

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING DR. LYNN MARSHALL
FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. SOTO. Madam Speaker, Dr. Lynn Marshall's journey in public health began when she worked as an education and training coordinator for Healthy Start Coalition. During that time, she joined the Florida Healthy Babies committee and led a subcommittee that consisted of the following community partners: Lakeland Regional Health Hospital, the Florida Department of Health, Healthy Start Coalition, Sunshine Health and Spirit Life Ministries.

In 2019, Dr. Marshall and a handful of community partners hosted the first Melanin Families Matter community event at Lakeland Regional Health Carol Jenkins Barnett Pavilion for Women & Children. In August of 2019, Dr. Marshall took the initiative to incorporate and serve as the president of Melanin Families Matter. She has received proclamations on behalf of Melanin Families Matter from the Polk County Board of County Commissioners, Winter Haven Chain of Lakes Mayor Bradley T. Dantzer, and the City of Lakeland Mayor Bill Mutz. These governmental officers have recognized and publicly declared the month of March to be Melanin Families Matter month.

Dr. Marshall continues to host annual Melanin Families Matter health panels and community events that are open to the public at no cost. In addition to providing education to the Polk County community, Dr. Marshall also spearheads a "Community Distribution Day" each year. It is during this time when care packages, educational materials, clothing, food and play items for babies and children are provided to families in need at no cost. As a community advocate, Dr. Marshall has served as a guest speaker on the following platforms: 100 National Coalition of Black Women, Polk State College Women's History month discussion panel, The Empowered Woman, Our Voices Live radio broadcast and more. Dr. Marshall is the wife of Dr. Jarvis L. Marshall, and together they have two beautiful daughters.

CORA FAITH WALKER

HON. CORI BUSH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Ms. BUSH. Madam Speaker, St. Louis and I rise to offer our deepest and most sincere condolences to the family, friends, and loved ones of our dear sister Cora Faith Walker, whose beautiful life was taken from our community far too soon.

As an exemplary public servant, Cora was a champion of transformational policies to lift up St. Louis, as evidenced by her work as a

former Missouri State Representative and top policy official in St. Louis County. And in her work and beyond it, Cora was a wonderful light in this world. She was transformative—touching the souls of everyone who encountered her. She embodied a rare form of altruism that shaped her public service and made her an incredible community leader.

She never took the easy way out. Whether it be in her fierce work to deliver justice or her gravity defying ability to climb the long marble Missouri State Capitol steps in a pair of stillettos—even though there was a perfectly good elevator—she did everything with genuineness, style, and class.

Her accomplishments as a public servant are deserving of our highest recognition. She used her expertise as a clinical mental health professional to deliver groundbreaking legislative work, securing the passage of the legislation that created the TraumaInformed Care for Children and Families Board. She led the charge for Medicaid expansion, especially for services geared towards postpartum moms struggling with substance use disorder. And during my service in Congress, Cora has been a close partner in the work to deliver resources to our communities, especially to prevent violent evictions during this deadly pandemic.

Our community is devastated by Cora's passing, and we all will miss her dearly forevermore.

May she be given the flowers she is due, may her legacy of love and service live on, and may she rest in eternal peace and power.

IN RECOGNITION OF JOSEPH F. LONG, JR., RECIPIENT OF THE GREATER PITTSFORD FRIENDLY SONS OF ST. PATRICK'S ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, today I honor Joseph F. Long, Jr. who will be awarded the Achievement Award by the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons of St. Patrick at their annual gathering on March 17, 2022.

Joseph attended Bishop Hoban High School and after graduating in 1982, he continued his education at Kings College, earning a bachelor's degree in elementary education. He went on to receive two master's degrees from Wilkes-University, the first in 2004 in classroom technology and the second in 2006 in educational leadership.

In 1997, Joseph began his teaching career as a middle school math and science teacher at St. Mary's Assumption School in Pittston, Pennsylvania. In 2001, he accepted a position teaching technology at Pittston Area Intermediate Center while also completing his educational leadership training. In 2006, Joseph transitioned from the classroom to administra-

tion, working for the Greater Nanticoke Area School District. While at Nanticoke, he was trained and certified in the Student Assistant Program (SAP) and completed the state mandated National Institute of School Leadership Courses. Joseph then took on the role of principal of Montgomery Avenue Intermediate Center for the Wyoming Area School District. In 2014, he received his Superintendent's Letter of Eligibility from Edinboro University, and today he serves as the superintendent of the Northwest Area School District in Shickshinny.

Always invigorated by being around young people and helping them reach their full potential, Joseph was a successful youth sports coach. He began his coaching career in 1985 at Plains Junior High School for the 7th and 8th grade basketball teams. In 1990, he started coaching basketball at E.L. Meyers High School where he helped lead the varsity team to four Wyoming Valley Conference Championships, one PIAA District II second place finish, and four state tournament appearances. In 1997, Joseph accepted the head varsity coach position at Seton Catholic High School. During his ten years with the Eagles, his teams won over 130 games, two Wyoming Valley Conference Championships, and one PIAA District Two Championship and had two PIAA District II second places finishes and four state tournament appearances. While at Seton, he was named Wyoming Valley Conference Coach of the Year twice. Joseph's coaching career came to an end after four years at Luzerne County Community College.

In addition to his work as an educator and coach, Joseph is a dedicated volunteer in his community. He is an active member of the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, serving as the 104th president of the organization in 2018. He has been the treasurer for the board of directors of the Greater Pittston Library and the Jenkins Township Little League. Since 2013, he has also been the assistant district administrator for the PA District 16/31 Little League Board in charge of the major league boy's baseball division. He is an active member of the Knights of Columbus as a member of the board, and in 2013, he was awarded his Fourth Degree Knighthood.

I am honored to join with the Greater Pittston friendly Sons of St. Patrick in recognizing Joseph for his tireless commitment to serving his community and uplifting young people through sport and education. May he continue to find fulfillment and purpose in this work. I wish him the best this St. Patrick's Day.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF
BRIAN MAYES

HON. RALPH NORMAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. NORMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Brian Mayes for his outstanding leadership and service.

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Brian is a 1983 graduate of West Mecklenburg High School in Charlotte, North Carolina. Upon graduation, he proudly served in the United States Air Force for four years. Following his military service, Brian spent twenty years as a very popular and highly regarded national gospel performer.

Although Brian still sings, his career focus has since shifted to community service. For 20 years, he served as the Director of Family Life Outreach, an organization that does significant charitable work. In 2014, Brian became the Director of the Boys and Girls Club Jackson Teen Center in Camden where he is known as Mr. BB to many young people. The Center serves as a safe haven for kids after school and is open to all middle and high school students in Kershaw County. From athletics, to academics, to life skills and college preparation, the after-school center not only gives students a place to go, but a place to grow. Brian's wife and life partner, Roberta, also serves at the Jackson Teen Center. Fondly called "Mom" or "Auntie Bertie" by the teens, she leads the Job Readiness Training program.

Under Brian's leadership, the Center has become one of the best attended programs of its kind in the entire country. Ninety percent of members go on to attend college or join the military upon graduation. During his time at the Center, Brian has developed numerous innovative programs. Some of these programs include "Make it a Conversation," which enables young people to interact with community leaders and experts about topics of interest, and "Jobs and Employability Training for Teens," which provides job skills, training, and internship experiences for high school students. Volunteers at the Center describe the incredible work Brian does as "powerful." His colleagues recognize the "hope, belief, and positivity" he gives to his students.

Brian has exceeded expectations in service to our state, highlighted by his receipt of numerous honors and accolades. For example, in 2016, Brian received the Leonard Price Award for Community Service. The following year, Brian was named "Person of the Year" by the Camden Chronicle-Independent and received the "Delta Five Points of Purpose" Award. He and his wife also received the WIS "Community Builder" Award.

On behalf of the 5th District of South Carolina, it is my most sincere pleasure to recognize Brian for his outstanding leadership and lifelong service to our state. I wish him the best of luck throughout his future endeavors, as I am confident he will to continue to serve and find great success in all that he does.

IN HONOR OF JOSEPH RUP SIS

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor a patriotic American, Mr. Joseph Rupsis. Mr. Rupsis lives in Clark County, Kentucky and celebrated his 100th birthday on March 15, 2022.

Mr. Rupsis was born in Albany, New York. He enlisted in the United States Navy in October of 1942 when he was 20 years of age. Following basic training at Great Lakes, Illi-

nois, he was sent to the Pacific Theatre and assigned to the USS *Victoria*, an oil tanker. At the war's end, he was discharged in December of 1945. Mr. Rupsis resumed his work at a factory but signed up to serve in the reserves. During the Korean Conflict, he was called back into service in October of 1950. He was assigned to the USS *Bataan*, an aircraft carrier. His mother passed away while he was serving. Mr. Rupsis attained the rank of Petty Officer Second Class. He was discharged in December of 1951.

Following his discharge in San Diego, Mr. Rupsis decided to remain there, where he met and married his first wife. Mr. Rupsis worked at an aircraft plant, graduated from San Diego State, and worked for many years in radio broadcasting. He later moved to Florida and worked for the Florida prison system, where he retired. After Hurricane Charlie destroyed his home and possessions, Mr. Rupsis moved to Winchester, Kentucky to be near family members. It was there that he met his wife, Mary.

It is my honor to recognize this amazing patriot celebrate his 100th birthday, and appreciate him for his service and sacrifice to our nation during World War II and the Korean Conflict. As a part of "The Greatest Generation", Mr. Rupsis was an important part of the war effort to preserve the freedoms that we enjoy today. I am forever grateful for Americans like Joseph Rupsis.

HONORING DORIS MOORE BAILEY
FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SOTO. Madam Speaker, Doris Moore Bailey's innovative marketing skills for a national youth organization inspired her to develop middle school and teen mom initiatives in four Florida counties and 27 schools to provide services for 1,000 students yearly. An experienced adjunct professor and YMCA Program Director, she believes that no one achieves a successful life without the influence of positive mentoring.

Twice appointed by Florida's Governor Lawton Chiles to The Peace River Basin Board of The Southwest Florida Water Management District, she participated in flyovers of the basin's 105 miles Peace River, Florida's Manatee River that flows into the Gulf of Mexico to Tampa Bay, and Florida's largest storage facility, with 1,147-acre New Wales gypstack, in Polk County.

She established The African American Chamber of Commerce Polk County, Inc, the African American Historical Museum of Lakeland, re-established the Polk County Democratic Black Caucus, organized Polk County USCT and Buffalo Soldiers reenactors, and is a founder of Friends of Cathay Williams Organization, the only female Buffalo Soldier. She advocates for voters' right to access the ballot box and enhancing community resources.

In 2022, she organized the African American Historical Museum of Lakeland—Equal Justice Initiative Lynching Community Remembrance Project, and Polk County's first commemoration of the 56th Anniversary Selma Bridge crossing Jubilee Unity march. She's a

Polk County trailblazer spanning 30 years in talk radio as executive producer and host of 'Our Voices'. Moore Bailey and husband of 44 years are parents of two adult children and five grandsons. In 1992, she organized Florida's first Juneteenth Observance. She's a member of New Bethel AME Church, a NAACP Gold Life Member, and a chartered member and past president of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Chapter, Lakeland. She also authored anthologies: *Voices of Unsung Immortal Mothers and Sons of Immortal Mothers*.

CELEBRATING THE 120TH ANNIVERSARY OF BARLOW RESPIRATORY HOSPITAL

HON. JIMMY GOMEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. GOMEZ. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor Barlow Respiratory Hospital on its 120th anniversary.

Barlow Respiratory Hospital was founded in 1902 as the Barlow Sanatorium, a charity hospital for tuberculosis patients. Since then, Barlow Respiratory Hospital has maintained an uninterrupted focus on respiratory care and is among a few of continuously operating respiratory hospitals in the nation. Their award-winning programs include their expertise in ventilator weaning for post-ICU patients who need specialized care.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Barlow Respiratory Hospital physicians have served as clinical leaders. Barlow Respiratory Hospital's tradition of care for patients who are critically ill, often hovering between life and death, now includes care for patients who have survived COVID-19. The clinical care teams work together to help patients begin to recover at Barlow Respiratory Hospital.

As the only not-for-profit long-term acute care hospital and the only not-for-profit respiratory hospital in California, Barlow Respiratory Hospital has established a legacy of service to the Los Angeles community.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring and celebrating the 120th anniversary of Barlow Respiratory Hospital.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF RETIRED CHIEF WARREN GENE WOODFORK, SR.

HON. TROY A. CARTER

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Warren Gene Woodfork, Sr.

Warren Gene Woodfork, Sr., the first African American Superintendent of the New Orleans Police Department, entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, March 9, 2022. Chief Woodfork is the eldest of eight children born in Opelousas, Louisiana. He relocated to New Orleans with his family at a young age. Chief Woodfork is a graduate of Joseph S. Clark High School and attended Xavier University of Louisiana. Chief Woodfork was beyond proud