

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING JERRY McNULTY

HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 11, 2021

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise in honor of James Gerard McNulty Jr., who passed away on May 23, 2021. Jerry was committed to improving western Virginia through volunteer and charitable work.

Jerry was born on October 12, 1938 in Binghamton, New York to Elise and James McNulty. After graduating from Michigan Tech University, he moved to western Virginia with his wife Colleen. He worked at General Electric in Salem, where he led the Drives Systems division.

I first came to know Jerry through his involvement with the Roanoke Valley Aquatic Association. Other causes and organizations to which he devoted his time and support included the Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club, Lake Christian Ministries, and the Smith Mountain Lake Homes Tour. A 2016 story in the local Laker Weekly profiled Jerry and Colleen's generous support of their neighbors through Lake Christian Ministries' food pantry, helping to feed those in need in the area.

Jerry's survivors include his wife of 60 years, Colleen; his children, Kate McNulty and spouse, Jeff Johnson, Lori McNulty and husband, Ernie Sigala, Terry McNulty, and Michael McNulty and wife, Mandy; his grandchildren, Justin Johnson, Ciaran McNulty, Logan Pope, Sable McNulty, Caitlin McNulty, Sophia McNulty, and Indy McNulty; and his siblings Mary Gillette, Kay McNulty, John McNulty and wife, Lorraine, Gene McNulty and spouse, Kathy, and Terry Blood. I offer them my condolences on their loss.

IN RECOGNITION OF G. HENRY COOK

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 11, 2021

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize G. Henry Cook as he is inducted into the Greater Johnstown/Cambria County Business Hall of Fame, which honors leaders who have contributed to our region's economic development and community enrichment.

Throughout his life, Mr. Cook has dedicated his time and efforts to serving his neighbors and our region. He joined Somerset Trust Company in 1972, and served as its president from 1988 to 2017. Mr. Cook has served as CEO since 1988 and chairman of the board since 1995. Under his leadership, Somerset Trust Company won the Cambria County Economic Summit Award and was named one of the Best Banks to Work for in the United States.

Mr. Cook has demonstrated his commitment to our community not only through his professional work, but also through his dedication to service—including as the former president of the Somerset Volunteer Fire Department, a member of the Pittsburgh Zoo and Aquarium board of directors, and as co-chairman of the Somerset County Community Foundation. He also was an integral leader in the creation of the Flight 93 National Memorial.

Additionally, Mr. Cook has invested in mentoring future generations. He has served as an adjunct associate professor at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, Saint Vincent College, and Saint Francis University, in addition to teaching courses for the Small Business Development Center and the American Institute of Banking.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, I congratulate G. Henry Cook and thank him for his outstanding commitment to our community. His hard work and dedication have made an indelible impact on the Johnstown community and beyond. As he is inducted into the Greater Johnstown/Cambria County Business Hall of Fame, I wish Mr. Cook continued health, happiness, and success in the chapters to come.

MICHAEL R. ALTENBERG

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 11, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Michael R. Altenberg who passed away on May 19, 2021.

Mike was born in Chicago to Jerome and Goldie Altenberg. In 1951, he joined family members and a close friend to start Perlmutter and Sons, a prestressed and precast concrete company. In 1952, the company bought property at 58th and Pecos in Adams County. Perlmutter and Sons became Prestressed Concrete of Colorado before eventually becoming Stanley Structures, which spanned the Rocky Mountain West, Texas, Arizona and Canada, and employed more than 2,000 people. My dad, Leonard Perlmutter, served as CEO of Stanley Structures for many years. It was a union business from top to bottom and was instrumental in building thousands of structures including airports, resorts, roads and bridges, federal and state installations and laboratories, military bases, apartments, warehouses, office buildings, shopping centers, and hospitals.

Mike joined the family when he married Roslyn Perlmutter. They had four children: Rick (Mary), Jim (Carole), Barb (Steve) and Judy (Bruce) and many grandchildren. His wife Roz passed away November 8, 2001.

Mike then married Libby Bortz and for many years they have lived among friends at the Wind Crest Retirement Community. Mike valiantly fought through various life-threatening issues over the past decade.

Mike was a beloved and devoted husband and was a loving father and grandfather. He

never missed a moment in the lives of his children and never missed a moment to celebrate his wife. He was brilliant, honest, and kind. I appreciate his lifetime of service to our community.

CELEBRATING THE CAREER AND SERVICE OF CHIEF ROBERT TARDIF

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 11, 2021

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of a distinguished public servant in my district, Chief Robert Tardif. On June 12, 2021, Chief Tardif celebrates an incredible milestone of 50 years in service to the Baltic Fire Engine Company, No. 1. While it is an honor to reflect upon and commemorate graceful and dedicated tenure of Chief Tardif, it should be emphasized that his service as an essential community leader will only continue from here.

Born in the Taftville section of Norwich in 1956, Robert was inspired at an early age to public safety from his Father who also served as a firefighter—in both Norwich and Sprague, Connecticut—for an entire 66 years. An instrumental figure in his life, Robert's father served until his passing. Five years after his family moved to Sprague, Robert began his career of public service at the age of 15 as a Firefighter Cadet for the Baltic Fire Engine Company No. 1. After three years as a cadet, he was accepted by a unanimous vote to become a full-time firefighter. The rest is history. Robert climbed the ranks of the department as he braved years of danger on the front lines fighting fires and assisting in an array of other public safety missions including the 1994 ice flood, which resulted in significant damage to the downtown area of Sprague. Chief Tardif was crucial in the ensuing rescue missions in that disaster and helped get rescue boats to residents in danger of drowning from the incredible floods.

As a firefighter, it has always been ingrained in Chief Tardif to put others before himself. As a member of the local and essential workforce community, however, there was no one in better standing to become Chief of the fire department than him when he took the reins in 1999. Chief Tardif has not only fought for his department against fire and calamity but has worked to ensure that his team and department are best equipped to serve the public to the best of their ability. I know this to be true as he has personally worked with my office on numerous occasions to attain FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grants to ensure his units are equipped and prepared for safety with the most up-to-date protective and emergency gear.

When not serving Sprague, Robert serves the common good through his work as a union carpenter with United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, Local 1302.

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Through his work as a union carpenter, Robert has worked at Electric Boat, a submarine manufacturer and economic powerhouse in our region, for more than 46 years, serving in numerous leadership roles for his union including President and Vice-President. Robert currently leads Local 1302 under the position of Business Agent/Chief Steward—a position he has held since 2003. To this day, Chief Tardif works to ensure that carpenters at Electric Boat are well equipped and versed in the most modern safety procedures and go home just as they came in. He has made a significant difference during his time at Electric Boat, working hand in hand with the company to prioritize safety on the job site.

We are truly fortunate to have a leader in public safety in our midst who serves the public good in so many different forms. Chief Tardif is not only my colleague in public service but a friend, and one who has even come to my own personal aid when I was left with a flat tire on the road one hot summer day with no wrench. He never hesitates to help those in need.

Madam Speaker, it is a great honor to ask the chamber to join me in celebrating Chief Tardif's 50 years of service to the town of Sprague. Chief Tardif's inspirational and as piling career are perfectly encompassed in his own mantra on why he chose a life of public service which is that, "My Father had done it forever—and he inspired me to work to make a difference—no matter big or small—as long as it was helping someone." To that end, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in congratulating Chief Tardif for his 50 years of service with the fire department and Electric boat and wishing him thanks for the many more milestones to come in a truly decorated career. I wish him and his son Robert Tardif II continued success and happiness.

**CONGRATULATING THE LIBERTY
HIGH SCHOOL LADY PANTHERS
ON THEIR SECOND SOFTBALL
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

HON. BRIAN BABIN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 11, 2021

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Liberty High School Lady Panther Softball Team for winning the 2021 Texas University Interscholastic League (UIL) 4A High School Softball State Championship.

The Lady Panthers finished the 2020–2021 season, with 33 wins and seven losses. In the playoffs, Liberty faced Wharton, Sealy, Carthage, Lake Belton, and Bullard before facing Calallen for the State Championship. On June 5, 2021, the Lady Panthers beat the Calallen Wildcats by a score of ten to three winning their second state title in just four years.

Kaci West, a senior Pitcher, was named the State Tournament Most Valuable Player for the second time in her career after winning as a freshman in 2018. Six Panthers were selected by the Texas Girls Coaches Association to play on the Conference 4A All-Tournament Team: Kaci West, Hollie Thomas, Jaylen Prichard, Reese Evans, Kamdyn Chandler, and Bailee Slack.

I would like to personally recognize each individual that contributed to this team's winning

season. Players: Reagan Williamson, Jaylen Prichard, Bailee Slack, Kamdyn Chandler, Maci Beam, Hollie Thomas, Kaci West, Reese Evans, Kylie Bishop, Mikaelah Burkland, Ashlyn Cordova, and Alex Wiley. Head Coach: Karen Slack. Assistant Coaches: Joe Slack and Katherine McAdams. Athletic Trainer: Michael Pope. Athletic Director: Chad Taylor. Superintendent: Dr. Cody Abshire. Principal: Benicia Bendele.

I wish each of these young ladies continued success in the classroom and athletics. Go Panthers.

**HONORING THE CAREER OF MR.
JOHN C. DUFFEY**

HON. JIM BANKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 11, 2021

Mr. BANKS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the distinguished career of Mr. John C. Duffey of Fort Wayne.

As a lawyer who has practiced for nearly 35 years, John has been essential to the success of the railroad industry in Indiana and across the Midwest.

Having worked for the Lafayette-based firm of Stuart & Branigin LLC for three-plus decades, John's practice has included accident, employment, product liability, and real estate litigation, with special focus on representing national and regional railroads.

This representation in resolving matters of law related to railroad companies has allowed the industry to prosper and serve those across the Midwest. From 2007 through 2017, John was named to the Indiana list of Super Lawyers. He was selected to the list of "Best Lawyers in America" for 11 consecutive years and named Lawyer of the Year for Railroad Law in 2018.

In addition to his work with the railroad industry, John has handled accident and injury claims for trucking companies and represented industrial manufacturers in numerous states. He has also resolved disputes for large non-profit organizations, including the Roman Catholic Diocese of Lafayette.

As John prepares to retire, I wish him the best for all that he has done after a long and distinguished career. This record is testament to his service for which northeast Indiana is grateful.

TRIBUTE TO KATHY AZEVEDO

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 11, 2021

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to my good friend and former Norco Mayor Kathy Azevedo, who passed away on Thursday, May 20, 2021. Kathy was a tireless advocate for, and inspirational member of, the Horsetown USA community of Norco, California and she will be deeply missed by many.

Kathy proudly called Norco her hometown and graduated from Norco High School in 1971. If you knew Kathy, you know she had a bright smile and lot of energy. She put both

of those attributes to work as a Jazzercise instructor and in a leadership role with the Norco Chamber of Commerce. In 2003, Kathy was elected to the Norco City Council where she would serve for 12 years. Throughout her time on the council, Kathy was a staunch proponent for maintaining Norco's rural lifestyle and supported economic development that was a good match for the community.

Kathy's legacy will be one of service and putting the needs of others before her own. As someone who understood the value of bringing a community together, Kathy was integral in organizing the Norco Fair, the National Day of the American Cowboy, as well as the Horsetown Parade of Lights and Christmas Festival. After her cancer diagnosis many years ago, Kathy was determined not only to fight her own disease but also to support other women who were battling cancer. She co-founded a non-profit organization, Support Sisterz, comprised of breast cancer survivors who raise money to help women who have been recently diagnosed with cancer and need emotional and financial support.

Kathy is survived by her husband Danny Azevedo, mother Ellen Seiberling, brother Lance Seiberling, daughter Stacy Azevedo, son Chad Azevedo, and her grandchildren Troy Nicola, Gracie Nicola, Reagan Azevedo, and Evyn Azevedo. I extend my heartfelt condolences to the Azevedo family, her friends, and everyone fortunate enough to have known Kathy. Although she may be gone, the many contributions Kathy made to Horsetown USA, cancer patients and her family will have a lasting impact.

**IN RECOGNITION OF DOMINIC
BELLVIA**

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 11, 2021

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dominic Bellvia on his induction into the Greater Johnstown/Cambria County Business Hall of Fame, which recognizes leaders for their outstanding contributions to our economic development and community enrichment.

Mr. Bellvia has dedicated his career of over 60 years to serving his neighbors and our region. After founding Mainline Sanitation Company in 1964 and developing Laurel Highlands Landfill with partner Banks Wright, he led a number of business ventures—including Portage Slag & Cinder, Dial Beer, A.B. Bell Rentals, Inc., and Oak Grove Village Mobile Home Park. These small businesses have provided services to Pennsylvanians and created family-sustaining jobs throughout our community.

Throughout his career, Mr. Bellvia has served on local boards including the Tri-County Water Authority board and 1st Summit Bank. His dedication to the Cambria County community is evident in his work to grow and sustain our local economy.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, it is my privilege to recognize Dominic Bellvia for his outstanding commitment to our community and to congratulate him on this honor. Mr. Bellvia's work and dedication have made an incredible impact on the Johnstown community, and I wish him and his