HONORING ASMA PATEL FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

### HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. SOTO. Madam Speaker, Asma Patel is a board-certified attorney who has diligently served and continues to serve the Osceola County community. Ms. Patel holds dual degrees with honors in Psychology and Legal Studies as well as a Juris Doctor degree. During her law school career, Ms. Patel was a student ambassador, mentor, and the President of the Muslim Law School Association at her alma mater. She honed her dispute resolution skills by competing in and ultimately winning first place in an International Law School Mediation Tournament. During this time, she continued to demonstrate her dedication to serving her community as a guardian ad item fellow. In this role, she played a crucial role as a representative for abused, abandoned, and/or neglected children.

Ms. Patel has spearheaded community initiatives aimed at ending domestic violence. As a certified domestic abuse victim advocate, she has assisted survivors in crisis by providing essential resources and support. In an effort to create awareness, she has hosted family empowerment seminars and tabled at events aimed at tackling domestic abuse.

Through mentorship, extensive networking, and volunteerism, Ms. Patel has worked with marginalized and vulnerable communities, striving to bring light and change to the social injustices that plague them. Most recently, she has begun to help address the issue of inaccessibility to feminine hygiene products by providing these products to local Title I schools. Ms. Patel's bridge the gap initiatives in Osceola County are inspired by her desire to take action that empowers women to be courageous in the pursuit of their dreams.

HONORING LILLIAN TAMAYO

### HON. LOIS FRANKEL

 ${\tt OF\ FLORIDA}$ 

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, March 17, 2022

Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Lillian Tamayo, a distinguished local health care advocate, on her recent retirement. For more than 20 years, Lillian has been a champion for women, teens, and members of the LGBTQIA+ community across South Florida. She worked tirelessly to increase their access to and awareness of quality affordable health care services.

As President and CEO of Planned Parenthood of South, East and North Florida, Lillian expanded the organization's reach to eight of the state's most diverse counties and broadened its services to historically overlooked groups. One of the most successful initiatives that she led, La Promesa, engaged Latina women who were previously underserved in South Florida.

During the most difficult times in the abortion movement, Lillian stood strong and fear-lessly led in the fight for reproductive freedom. She advocated in federal court to block past

Florida laws designed to limit abortions. Lillian also fought to extend health services and counseling options to South Florida teens and members of the LGBTQIA+ community. As a result of her advocacy, Planned Parenthood is now a judgement-free zone where young people can go to receive HIV and STI screenings, hormone therapy, discuss birth control options, and receive mental health counseling.

Lillian's dedication to health care access and education is truly admirable. Her work has created a space in which women and men across Florida can feel safe for years to come. I am proud to celebrate her today and wish her the very best on her retirement.

HONORING THE 150TH ANNIVER-SARY OF THE HAMPTON UNIVER-SITY CHOIR

# HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Thursday,\ March\ 17,\ 2022$ 

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the Hampton University Choir on its 150th anniversary.

The Hampton University Choir was established in 1870 as the Hampton Singers just a few years after Hampton University was founded in 1868 as the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute. Since then, Hampton University has continued to break new ground in academic achievement as one of Virginia's top Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

The university's motto is "The Standard of Excellence, an Education for Life", and that is exactly what the Hampton University Choir has exemplified over the last 150 years. As the primary touring ensemble for the university, the Choir has distinguished itself by performing in numerous notable venues across the United States and abroad, including Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center. The Hampton University Choir even performed at the second Inauguration of President William Jefferson Clinton in 1997.

I want to congratulate the President of Hampton University, Dr. William R. Harvey, the Director of University Choirs, Omar Dickenson, and the Assistant Director of Alumni Affairs, Dr. Joan Wickham for their years of service and dedication to the Hampton University community. The Hampton University Choir has and continues to be an essential piece of what makes Hampton University so special.

Congratulations to the Hampton University Choir on their 150th anniversary. I wish them many more years of success.

HONORING CALEB OGILVIE

# HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, the Commonwealth of Virginia mourns the loss of Officer Caleb Daniel Ogilvie of the Covington Police Department.

Officer Ogilvie was killed in the line of duty on March 14, 2022, at the age of 35. Though he was taken too soon, his life was evidence

of his noble commitment to protecting the safety and freedom of others above himself.

He was born in Wisconsin to Daniel Raymond Ogilvie and Delora Anne Chambers Ogilvie.

Before serving the City of Covington in law enforcement, Officer Ogilvie served his country for four years in the United States Marine Corps. Two of his tours were spent in Iraq and Afghanistan. He was also a volunteer firefighter and an emergency medical technician for Roanoke County.

Officer Ogilvie was a loving father, husband, son, brother, and friend. Along with his parents, he is survived by his wife, Natasha Erin Ogilvie; and four daughters, Emersyn and Wrenley Ogilvie, and Kileigh and Rilyn Ogilvie and their mother, Malarie Ogilvie. He is also survived by his sister, Abigail Chave, and two brothers, Rian and Benjamin Ogilvie; along with many other beloved close family and friends.

Officer Ogilvie lived a life of self-sacrifice. He was a distinguished public servant who put his life on the line every day as he courageously defended those around him. The death of Officer Ogilvie is a grievous loss to the Commonwealth of Virginia and the City of Covington. I mourn his loss, yet I am grateful that he and the other men and women of law enforcement step forward to protect us knowing full well the risks they face. His bravery and selfless service will not be forgotten.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{HONORING THE LIFE OF BARBARA} \\ \text{ROWELL} \end{array}$ 

# HON, DARIN LaHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. LaHOOD. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Barbara Rowell of Quincy, Illinois, who passed away in November 2021 at the age of 85.

A native of Quincy, Illinois, Barbara Rowell attended Culver Stockton College where she majored in Speech and Drama and graduated Cum Laude in 1958. During her time at Culver Stockton College, Barbara was active in student theater, Greek life, and was the host of the Culver Stockton Callboard television show. During which, she had the opportunity to interview then President of the Screen Actors Guild, and future President of the United States. Ronald Reagan.

Barbara's passion for the theater and her community led her back to her hometown, Quincy, where she taught Speech and Drama courses at Quincy High School and Central High School. In addition, she was an active leader in the Quincy Live Theater where she held the title of actress, managing and artistic director, and board member. During her tenure at the Quincy Live Theater, she was a part of an estimated 136 productions.

Barbara was not only an iconic figure in the Quincy community but provided critical leadership in improving the Quincy Community Theater. Her accolades demonstrate how her determination and vision did not go unnoticed. Barbara was a 25-year member of the American Association of Community Theaters and recipient of the YWCA Woman of Achievement Award and the City of Quincy Arts Award. The Quincy community has been fortunate to benefit under the leadership of Barbara Rowell.

I want to offer my condolences to the Rowell family and the people of Quincy on the loss of a great woman. Barbara left a lasting impact on those who had the pleasure of knowing her. May her memory be eternal.

HONORING ASHLEE MAREE WRIGHT FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

### HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. SOTO. Madam Speaker, Ashlee Maree Wright is a mother, dynamic visionary, and results-oriented leader. She founded Wright on Time Educational Services (WOT) in 2006. which provides customized educational solutions to communities that desire to open a school, solve an educational problem, or require management services. WOT focuses on developing innovative learning environments that cultivate the entire student in a way that empowers them to be impactful leaders of tomorrow.

As Founder of New Beginnings High School (NBHS), in 2011, Ashlee successfully implemented a unique educational model that provides an innovative and nurturing educational experience, which is available to ALL students in Central Florida. Thousands of students who were once unsuccessful in the traditional public-school model are now thriving, graduating from high school, and pursuing post-graduate opportunities due to Ashlee's unparalleled work.

Before her role as Founder of NBHS, Ashlee established herself as an education professional by being an exceptional teacher and ultimately climbing the career ladder to become a principal at the age of 25. As a result of her modus operandi, she is widely acclaimed as the business leader who genuinely cares about the growth of each child. Her ability to effectively raise students' academic prowess and self-esteem helps bolster their performance amidst any present challenges they may have. Today, she builds and operates schools utilizing her education ethos to replicate her success.

Ms. Wright graduated from Florida State University in 2003, gave birth to the beautiful and precocious Victoria Maree in 2007, and started her own charter system in 2010. Her passion, upbringing and love for empowering others through education, laid the framework for her unique education and management methodology. Building on her parents' legacy, award-winning educators Dr. Clint & Debra Wright, Ashlee continues to shift the education paradigm and change lives for the better, one community at a time.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{IN MEMORY OF MARLOWE} \\ \text{STOUDAMIRE} \end{array}$ 

# HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Thursday,\ March\ 17,\ 2022$ 

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, today I want to honor the legacy of Marlowe Stoudamire, a beloved community leader in Michigan's 13th District we lost too soon to COVID-19 in 2020.

Marlowe Stoudamire was an entrepreneur who worked hard to uplift the people of Detroit and to advocate for a better quality of life. He gave his time to many community-based organizations, generating countless ideas and projects to raise Detroit's profile while honoring its legacy and keeping an eye towards its future. Beyond his incredible work, Marlowe Stoudamire was a loving spouse and father. He had an infectious smile and enthusiastic approach to the work he undertook.

Marlowe Stoudamire's pride in his Detroit roots shined through in everything he did. He had an especially close relationship with Eastside Community Network, a community empowerment organization in Detroit. I am incredibly proud to uplift Marlowe's work on the 2nd year anniversary of his passing and in celebration of the opening of the Stoudamire Wellness HUB on Detroit's eastside in honor of his legacy.

Please join me in recognizing the outstanding legacy of Marlowe Stoudamire as we honor his memory.

IN RECOGNITION OF ROBERT J.
JOYCE, THE GREATER PITTSTON
FRIENDLY SONS OF ST. PATRICK
MAN OF THE YEAR

### HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, today I honor Robert J. Joyce who will be named the Man of the Year by the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons of St. Patrick at their annual gathering on March 17, 2022.

Bob, a lifelong resident of Avoca, Pennsylvania, is the son of the late Robert and Eleanor Burns Joyce. He graduated from Pittston Area High School before attending the Pennsylvania State University's Smeal College of Business where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree. He then studied finance at the graduate level at the University of Scranton's Kania School of Management. He is a graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking at the University of Delaware and Leadership Wilkes-Barre.

Bob has had a successful career in the finance and insurance industries. He served as the Vice President of Finance at the Eastern Bank, N.A. in Wilkes-Barre, and he is currently a Vice President of the Plateau Group, Inc., an insurance holding company. He is responsible for managing, marketing, and distribution of specialty insurance lines for lenders throughout New England and the Mid Atlantic. He held similar roles at AIG American General and USLIFE Corporation. Bob shares his expertise in the industry by serving on the board of directors for the Pennsylvania Financial Services Association and as a member of the Independent Community Bankers Association of America and the Pennsylvania Association of Community Bankers.

In addition to his professional pursuits, Bob is an active community volunteer. He is a member of Queen of the Apostles Parish where he serves on the Finance Council. He is a Trustee and Third-Degree member of the Knights of Columbus Cardinal John J. O'Con-

nor Council 12967 in Avoca. He has volunteered as a youth sports coach for the Avoca-Dupont Little League and managed the Avoca-Dupont-Pittston Teener League Team. He was a co-founder of the Our Lady of Peace-Holy Cross Junior High School Baseball Team. He is a longtime member of and former basketball coach for the Avoca Jolly Boys Association. Bob is also a proud member of the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons of St. Patrick and served as Toastmaster for the 90th annual gathering in 2004.

Bob is married to Noreen Nixon Joyce, and they have two children, Bobby, a Philadelphia-based accountant, and Bridgeen, a graduate student at Georgetown University.

I am honored to join the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons of St. Patrick in recognizing Bob as the 2022 Man of the Year. He has built a successful career in finance while continuing to honor his Avoca roots by tirelessly giving back to and supporting his community. May he continue to find professional success and satisfaction in community-based endeavors. I wish him the best this St. Patrick's Day.

HONORING DEPUTY CHIEF BETTY HOLLAND FOR WOMEN'S HIS-TORY MONTH

# HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Thursday,\ March\ 17,\ 2022$ 

Mr. SOTO. Madam Speaker, Deputy Chief Betty Holland is a 34-year veteran of the Law Enforcement Profession. She currently works for the Kissimmee Police Department as Deputy Chief of the Operations Bureau. Before coming to the Kissimmee Police Department in March of 2018, she worked for the Polk County Sheriff's Office for 30 years where she retired as a Captain. Deputy Chief Holland has held several prominent supervisory positions in the law enforcement community, including her time as the Criminal and Strategic Investigation's Lieutenant and overseeing the Criminal Justice Academy as a Captain.

Deputy Chief Holland received her Bachelor of Science in Business and Professional Leadership from Southeastern University, and her Master of Public Administration from Troy University. In addition, she is a graduate of the Southern Police Institute's Administrative Officers Course from the University of Louisville, and a graduate of the Certified Public Manager Program from Florida State University.

Deputy Chief Holland's first thoughts of a law enforcement career surfaced at 15. Her best friend's dad was a retired Deputy Sheriff, which sparked her interest in Law Enforcement. This interest quickly developed into a passion, and when she graduated from High School, she immediately accepted a position at the Polk County Sheriff's Office.

Deputy Chief Betty Holland's career goals

Deputy Chief Betty Holland's career goals include becoming Chief of Police with the Kissimmee Police Department and continuing to build relationships with the community. She is passionate about lowering crime rates with innovative new deterrent measures, holding public servants to higher standards and expectations, and creating more open lines of communication between officers and civilians. Her actions regarding these objectives remain a consistent measure of her interests in the betterment of the field of law enforcement.