

my July Constituent of the Month. The overturning of *Roe v. Wade* upended nearly 50 years of women's reproductive rights. As we enter a future without *Roe*, California is continuing to lead the way to protect the right to seek an abortion and Dr. Gupta is at the forefront of these efforts in Southern California.

Dr. Pratima Gupta is a board-certified OB/GYN and professor working at UC San Diego Health. She also provides abortion care at the Planned Parenthood of Orange and San Bernardino Counties and the Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest. She is a long-time advocate for access to reproductive care and has worked to amplify the voices of physicians to advance reproductive rights and care in the United States.

Earlier this month, I invited Dr. Gupta onto my podcast, *Listening with Levin*, to discuss the ruling and our path forward. I am incredibly grateful for constituents like Dr. Gupta who continue to provide essential reproductive healthcare services in the aftermath of the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*. Our community is healthier and safer because of Dr. Gupta's dedication to her patients and to protecting women's reproductive rights. I thank her from the bottom of my heart for her courage, compassion, and commitment to supporting our community, and I'm honored to recognize her as my July Constituent of the Month.

THOMAS FISHER

### HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 27, 2022*

Mr. VAN DREW. Madam Speaker, last week, I had the pleasure of attending Thomas Fisher's Eagle Scout Court of Honor. To achieve this prestigious rank, Thomas has been an active member of the Scouting program in South Jersey for many years. He earned 21 Merit badges and served his troop in various leadership positions. For his Eagle Scout project, Thomas designed and constructed a foot bridge at the Egg Harbor Township Nature Reserve. This bridge is a fantastic addition to the Reserve and Thomas should be proud of his service to the Egg Harbor Township community. God Bless Thomas, and God Bless our America.

REMEMBERING THE HONORABLE  
ROBERT C. "BUD" MCFARLANE

### HON. RONNY JACKSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 27, 2022*

Mr. JACKSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and work of The Honorable Robert C. "Bud" McFarlane, who passed away on May 12, 2022.

An Eagle Scout and son of William McFarlane, former Congressman from the Thirteenth Congressional District of Texas, Bud McFarlane's public service encompassed ten years in the White House and State Department in posts including service as Military Assistant to National Security Advisors Henry Kissinger and Brent Scowcroft, Counselor to the Department of State, the President's Special Rep-

resentative in the Middle East, and President Reagan's National Security Advisor.

After his graduation from the United States Naval Academy in 1959, Bud was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps—the first step in what would become nearly 60 years of dedicated service to his country. A model Marine, Bud served as a Platoon Commander—155mm Howitzer and Heavy Artillery Rocket (Honest John) Batteries, Gunnery Instructor (awarded the Army Commendation Medal) and the 3rd Marine Division's Battery Commander, commanding the artillery battery in the first landing of U.S. forces in Vietnam.

After being nominated for the Legion of Merit and receiving the Bronze Star and Navy Commendation Medal, both with Valor device, Bud assumed the Executive Assistant and Aide to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Programs position at Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps in Washington, D.C. During this time, he prepared the Deputy and Commandant for meetings with the Joint Chiefs of Staff and served as the Marine Corps Action Officer for Europe/NATO, the Middle East, and Latin America. In 1971, Bud was selected as a White House Fellow, serving as Executive Assistant to the Counselor to the President for Congressional Relations. In this role, he prepared and carried out highly sensitive intelligence work as Military Assistant to Dr. Henry Kissinger.

Promoted early to Lieutenant Colonel, Bud was subsequently selected to attend the National War College in 1978, co-authored the book "Crisis Resolution," and one year later won The Alfred Thayer Mahan Award for Literary Achievement. Upon retirement from the Marine Corps in 1979, Bud went to work in the Senate Armed Services Committee, aiding in the consideration of the SALT II Treaty. In 1981, he managed sensitive exchanges between Secretary of State Alexander Haig and Heads of State and Government in the Middle East and South Asia as Counselor of the Department of State.

The next year, Bud was appointed to serve as the Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs at the White House and led the integration of the policy recommendations for the Departments of State, Treasury, and Defense. Serving as the President's Special Representative to the Middle East in 1983, he was responsible for sensitive negotiations between Israel and neighboring Arab states. Following this assignment, Bud was named Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs. This position proved to be a defining moment in a career devoted to serving the public interest. Bud utilized this role to function as the architect of policies that stressed the Soviet economy and drove it towards its collapse and failure of Marxism in the former Soviet Union. After the fall of the USSR, Bud continued his work in achieving the first reduction of nuclear weapons in history.

After the end of the Cold War, Bud embarked on a distinguished career in the private sector, assuming the position of Counselor at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in 1986. Concurrently, he established the international consulting firm McFarlane and Associates. Three years later, Bud founded Global Energy Investors, sponsoring major international power projects.

In the mid-2000s, he became Chairman of Energy and Communication Solutions, leading

the firm in organizing, financing, building, and operating successful global infrastructure projects with a geographic focus on the former Soviet Union, Eastern Europe, Turkey, and other emerging markets. After more than 25 years of specialized energy experience, Bud co-founded the bipartisan U.S. Energy Security Council in 2012, collaborating with former Cabinet Officers, Fortune 500 Corporate CEOs, and senior retired military officers to focus on forging a more coherent national energy policy for the U.S.

The tremendous respect Bud commanded around the world is reflected by the many accolades he has received throughout his extraordinary career, as well as the significant leadership positions he has held. Bud served as the Institute for the Analysis of Global Security's President, Senior Advisor for the Foundation for Defense of Democracies and Director of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, The France Fund (Dillon, Read Country Fund), The Travelers (since merged to form Citibank), and Church & Dwight. He was awarded the Secretary of State's Distinguished Service Award, the Secretary of the Navy's Medal for Distinguished Public Service, the Distinguished Service Medal, and The American-Swiss Friendship Man of the Year Award.

Bud is survived by his wife of 63 years, Jonda Riley McFarlane, and the families of their 3 children: Lauren (Steve; Maggie, Tom); Scott (Malinda; Cara, Pierce, Elliott, Aidan); and Melissa (John; Tulley, Piper).

We remember Bud's warmth, wisdom, and deep belief in God as well as his unwavering commitment to serving others.

NATO REINFORCED FOR  
DEMOCRACY

### HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 27, 2022*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, last week, Congressman BILL KEATING offered an historic resolution expressing support for Finland and Sweden to join the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

I was particularly grateful to support the resolution having just returned from a Congressional Delegation of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) to Helsinki, Finland, and Stockholm, Sweden.

Led by Helsinki Commission Ranking Member Senator ROGER WICKER of Mississippi and Co-Chairman Representative STEVE COHEN of Tennessee, the U.S. delegation was grateful to meet with President Sauli Niinistö of Finland, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Vice President and Special Representative Pia Kauma of Finland, Foreign Minister Ann Linde of Sweden, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly President Margareta Cederfelt, and Speaker of the Swedish Parliament Andreas Norlén.

NATO is more important than ever with war criminal Putin's mass murder in Ukraine, sacrificing young Russians for his personal gain of oil, money, and power. Tragically, many of us never imagined the insanity of a 21st Century land war in Europe.

Both Finland and Sweden enhance the peacekeeping ability of NATO with their professional militaries and extraordinary defense

manufacturing capabilities to promote Peace Through Strength.

The addition of Finland would increase the border of NATO with the Russian Federation by 830-miles, which could inspire Russian patriots to reestablish democracy as a valued partner in Western Civilization.

I will be clear that democracy (rule of law) will prevail to authoritarianism (rule of gun).

ADDITIONAL WAIVERS FOR H.  
RES. 1224 AND H. RES. 1232

**HON. JAMES P. McGOVERN**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 27, 2022*

Mr. McGOVERN. Madam Speaker, when the Committee on Rules filed its report (House Report 117-405) to accompany House Resolution 1224, the Committee was unaware that the waiver of all points of order against consideration of H.R. 7900 included a waiver of the following:

Section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act, which prohibits consideration of legislation within the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Budget unless referred to or reported by the Budget Committee.

When the Committee on Rules filed its report (House Report 117-420) to accompany House Resolution 1232, the Committee was unaware that the waiver of all points of order against consideration of H.R. 8294 included a waiver of the following:

Clause 10 of rule XXI, which prohibits consideration of a measure that has a net effect of increasing the deficit or reducing the surplus over the five- or 10-year period.

TRIBUTE TO REV. MCKINLEY  
WASHINGTON, JR.

**HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 27, 2022*

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a dear friend, whose life was a testament to the biblical admonition "faith without works is dead." Reverend McKinley Washington, Jr. spent his career in the pulpit while serving a quarter of a century in the South Carolina legislature. His passing on July 24, 2022, has silenced a beloved faith and community leader along the Sea Islands of South Carolina.

McKinley was one of eight children born to the late McKinley Washington, Sr. and Mattie Peterson Washington in the Stackhouse community of Sumter County, South Carolina. He graduated from Goodwill Parochial School, the same institution that educated Mary McLeod Bethune. He subsequently attended Johnson C. Smith, a historically Black college, in Charlotte, North Carolina. There, he joined the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, helped organize civil rights marches, and was arrested for his activism. McKinley also made time for his studies and earned a B.A. in 1961 and a master's degree in divinity from Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary in 1964.

Although both of us were born and raised in Sumter County our paths did not cross until

we arrived in Charleston County around the same time in the early 1960s. He had accepted a call to pastor at Edisto Presbyterian Church and I had accepted a teaching position in the Charleston County public school system. We both became actively engaged in local politics and it was not long before we and our wives became great friends.

He was young, energetic, and determined to make a difference in his community and throughout the Sea Islands of Charleston County. In Charleston he rekindled his activism, establishing the Edisto Branch of the NAACP, helping to stand up the Franklin Fetter federally qualified community health center, and later, the Sea Island Comprehensive Health Care Corp.

When I left the classroom and became a Counselor with the Charleston County Employment Security Commission in 1965 and later Director of the Charleston County Neighborhood Youth Corps and New Careers project, McKinley helped in my effort to get part time jobs for high school students and work experiences for high school dropouts. Our signature effort came through the creation of a Talent Search project that sent hundreds of low-income high school graduates to colleges and universities across the country. Most of those students went to Wilberforce University in Ohio. Among them were Larry Whaley pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church and the Rev. Nelson Rivers, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church and Vice President of National Action Network who is a dynamic faith leader in his own right.

It was during this time that McKinley became an active board member of the South Carolina Commission for Farm Workers, an agency created to aid migrants and seasonal farm workers. After some fits and starts, that Commission hired me to be their Executive Director in 1968.

McKinley and I bonded, and he became my go-to guy. We worked together to develop an adult education project, a Self-Help housing program, and he helped me form a rural version of the Talent Search concept to provide opportunities to the children of migrants and seasonal farm workers.

After working in the trenches to improve the quality of life for his community, McKinley decided he could better serve his community by running for public office. Although he lost his first campaign for the State House of Representatives, he ran again during a special election and won; He went on to represent District 116 in the House from 1975 to 1989, and then served in the State Senate representing District 45 from 1990 to 2000. He continued his public service after 25 years in the State legislature by serving an additional eight years on the S.C. Employment Security Commission.

His career in public service was marked by his dedication to issues of equity and justice. McKinley was always focused on providing for, "the least of these," and communities that have been historically neglected. To honor his service, the modern bridge that connects Edisto Island to the mainland is named in his honor. It is a fitting tribute to the man who spent his life building bridges and solving problems.

Throughout his public service and community work, McKinley served 50 years as pastor of Edisto Presbyterian Church until his retirement in 2012. His faith informed his service

and was at the core of who he was as leader. McKinley met Beulah Jeffries, the love of his life while at Johnson C. Smith, and the two became the proud parents of Michael and Katrina, and grandparents of two grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in celebrating the life and legacy of McKinley Washington, Jr. May we all learn from the example of this outstanding South Carolinian, born during the Jim Crow era in the ghettoized Stackhouse Place community of Sumter County, South Carolina who went on to live a transformational life. It has been one of my life's blessed experiences to call him a dear friend.

NICHOLAS LUCIANO

**HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 27, 2022*

Mr. VAN DREW. Madam Speaker, last week, I had the pleasure of attending Nicholas Luciano's (Lu-see-ah-no) Eagle Scout Court of Honor. Nicholas achieved the Eagle Scout rank as a part of Troop 26. Throughout his scouting career, he earned 21 Merit Badges and served his troop in a variety of leadership roles. For his Eagle Scout project, Nicholas built and rehabilitated planters at the Estell Manor Park in Atlantic County, which is home to a large diversity of plants and animals. This young man should be proud of his accomplishments, and it was my honor to have had the opportunity to recognize him for his service to South Jersey. God Bless Nicholas, and God Bless our United States of America.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF  
MICHAEL GATES

**HON. MICHELLE STEEL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 27, 2022*

Mrs. STEEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize one of my constituents, and a dedicated public servant, for his efforts to protect taxpayers and his commitment to our community.

Since 2015, Michael Gates has served as the independently elected Huntington Beach City Attorney. He has been an effective advocate for law enforcement and worked to keep the citizens of Huntington Beach safe by leading the charge to fight local crime.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, as Governor Newsom enacted unilateral and draconian restrictions, Mr. Gates worked to preserve local control of our world-class beaches.

He has upheld the rule of law, pushing back against the "sanctuary state" law that has made California especially vulnerable to the ongoing border crisis.

In all these ways and more, Michael Gates has proved to be a hardworking and effective advocate for the people of Huntington Beach, and for that, I thank him for his service to our community.