

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE LIVES LOST IN THE MASS SHOOTING IN BUF- FALO, NEW YORK

HON. CHRIS JACOBS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 20, 2022

Mr. JACOBS of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor and commemorate the lives lost this past weekend in Buffalo, New York.

Katherine "Kat" Massey—72

Pearl Young—77

Roberta Drury—32

Ruth Whitfield—86

Geraldine Talley—62

Celestine Chaney—65

Heyward Patterson—67

Andre Mackniel—53

Margus Morrison—52

Aaron Salter—55

Madam Speaker, these are the names and the ages of the 00 people who were brutally and senselessly murdered in my hometown of Buffalo, New York. I rise to record their names in these hallowed Chambers.

I stand here in solidarity for their deaths and for the suffering that their families and friends are enduring right now. I have thought of little else since this carnage occurred on a beautiful Saturday afternoon in Buffalo.

The murderer—whom I will not give the satisfaction of saying his name—targeted this grocery store and this neighborhood because it was heavily populated with African Americans. As our sheriff, stated, this was a racially motivated act and this was a hate crime.

I do not have the honor of representing this community in Congress, but I have represented it previously. I served for many years on the Buffalo Board of Education and frequented this area, there are many of our schools in close proximity. Through my service on the Buffalo Board of Education, I came to know Katherine "Kat" Massey who was one of the victims. Kat was a tireless advocate for Buffalo's children and her impact to her community will be felt for generations.

I grew up in Buffalo. Buffalo is a great place for many reasons—beautiful architecture, the shores of Lake Erie and the Niagara River, its bucolic neighborhoods all contribute—but what makes our community so very special is the people. Kind, warm, fun, with a priority on family, friends and community. That is, in my mind, what makes Buffalo the spectacularly special place it is.

These 10 represented some of the best of Buffalo, and we mourn their tragic loss.

I will conclude by saying this: our city is right now in the national spotlight. The politicians and the media have their sights set here due to this vile and horrific tragedy. But predictably and inevitably the national attention will fade, and it will be our community's task to heal and it's my great hope that we come together in this healing process. I hope we unify, and we do not succumb to division and polarization. In honor of those lost, in our heal-

ing we become a stronger and more loving community.

I conclude by quoting a sign someone put in a front yard in our community that says: "I love you. You're probably thinking, you don't even know me. But if people can hate for no reason, I can love."

COMMENDING AND CONGRATU- LATING MICHELLE DE GUZMAN ON RECEIVING A PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE TEACHING

HON. MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 20, 2022

Mr. SAN NICOLAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend and congratulate Michelle De Guzman on being selected as a recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST). Michelle is an exceptional teacher whose dedication to our youth and commitment to our education system have and continue to shape the future of our island, inspire others, and make a difference in her field, our community, and the world.

Administered by the National Science Foundation on behalf of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, the PAEMST are the highest honors awarded specifically to K-12 STEM teachers by the United States Government. With evaluation on numerous criteria, such as deep content knowledge, pedagogical skills, student assessment expertise, reflective teaching, and leadership approaches for improved student learning, awardees undergo an extensive nomination and selection process that highlights excellence in its fullest definition. As this year's recipient for the collective U.S. Territories, Michelle joins 101 other educators from across the Nation as new additions to the PAEMST cohort—a group recognized since 1983 for consistently going above and beyond to make an impact in their classrooms, in students' lives, and in their larger profession.

Although Michelle's post high school plans did not initially involve teaching, her passion for education was undeniable. Raised by a family of educators and inspired by the very teachers and mentors that guided her along her personal journey of success, Michelle navigated a path all her own to impart the value of learning, excitement of discovery, and power of confidence to her students. Michelle earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education at the University of Guam then went on to graduate with distinction from Liberty University in 2013 with a master's in teaching and learning. She further obtained certification as a K-5 elementary Master Educator and professional endorsement in music for grades 6-12. In answering the call to uplift the next generation of decisionmakers and dreamers,

Michelle has dedicated over 13 years to the Guam Department of Education as an Instructional Coach and teacher at the Liguán, Juan M. Guerrero, and Upi Elementary Schools. Moreover, she has worked with PBS Guam as the literacy kindergarten teacher, developing education videos for public broadcasting.

Over the course of her career, Michelle has made it a point to ensure she does not cultivate success in her classroom alone. Rather, she strives to be a catalyst for widespread achievement through numerous other community roles as well. In addition to serving as a STEM/NGSS teacher representative on her school's curriculum and instruction leadership team, grade level chairperson, and participant in the GDOE Technology Standards and Enhancing Education through Technology projects, Michelle has also assumed critical positions as part of the standards-based grading cadre, family and community engagement committees, and assistant coordinator in school-level science fairs. With recognitions such as a Sylvan's Favorite Teacher Award, Superhero Award presented by the GDOE Superintendent and Guam Education Board Chairman, selection as a finalist for the 2021 Guam Teacher of the Year Award, and two Teacher Wish List Grants, Michelle's countless accolades offer only a glimpse of her outstanding character and contributions.

On behalf of the People of Guam, I would like to extend a sincere congratulations to Michelle De Guzman. Her personal undertaking to elevate research, innovation, and discovery through music and movement uniquely push the boundaries of creativity in the classroom, leave a lasting impression on the lives of our youth, and redefine the educational standards of our nation. Her ingenuity and determination foster new hope in the future we can realize through impassioned service, and I wish her the best on the rest of her professional journey.

HONORING UPS AIRLINES PRESI- DENT BRENDAN CANAVAN ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. JOHN A. YARMUTH

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 20, 2022

Mr. YARMUTH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Brendan Canavan, President of UPS Airlines and head of UPS's Worldport Freight Facility located in my district in Louisville, Kentucky, as he begins his retirement after 41 years with the company.

Under his leadership, Worldport has grown to a 5.2 million square-foot facility that processes more than 2.4 million packages a day, thanks in large part to its massive air operation and a team of more than 3,200 skilled pilots led by Brendan at UPS Airlines. His work has helped grow the UPS Airlines fleet to more than 290 aircraft that circle the globe ensuring that the goods and packages they're trusted to carry are delivered on time.

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Brendan first joined UPS in 1981, loading trucks while earning his degree at Villanova University. Since that time, he has worked his way up through leadership of the company here in America and abroad, becoming a trusted leader and working in numerous positions around the world to help expand UPS's operations and meet the challenges of an always changing global economy. No matter the assignment, Brendan Canavan answered the call.

On behalf of the people of Kentucky's Third Congressional District, I congratulate Brendan Canavan on his successful career at UPS and wish him the very best in his much-deserved retirement.

HONORING OWAMNI

HON. ILHAN OMAR

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 20, 2022

Ms. OMAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Owamni, its visionary founder Sean Sherman, the Sioux Chef, and co-owner Dana Thompson. Through years of extensive studies and direct engagement with Tribal communities, Mr. Sherman and Ms. Thompson have become two of the nation's foremost Indigenous food scholars. Their tireless drive to learn and share our region's culinary history has breathed new life into indigenous cooking—a history that had been stolen through generations of oppression and forced assimilation. Their unparalleled scholarship and advocacy in the food sovereignty movement has led their inaugural restaurant, Owamni, to be nominated for the prestigious James Beard Award for Best New Restaurant. I am so proud to represent Owamni—and the mission it represents—in Congress.

Owamni's decolonized dining experience is more than just spectacular food—it is a reclaiming of who and what Minnesota was for thousands of years before it was given this Anglicized name. It is a deeply thoughtful remembrance of Mni Sota down to the name Owamni, which derives from the Dakota name for the swirling waters at the base of what European settlers named St. Anthony Falls. Owamni is a celebration of what is native to this home: the plants, the animals, and culture that is our beloved State in the deepest sense.

As we reexamine the story settlers have told about Minnesota, Owamni serves as an example of what we gain by telling the truth about this land and its people, both past and present. I am grateful that the James Beard Foundation has named Owamni one of the country's Best New Restaurants, and I look forward to the continued success of Mr. Sherman, Ms. Thompson, and Owamni.

FAREWELL REMARKS TO THE 117TH CONGRESS

HON. ANTONIO DELGADO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 20, 2022

Mr. DELGADO. Madam Speaker, as I rise today for the last time as a Member of the 117th Congress, I must begin by thanking the

people of New York's 19th Congressional District.

I thank them for trusting me to represent them in Washington. I thank them for every phone call they have placed to my office. I thank them for the hundreds of thousands of letters and emails they have sent to me. I thank them for coming to my town halls, and for scheduling meetings with me and my staff. Democracy is a two-way street, and their passionate engagement has helped me to be a more effective Representative.

I would also like to thank Lacey, my wife, and the love of my life, who has sacrificed so much since I decided to run for Congress more than four years ago. I want to thank Maxwell and Coltrane, my two sons, who drive my desire for positive change day in and day out.

I first addressed this Chamber in January of 2019. The longest government shutdown in our Nation's history had just ended, and I spoke about the need for Congress to live up to its charter as outlined in Article I. I said that Democrats and Republicans must work together to shoulder the sacred responsibilities entrusted to us by voters—and that we all must pledge to cast partisanship aside and be good stewards of the republic that we inherited from the generations that came before us.

Congress has done important work in the years since I gave that speech. We passed a once-in-a-generation investment in our Nation's infrastructure; we outlawed surprise medical billing; we delivered pandemic relief that helped America recover better economically than any of its peer nations. All in all, 18 of my bills were signed into law under two presidents—bills to provide emergency pandemic funding to municipalities of all sizes, to support underserved veterans, to provide loan forgiveness to small businesses and to protect family farms. I am proud of this record.

Over the past few years, I have tried to build a brand of politics that puts people before partisanship. I have made decisions based not on whether an idea comes from the right or left, but whether that idea is right or wrong. I fought tirelessly for those I represent; I listened to others before speaking; and I treated all people with love and respect.

Building a political movement based on love, respect, and humility will be the work I carry on in the years to come. The Capitol—this Chamber—is hallowed ground. I hope and pray that Congress will once again become a place where Representatives from every corner of this great country gather together not to emphasize their differences and use them for political gain, but to hash those differences out for the good of the people.

Representing New York's 19th District in Congress has been the greatest honor. But I have not done it alone and I want to acknowledge the incredible team that has made it all possible.

Several members of my team have been with me since day one.

My Chief of Staff, Jessie Andrews, is at the heart of my legislative success and has served our team as a sound and trusted leader.

Amanda DeSantis, my District Director, has logged tens of thousands of miles traversing NY-19 with me and on my behalf and shares my love of New York State and every corner of the district.

My Legislative Assistant, Matthew Gerson, with his intellectual curiosity and commitment

to the veterans and small businesses in NY-19.

Vicky Perry has spearheaded my in-district programming—from Military Service Academy nominations to the Congressional Art Competition to our "Antonio's Summer Superstars" reading program.

Many others have joined along the way and brought immense value to the work.

My incredibly talented Legislative Director, Robert Dougherty. Christine Bienes, the best Scheduler in Congress. Jacob Salzmann, who accompanied me to countless events across the district. And the rest of my team in Washington and in-district for all their tireless work on behalf of my NY-19 constituents: Gabriela Foster, Sarah Bibeau, Max Prime, Chris Hanse, Daniel Wrenn, Natalie Lincoln, and Marques Grimes.

Madam Speaker, it is with a hopeful heart that I close out my time in Congress. I thank the residents of upstate New York for their love and support and to all who have been on this journey with me.

HONORING ARMY VETERAN EDWARD A. FONTAINE

HON. MATTHEW M. ROSENDALE, SR.

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 20, 2022

Mr. ROSENDALE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Army veteran, Mr. Edward A. Fontaine, from Montana for being awarded the Bronze Star Medal with 'V' device.

The Bronze Star Medal with 'V' device is awarded for distinguished acts of valor and heroism in active Federal military service. While serving in Company A, 2D Battalion, 502D Airborne Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division in the Republic of Vietnam, Specialist Four Fontaine demonstrated exceptional bravery and valorous action in combat as a machine gunner.

On October 7, 1967, when a portion of the Company defensive perimeter was attacked at night, he responded immediately. Courageously running into enemy fire aimed at the crew, Specialist Four Fontaine opened fire with a M-60 machine gun at only 20 meters away from the enemy, which helped turn the momentum of the battle.

Not only did Mr. Fontaine's conduct play a major part in securing victory against enemy forces, but it also contributed to saving countless lives of his comrades. Mr. Fontaine's valorous actions are a credit to him, Army Command, and the United States Armed Forces.

I congratulate Edward on receiving this noble achievement, and thank him for his service to our country.

IN HONOR OF MR. WINDELL CUROLE

HON. GARRET GRAVES

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 20, 2022

Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today in order to share a story of Cajun ingenuity and recognize a man who went beyond the call of duty for his community.