

HONORING WALTER DELANEY, JR.

HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise in honor of Walter Delaney, Jr., who died on February 14, 2022, at the age of 81. Mr. Delaney dedicated his life to public service as a law enforcement officer who honorably fulfilled his professional duties.

Mr. Delaney was born on March 15, 1940, to the late Walter L. Delaney, Sr., and Rebecca Minor Delaney. Mr. Delaney attended Roanoke City Public Schools. From a young age, he always led with a heart of service. He volunteered with the Huntington Life Saving Crew, and this inspired him to become a Roanoke County Deputy Sheriff. So, he left his job at the Eaton Corp. in Salem to serve his community.

He worked as a patrolman, an investigator, and in the courts. Mr. Delaney became the first Black deputy for the Roanoke County Sheriff's Office. As a practicing attorney in the Roanoke Valley, I worked with Mr. Delaney for many years. He was always professional and courteous. He never drew attention to the fact that he was the first black deputy. In a time when the country was going through desegregation, Mr. Delaney was a trailblazer in his community. In every role he held, he constantly worked hard and selflessly served those around him.

In addition to serving in law enforcement, Mr. Delaney was also an active member of the Sweet Union Baptist Church and deeply valued his faith.

Mr. Delaney was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Susie M. Larry Delaney; his son, Ricky H. Delaney, his sister, Loreli Cherrylene Delaney; his brother Xavier Jacques Delaney; and his brothers-in-law: Rodney Buford Larry and Phillip Larry.

He is survived by his children Gary Hancock, Robbie Delaney Majors and Anthony Delaney, Sr.; siblings, Yvonne Delaney Oliver, William Delaney, Essie J. Manns, Johnny Delaney; grandchildren, Gary Kasey, Antonio Taylor, William "Tre" Majors, Anthony Delaney, Jr., Jarek Hancock, Naya Delaney, and Dallas Delaney; great grandchildren, Jamauri Majors, Jaylen Majors, TreMaine Bond, Jin Lee Taylor; and many other beloved family and friends. I offer them my condolences on the loss of this good man.

HONORING CARMEL ANGELO

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the significant career and accomplishments of Ms. Carmel Angelo on the occasion of her retirement from the County of Mendocino as Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

Ms. Angelo was hired to be the director of Health and Human Services and Assistant CEO for Mendocino County in 2007. Just three years later, she was appointed to serve as County CEO by the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors in 2010, becoming the

first woman to hold the County's top executive position.

Throughout her 15-year tenure, Ms. Angelo was a strong advocate for Mendocino County, and she was well-respected for her ability to address the unique challenges facing rural counties. As CEO, she led the County through a fiscal crisis and provided effective leadership during multiple fire and flood disasters. Drawing on her experience in health and human services, she navigated the public health response to the global pandemic of COVID-19 with skill.

Ms. Angelo's advocacy for rural counties extended beyond Mendocino County through her leadership work with multiple statewide associations. She served on the California Association of County Executives (CACE) as a member and president, earning the 2021 President's CACE Award. In addition, her efforts with the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) resulted in the 2018 RCRC President's Award, and her work with California State Association of Counties (CSAC) was honored with its 2019 CSAC Circle of Service Award.

Madam Speaker, Carmel Angelo's career is a sterling example of service and dedication to improving the effectiveness of local government and meeting the needs of rural communities. Please join me in honoring Carmel Angelo on the occasion of her retirement, and in wishing her the best of luck in her future endeavors.

TAYLER BARKER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

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

Tayler Barker is a student at Warren Tech North and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Tayler Barker 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 Tayler Barker 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 SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF
JOHN CHENEY'S 90TH BIRTHDAY**HON. ROBERT E. LATTA**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LATTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. John Cheney, an outstanding citizen from North Baltimore, Ohio, who will celebrate his 90th birthday on March 20, 2022.

John has been a leader in the community through a lifetime of service, and his family and friends are very grateful to have the opportunity to celebrate this significant birthday with him: Reaching this momentous milestone provides the opportunity to recognize John's many accomplishments in life, but especially his service to our country and community.

John served on active duty as a field artillery officer in the U.S. Army after graduation from Bowling Green State University in 1954. He served on active duty until 1957 and continued in the U.S. Army Reserves, completing twenty-eight years of military service as a Lieutenant Colonel. He has remained active in a number of military organizations and is well known for his large collection of military vehicles, which he takes to events throughout Northwest Ohio and the rest of the country. He chaired the Findlay-Hancock County Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee when it established the county's Armed Forces Day Celebration. Today, Armed Forces Day in Findlay is one of the largest annual military events in Ohio. He is a member of the Military Vehicle Preservation Association, and his vehicle collection has helped to preserve and promote our military heritage. John is a charter member of the Ohio Motor Pool and participated in the 2009 Transcontinental Military Convoy. He is also a pilot and a member of the Experimental Aircraft Association. Notably, he built a trophy-winning open cockpit biplane, which he flew for many years.

John married his wife, Elaine, on July 19, 1952, and they had three children: Caprice, Mark, and John. After completing his active-duty military service, John worked at Hancock-Wood Electric Cooperative for 41 years while raising his family, retiring as president and CEO in 1996. He is known throughout the area for his public service and has continued to be active in many organizations in his community and Northwest Ohio. Most notably, he is a founding trustee and served as chairman of Northwestern Water and Sewer District Board of Trustees. He continues to serve on that board. He also served for 13 years as a board member of Buckeye Power, which provides electric energy to 25 member cooperatives in Ohio.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating John Cheney's 90th birthday. John is most worthy of this recognition, and I thank him for a distinguished career serving our country and community. On behalf of the people of the Fifth Congressional District of Ohio, I wish John a very happy birthday and his family all the best.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BILL JOHNSON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio. Madam Speaker, I was unavoidably detained during this vote, but had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 70.

RECOGNIZING CHIEF M.E. "GENE" WALDROP ON 50 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

HON. MICHAEL GUEST

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to congratulate Chief M.E. "Gene" Waldrop on 50 years of service in law enforcement. He has enjoyed a distinguished career, and we are grateful for his dedicated service to defend the safety of our great state for more than half a century.

As a native of Greenville, Mississippi, Chief Waldrop graduated from Greenville High School and later served as Staff Sergeant in the Mississippi National Guard. After being honorably discharged, Waldrop began his law enforcement career as a patrol officer. Chief Waldrop served 20 years for the Greenville Mississippi Police Department and retired in 1991 as Chief of Police. With Chief Waldrop's oversight and encouragement, the City of Greenville coordinated with local agencies to develop efficient disaster response plans that heightened the region's security.

After retiring, Chief Waldrop was appointed as Chief of Police in the City of Madison, Mississippi, holding to his commitment to public service. In this role, he continued his steadfast dedication to keeping the great state of Mississippi safe by establishing advanced emergency response plans. Under his courageous leadership, the City of Madison has been rated the Safest City in Mississippi by several crime prevention organizations.

Chief Waldrop is also a dedicated community servant. He helped to establish the Board of Directors for the Mississippi Firefighters' Memorial Burn Center Association. There, he served as the Vice-President of the Board of Directors, one of his many achievements that earned Chief Waldrop the Jim Ingram Lifetime Achievement Award in 2012.

I commend all that Chief Waldrop has done to valiantly protect the lives of Mississippians, and I thank him for his contributions towards bettering our state's law enforcement. I extend my very best wishes to him and look forward to working with him in the future to make our state an even better place to live, worship, and raise a family.

ADDISON KEGERREIS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

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

Addison Kegerreis is a student at Wayne Carle MS and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Addison Kegerreis 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 edu-

cation and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Addison Kegerreis 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.

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING BRIGADIER GENERAL RODERICK R. LEON GUERRERO ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

HON. MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

Mr. SAN NICOLAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a true public servant, Brigadier General Roderick R. Leon Guerrero and congratulate him on his retirement from the Guam Army National Guard (GUARNG) after 34 years of service to our island and nation.

Launching his military career in 1985, Brigadier General Leon Guerrero enlisted as a Private First Class. Determined to advance both his education and position in the ranks, he then entered the Army ROTC program at the University of Guam and was commissioned as a second lieutenant three years later. After earning his bachelor's degree in Political Science, he sought continued growth in knowledge and experience—paving a path from Combat Medic to Specialist, Cadet, and onto numerous assignments as a commissioned officer. His lasting contributions were catalyzed through his roles as an Intelligence Officer, Executive Officer for a Headquarters Company, Military Police Company Commander, Personnel Officer, Assistant Professor of Military Science, Recruiting and Retention Manager, Deputy G3 Officer, Plans, Operations, and Military Support Officer, Civil Support Team Commander, J3 Officer, and J1 Officer. Moreover, he maintains an impressive military education bolstered by a Security Managers Course at the National Defense Institution, Military Police Officer Basic Course, Adjutant General Officers Advanced Course, Combined Arms Staff Service Course, Command and General Staff Course, and Embedded Military Transition Training Course in addition to numerous other trainings and the completion of programs hosted by Harvard University and the Army Strategic Education.

After earning his master's in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College, Brigadier General Leon Guerrero emerged as a pillar of leadership for our community with unwavering resolution. In addition to supporting Operation Enduring Freedom as part of the first Embedded Training Team from the GUARNG to Afghanistan, he embodied excellence in service as Chief of Joint Staff for the Guam National Guard (GUNG). As a Director of Military Affairs and Personnel, he further utilized his extensive experience, valuable specialties, and incomparable integrity to develop our National Guard into a world-class organization. By 2015, he was selected to serve as the Adjutant General of the GUNG, where he advised the Governor of Guam on military affairs. In this capacity, he was also responsible for ensuring more than 1,500 Guardsmen were ac-

cessible, capable, and ready to deploy on island in response to emergencies and provide combat ready servicemembers to the U.S. Army and Air Force.

With a long list of recognitions that include a Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service, Army Commendation, Army, Airforce, and Army Reserve Components Achievement, and Afghanistan Campaign Medals, National Defense, Global War on Terrorism, and Humanitarian Service Medals, Army Service, Overseas Service, and NATO Ribbons, and Combat Action and Parachutist Badges, Brigadier General Leon Guerrero's countless decorations only illustrate a glimpse of his outstanding character and selflessness. His induction into the prestigious Cadet Command Hall of Fame in Fort Knox, Kentucky further demonstrates his distinguished background in both military and civilian pursuits and manifold contributions to the nation, the Army, and the history and traditions of the Army ROTC program.

Throughout his career, Brigadier General Roderick R. Leon Guerrero has never failed to lead by example. Strengthened by his wife, Mary, his sons Jared and Broderick, and his daughter Crystal, he cultivated a fine career rooted in collaboration, problem solving, and results. He served with an astounding commitment to self, others, nation, and the American Dream, and continues to inspire many members of our community with his legacy of integrity and respect for others in all endeavors. Madam Speaker, I rise on behalf of the People of Guam, offering my greatest appreciation for Brigadier General Leon Guerrero's commitment to our country. I sincerely thank him for his many years of service and sacrifice, congratulate him on his well-earned retirement, and wish him the best during the next chapter of his life.

IN HONOR OF PETE J. STILIANESSIS

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

Mr. PASCRELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Pete J. Stilianessis in celebration of his decades of work as a father, police officer and leader in the law enforcement community. I am proud to have such a committed and hardworking individual here in the great State of New Jersey. A native son of Passaic County, Pete Stilianessis dedicated his life to the safety and security of our neighborhood. I wish him well as he retires from the New Jersey State Troopers Non-Commissioned Officers Association.

Born in Paterson, New Jersey to Jerry and Maryellen Stilianessis, Pete's story is one that begins with a love for public service. The son of a former marine, his mother's active duty in the United States Marine Corps would motivate Pete to do the same. Traveling the world as a machine gunner, Pete displayed his action-oriented personality. Most notably, he would answer the call to serve in the Gulf War and contribute his efforts in Iraq. A "Task Force Ripper" during Operation Desert Storm, Pete served as squad leader during ground combat operations liberating Kuwait City on February 27, 1991. Awarded the Combat Action Ribbon, Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation, Kuwait Liberation Medal and two