

short assignment in the OCAR Legislative Affairs Division, managing the personnel portfolio in preparation for the Chief of Army Reserve's Posture hearing. MAJ Troupe's previous positions include Deputy, G-1 for the 335th Signal Command (Provisional). In this capacity, she oversaw personnel management and accountability for the command's Active and Reserve personnel throughout Southwest Asia. As a Reserve Officer, MAJ Troupe served as a Department of Defense civilian employee and the 92nd Chemical Battalion Detachment Commander under the 335th Signal Command. She initiated the 335th Signal Command's Yellow Ribbon Program in her civilian capacity. The program prepared soldiers and families for deployment and ensured smooth transition and reintegration upon the soldier's return. As detachment commander, MAJ Troupe provided training and personnel readiness for the Battalion to support their Homeland Defense Mission.

MAJ Troupe hails from the Midwest, a St. Louis, MO native. She received her commission from the Georgia Institute of Technology as an Adjutant General officer after completing a bachelor's degree in psychology from Georgia State University. She also earned a master's degree in legislative affairs from the George Washington University and a master of science in management in healthcare administration from Troy University.

MAJ Troupe contributes her motivation and dedication to the honorable sacrifice exemplified by her father, Calvin Walter Troupe Sr., who served in Vietnam, and her mother, Rochelle Louise Ballinger. The latter provides unwavering support to her career. She aspires to set the same example for her children, Kylen Jay Krueger and Kaleigh Jae Krueger.

MAJ Troupe has positively impacted servicemembers, veterans, families, and leaders throughout her career. Our country has benefited tremendously from her extraordinary leadership, innovative ideas, and commitment to service. I join my colleagues today in honoring her dedication to our Nation and invaluable service to the United States Congress as an Army Congressional Liaison.

Madam Speaker, it has been a genuine pleasure to have worked with MAJ Maya Troupe over this past year, especially during one of the most memorable years our Congress has faced. On behalf of a grateful nation, this body recognizes and commends Maya for her steadfast service to our country. We wish her the best as she continues serving in the United States Army.

#### TRIBUTE TO KYLE MAINS

### HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. VAN DREW. Madam Speaker, this month, I had the pleasure of attending Kyle Mains' Eagle Scout Court of Honor. Kyle started his scouting career at 8 years old as a Cub Scout. Then, at 11 years old, he became a Boy Scout until he achieved the rank of Eagle Scout this year. During his time as a scout, Kyle has never missed a weekly scouting meeting or any of the scout's monthly camping trips. He truly demonstrates the scouting ideals of "trustworthy, loyal, helpful, and

friendly." Currently, Kyle attends Rowan University where he studies computer science. Kyle should be proud of his scouting accomplishments, and it was my honor to attend his Eagle Scout award ceremony. God Bless Kyle, and God Bless our America.

#### RECOGNIZING CASEY LEE AND HER SERVICE TO THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

### HON. JERROLD NADLER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. NADLER. Madam Speaker, I rise to thank Casey Lee for her service to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Casey came to the Committee after first working on AAPI civil rights and housing issues for Congressman Ted Lieu through a fellowship with APAICS. Casey received her B.A. from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA).

Casey joined the Committee in 2022 as a Staff Assistant for the Full Committee. As Staff Assistant, Casey supported the full committee's senior staff and me directly. A core part of my administrative team, Casey acted as assistant clerk during hearings and markups and oversaw the committee's internship program. When other full committee administrative staff and subcommittee legislative aides/assistant clerks left their positions, Casey seamlessly assumed their duties in addition to her own and worked diligently to support the Staff Director, two Deputy Staff Directors, and multiple subcommittee counsels for all their research and administrative needs. This included helping compile the Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law subcommittee activity report for the 117th Congress and helping manage cosponsorship requests for immigration legislation.

Casey worked with our Member Services, Communications, and Digital Directors to highlight committee accomplishments for the 117th Congress and draft social media posts. She also created graphics and videos for the Respect for Marriage Act, the Assault Weapons Ban Act, and more.

Casey was also a founding member of the committee's first diversity, equity, and inclusion working group to facilitate trainings, plan initiatives, enhance our recruitment, and be a resource to other staff on diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Throughout all her work, Casey brought her tireless worth ethic and commitment to excellence. Our Committee, Congress, and the American people greatly benefited from her service.

While we are sad to see Casey go and she will certainly be missed, we are happy that she will continue to serve the public interest as a policy advisor for the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus.

We thank Casey for her service to the Committee and wish her the best of luck with this new chapter.

#### CELEBRATING SHERIFF GREG AHERN

### HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. SWALWELL. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Alameda County Sheriff Greg Ahern after 33 years of service to Alameda County.

Greg graduated from Saint Mary's College with a degree in Economics and Business Administration and from the National Academy at the Federal Bureau of Investigations.

Greg joined the Alameda County Sheriffs Department in 1980 and was promoted to sergeant at the age of 28. He has served as Sheriff since 2007, where his leadership led to the implementation of many new programs that serve the community.

Greg developed an Urban Shield tactical training exercise, which was the first of its kind in the nation, and was replicated by other cities throughout the nation. After the Boston Marathon bombing, Boston Police credited Greg's urban Shield exercise with bringing the bombers to Justice.

In addition, as Sheriff, Greg supported the Alameda County Deputy Sheriffs Activities League (DSAL)'s staff in their creation and expansion of athletic programming for youth, re-entry internships, and work to address food equity in Alameda County. The DSAL boxing and soccer leagues are known county-wide, and Dig Deep Farms, founded in 2010 under Greg's leadership, is not only providing internship opportunities to increase job training opportunities for the recently incarcerated, but also makes deliveries of fresh produce for patients of public health clinics in need of healthy food.

He also organized and implemented a Tri-Valley Substation for additional patrol and community policing coverage for the rural eastern part of Alameda County and increased staffing, participation and grant funding for the Narcotics Task Force, interoperable communications, training, and DNA cold case investigations. Furthermore, during the COVID-19 pandemic, Greg managed various departments as the Director of Emergency Services for Alameda County, overseeing housing, testing, vaccination, hospitalizations, supplies and providing emergency workers.

Under Greg's leadership, the Alameda County Sheriffs Office is better equipped, has become more technologically advanced, and is better prepared to manage large-scale emergencies.

Greg helped create a professional culture with well-trained staff that treats the community with dignity and respect. I thank Greg for his career of serving and protecting Alameda County, in addition to his wife, Kathleen, who supported him throughout his service. I wish him and his family the best in his retirement.

#### TRIBUTE TO GWYN M. PARRIS- ATWELL

### HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. VAN DREW. Madam Speaker, last month, I had the pleasure of attending the

Salem Community College Foundation Veterans Dinner. At the event, Gwyn Parris-Atwell of Alloway, South Jersey was honored for her 21 years of service in the United States Air Force, where she earned the rank of colonel. During her time in the Air Force, she bravely served in Iraq. Gwyn earned many awards in the military including the Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Service Ribbon, and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal. In addition to her military career, she also has experience as a professional nurse and served on the Executive Board of the New Jersey Emergency Nurses Association. I want to thank Gwyn for her heroic service to our country, and it was my honor to attend the Veterans Dinner. God Bless Gwyn, and God Bless our United States of America.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND  
SERVICE OF COMMISSIONER  
DICK HALL

**HON. MICHAEL GUEST**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to recognize the life of former Mississippi Transportation Commissioner, Dick Hall. Commissioner Hall committed his life to the service of his fellow man through a long and distinguished career, and I rise today to recognize him as a dedicated leader whose example will continue to inspire many who wish to make the world around them a better place for their neighbors, friends, and family.

As a transportation commissioner for the State of Mississippi for over 20 years, Commissioner Hall was an outspoken advocate for providing additional revenue to improve Mississippi's infrastructure system. Before being elected to this post, Commissioner Hall served for three terms in the Mississippi Senate and three terms in the Mississippi House of Representatives, representing my home county of Rankin in the State Legislature throughout a noteworthy career. Commissioner Hall also served our country as a Lieutenant in the United States Army.

Commissioner Hall was fond of saying, "We're not just building a transportation system. We're building an economy," which was a quip that was born out in the many projects he spearheaded. He oversaw the opening of the U.S. Highway 82 Mississippi River Bridge; the widening of Lakeland Drive in Jackson; the Highway 463 Single Point Urban Interchange project in Madison; two phases of the STACK interchange connecting Jackson, Pearl, and Brandon; projects throughout the Metro Jackson area from Canton to Crystal Springs; the Nissan Parkway; and countless rehabilitation projects throughout Mississippi's Central District. Commissioner Hall's tireless effort was vital in creating a modern infrastructure system and a strong Mississippi economy that has created better lives for those who call our state home.

For his numerous accomplishments and industrious spirit, Commissioner Hall received many accolades and awards, including the Hugh L. White Free Enterprise Award, the Friend of Education Award, Conservation Leg-

islator of the Year, and Alumnus of the Year by the Mid-Mississippi Chapter of the Mississippi State University Alumni Association.

Commissioner Hall was an extraordinary person who will be remembered by those who had the pleasure of meeting him or working alongside him. His legacy of a deep respect and dedication to our state will endure.

It is my honor to recognize the life of Commissioner Dick Hall for the many contributions he made to our state and our Nation, and I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in recognizing his service and commitment to Mississippi and to the United States of America.

RECOGNIZING MRS. KELLY  
SANTORO

**HON. DAVID G. VALADAO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Warden Kelly Santoro for her 30 years of service to the Central Valley community and congratulate her on her well-earned retirement.

Just like many in her family before her, Mrs. Santoro knew she wanted to dedicate her career to serving the state of California. She began her career in the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation in 1993 as a correctional officer at Centinela State Prison. Throughout her decorated career, she held crucial positions in the California Prison system ranging from Correctional Counselor to Associate Warden.

In 2012, Mrs. Santoro was named the Chief Deputy Warden of the Wasco State Prison Reception Center. In this role, she displayed incredible professionalism and competence as she oversaw over 5,000 inmates and nearly 1,500 members of staff. Her work in running the day-to-day in this role impressed her colleagues and would lead her to be named the acting Warden of the North Kern State Prison in 2015. In August of 2016, she would officially be named Warden of North Kern State Prison—a role she held until her retirement this year.

Not only has Mrs. Santoro served her community through the State's Correctional Department, but she has also been a leader in the Central Valley through her philanthropic work. She and the North Kern State Prison raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for charities such as the Ronald McDonald House, the Make-A-Wish Foundation, the Women's Shelter, and many others. For 30 years, Mrs. Santoro has been an incredible example of the dedication, professionalism, and selflessness that encompass the values of the Central Valley community.

I ask all of my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in honoring Mrs. Kelly Marie Santoro for her 30 years of service to our community and congratulate her on a well-earned retirement.

RECOGNIZING RESOLUTION 181  
75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UN  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY VOTE

**HON. JOE WILSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, today marks the 75th anniversary of the U.N. General Assembly vote on Resolution 181, also known as the partition plan. The resolution supported the creation of two independent states from Palestine, one Arab and one Jewish, at the end of the British Mandate.

The adoption of this resolution laid the foundation for the creation of the modern Jewish State of Israel.

The passage of the resolution came with strong U.S. leadership in helping garner the support necessary for its advancement, including from President Harry Truman who told the U.S. delegation to the U.N. to quote, "get busy and get all the votes you can."

Members of this body, like Representative Sol Bloom, a former chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, also played a key role, reaching out to foreign nations and encouraging them to support the plan.

The plan was not everything Jewish leaders wanted. It left Jerusalem outside of what would become Israel. But nonetheless, it was proudly accepted by the Jewish Agency and Zionist groups, while the Arab League and Palestinian leaders rejected this plan.

I especially appreciate that today the United States fully recognizes Jerusalem as the capital of Israel. On May 14, 2018, I led the House delegation for the opening of the U.S. Embassy in Jerusalem with Ambassador David Friedman, welcomed by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. The re-location of the Embassy was the fulfillment of "promises made, promises kept" by President Donald Trump. Senator LINDSEY GRAHAM led the Senate Delegation.

Since that day, Palestinian rejectionism continues to limit the opportunity for peace. The Palestinians did not support a Palestinian state in 1947 because it would have meant accepting a Jewish state. To this day there are far too many Palestinians that refuse to accept Israel's right to exist and live in peace and security.

As the ranking member of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa and Global Counterterrorism, Co-Chairman of the House Republican Israel Caucus, and a veteran supporter of our democratic ally Israel, I am grateful to mark this historic 75th anniversary of the UN Partition Plan vote with a strong commitment to the U.S.-Israel relationship.

Since its creation, the United States supported the Jewish State with bipartisan support from Congress, working to build a strong security, intelligence and defense relationship enshrined by shared values and mutually strategic interests. The United States Congress has worked to support our ally with annual security assistance, defense cooperation, and an emerging relationship in key areas including agriculture, hi-tech and homeland security.

Both our countries are committed to democracy and justice, and we continue to look for new ways to integrate Israel into the region, such as support for the historic Abraham Accords that normalized ties between Israel and