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#### INTRODUCTION OF THE SERVICE ACADEMIES DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EQUALITY ACT

#### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 4, 2022*

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to introduce the Service Academies District of Columbia Equality Act, which would give the District of Columbia the same number of appointments and nominations to the U.S. service academies as states. Currently, each Member

of the House and each senator is allocated five appointments to each service academy—the U.S. Military Academy, the U.S. Naval Academy and the U.S. Air Force Academy—and each Member of the House and each senator is allowed 10 nominations for each appointment. Therefore, since D.C. has no senators, D.C. is deprived of 10 appointments and, assuming all appointments are vacant, 100 nominations to each service academy.

This bill would provide equality for D.C. residents who choose to serve their country by applying to a service academy. It is remarkable that D.C. residents volunteer to serve a country that denies them statehood, congressional voting rights and full home rule. District residents have fought in every American war, and our residents, who pay all federal taxes, including paying more federal taxes per capita than the residents of any state, deserve to have the same opportunity to attend our prestigious service academies as residents of the states.

The District's population (690,000) is larger than that of two states and is in line with the six states that have a population under one million. D.C. servicemembers have helped secure voting rights for people throughout the world, yet have always been denied those same rights when they returned home. District residents deserve equality at the service academies.

I urge my colleagues to support this important bill.

#### HONORING TINA WONG AS WOMAN OF THE YEAR

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 4, 2022*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Tina Wong, whom I have named the 2022 Woman of the Year in Contra Costa County, California. Woman of the Year recognizes women who have made important contributions to California's 5th Congressional District in Arts and Culture, Professional Achievement, Entrepreneurship and Innovation or Community Service.

Ms. Wong was born in San Francisco, California, to Darlene Roth and Marvin Wong. She graduated from the University of California, Davis with a bachelor's degree in English and earned two teaching credentials for Single Subject Teaching in English and Multiple Subject Teaching Credential.

Ms. Wong began working in the Elk Grove Unified School District at the Union House Elementary School in 1993. Then, in 1995, she began teaching in public schools in Martinez, California, including Martinez Junior High School. The year after, she became the Assistant to the Upper Head of School and Academic Dean at The Athenian School. During her time at The Athenian School, Ms. Wong volunteered to mentor students in areas of social justice, equity and diversity as a board member of the Bay Area People of Color in Independent Schools, an organization that represents people of color in the Bay Area education system.

Additionally, Ms. Wong volunteers with organizations that aim to empower and support

young people in her community. She is the Earth Ambassadors Program Manager for New Leaf Collaborative, a local non-profit that provides learning and leadership opportunities for students, educators, and community partners in areas of science, nature, and ecological literacy.

Ms. Wong is well-known in her community for her passion for learning, communication skills, planning expertise, and commitment to collaboration. She has been married to Robert DiBetta for over 20 years, and they have two children, Sam and Kate.

Madam Speaker, it is evident that Tina Wong has dedicated her life to educating and supporting the students in our district. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

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HONORING THE LIFE OF ARTIE  
WALKER

**HON. JERRY McNERNEY**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 4, 2022*

Mr. McNERNEY. Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Artie Walker.

Artie Walker was born in Stallo, Mississippi, on April 3, 1930 and moved to Stockton in 1948 after graduating from high school. In 1957, Artie was the first African-American woman to be hired by the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office. During her 25-year career in law enforcement she worked in several capacities including in the patrol section, in court services and the youth services section of the detective division, and at the men's and women's jails. She was instrumental in implementing rehabilitation programs at the women's jail and began a project in the Sheriff's Department to make Christmas gifts available for residents of Children's Home of Stockton.

Artie was an advocate for women's rights and was honored by the local chapter of the National Organization for Women with the "Diana Award" for her contributions to helping women gain equality. Artie also showed devotion to her community through her service at Christ Temple Church of Stockton. She served as Secretary of the Crist Temple Church of Stockton's Board of Directors and as an Associate Minister. Her dedication, enthusiasm, spirit, and commitment to others is inspiring.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the memory of Artie Walker and her lifetime of service.

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MILITARY VEHICLE FLEET  
ELECTRIFICATION ACT

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 4, 2022*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, today I introduce the "Military Vehicle Fleet Electrification Act." Among other things, this transformative legislation would require the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) to replace its fleet of nontactical vehicles with at least 75 percent electric or zero-emission vehicles.

The DOD remains the single largest institutional consumer of petroleum in the world. As chairman of the Armed Services Subcommittee on Readiness, I am deeply committed to getting the American military to do its part to combat the climate crisis by reducing fossil fuel use and transitioning our nation to a clean energy economy. As the Pentagon turns over its fleet of nontactical vehicles, it only makes sense that those replacements be electric or zero-emission vehicles to the greatest extent practicable.

According to the General Services Administration (GSA), the DOD currently has more than 174,000 nontactical vehicles across the service branches, including the Coast Guard, and the various defense agencies. That is the second largest share of the overall federal vehicle fleet, after the U.S. Postal Service at more than 225,000 vehicles. In December 2021, the Biden Administration published its Federal Sustainability Plan, indicating that the DOD is responsible for 56 percent of the federal government's overall greenhouse gas emissions.

My legislation would apply to all future nontactical vehicles, such as passenger cars, vans, or light-duty trucks, purchased or leased for the military. It would not apply to vehicles used in combat or warzones like Humvees. My legislation includes the strongest possible "Buy American" requirements, ensuring that electric vehicle components like batteries are not sourced from hostile foreign countries like the People's Republic of China or Russian Federation. Importantly, my legislation would apply to both direct procurement by the DOD itself and any non-tactical vehicles for which the GSA acts as the procurement or leasing agent on behalf of the service branches or defense agencies.

As a nation and within our military, we have a responsibility to make thoughtful purchases with taxpayer funds to combat the climate crisis. Transitioning the military's enormous fleet of passenger cars, light-duty trucks, and vans with internal combustion engines to American-made electric and zero-emission vehicles is a commonsense way to further reduce our nation's greenhouse gas emissions. I plan to make this critical legislation a top priority in the Readiness mark of the forthcoming National Defense Authorization Act.

Madam Speaker, I urge all Members of the House to join me in cosponsoring the "Military Vehicle Fleet Electrification Act."

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HONORING JENNIFER STRONG AS  
WOMAN OF THE YEAR

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 4, 2022*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Jennifer Strong, whom I have named the 2022 Woman of the Year in Lake County, California. Woman of the Year recognizes women who have made important contributions to California's 5th Congressional District in Arts and Culture, Professional Achievement, Entrepreneurship and Innovation or Community Service.

Jennifer Strong was born in Davis, California, and is a sixth-generation Lake County

resident. She graduated from California State University, Chico in 1993 with a bachelor's degree in agricultural business. Ms. Strong started her career as a branch manager for Tri Counties Bank. She quickly developed a passion for helping her customers feel comfortable with their finances. In 1998, she expanded this passion and founded Strong Financial Network as a Certified Financial Planner. Her firm is built upon the principle of holistic financial planning with a focus on helping her clients maneuver through all aspects of life. Ms. Strong provides hours of free financial planning to all ages, including young people, regardless of the size of their assets. She is often found at a career day event at a local school and meeting individually with young people about the importance of a healthy relationship with money. Additionally, she has hosted countless student interns in her office over the years.

Ms. Strong is also a member and supporter of many non-profit organization in Lake County. She donates countless hours of service to local non-profits in financial planning, as well as providing MC services for annual charity fundraisers. Ms. Strong is a long-time member of the Lakeport Rotary Club. She is known for her 15-year service as Ride Director for the annual cycling event, Konocti Challenge, bringing in millions of dollars in economic benefit to Lake County. She also founded the Rotary Fire Relief Fund, which was established during the Valley Fire in 2015, and raised over \$1 million that year. All of the fund was used to support fire survivors.

Ms. Strong's passion for her community is described by loved ones as "infectious and always at the forefront of her decisions." She is known for her dedicated passion in helping others believe in their own ability to effect change in the world. Outside of her career and community work, Ms. Strong is passionate about outdoor activities, such as scuba diving, gardening, travelling, and is also a licensed private pilot.

Madam Speaker, it is evident that Jennifer Strong has dedicated her life to the people of Lake County through her career in financial services and her community work. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

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RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT  
OF COLONEL SCOTT A. WILLIS  
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

**HON. VICTORIA SPARTZ**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 4, 2022*

Mrs. SPARTZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Colonel Scott A. Willis, of Westfield, Indiana, on his retirement from the United States Marine Corps.

Colonel Willis has spent the last 30 years in the Marine Corps defending our country. His selfless service to the nation and to our community will be his lasting legacy.

I thank Colonel Willis for his dedicated service to the Nation. Our community is grateful for his leadership and his service.