

At the young age of 17, Marvin continued that legacy of military service, joining the U.S. Navy, and was named a chartered member of the Hancock County Mississippi National Guard in 1954. Upon returning home from the U.S. Navy, Marvin worked for the Chevron Oil Company and the Global Marine Drilling Company as an electrician and in automation on offshore oil fields. In 1978, Mr. Lacoste founded Marvin Lacoste Repair Service, which has provided heating and air conditioning services to Hancock County for the last four decades.

Marvin was one of the founding members of the Hancock County Republican Party. He contributed to the successful campaigns of many local, State, and Federal government officials.

Marvin is an astute business owner, but he is also known for his tireless public service and commitment to the betterment of the Mississippi Gulf Coast. For decades, Marvin has participated in local chapters of Shriners Hospitals for Children, the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, and several other community service-focused endeavors.

Today, we recognize Mr. Marvin LaCoste for his outstanding service to the Republican Party, Hancock County, and the State of Mississippi.

CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT
OF BOB ARNOULD

HON. PETE AGUILAR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Mr. AGUILAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor one of California's favorite adopted Iowans. Bob Arnould, a former Speaker of the Iowa House of Representatives and fierce advocate for not-for-profit credit unions, has officially retired from his role as a Chief Advocate for his industry. I've had the pleasure of working with Bob and rise to honor both a good friend and a visionary leader.

Bob started at the California and Nevada Credit Union Leagues as the Director of State Government Affairs. His team was responsible for all credit union advocacy measures in the world's fifth-largest economy at a time when the state was shifting politically, and the financial services sector was under the microscope for every act of lending. Credit union advocacy was still new to the Legislature and Bob made it his mission to develop long lasting relationships with the state's leaders.

This is where Bob grew the advocacy program from an organizational standpoint, which has changed California and Nevada credit unions, as well as the lives of their leaders and members. As he advanced to Vice President and eventually Senior Vice President of Advocacy, Bob expanded the three-person office to a full team devoted to advocacy's "three-legged stool" as he calls it: lobbying, political action and grassroots engagement. He developed and fostered a team that would go on to become a force in Sacramento and Carson City. Legislators, some of them my colleagues now, knew that when credit unions walked in the door, they could not be an afterthought.

Before coming to the Leagues, Bob was the Speaker of the Iowa State Assembly. For 20 years before that, he worked his way up from

rank-and-file Assemblyman, through committee chairs and party leaders, to a political career eventually culminating in the Speakership. He worked in the Iowa Caucuses and ran campaigns from his young 20's, until he came to California and the Leagues in the late '90s. To earn this level of trust among the Iowa community, he had to demonstrate a level of community devotion and something else rarely found in politicians: humility. Those who know and work with Bob to this day know that he embodies this.

Encapsulating Bob's leadership throughout the California and Nevada Credit Union Leagues is not an easy task. He is a visionary leader, honest and decent person, but I'm proud to know him most as a good friend. His entire career has been dedicated to one mission statement, it's less about you, and all about them: the community, the people, everyone. Bob makes it 100 percent about you.

Rarely has there been a leader with such humility who recognizes that all great leaders give away their credit to allow others to rise. That is how he has accomplished so much.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Speaker Bob Arnould.

HONORING LUKE MALLON

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 Luke Mallon. Luke 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.

Luke has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities, such as the Mile Swim. Over the many years Luke has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned 29 merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Luke has achieved much as a scout, having achieved the ranks of Patrol Leader, and Den Chief. Luke has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Luke's project saw him build and install birdhouses and a bird feeder at a local bird sanctuary.

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

CONGRATULATING ELI VAZQUEZ
ON HIS APPOINTMENT TO THE
NAFCU BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Eli on his recent selection to the Board of Directors of the National Association of Federally-Insured Credit Unions (NAFCU).

Mr. Vazquez currently serves as the President and CEO of Bank-Fund Staff Federal

Credit Union, which is comprised of approximately 90,000 members and headquartered in the District of Columbia.

Mr. Vazquez previously served on the American Airlines Federal Credit Union board for eight years and later in senior leadership roles for seven years. He was a board member of the SW Regional Payments Association for three years and chair of the NAFCU Share Insurance Committee. He is active on advisory panels for CUNA Mutual, engageFI and Visa and is a supporter of various philanthropic organizations.

Mr. Vazquez has a wealth of financial services and leadership knowledge. His vision and decision-making skills will be a valuable addition to the NAFCU board and credit unions for years to come.

Mr. Vazquez holds an MBA in Finance and a BS in Chemical Engineering. He is an experienced, active and passionate supporter of credit unions and their mission.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Eli Vazquez and wishing him the very best in his new role on the NAFCU Board of Directors.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF
WAYNE C. BECKMAN

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Mr. BERGMAN. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize the life of servicemen Wayne C. Beckman, who recently passed away on July 1, 2022, at the age of 88. A proud U.S. Navy Veteran and a lifelong member of the American Legion, Wayne was an indispensable part of Michigan's First District.

Wayne, a lifelong Yooper and native of Ironwood, enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1951 and served in the Korean War aboard the USS *Moale* as a Radarman. Throughout his service, he was awarded the National Defense, Korean Service, United Nations, and Navy Occupation Medals. One of his most prized accomplishments was sailing around the world before turning 18 years old. After nearly three years, Wayne was honorably discharged in 1954. After his service to our Nation, he returned home where he met his wife, Bonita Beckman. They were married in 1958 and raised four children together. Wayne was also a proud grandfather and great-grandfather. He was known as a "pillar of the community," and enjoyed attending his kids' and grandkids' extracurricular activities.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of Michigan's First District, I ask you to join me in honoring the life and service of Wayne C. Beckman. His dedication to his country, community; and family will never be forgotten.

TRIBUTE TO REVEREND CAROLINE
HALL—CALIFORNIA'S 24TH CON-
GRESSIONAL 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, Reverend Caroline Hall of Los Osos, California.

The Reverend Doctor Caroline J. Addington Hall is a tireless advocate for the homeless, for the LGBTQ+ community, for the environment, for social justice, for children, and for our furry and feathered friends. She doesn't just talk; she DOES.

Caroline Hall was the Executive Director of Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for San Luis Obispo County before being called to the ministry. She now serves as Rector at St. Benedict's Episcopal Church, a vibrant and welcoming faith community with deep roots in social and environmental justice and community organizing in Los Osos. She ministers to the members of St. Benedict's with her usual dedication as the Rector, as well as to individuals in the community who are unhoused or struggling with major life challenges. People know her kind and loving dedication, making St. Benedict's the place for anyone in trouble, needing a motel, gas for their car, or just a ride.

An advocate for the unhoused and underserved, Rev. Hall is vocal about the need for increased homeless services. She served as Executive Director and later President of People of Faith for Justice (PFJ) within San Luis Obispo County, which advocates for social justice for the underserved and marginalized, as well as for peace and nonviolence. She currently serves on the County's Homeless Services Oversight Council. Rev. Hall has spent many nights at the local warming shelter for unhoused people during cold and rainy weather and developed a pilot safe parking program. She has taken many unhoused to doctor appointments, vet appointments for their animals, and bought them food and clothing. As Chair of the nonprofit Los Osos Cares, she oversees the assistance programs for vulnerable residents in Los Osos, Cayucos, and Morro Bay.

Rev. Hall has served on the GALA board, was a founding member of the Coalition of Welcoming Congregations, advocating for the LGBTQ+ community—especially in faith communities—and for social justice. She has served as a board member and president of Integrity USA, the national Episcopal ministry for LGBTQ+ persons, helping to pass national resolutions supporting the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, same-gender marriage, and addressing gender identity and advocating for legislation protecting transgender individuals. She is also the author of *A Thorn in the Flesh*, presenting the history of LGBTQ inclusion in the Episcopal Church.

Rev. Hall encourages others to be good stewards of our earth through her work with the Social Justice team of the Episcopal diocese of El Camino Real, as a member of the Earth Care Team at St. Benedict's, and has given innumerable volunteer hours to organizations dedicated to the preserving our environment and helping animals.

Rev. Hall is tireless, fearless, an incredible communicator, and even a published author. She truly is a woman that believes being part of the solution is required for all of us to make our community, country, and world a better place for everyone. Her positive impact on the community is beyond measure.

I am honored to recognize Reverend Caroline Hall for her continued commitment to San Luis Obispo County. I ask all Members to join me today in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 24th Congressional District, Reverend Caroline Hall, for her incredible service to her community.

HONORING QUINLAN-HAMMOND HALL OF HONOR

HON. STEVEN M. PALAZZO

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Mr. PALAZZO. Madam Speaker, today, we celebrate the dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony for the Quinlan-Hammond Hall of Honor at the University of Southern Mississippi.

The Quinlan-Hammond Hall of Honor is a state-of-the-art facility that represents the University of Southern Mississippi's commitment to honor our nation's heroes. The dedication ceremony will honor Joe Quinlan, USM alumnus and lead benefactor for the Hall of Honor, as well as U.S. Army Major General (Retired) Jeff Hammond, USM alumnus and former Golden Eagles Football Team Captain and Quarterback. These two gentlemen have earned this recognition for their service to the Golden Eagle community.

The University's Center for Military Veterans, Service Members and Families provides guidance and support to Student-Veterans in their academic and professional pursuits. Major General Jeff Hammond, who serves as the Center's Director, has led the University of Southern Mississippi to earn numerous prestigious recognitions, including the top Military Caring University across the State of Mississippi, designation as a Purple Heart Institution, and ranking No. 1 in the Southeast by Military Times in its "Best for Vets: Colleges 2021 Rankings."

The new Quinlan-Hammond Hall of Honor will provide more than 1,700 USM Military Students and Student-Veterans with a home of their own that is commensurate with the honor of which they are deserving.

Today is a special day. The dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony for the Quinlan-Hammond Hall of Honor symbolizes the University of Southern Mississippi's continued commitment and gratitude to our nation's heroes for their unwavering dedication to our country. As a Marine veteran and USM alumnus, I want to thank the University's Administration, the USM Foundation, and the more than 150 USM alumni donors who made the construction of the new Quinlan-Hammond Hall of Honor possible for their commitment to honor those who serve.

CONGRATULATING MEMPHIS BROADCAST JOURNALIST MEARL PURVIS

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Mr. COHEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a television reporter and an-

chor Mearl Purvis, revered throughout the Memphis area. After more than 30 years on television and 18 years on the Fox 13 news desk, Mearl Purvis will anchor her final newscasts on July 29. I first met Mearl as a state senator, and I found her thoughtful and tenacious reporting useful to the public's understanding of important issues. Mearl graduated from Jackson State University and worked as a reporter and anchor in Charlotte, North Carolina; New Haven, Connecticut; Jackson, Mississippi, and Nashville before moving to Memphis in 1992. On her first day at WMC, she was thoughtfully covering a proposed state income tax and major improvements to Memphis International Airport. In 2004, Mearl moved across town to the Fox 13 anchor desk, where she has been involved in major local news. As a reporter and speaker, she has shared a stage with world leaders including Desmond Tutu, Mikhail Gorbachev, and U.S. presidents Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton. Mearl has won eight Regional Emmy Awards, the prestigious Edward R. Murrow Award, the equally prestigious George Foster Peabody Award and J.C. Penney Missouri Award. A standout supporter in private life for her community, Mearl is an active volunteer for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Memphis, a supporter of Porter Leath and Bridges USA. She is also a Board of Visitors member of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. As a mother, Mearl also has invested quality time in Memphis elementary schools reading to children, a cause about which she is passionate. I commend my friend Mearl for her service to our community and wish her all the best in retirement.

HONORING HENRY CHAPMAN

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 Henry Chapman. Henry 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 120, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Henry has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities, such as camping for a total of 58 nights, hiking more than 24 miles, and serving 35 hours of community service. Over the many years Henry has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned 59 merit badges and 7 Eagle Palms, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Henry has achieved much as a scout, having achieved the ranks of Quartermaster, Troop Guide, and Den Chief. He also earned his Totin' Chip, Den Chief Service Award, Emergency Preparedness BSA Award, and the National Achievement Award for Camping. Henry has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Henry's project saw him build an outdoor deposit box that allows the public to honorably retire flags that are a symbol to our country. There is also a donation bin on the box where people can donate to a veteran's charity.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Henry Chapman for his