

of Business Administration with honors in 1966 and a law degree with honors in 1967. He was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity and the Texas Cowboys, an honorary student organization. While in law school, Patrick was the Managing Editor of the Texas Law Review and a member of the Friar Society. In 1997, he was appointed to serve on the Board of Regents for the University of Texas System for a six-year term. He also chaired the Health Affairs Committee, which oversaw the operations of six health institutions within the University of Texas System.

In 1973, Patrick joined the firm of Bracewell & Patterson, now known as Bracewell LLP, and immediately became its 13th partner. He specialized in business and transactional law at the firm, focusing on real estate, energy, and banking. Later, Patrick served as Managing Partner and led the opening of the firm's New York City office. Patrick took great pride and interest in recruiting and mentoring young lawyers at the firm; he genuinely cared and was a brilliant attorney who loved to share his passion for the law with others.

Patrick believed that Houston's business leaders had an obligation to further the city's success. He took an active role in many civic and business organizations, including Chairman, the Greater Houston Partnership; Director, M.D. Anderson Services Corporation; Chairman Emeritus, Texas Medical Center, Inc.; Advisory Board Member, Kinder Institute for Urban Research at Rice University; and Board Member, the Kinder Institute for Constitutional Democracy at the University of Missouri.

Patrick believed deeply in the ideals outlined by our Founding Fathers and in our constitutional system. He spent hours assisting candidates he believed would improve the city, state, and country. In fact, Patrick twice served as chairman of the campaign committee for Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison and was a leader in the gubernatorial and presidential campaigns of George W. Bush. He also served as counsel for many statewide and local officeholders in Texas.

Patrick was a man of deep faith. He attended Mass daily at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Houston and served as a Eucharistic Minister and Continuing Catholic Education (CCE) teacher. He also contributed to the educational and service ministries of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.

Patrick is survived by his wife of 32 years, Katie Oxford; his daughters, Elizabeth Pagan and Virginia Fleming; his sons-in-law, Greer Pagan and Lee Fleming; his grandson, Charlie Pagan; his brothers, Hubert Oxford III and Denis Oxford; his sister, Virginia Thompson; his sister-in-law, Canice Garth and her husband, David; his brothers-in-law, Kit Herrington and Tommy Herrington; and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews. Patrick is preceded in death by his parents, Hubert and Virginia, and sister, Mary Englander.

Madam Speaker, it is a special privilege to honor my dear friend, Patrick Cunningham Oxford, who devoted his life to serving others. The Houston community will not forget him or his significant impact on the city, and my heartfelt prayers remain with his family and friends during this difficult time.

LORENZO BALDIZAN-MORALEZ

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 1, 2022*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Lorenzo Baldizan-Moralez for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Lorenzo Baldizan-Moralez is a student at Arvada High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Lorenzo Baldizan-Moralez is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Lorenzo Baldizan-Moralez for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

IN RECOGNITION OF NOAH CLAY,  
GUEST FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE'S  
SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
FOR THE STATE OF THE  
UNION ADDRESS

### HON. ANN M. KUSTER

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 1, 2022*

Ms. KUSTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Noah Clay from Keene, New Hampshire. Noah is joining me virtually for the State of the Union. Noah is an Intensive Care Unit (ICU) nurse who has been on the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic in the Granite State. I am pleased to honor Noah's commitment and that of his colleagues to the well-being of our communities and their tireless work to save lives during the pandemic.

Mr. Clay, a native of Keene, graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Colby-Sawyer College in 2020 and completed his Masters in Nursing Management from Colby-Sawyer College in 2022. Noah is an early career Registered Nurse who came directly into the ICU specialty in 2020.

It's impossible to overstate the essential role of our Granite State health care workers during the COVID-19 pandemic. Throughout every surge and every variant, they have been on the frontlines, putting themselves in harm's way to save lives and push back against this deadly virus. Our state and our country would not be where we are without them. Noah and his fellow health care workers are the true heroes behind America's progress, and I'm proud to uplift their stories.

On behalf of New Hampshire's Second Congressional District, I thank our health care heroes for all they do. I look forward to our continued work in Congress to ensure New Hampshire is the best place to live, work and raise a family.

HONORING LEANNE KIM DO

### HON. PRAMILA JAYAPAL

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 1, 2022*

Ms. JAYAPAL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my constituent, Leanne Kim Do, from Seattle, Washington.

Today, on the day of President Biden's State of the Union Address, we celebrate the bold and progressive accomplishments that have bolstered our economy and served as a critical lifeline for families and small business owners across our nation. I am proud to have worked alongside President Biden to enact the American Rescue Plan and Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act, two landmark pieces of legislation that invest in our communities and create good paying jobs for Americans.

Leanne, a writing skills teacher and working mother of three young children, was a direct recipient of the Child Tax Credit and is a testament to the real differences these payments have made in the lives of Americans. Both Leanne and her spouse, Nathan, uplift the brilliance of marginalized communities in their work but neither were provided with paid family leave to welcome their third child into their family. The Child Tax Credit payments allowed them to take much needed time off without worrying about how they were going to pay their bills or having to leave their cause-driven professions for higher pay.

This past year we have made critical investments in vaccine distribution, rental and nutrition assistance, grants to small businesses, and funding for schools and child care facilities. It is imperative that we keep this momentum up and continue to deliver for families, like Leanne's, across our Nation.

LACY SMITH

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 1, 2022*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Lacy Smith for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Lacy Smith is a student at Arvada High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Lacy Smith is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Lacy Smith for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

IN RECOGNITION OF JUDGE THOMAS MUNLEY FOR HIS SERVICE TO LACKAWANNA COUNTY

### HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 1, 2022*

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, today I honor Judge Thomas J. Munley who, after 16 years on the bench, recently retired from the Lackawanna County Court of Common Pleas. Judge Munley is beloved by his colleagues and community as a fair and skilled jurist who treats everyone with respect and dignity.

A native Northeastern Pennsylvanian, Judge Munley graduated from Jessup High School in 1964. He continued his studies at East Stroudsburg University, graduating in 1968 with a degree in education. Judge Munley returned to his hometown to teach at his alma mater from 1968 to 1969. In 1969, he was drafted to serve in the Army and was sent to Vietnam on an 11-month tour as an infantryman with the 11th Infantry Brigade, Americal Division. For his meritorious service in Vietnam, he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

After returning home from military service in 1971, Judge Munley enrolled in law school at Loyola University Law School in New Orleans, Louisiana. He earned his JD and was admitted into the Pennsylvania Bar in 1974. From 1976 to 1979, he served as Assistant Public Defender in Lackawanna County. In 1979, Judge Munley founded his own law practice and was renowned as a fiercely competent defense attorney, a formidable opponent in the courtroom.

In 2005, after 25 years at his own practice, Judge Munley ran for the seat on the Lackawanna County Court of Common Pleas. He won the Democratic and Republican nominations in the May primary and easily prevailed in the November election. Judge Munley quickly earned the respect of his colleagues on the court, building on his acclaimed reputation as an attorney. The integrity and principle with which he conducted himself on the bench led his colleagues to elect him president-judge in 2011.

Inspired by his own time in the service and his experience as a veteran, Judge Munley has been a longtime, fierce advocate for veterans and their families. Since 2014, he has hosted the popular television program "Veterans Views" on NBC/WBRE-TV which aims to inform those who have served about the benefits and services to which they are entitled. He often receives a deluge of calls after the show from veterans seeking assistance, and he diligently calls them back. He is also a proud member of the American Legion and the VFW.

On January 1, 2022, Judge Munley retired to senior status as required by Pennsylvania's mandatory retirement age of 75. In his role of senior judge, he will serve in every county where the state Supreme Court grants him authority to hear matters. He also plans to continue his work on behalf of veterans and their families in his retirement.

I am honored to recognize the judicial career and lifetime of public service of Judge Thomas Munley. It is a privilege to call him a colleague in the legal profession, and I join with the entirety of Lackawanna County in

thanking him for his service to his country and his community. May he continue to find fulfillment and purpose in this new chapter of his life.

### CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION FUNDS FOR JONES ACT VESSELS

### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 1, 2022*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, today I introduce legislation to allow operators of Jones Act-compliant passenger ferries to establish Capital Construction Funds. Only car ferries are currently eligible for this special, tax-exempt domestic shipbuilding program administered by the Maritime Administration (MARAD).

Federally regulated Capital Construction Funds allow operators of US-flagged vessels to legally forgo paying federal business taxes pertaining to such vessels, provided all that forgone tax payment is reinvested in constructing new US-flagged vessels in American shipyards.

Current law only allows operators of cargo and fishing vessels to establish Capital Construction Funds for such vessels. Car ferries are only eligible because they are treated as "cargo vessels" for the purposes of the program, not ferries. Under my bill, all ferries and similar vessels with 50-plus passenger capacity would be eligible to establish Capital Construction Funds.

Through my tenure in the Congress, I have worked to increase federal funding for expanded passenger ferry service. Regrettably, Congress has historically underfunded the Federal Highway Administration's formula program and the Federal Transit Administration's competitive grant program for ferries, ferry terminals, and related infrastructure. Privately operated passenger ferries remain ineligible under both U.S. Department of Transportation programs.

Both public and private operators are working to expand service in the San Francisco Bay Area. My legislation is intended to support proposed service expansion by private ferry operators in the Bay Area and nationwide, at no cost to American taxpayers. Many Bay Area ferry operators are also considering replacing their existing fleets with new renewable energy-powered ferries, like hydrogen fuel cells. Those ferries can and should be built in American shipyards by skilled workers.

Madam Speaker, I plan to make this legislation a priority in the forthcoming Coast Guard Authorization Act for fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

EMILIA LINGAD

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 1, 2022*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Emilia Lingad for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Emilia Lingad is a student at Arvada High School and received this award because her

determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Emilia Lingad is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Emilia Lingad for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

### INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ELIMINATION OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

### HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 1, 2022*

Mr. CARSON. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to introduce this resolution supporting the designation of International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women on the twenty-fifth day of November.

According to the World Health Organization, 1 in 3 women and girls experience physical or sexual violence in their lifetime. This figure does not include sexual harassment, and reports show that less than 40 percent of women who experience violence report it or seek help. Around the world, women and girls are being denied access to education and are politically and economically oppressed. Economic and political marginalization leaves women and girls all the more vulnerable to experiencing violence. We cannot be silent in the face of such injustice and violence. I urge my colleagues to stand with me in the face of injustices.

As we enter Women's History Month, the United States and the international community have an obligation to lend support and assistance to those suffering from violence and oppression, both abroad and at home. There are many critical factors that contribute to violence against women. Of all the women murdered in the United States, about 63 percent were killed by an intimate partner. Acts of violence as a result of war—especially physical abuse, sexual assault, and trafficking—disproportionately affect women of color. It is estimated that up to half a million women were raped during the Rwandan 1994 genocide. Furthermore, in Bosnia and Herzegovina, close to 60,000 women were raped during the war in which violence against women was used as a strategic tool of ethnic cleansing. That should never happen again. We must stand with women worldwide—this is unacceptable.

International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women is commemorated to share women stories and educate communities about the percentage of women who experience violence, who lack access to education afforded to men[?], and how they face political and economic marginalization. The United Nations General Assembly observes International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women each year. My resolution expresses support for the designation of