bold leadership and vision grew the organization and advanced the interests of the volunteer fire service and the health and safety of its members.

As we celebrate National Women's History Month, let us remember women like Ms. Schafer who serve as role models for young women seeking careers in professions traditionally occupied by their male counterparts. The fire and emergency services is one such profession.

Ms. Schafer leaves behind a legacy of great accomplishment over her 27 years of steadfast service managing the NVFC. And her contribution to a more equitable society for women and all Americans is surely among her greatest achievements.

On behalf of the Congressional Fire Services Caucus, I extend my deepest sympathies to Ms. Schafer's family, friends, and staff for the loss of a remarkable and talented leader of our nation's volunteer fire and emergency services.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JOSEPH D. MORELLE**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 23, 2021*

Mr. MORELLE. Madam Speaker, I regretfully missed Roll Call vote 86 H.R. 1620 The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2021 on March 17, 2021. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA.