to bring accountability and justice for these almost century-old crimes,

While I rise to recognize the atrocities of the past, I also applaud the strength of the Assyrian-American community. Today, over 600,000 Assyrian Americans live in the United States, and I am proud to say that the 8th Congressional District of Illinois is home to a large and thriving Assyrian-American community. This community has enriched our neighborhood with its strength and determination. As a proud cosponsor of H. Res. 550, a resolution commemorating the Assyrian Genocide and urging Turkey to officially recognize the atrocity, I stand in solidarity with the vibrant Assyrian-American community I represent.

On August 7th, we remember the tragedies that the Assyrian people have faced but also recognize their resilience in the face of extreme injustice. Madam Speaker, I call on my fellow Members to stand alongside me in observing August 7th as Assyrian Memorial Day.

HONORING BRENDA HORN OF CULLMAN, AL

#### HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, August 5, 2022

Mr. ADERHOLT. Madam Speaker, today I would like to honor a distinguished citizen of Alabama's Fourth Congressional District, Ms. Brenda Nelson Horn. Through her community contributions, and love for the people of Alabama, her legacy will surely outlast us all. I hope that you will join me in honoring her memory.

In 1960, Brenda was married to Darell Mullaney and they started their family immediately. She was the proud mother of Mike, Scott and Matt Mullaney. Throughout their marriage, they lived in Jacksonville, Florida, St. Petersburg, Florida, Birmingham, Alabama and eventually back to Cullman, Alabama in 1972.

Brenda raised her sons in Cullman until 1982 when she moved with her second husband, Fred Horn to Orem, Utah. After two years in Utah, they moved briefly to Kentucky and then to Shelbyville, TN, where they started a self-storage business.

She returned to Cullman in 1996 and, the following year, she began her work with Cullman Industrial Development (ID) Board. She became indispensable in the office dealing with the record keeper for many functions including financing, contracts, legal documents, budgets, and invoicing. Brenda loved working for the Cullman Industrial Development ID Board and developed close friendships during her 25 years there. She considered those she worked with as her extended family.

Brenda also made significant contributions in politics at both the local and state level. Her guidance and counsel were sought by many candidates for various offices. She managed the successful campaigns for candidates for the Alabama Legislature and Congress and provided consult counsel to many candidates for local offices. She served as Treasurer for local offices. She served as Treasurer for both the Alabama Federation of Republican Women and the Cullman County Republican Party, as well as President of the Cullman County Republican Women.

Her legacy is left to be cherished by her three sons Mike Mullaney and wife, Lisa; Matt Mullaney and wife, Melody, and Scott Mullaney; her sister Diane Brown and her husband, Ken; brothers Maxie Nelson and wife, Cindy; and Bruce Nelson and wife, Mary Ellen; and grandchildren Christopher, Emily, Mitch, Kate, Dylan, Hunter, Brianna, McKenzie, Sean, and Haylee, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Ms. Horn's dedication, patriotic spirit, and lifelong commitment to our state act as an example for us all to look up to as we pursue public service. I ask that you join me as we commemorate the life of Brenda Nelson Horn, and honor her legacy in Cullman County, and the state of Alabama.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

# HON. NANETTE DIAZ BARRAGAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, August 5, 2022

Ms. BARRAGÁN. Madam Speaker, on 6/23/22, I missed one vote on an amendment to H.R. 4176. Had I been present, I would have voted: YEA on Roll Call No. 294.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF SAMUEL "LOYD" NEAL

# HON. MICHAEL CLOUD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, August 5, 2022

Mr. CLOUD. Madam Speaker, today, I wish to honor the life and legacy of Samuel "Loyd" Neal.

Loyd Neal was a leader committed to serving his neighbors in Corpus Christi and Nueces County.

Born in Paris, Texas, Loyd went on to join the United States Army and attend Texas A&M University.

After graduating from Texas A&M in 1959, he married his high school sweetheart, Thetis, and they moved to Fort Benning, Georgia, where Loyd would report for Army Ranger School.

In 1963, Loyd and Thetis moved to Corpus Christi and made it their permanent home.

Corpus Christi gave Loyd his start in the insurance industry.

His career in the industry lasted 40 years, alongside a 30-year career in the U.S. Army and Army Reserve.

Loyd left the military in 1989 having attained the rank of colonel.

In 1998, the City of Corpus Christi elected him to become mayor.

He was re-elected three more times, and his 8-year tenure was successful in facilitating the construction of the American Bank Center Arena, Whataburger Field, and updating the Harbor Bridge.

His passion for his community made it difficult for Corpus Christi to let him go as their leader.

Two years after he stepped down as mayor of Corpus Christi, he was elected to serve as Nueces County judge.

He served in this role for 12 years, and people leaned on him to help rebuild following Hurricane Harvey in 2017.

Loyd's service to the city and county went beyond that of official office.

He volunteered his spare time to other organizations and groups dedicated to serving the Corpus Christi region.

As a veteran, he was committed to helping members of our military and veterans.

It was only natural that he would be appointed by Governors Bush and Perry to serve on both the Texas Strategic Military Planning Commission and the Texas Military Preparedness Commission.

He also championed local military bases and veterans on the South Texas Military Task Force.

In addition to membership in these military organizations, Loyd served as president of the Texas Municipal League, chairman of the Corpus Christi Economic Development Corporation, chairman of the Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce, chairman of the I–69 Alliance, and the list goes on.

From the Harbor Bridge to Whataburger Field, Loyd Neal's impact on the community will live on for years to come.

Corpus Christi was made better as a result of Loyd Neal.

His family and loved ones are in my prayers during this time of loss.

RECOGNIZING THE CITY OF KEY WEST'S DESIGNATION AS A "COAST GUARD CITY"

## HON. CARLOS A. GIMENEZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Friday,\ August\ 5,\ 2022$ 

Mr. GIMENEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the City of Key West's designation as a Coast Guard City. This designation, made official on August 4, 2022, at Truman Waterfront Park, pays tribute to the city's long-standing, fruitful, and supportive relationship with the United States Coast Guard (USCG).

Since 1998, this legal designation has recognized communities that welcome Coast Guard servicemembers and their families with open arms. These cities support their local USCG families in a variety of ways—by building monuments, hosting picnics and parades, sponsoring patriotic events and awards, establishing partnerships with the local business community, and much more. To achieve this designation, a municipality submits a request explaining its history of supporting the Coast Guard. Only after a rigorous examination by Coast Guard Headquarters, the Commandant, and the appropriate congressional committees is a city finally proclaimed a Coast Guard City.

The history of the Coast Guard in Key West traces back to 1823, when the U.S. Navy Antipirate Squadron settled on the island. Congress established a depot for naval supplies in 1852. Nine years later, Key West became the headquarters of the East Gulf Blockage Squadron. Even before the Coast Guard was established in the early 20th century, Key West Headquarters performed the vital functions of collecting import tariffs, capturing pirates, interdicting smugglers, and rescuing those lost at sea.

Today, the Coast Guard continues to serve the greater Key West community by patrolling the surrounding 55,000 square miles of water. In return, the City of Key West supports USCG personnel in many ways. Quality-of-life initiatives, discounts, and sponsorships enrich the lives of Coast Guard servicernembers and families. The city integrates both Active-Duty and retired personnel into the fabric of all aspects of the community—business, education, and leisure. Parades, battle reenactments, and festivals celebrating the Coast Guard's presence are a Key West staple.

I am honored to celebrate this distinction for the City of Key West, and I also thank USCG Commandant Admiral Linda Fagan for her service to the Key West community. This designation reflects the deep, enduring relationship between the city and the U.S. Coast Guard. May that relationship continue to flourish for many decades to come.

# HONORING UNITED WAY OF SUMNER COUNTY

### HON, JOHN W. ROSE

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 5, 2022

Mr. ROSE. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the tremendous work done by the volunteers, employees, donors, and other advocates of the United Way of Sumner County.

For 45 years, the United Way of Sumner County has worked to improve the lives of others by mobilizing the caring power of communities to advance the common good. They serve as the hub of a network that connects givers, advocates, and volunteers with local businesses, schools, government, and human service programs to make lives better and our community stronger. It takes a connected community to thrive, and that is exactly what the United Way of Sumner County strives to achieve.

Their focus on education, financial stability, health, and rebuilding lives empowers every individual to achieve their full potential where it matters most—right here in Sumner County. This mindset leads them to invest in initiatives like the United for ALICE program, which aims to serve as a driver of innovation, research, and action to improve the lives of those across the county for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed individuals, or ALICE individuals, as they are known. Through the development of the ALICE metrics for measuring financial hardship, a comprehensive, unbiased picture emerges to help match the proper assistance with the proper recipients.

On August 11, 2022, the United Way of Sumner County will host a Community Impact Breakfast to celebrate and honor their partner agencies, donors, volunteers, and advocates who help improve the lives of people in Sumner County through their involvement and work at United Way of Sumner County.

This event, along with many others throughout the year, is just one example of the work they do to better our community and the people living within it. I encourage all my fellow Tennesseans to find a way to get involved with their local chapter of United Way, and there is no better chapter to engage with than the United Way of Sumner County.

The United Way of Sumner County embodies the spirit of the Volunteer State. I could not be prouder of these individuals who dedicate their efforts to improving the community in Sumner County, Tennessee, and I am ex-

tremely thankful for the opportunity to recognize them today.

I thank Sumner County for all it does and may God continue to bless its incredible work.

# HONORING VIRGINIA LODMELL

# HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, August 5, 2022

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life of a patriotic American, Mrs. Virginia Mae Hudson Lodmell, on the occasion of her 100th birthday. Mrs. Lodmell lives in Frankfort, Kentucky.

Mrs. Lodmell was born in southern West Virginia on August 17, 1922. She graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School in Beckley and attended Beckley College. Wanting to support America's war effort when World War II started, she went to work in an ammunition plant in Maryland. On December 18, 1943, she enlisted in the WAVES. Following basic training in New York, Mrs. Lodmell was assigned to Norman, Oklahoma, as an Aviation Mechanist Mate where she worked as an airplane mechanic. She also taught classes on radar. She was discharged on November 2, 1945, as a 3rd Class Petty Officer.

Following the war, she married Russell Carl Lodmell. They lived on a farm in Minnesota for several years then returned to West Virginia. She worked at a Montgomery Ward's store until her retirement. Mrs. Lodmell has three sons, John, Joe, and Jim; nine grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren. She is a member of the United Methodist Church in Versailles.

It is my honor to recognize Mrs. Lodmell, celebrate her 100th birthday and thank her for her service and sacrifice to our Nation during World War II. As a part of the Greatest Generation, Mrs. Lodmell and her fellow soldiers were a part of the war effort to preserve the freedoms that we enjoy today, and we can never thank them enough. I am forever grateful for Americans like Virginia Lodmell.

RECOGNIZING THE 40TH ANNIVER-SARY OF THE ALLEN FAIRVIEW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## HON. VAN TAYLOR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, August 5, 2022

Mr. TAYLOR. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to recognize the Allen Fairview Chamber of Commerce as they celebrate their 40th Anniversary of excellence, while applauding their mission to advocate, educate and build business relationships that enable our communities and its members to prosper.

Formed in the early 1960s from the roots of the original Downtown Business Association, Don Rodenbaugh served as the organization's first president. The Chamber would not be incorporated until 1982 for the purpose of advancing the general welfare and prosperity of the city of Allen and the Collin County area through economic, civic, commercial, cultural, industrial, and educational interests of the area and its citizens.

In an effort to further their reach and grow new enterprises, in 2010 the Chamber ex-

panded to include businesses in the Town of Fairview, legally becoming the modern-day Allen Fairview Chamber of Commerce.

Today, the Chamber has increased their membership to nearly 600, including a full-time staff of four, a board of directors made up of fifteen individuals from their general membership, and six ex-officio members including the city manager, school superintendent, county commissioner, economic development director, executive director of the small business development center, and their attorney of record.

The membership of the Allen Fairview Chamber of Commerce, under the leadership of longtime Chief Executive Officer, Sharon Mayer, have invested their time and resources to ensure our community truly remains the best place to live, work and raise a family. Through it all, this organization has played a pivotal role in shaping the landscape of our Collin County business community and bolstering the entrepreneurial spirit that served as the backbone of our region.

Now as we recognize the Allen Fairview Chamber of Commerce on this milestone occasion, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in honoring their forty years of exemplary service and wish them great success as they continue their important work.

#### THRIFTY FOOD PLAN

## HON. DAVID SCOTT

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 5, 2022

Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following letter from the Government Accountability Office.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE—APPLICABILITY OF THE CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW ACT TO THE 2021 UPDATES TO THE THRIFTY FOOD PLAN

#### DECISION

Matter of: United States Department of Agriculture—Applicability of the Congressional Review Act to the 2021 Updates to the Thrifty Food Plan.

File: B-333732.

Date: July 28, 2022.

### DIGEST

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued a document entitled Thrifty Food Plan, 2021 (2021 TFP). The 2021 TFP updates the market baskets used to determine the value of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits to purchase food from retail stores.

The Congressional Review Act (CRA) requires that before a rule can take effect, an agency must submit the rule to both the House of Representatives and the Senate as well as the Comptroller General, and provides procedures for congressional review where Congress may disapprove of rules. We conclude the 2021 TFP meets the definition of a rule under the CRA and no CRA exception applies. Therefore, the 2021 TFP is subject to the requirement that it be submitted to Congress.

#### DECISION

On August 16, 2021, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued a document entitled Thrifty Food Plan, 2021 (2021 TFP). USDA, Thrifty Food Plan, 2021