

helped her community cope with the environmental challenge and compensate for the difficulties of learning during the COVID-19 pandemic all the while expressing her passion for public education.

Doriss Panduro is an outstanding leader and public servant in the Solano County community. A lifelong resident of Fairfield, she has become involved with a wide variety of community-based organizations, nonprofits, and grassroots advocacy groups to give back and be of service to the city that raised her. Doriss is a board member of APAPA Solano County Chapter and board member and past president of the Solano Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Doriss has served in various public relations roles where she has connected individuals to resources locally and at the State level. She has also worked for three State legislators in the district and State capitol serving her community. She has been a huge advocate for small businesses and the Hispanic community throughout Solano County. This depth and breadth of experience have contributed to her success as a Fairfield City Councilwoman where she has had the opportunity to touch the lives of everyone in the City of Fairfield.

Courtney Payne is a compassionate community advocate who demonstrates selflessness in all that she does. She is a licensed insurance agent and focuses on helping people navigate Medicare and other healthcare options as well as creating, building, and protecting their retirement. Through her work, she has become a phenomenal advocate for seniors throughout her community. Prior to working in insurance, Courtney worked in the field of psychology, helping children on the autism spectrum. Motivated by her experiences as a single parent and the needs she saw in others, she began her passion project, Threads to Thrive, an organization that provides business attire to men and women who cannot otherwise afford professional attire needed for interviews and new employment. This assistance helps remove a barrier to employment and improves confidence for many community members. Courtney also gives her time volunteering with a wide variety of other community organizations and nonprofits where she is known for her hard work and generosity.

Darelyn Pazdel is a dedicated and passionate role model to everyone in her community. She is the current Director of Workforce Inclusion, Community Integration, and Transportation for PRIDE Industries, an organization that works to create employment for people with disabilities. Darelyn is a fierce advocate for people of all abilities, consistently demonstrating her belief that all people have talent, and that when people of all abilities know they are respected and have an opportunity to contribute, they can reach their full potential. Darelyn has also been a part of the Fairfield Suisun Chamber of Commerce for over a decade where she currently serves as Chair of the Board of Directors. Along with the 'amazing work she does in her professional capacity, she is an advocate for her community and gives back in any way she can. Darelyn is known as both a champion for small businesses as well as a strong advocate for individuals with disabilities in our community.

I congratulate each of them and commend them for their work. I am inspired by them and firmly believe when women succeed, America succeeds!

## APPRECIATION FOR THOSE INVOLVED IN THE PRESERVATION OF KETTLE CREEK BATTLEFIELD

**HON. JODY B. HICE**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 18, 2022*

Mr. HICE of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the preservation of the American Revolutionary War battlefield site at Kettle Creek and to thank all of those individuals involved in this effort over the years.

Throughout my time in Congress, I have been a strong advocate for preserving America's historic battlefields. I have supported numerous battlefield conservation efforts and have pushed for the preservation of the Kettle Creek Battlefield.

During the 115th Congress, I introduced H.R. 6108, the Preserving America's Battlefields Act, to reauthorize the Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants Program to ensure the successful preservation of the Revolutionary War, War of 1812, and Civil War battlefields.

During the 116th Congress, I introduced H.R. 306, the Kettle Creek Battlefield Survey Act. The legislation would help evaluate the significance of the Kettle Creek battlefield site and determine its suitability as a designated unit of the National Park System.

America's preserved battlefields stand as magnificent memorials to our Nation's history and the courage of those individuals who gave the "last full measure of devotion" to our country. People who visit these historical sites cannot help but walk away with a greater appreciation of the sacrifices necessary to secure the freedoms we enjoy today.

Congress has made significant strides in preserving the history of America. Unfortunately, too many of our Nation's founding moments, including many Revolutionary War battlefields, are slowly disappearing with the passage of time. As these places fade away, Americans become unaware that many of our Nation's defining moments occurred right in their own backyards.

Kettle Creek Battlefield will not be forgotten thanks to the dedication and hard work of so many organizations and individuals.

Located in Wilkes County, Georgia, the Battle of Kettle Creek occurred on February 14, 1779. It was a significant victory for the Patriot forces during the Southern Campaign of the American Revolutionary War.

Led by Colonel Andrew Pickens, Patriot forces made a surprise attack on a large British allied Tory militia marching toward Augusta, Georgia. Despite outnumbering the Patriot forces nearly two to one, the ensuing four-hour bloody battle resulted in significant casualties for the Tory forces. With the Tory forces fleeing the battlefield, a Patriot victory was won. This valiant effort by Colonel Pickens and his men stopped any hope of a British advance into the backcountry frontier of Georgia.

One of the notable stories from the battle I'd like to share is about an individual named Austin Dabney. Despite being a slave, Mr. Dabney was a private in the Patriot militia and served with honor and distinction until he was wounded at the Battle of Kettle Creek.

And though crippled, after the battle, he returned to servitude. Mr. Dabney's actions that

day were not forgotten. In fact, after the war in 1786, an official act of the Georgia State Legislature emancipated Mr. Dabney and granted him 50 acres of land and an annual pension. This short statement of Mr. Dabney only scratches the surface of his incredible story. And yet it's something that we need never forget.

Efforts to preserve the sacred site of the Kettle Creek Battlefield date back nearly one hundred years. Many individuals and organizations, including U.S. Senator Richard Russell and the Daughters of the American Revolution, have tried to ensure that this hallowed ground, and its priceless stories are not lost to time. Thankfully, a few individuals persevered.

Following a momentous visit by the National Park Service Acting Director Dan Smith, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior, David Bernhardt, finally designated the Kettle Creek Battlefield as an affiliated site of the National Park Service on January 14, 2021.

With this designation, the National Park Service recognized the national significance of the Kettle Creek victory and committed to preserving this vital part of history for future generations.

This recognition is an enormous win for those who have spent years working towards this goal. I want to extend a special 'thank you' to a few individuals and organizations who went above and beyond the call of duty and helped make this day happen.

First, I want to thank the community leaders of Wilkes County, including the Board of Commissioners, for their years of hard work that made it possible for Kettle Creek Battlefield to receive the recognition it deserves.

I also want to thank former University of Georgia football coach (GO DAWGS!) and Civil War historian Vince Dooley and the American Battlefield Trust for acquiring 180 acres of the battlefield to transform these hallowed grounds into an educational, historic destination.

Finally, I want to offer the most significant gesture of appreciation to Dr. Joe Harris and the Kettle Creek Battlefield Association. The incredible efforts of Dr. Harris and the KCBA to preserve the battlefield and its stories should be an inspirational example of what tireless dedication and selfless public service will achieve.

These individuals and countless others from across the community, region, the State of Georgia, and beyond have made it possible to ensure future generations can learn about and appreciate this important part of Georgian and American history.

I hope that one day my colleagues in this chamber and their constituents will visit the storied grounds of what Colonel Pickens described as the most significant victory of the Southern Campaign and a place where a young African American Patriot earned his freedom 86 years prior to the end of slavery, for I firmly believe they are more than significant enough to preserve for future generations.

I am proud to have been a part of the effort to preserve the history of Kettle Creek. I invite my colleagues to join me in celebrating this achievement, and I give my heartfelt appreciation to those individuals that made this moment possible.

HONORING HENRY TAMARIN

**HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 18, 2022*

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life of Henry Tamarin, an extraordinary labor leader and organizer. He was a special mentor and friend to me. Henry passed away peacefully at his home in New York City on August 26, 2022, at the age of 77. He was surrounded by his loved ones at the time of his passing.

Henry Tamarin was born in New York City, and became an organizer, union leader, and union president. He was best known for his activism and leadership in Chicago's labor movement. Tamarin, a former member of the Chicago Federation of Labor Executive Board, came to Chicago in 1999 and was elected president of UNITE HERE Local 1 in 2001. He served in this role until 2013 when he stepped aside and transitioned the local to the next generation of leaders. Before arriving in Chicago, Tamarin led UNITE HERE Local 217 in Connecticut, and UNITE HERE Local 100 in New York City.

The labor and social justice activism that he dedicated his entire life to was evident in his youth. On August 28, 1963, Tamarin and his father were witness to history as they watched Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. deliver his "I Have a Dream" speech at the March on Washington. Henry's son Nate said his father called it one of proudest moments of his life.

Tamarin attended Earlham College, and later the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where he received his degree. Tamarin organized, marched, and sat-in for peace and civil rights. After college, Tamarin lived in San Francisco's Haight Ashbury district with a member of the Grateful Dead. That bit of trivia followed Tamarin throughout his career and earned him a new level of respect and admiration from generation after generation of union staff.

Tamarin's activism and passion for working people (and his friend John Wilhelm) led him to get arrested at a demonstration in support of unionized workers at Yale University, which led to a lifetime of union work, service and activism at UNITE HERE. Subsequently, Tamarin became UNITE HERE's trouble-shooter, with the union sending him to help struggling UNITE HERE locals in New England, New Jersey, New York, and Chicago.

When he arrived in Chicago, Tamarin faced his biggest challenge and found his greatest success when he transformed and revitalized UNITE HERE Local 1 by organizing a member-driven and worker-led 2002 contract fight with 7,000 hotel workers that raised the wages of housekeepers from \$8.83 to \$10.17.

Throughout his career, Tamarin mentored dozens of future labor leaders and activists, including Roushaunda Williams, vice president of the Illinois AFL-CIO Executive Board; Karen Kent, UNITE HERE Local 1's president and Tamarin's successor; and Jose Maldonado, president of UNITE HERE Local 100 in New York City. Henry was indeed a "Street Fighting Man" as David Moberg referred to him in his cover article published in the Chicago Tribune Magazine on February 16, 2003. Tamarin led his local unions and membership through several strikes, including

the Congress Hotel strike in Chicago, and the Box Tree Restaurant strike in New York City—two of the longest strikes in labor history.

Henry's passion for the struggle for workers' rights was contagious, and his love and respect for union members authentic. He patiently taught union members the power of strikes, how to defend their contracts, and the importance of keeping free speech alive. Tamarin was always ready to take the struggle to the next level. He was bold and tough, and a smart, colorful, and tenacious negotiator.

When he stepped aside from union service in 2015, he stepped into a full life with family, friends and travel. He spent time with his grandchildren, and continued to organize the annual summer trip to Cape Cod with his family. He enjoyed deep sea fishing, fly fishing, and dining out in his hometown. Henry was passionate about travel overseas and only this summer had traveled to the south of France.

Henry leaves behind son Nate and his wife Elizabeth; son Nick and his wife Rhea; grandchildren Nicholas, Henry, and Elena; a sister, Jean Tamarin and thousands of UNITE HERE members, staff, and leaders, whose lives were made better because of his life's work.

Henry Tamarin will live forever in the hearts of his family, friends, and in the hearts of UNITE HERE Local 1 & UNITE HERE Local 100, in UNITE HERE, and in the labor movement.

HONORING THE 2022 WOMEN OF  
THE YEAR**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 18, 2022*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 2022 Women of the Year. The honorees represent some of the most outstanding and dedicated women in California's 3rd Congressional District. Nominated by their peers, these women are recognized for the integral and crucial roles they play in improving the lives of everyone in their communities. This year marks the 102nd anniversary of the 19th Amendment, which guaranteed and protected women's constitutional right to vote. In securing the right to vote, suffragists broke through a seemingly impenetrable barrier to women's full and equal citizenship in our country, signaling a new era of equality. Yet, even today, women still face significant barriers to their rights and liberties from pay discrimination to criminalizing women's reproductive rights. I take heart that each of this year's honorees will be a vital part of the work left to be done to realize women's full equality and rights.

The 2022 Women of the Year are:

Claire Arano is a positive force in her community who has a passion for helping others. For the past 20 years, she has served on the Orland Planning Commission, demonstrating an extraordinary commitment to her region. In her role, Claire successfully helped streamline the processes for business and license permits and helped promote economic growth by recruiting new businesses and industries to the Orland area. As a volunteer in the community, Claire works with one goal in mind: shaping the best possible environment for her community. She has served as President of the

Orland Chamber of Commerce, the Orland Rotary Club, and the Glenn Chorale. In each of these positions, she stood out as a leader and role model. As a Rotarian, Claire championed scholarships for needy students, guided them to college, and helped many in securing their first jobs. As President of the Glenn Chorale, she established a college scholarship program for students who enrolled in a music course. Claire continually leads by example and puts the needs of others ahead of her own. She has a charitable heart and a compassionate disposition; she is a tremendous asset to the community.

Jerrylean Baker is a dedicated community leader, strong advocate, and shining example of a true public servant. She is a proud senior citizen and lifelong member of the NAACP who advocates for civic engagement, addressing health and education disparities, and monitoring equal opportunity. Envisioning a society where all individuals enjoy life, she serves her community with unmatched passion and dedication. She consistently displays compassion and grace when volunteering in her community and you will often find her organizing clothing and coat drives, packing sandwiches for the homeless, and preparing holiday meals. She is an incredible advocate on issues critical to seniors, fighting for better housing and reliable transportation. As a fierce advocate for education, Jerrylean devotes herself with unparalleled enthusiasm to students who have a desire to attend college. Through her work with the NAACP, she has been instrumental in raising funds for scholarships. Jerrylean's hard work and dedication have enriched the lives of countless residents throughout her community. Jerrylean is an inspiration to her family and her community, and she exemplifies the qualities of a tremendous woman of compassion, courage, and faith.

As co-founder of Sunrise Special Services Foundation, Annie Barnes has dedicated the past twenty years of her life to improving the quality of life for those in underserved communities. Her incredible journey began thirty years ago, having faced her own hardships while raising her young children, promising herself to one day give back by helping those in need. Pursuing her dream, she completed her college education and became an accomplished grant writer while developing programs for California Tribes and rural communities. Annie secured a position with the Office of Rural Health Policy as a Rural Fellow where she was recognized by UCLA as a national Healthcare Leader. Upon receiving her master's in clinical psychology from UCSF, she became an advocate for integrating western medical models with traditional healing practices for Tribal, Latino, and other communities of color. Annie's accomplishments include securing funding for the Inter-Tribal Council of California to train communities in violence prevention models and developing programs for the prevention of diabetes II complications for the Lake County Tribal Health Consortium. Annie's commitment to overcoming challenges, her positive impact on countless lives in her community, and her unwavering advocacy for those in need make her an inspiration to all who know her.

Diane Barney has made an extraordinary difference in her community through her extensive career in journalism and healthcare as well as her involvement in civic clubs and public service. She has had an outstanding career