

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4176, LGBTQI+ DATA INCLUSION ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5585, ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY-HEALTH ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 7666, RESTORING HOPE FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING ACT OF 2022; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

SPEECH OF

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

Ms. PELOSI. Madam Speaker, in his State of the Union Address this year, President Biden laid out his powerful “Unity Agenda.”

This inspiring vision encompassed areas of broad bipartisan agreement on four of the biggest challenges we face.

And today, I proudly rise in support of legislation that forges important progress on three of the President’s ambitious and unifying goals:

- improving mental health and addressing the opioid epidemic, with the Restoring Hope for Mental Health and Well-Being Act;

- and intensifying the fight against cancer, with the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Health Act.

Today, the House will pass a package of critical resources to address our Nation’s twin crises of mental health and the substance use disorders.

The CDC estimates that more than half of American adults will be diagnosed with a mental illness or disorder at some point in their lifetime.

At the same time, more than two million Americans suffer from an opioid use disorder—and our Nation has seen a 30 percent spike in overdose deaths from 2019 to 2020.

Families and communities are being torn apart—and we must act now.

Our Restoring Hope for Mental Health and Well-Being Act strengthens and expands more than 30 essential, life-saving initiatives: from crisis response, including the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline; to treatments helping combat the opioid epidemic; and to behavioral health services for our children, to name just a few.

Let us salute the unyielding leaders of the Bipartisan Addiction and Mental Health Task Force: who have moved us all with their powerful personal stories of these issues have touched their lives.

And thank you to Energy & Commerce Chairman FRANK PALLONE for helping steer this crucial package to the Floor.

At the same time, the House will today pass legislation to supercharge our Nation’s Cancer Moonshot.

Our hearts break for the hundreds of thousands of American families each year who lose a loved one to the scourge of cancer.

Six years ago, then-Vice President Biden inspired our Nation with his bold and personal leadership in the fight to defeat cancer.

And this year, as President, he has proudly reignited this ambitious initiative: redoubling our Nation’s efforts to slash the cancer death rate in half over the next 25 years.

Thanks to the determined leadership of Congresswoman ANNA ESHOO, the ARPA-H Act will accelerate innovation in medicine and technology: harnessing the power of American ingenuity; and fueling new breakthroughs in the search for a cure.

In doing so, we will take an important step to save lives—not only from cancer, but from additional devastating diseases such as ALS, Alzheimer’s and diabetes.

In his inspiring State of the Union Address last March, President Biden called on the Congress to “show the Nation that we can come together and do big things.”

And today, the House proudly answers that call—with strong, popular legislation that the American people want and deserve.

So I urge all Members to join together in a strong “aye” vote for these bipartisan bills, so we can prove that Congress still works For The People.

RECOGNIZING NAVAL AIR STATION LEMOORE

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 23, 2022

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Naval Air Station (NAS) Lemoore on its 60th anniversary.

Construction of the Naval Air Base in 1960 brought an important military presence to the Central Valley. On July 8, 1961, thousands came to witness the commissioning of the base, as it became the largest air station on the West Coast. For the next sixty years, NAS Lemoore has been a fixture in the community.

Throughout its history, NAS Lemoore has been critical to the United States Military. The base has trained thousands of Navy pilots since its opening and has been a consistent source of innovation and testing of the newest military equipment. In 1998, NAS Lemoore was chosen to host the latest in Navy aircraft technology, the F/A 18 E/F Super Hornet, and in 2017, the F-35 Lightning II onsite. Today, NAS Lemoore is the Navy’s largest master jet base.

NAS Lemoore has not only been vital to the U.S. Military, but it has also been a source of public service for Valley residents. Over the past sixty years, the base has hosted job fairs, partnered with the non-profit group Habitat for Humanity to build homes for veterans, and has hosted air shows featuring the Blue Angels among many other community-centered events.

I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in cele-

brating the 60th anniversary of Naval Air Station Lemoore.

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF U.S. CONGRESSWOMAN PATSY MINK OF HAWAII ON THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF TITLE IX

HON. ED CASE

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 23, 2022

Mr. CASE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to join so many others in honoring the life and legacy of U.S. Congresswoman Patsy Takemoto Mink and the 50th Anniversary of her signature stamp on our nation, Title IX.

Born in Paia, Hawaii, Congresswoman Mink was a true pioneer in so many areas: the first female elected class president at Maui High School, the first Japanese-American woman admitted to the Hawaii bar in 1953, and the first woman of color ever elected to this body.

She experienced many firsts throughout her life but spent her career ensuring that she would not be the last. She is best remembered as the principal author of Title IX, where she fought successfully to end the gender discrimination in academics and athletics in federally funded education that she and so many others had endured.

A half century later, we see the results of her labor with nearly three million young women participating in high school sports across the country and 1.1 million female college graduates every year. For this, we owe her an immense amount of gratitude.

But it would be a true mistake to remember her only for this one singular accomplishment, for over her long and productive career she fought endlessly on so many fronts to end poverty, discrimination and injustice, advance the inherent right of all peoples and realize a more perfect union. And, as a true keiki o ka aina, child of the land, she always stayed true to her roots and her Hawaii home.

Mahalo nui loa, or thank you very much, on behalf of a grateful Nation and home.

CELEBRATING 165 YEARS OF BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 23, 2022

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the one hundred and sixty-five years of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church located in Ann Arbor, Michigan as they host the Michigan Annual Conference of the Fourth Episcopal District of AME Churches. Their over one hundred and fifty years of service and dedication to our community is worthy of commendation.

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The AME Church is the oldest historically Black church denomination, founded by faith leaders who faced racial discrimination that would prevent African American worshippers from attending the same sermons as their white peers. Beginning with the first Church in Philadelphia, Mother Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, the AME churches expanded rapidly following the end of the Civil War and the emancipation of enslaved African Americans who sought a spiritual home. The Mission of the AME Church is to minister the social, spiritual, and physical development of all people.

Founded by John Wesley Brooks in 1857, Bethel AME is the oldest historically Black church in Washtenaw County. Since their humble beginnings in a shared worship space, they have been a welcoming a vibrant member of our diverse faith collaborative in Southeast Michigan. Currently led by Reverend Mashod A. Evans, Sr. Bethel AME is a beacon of the Ann Arbor community. Their work goes far beyond worship with their charitable work done throughout the county by the congregation. They arrange donation drives for agencies that assist our neighbors at all walks of life, run a literacy program for children, and host events that support the health of our entire community. The church and its members are dedicated to uplifting and bettering our community, and for that we are thankful for their nearly two centuries of service.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in celebrating one hundred and sixty-five years of Bethel AME Church. As the Fourth Episcopal District celebrates their one hundred and thirty sixth Michigan Annual Conference here in Ann Arbor, we welcome leaders and delegates representing over fifty churches from across this great state. I join with Bishop John F. White, Reverend Mashod A. Evans, and the entire congregation of Bethel AME and the Fourth Episcopal District in extending my best wishes and gratitude to all on this special day. We are grateful for Bethel AME's impactful work and wish them continued success in the coming years.

RECOGNIZING MATT McLOGAN AND HIS YEARS OF SERVICE AT GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

HON. PETER MEIJER

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 23, 2022

Mr. MEIJER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize West Michigan's own Grand Valley State University Vice President Matthew E. McLogan, who for nearly 35 years has delivered unparalleled leadership and expertise to our region's academic communities.

Originally hired in 1987, he is the longest serving executive officer in university history. Prior to his time at GVSU, Matt was a fixture in broadcast news and served honorably as Michigan's former Public Service Commissioner. He took the exceptional skillset he built in these professions and brought it to GVSU.

When Matt joined Grand Valley and became a Laker, the school's lone campus was home to just 8,000 students. Now, as of 2022, the Laker community has grown nearly threefold, boasting over 23,000 students across five lo-

cations. The university's technological centers, libraries, and resources are now the envy of competing institutions at home in West Michigan and across the Nation.

Having served through the previous four of five university presidents, Matt facilitated and witnessed firsthand Grand Valley State University's historic expansion. For years, he has been essential to the success of Grand Valley's executive leadership, playing a crucial role in government and alumni relations, the school's marketing programs, and as secretary to the Board of Trustees.

Matt maintains responsibility for some of the institution's most memorable accomplishments: the university's presence on Grand Rapids' famous Medical Mile, the school's unprecedented expansion, and game-changing additions requiring public support. Matt is known widely throughout our community as one of West Michigan's best promoters and academic professionals.

Largely due to the leadership and expertise of Vice President McLogan, Grand Valley State University is poised to continue unprecedented growth for many years to come. Matt has brought great fortune to the Lakers, and there is no doubt that the successes of his leadership have made a lasting impact on our community.

Madam Speaker, it is my distinct honor to take this time to recognize the accomplishments of this distinguished leader. I applaud Matt for his decades of selfless leadership and service to the Grand Valley community and can say with great certainty that his accomplishments will not soon be forgotten.

CELEBRATING THE MILITARY SERVICE AND RETIREMENT OF LTC JASON MALONE

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 23, 2022

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize the outstanding military service and retirement of Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) Jason Malone. He has demonstrated a devotion to America throughout his long and distinguished military career in the U.S. Army and as a member of the Mississippi Army National Guard.

In 1995, LTC Malone completed Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training. Additional professional development training included the Non-Commissioned Officer Professional Development Course (2000), Reserve Officer Training Corps (Commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in 2003), Armor Officer Basic Course (2003–2004), Advanced Military Transition Trainer Course, Combat Lifesavers Course (2008), Logistics Captain's Career Course (2008), Logistics Captain's Career Course (2009), Command General Staff College (2013–2014), Division Transportation Officer (2014), Joint Planners Course, and Airborne Course.

LTC Malone is proud of his military service. He served in the Mississippi Army National Guard (155th Armored Brigade) from January 1998 until May 2003. LTC Malone is a third generation 82nd Airborne Paratrooper. He led troops in combat as a Tank Platoon Leader with 3rd Infantry Division and Company Com-

mander in the 82nd ABN Division. LTC Malone was selected as an Infantry (enlisted active duty), an Armor Officer (Tanks) and a Logistics Officer. He was also selected for Battalion Command (declined due to family reasons). Additionally, LTC Malone was selected as one of twelve Division Transportation Officers in the U.S. Army. LTC Malone served on four combat tours, six months in Europe for Operation Atlantic Resolve (Russian Deterrence Operations) and is most proud to have always served in critical and the most sought-after positions in his field for the Army. Prior to retirement, LTC Malone served at the U.S. Central Command (USCENTCOM) from June 2018 until July 2022.

LTC Malone's combat tours were as follows: Iraq (Samarra) 2005–2006 as a Tank Platoon Leader (3rd Infantry Division), Iraq 2008–2009 (Mosul) as a Military Transition Trainer to the Iraqi Army, Afghanistan (Bagram) 2014–2015 as the Mobility Chief for all U.S. Forces-Afghanistan with the 3rd Infantry Division, and Iraq (Al Asad Airbase or AAAB) May–December 2011 as a Company Commander with the 82nd Airborne Division.

LTC Malone's proud and accomplished military service has earned him prestigious awards. His awards are the Bronze Star Medal (BSM) x three, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (DMSM) x two, the Meritorious Service Medal (MSM) x three, the Army Commendation Medal (ARCOM) x two, and the Army Achievement Medal (AAM) x three.

LTC Malone is a graduate of Sattillo High School. In addition to his distinguished military accomplishments, LTC Malone earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Management and a Master of Science in Criminal Justice. He is the proud husband of his wife, Cheryl, and father to their three children, Hanna, Breanna, and Isaac. LTC Malone's parents are Steve Malone and Teri Kirkpatrick, both of whom have loved and supported him throughout his career.

COMMEMORATING THE NATIONAL FEDERAL PELL GRANT DAY

HON. PETER A. DeFAZIO

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 23, 2022

Mr. DeFAZIO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Pell Grant Program.

All Americans, regardless of their income, should have the right to access quality education, which is invaluable for accessing good jobs, financial stability, and economic mobility. Throughout my career, I have strongly supported the Pell Grant Program, which provides direct financial assistance to low-income students to ensure they have the same access to higher education and opportunities for success as their higher-income peers.

Since its creation, more than 80 million students have received a Pell Grant. Today, nearly 7 million students are going to college with Pell Grants, including over 17,000 students in my district who are receiving \$71 million to pursue their higher education goals.

As a recipient of financial aid who couldn't have attended college without help, I understand the need for the federal government to ensure students have access to higher education. I believe that a college education—