on the Syracuse Common Council and as County Executive for Onondaga County.

Bernie Mahoney was a fixture in Central New York politics, a friend to all who knew him, and a public servant in the truest sense. He instilled these values in his daughter, as they both cared deeply for the community they served and were both trusted confidants and dear friends of my family.

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Outside of his work, Bernie was a devoted father, grandfather, and active member of Most Holy Rosary Church. In celebration of his proud Irish heritage, Bernie and his daughter, Joanie served as co-Grand Marshalls of the 2019 Syracuse Saint Patrick's Day Parade. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Joanne, their 9 children, and 17 grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in remembering Bernard J. Mahoney, honoring his many years of self-less public service, and to keep him and his family in mind as we remember his many contributions to the Central New York community.

TRIBUTE TO THE KIWANIS CLUB OF GLENDALE

## HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Kiwanis Club of Glendale, California upon its 100th anniversary.

The club was chartered on April 28, 1922, and at the charter night celebration on July 22, of that same year, 61 charter members were present. Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Pasadena, California, the Kiwanis Club of Glendale in turn, sponsored other clubs in 1922 including in Burbank, Santa Barbara, North Hollywood and Alhambra and several other clubs over the years.

Dedicated to selfless service to the community's youth with the goal of creating responsible citizens of tomorrow and following Kiwanis International's mission of "improving the world one child and one community at a time," the club has supported a plethora of community programs, youth groups and projects over the last century.

In 1932, the renowned Glendale Kiwanis Chorus was formed. The chorus, which was active for decades, gave generously of their talent and time, performing at retirement homes, schools, other service clubs and international Kiwanis conventions, and participated in television and radio broadcasts. In 1940, the Boy Builders project, which operated for over 20 years, provided club and after-school athletic activities for at-risk boys, and was created in partnership with the Glendale YMCA. Other notable projects included providing facilities and camp buildings for Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, and Boy Scouts, and in 1944, a Vocational Guidance and Veterans' Welfare Center was established which served over 9,500 veterans in 1945 and became a model for similar centers in other communities. In the 1950's, the club formed Key Clubs at Hoover High School and Glendale High School, sponsored foreign exchange students, organized a Circle K Club at Glendale Community College, and held an annual basketball tournament for community college teams that changed in 1971 to an annual tournament for

high school teams, and which provided income for the club's youth activities.

Current programs include the distribution of scholarships to local students, the Kiwanis Read Aloud project which supports the Glendale Public Library, the Reading is Fundamental program where books are distributed to local elementary schools, and The Blanket Project where members make blankets and distribute them to local charities such as the Salvation Army and the YWCA. In addition, the club partners with numerous local food pantries to feed local children and families, including the Glendale Community College Food for Thought Pantry for college students experiencing food insecurity.

To support their many worthwhile programs, the Kiwanis Club of Glendale's creative endeavors include the Kiwanis Incredible Duck Splash (KIDS), an annual holiday gala and ice socials.

I ask all Members to join me in congratulating the Kiwanis Club of Glendale and thanking its members for a century of outstanding service to the Glendale community, particularly to our children.

HONORING MRS. BOBBYE MAGGIO

## HON. STEVEN M. PALAZZO

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Tuesday,\,July\,\,26,\,2022$ 

Mr. PALAZZO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the outstanding work and dedication of Mrs. Bobbye Maggio. Bobbye Maggio was born and raised in Batesville, Mississippi. She graduated from Saint Joseph Catholic School in Madison, Mississippi, and then attended the Providence School of Nursing in Mobile, Alabama.

In her senior year of nursing school, she met the late Dr. Henry A. Maggio, whom she married upon her graduation. They were married for 58 years, and together they raised their four children—Shannon, Melissa, Stephen, and Michael—in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. Today, Bobbye is the proud grandmother to 16 grandchildren and the greatgrandmother to 4 great-grandchildren.

Bobbye was instrumental in founding Our Lady Academy Catholic School in 1971, the only all-girls private school in the state of Mississippi. She deeply believed in the importance of Catholic education for girls so that they may learn Catholic Christian morals and values and achieve their full academic and personal potential.

Bobbye has a long history of public and community service to the Mississippi Gulf Coast. She was a founder of the Junior Auxiliary of Hancock County and is involved in local Bible studies, church groups, and youth retreats. Additionally, Bobbye is a member of the all-women Krewe of Nereids, which has grown into one of the largest Carnival organizations on the Mississippi Gulf Coast today.

Bobbye is a longtime Republican activist. She has campaigned for local Republican government officials and participated in local elections.

Today, we recognize Mrs. Bobbye Maggio for her outstanding service to the Republican Party, Hancock County, and the State of Mississippi.

HONORING WILLIAM THOMSEN

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize William Thomsen. William is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1214, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

William has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years William has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned 38 merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. William has achieved much as a scout, having achieved the ranks of Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader. William has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. William's project saw him plant trees in a neighborhood park, an excellent way to provide upkeep for his community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending William Thomsen for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America, and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING VIRGINIA BELL

#### HON, ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor an incredible woman, Virginia Bell. Mrs. Bell lives in Lexington, Kentucky and turned 100 years old on June 30, 2022.

Mrs. Bell was born and raised on a farm outside of Cynthiana, KY. She attended Transylvania University, graduating in 1944 with degrees in mathematics and biology. After raising five children with her husband Wayne, she went back to school and earned a master's degree in social work in 1982 at the age of 60. She became the first family counselor at the University of Kentucky's Sanders Brown Center on Aging. Mrs. Bell developed the revolutionary Best Friends Approach for the care of people with Alzheimer's and other dementias. She created the Best Friends Adult Day Program, one of the first dementia specific adult day care centers in the country. Her ideas have been replicated world-wide.

Mrs. Bell is internationally known in the field of dementia care, having lectured in over 30 countries.

She has co-authored 5 books and been widely published in professional journals. She was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Transylvania University in 1992. The National Council on Aging presented her with the prestigious Ruth Von Behren Award in 1994. She was the first inductee in the University of Kentucky College of Social Work Hall of Fame in 2004.

Mrs. Bell is a true pioneer. Her work leaves a lasting legacy and her advocacy for people with dementia has impacted countless lives. It is my honor to lift up the accomplishments of this remarkable woman and to honor her 100th birthday before the House of Representatives.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{CONGRATULATING DR. ROBERT J.} \\ \text{DILGER} \end{array}$ 

# HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZOUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate Congressional Research Service Senior Specialist, Dr. Robert Jay Dilger on his retirement, and to thank him for his years of outstanding and dedicated service to Congress. For more than a dozen years, Dr. Dilger has been CRS's expert on small business. During that time, he has provided the House Small Business Committee and its staff—and numerous other congressional offices—with an unparalleled level of information and independent research on federal policies that affect small businesses. His work at CRS is the gold standard for legislative support and policy analysis for Congress.

Prior to CRS, Dr. Dilger had a distinguished career in academia. He became a recognized national authority on federalism, authoring nine books and numerous articles. Bob graduated from Johns Hopkins University with a bachelor's degree in political science and holds a Ph.D. from the Department of Politics at Brandeis University. Early in his career, he held positions with the National League of Cities, the U.S. Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, and the Brookings Institution before joining the faculty at the University of Redlands in California. There he served as professor and chair of the Department of Political Science.

He then moved to West Virginia University where he was the founding Director of the Institute for Public Affairs. In addition, Bob taught undergraduate and graduate courses and chaired graduate student M.A. and Ph.D. committees.

Bob arrived at CRS in 2004 to manage the Government & Finance division. Since 2008, he has devoted himself to research and analysis, generating an impressive portfolio of carefully curated and maintained written products, and providing support to congressional offices on the Small Business Administration's programs and a broad range of issues and policies affecting small businesses.

Through the caliber of his research, and the sheer volume of his consultations with congressional staff, Bob set a high bar for his CRS colleagues. He should be proud of his assistance on major legislation such as the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the Small Business Jobs Act, and, more recently, the CARES Act and related COVID bills, but also the long-term professional and personal relationships he has built with staff on the Small Business Committees and in other congressional offices.

Madam Speaker, this body and the Nation are all the wiser and better informed because of Dr. Dilger's public service both as an academic and as a CRS analyst. I hope my colleagues will join me in wishing Bob a long, healthy, and happy retirement with his wife, Gloria, and his 2 children and 7 grandchildren, as he begins a new chapter of his life.

TRIBUTE TO LINDA TYLER-RYLES—CALIFORNIA'S 24TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

## HON. SALUD O. CARBAJAL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Mr. CARBAJAL. Madam Speaker, each year, through the Women of the Year Award, my office extends' special recognition to women on the Central Coast who have made a difference in our community. I would like to recognize one outstanding Women of the Year Award recipient, Linda Tyler-Ryles of Buellton, California.

Linda is a retired Santa Barbara Research Center and Raytheon Business Manager who loves to mentor young children and college students. She has been previously recognized as a Girl Scouts "Woman of Distinction" by Raytheon for paving the way for future girl leaders. Linda's commitment to service dates back to her membership in the first Black sorority-Alpha Kappa Alpha-since her undergraduate college days at CSU, Los Angeles. and subsequent graduate studies at USC. The sorority focuses on service to the community, a mission Linda has embraced and helped instill in her sisters. She has held positions of President. Vice President, and many committee chairmanship roles throughout her years of service and still serves as the Graduate Advisor of undergraduate members of the sorority at University of California at Santa

Organizations that provide educational support and scholarship assistance to students—especially the underserved—are at the heart of most of Linda's volunteer work. She is a former Presidentand Recording Secretary of Endowment for Youth Community and a member and Treasurer of George Washington Carver Scholarship Club for over thirty years. Prior to the pandemic Linda volunteered at the Buellton Library with the "Tail Waggers," an elementary student reading program, and was part of the Adult Literacy Program assisting adult English language learners.

Linda is a devoted advocate for the Black community in Santa Barbara County, who promotes voting and civic engagement among BIPOC residents of Santa Barbara County. She is a member of the Santa Maria NAACP and an Advisory Board member of Santa Barbara's Martin Luther King Jr. Committee, recruiting Santa Ynez Valley students to participate in the Poetry and Essay Contest for the past four years. Most recently, Linda joined the Non-Profit Board of Madi's Treasure Box, an organization started by an eight-year-old girl whose mission is to provide multicultural tools promoting literacy and inclusion to schools and libraries across the U.S.

Linda has served as Recording Secretary for Santa Ynez Valley Woman's Club and is a member of True Vine Bible Fellowship Church, where she volunteers in the nursery, as a church usher, and Hospitality Committee member

I am honored to recognize Linda for her continued commitment to Santa Barbara County. I ask all Members to join me today in honoring a dedicated woman of California's 24th Congressional District, Linda Tyler-Ryles, for her incredible service to her community.

RECOGNIZING DR. MARK H, JOHNSTON

### HON. JASON CROW

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Mr. CROW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Dr. Mark Johnston, and to congratulate him on his membership to the National Academy of Sciences.

A trailblazer in the field of Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics, Dr. Johnston's lab has been a leader shedding light on how cells respond to glucose. He has played a vital role in the sequencing of the yeast genome, and is a pioneer in the field of comparative genomics.

In addition to his research, Dr. Johnston has been a professor since 1983. He began his teaching journey at the Washington University School of Medicine, until 2009, when he relocated to the University of Colorado Denver. He currently serves as Professor Emeritus at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus in Aurora, Colorado. Additionally, he worked as Editor-in-Chief at the journal, GENETICS, for 12 years—a journal that has existed at the forefront of the field for the past century. He has published more than 100 papers and articles, as well as a popular science book, the Genetic Twists of Fate.

Dr. Johnston has no small collection of accolades. In 2008, he received the George W. Beadle Award from the Genetics Society of America, and in 2012, was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He has received a series of fellowships among other field-related recognitions.

In 2022, Dr. Johnston was elected as a member of the National Academy of Sciences. There is no application process to become a member—rather membership is singularly achieved through an election process, and only 120 members may be elected annually. Membership is considered and accepted as a mark of excellence in science, and is considered one of the highest honors a scientist can receive.

Dr. Johnston's contributions to the scientific community, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, and those around him have been enormous. I congratulate him for his membership to the National Academy of Sciences, as well as an incredible career in the field of genetics.

HONORING MR. MARVIN LACOSTE

# HON. STEVEN M. PALAZZO

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Mr. PALAZZO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the lifetime achievements of Mr. Marvin LaCoste.

Marvin is a lifelong resident of Kiln, Mississippi. He comes from a family with a long history of military service, beginning with a father who served in the Navy during World War I. Three of his brothers served in the Navy during World War II, three more brothers served in the Army, and one in the National Guard. Marvin's son followed in his footsteps and served in the Navy.