

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING REVEREND
CARLTON MAHONE, SR.

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a man of strong faith, a distinguished public servant and community leader, Reverend Carlton Mahone, Sr., for 50 years of preaching the Gospel in the Christian Methodist Episcopal (CME) Church. Reverend Mahone's five decades of ministry was celebrated at a gathering at Holsey Chapel CME Church in Columbus, Georgia on August 20, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.

Carlton Mahone was born in Atlanta, Georgia to the union of retired CME minister Reverend E. L. Mahone and the late Fannie Mahone. He joined the St. Paul CME Church in Shiloh, Georgia at an early age and was educated at Ruth Carter High School in Talbotton, Georgia and, subsequently, Morris Brown College in Atlanta. After college, he relocated to Dayton, Ohio to attend the United Theological Seminary to receive training to be a minister of the Gospel. Today, Reverend Mahone is the pastor of the Holsey Monumental CME Church in Columbus, Georgia.

Pastor Mahone's faith called him to be a servant leader at many different churches across the United States, including pastorates in Georgia, Ohio, and Washington state, and Alaska where his ministries at the First CME Church in Anchorage from 1989 to 1994 earned him recognition from the NAACP and will always have a special place in his heart. In addition to his pastoral ministry, Reverend Mahone is a dedicated community leader and public servant, and his passion for mentoring and improving the lives of young people led him to run for, and win, a seat on the Talbot County, Georgia Board of Education in 2020.

Reverend Mahone has been recognized numerous times for his community leadership. He was named the 1983 Distinguished Pastor of the Year of the Georgia Conference for the Sixth Episcopal District by the Phillips School of Theology. He was recognized again in 2019 for his ministerial service, receiving Outstanding Pastor of the Year for the North Columbus-LaGrange District of the West Georgia Region of the Sixth Episcopal District. Additionally, he is a past president of the South Georgia Black Caucus and is currently the third Vice President of the Georgia Black Caucus.

1 Peter Chapter 4, Verse 10 tells us, "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." Reverend Mahone exemplifies this verse through his dedicated community service in volunteering with the Georgia Department of Family and Children Services. He also served as the Executive Director for Children and Youth Commission in Fitzgerald, Georgia, and as Chairman of Even Start, a federal program to in-

crease literacy among our nation's children and their parents.

At the center of Pastor Mahone's accomplished life is the unwavering love and support of his family and his loving wife, Lisa Thomas Mahone. Pastor Mahone is the father of 5 children, grandfather of 7, and great-grandfather of 2.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join my wife, Vivian; and me, along with the more than 730,000 people of the Second Congressional District, The Holsey Monumental CME Church family and entire Chattahoochee Valley community, in extending our sincerest appreciation and best wishes to Pastor Carlton Mahone, Sr. upon the celebration of his 50th year of pastorship and his many years of humble service to humanity.

HONORING CHARLES DEMETZ
UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY 2022 GRADUATE

HON. STEVEN M. PALAZZO

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Mr. PALAZZO. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize Mr. Charles DeMetz as a member of the United States Merchant Marine Class of 2022.

DeMetz graduated from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy on Saturday, June 18, 2022, and was commissioned as an Ensign in the United States Naval Reserves.

His career in the service has just begun, but it is a testament to DeMetz's unselfish devotion to the people of this great Nation.

The challenges will be many and the time, although it may seem like an eternity, will fly by almost unnoticed.

South Mississippi is proud of DeMetz and his accomplishments, and we look forward to him continuing to represent not only Mississippi, but the entire Nation, as a United States Naval Reserve Officer.

As Ensign DeMetz embarks on a new chapter in life, it is my hope that he may always recall, with a deep sense of pride and accomplishment, graduating from a program as prestigious as the Merchant Marine Academy.

I would like to send DeMetz my best wishes for continued success in his future endeavors, thank him for his service, and congratulate him on this momentous occasion.

Semper Fidelis.

HOMETOWN HERO—SIMONE EDMOND AND TEKENDRIA VALENTINE

HON. BETH VAN DUYN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Ms. VAN DUYN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the heroic actions of

Simone Edmond, a Dallas ISD school bus driver, and of Tekendria Valentine, a school bus monitor. These two brave individuals went beyond their scope of responsibility by risking their lives to save two children in danger.

On Monday August 22, rushing floodwater swept away two young siblings who were waiting for the bus to pick them up. Simone and Tekendria, who were working together on the same bus, saw the two siblings in the floodwater and took swift action.

Thinking quickly, they decided to tie seatbelts together and use it as a rope to pull the kids to safety. The process required them to plunge themselves into the rushing floodwater and risk their own lives.

Simone and Tekendria's bravery, commitment to our children, and selfless actions should serve as an inspiration to all of us. On behalf of the residents of Texas-24, I thank Simone and Tekendria for their courageous actions.

REMEMBERING FREDERICK
EUGENE ZEHNDER

HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Mr. SWALWELL. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the life of Frederick "Fred" Eugene Zehnder, founder and editor of the San Leandro Times, the Castro Valley Forum, and prominent KTVU news director, on the anniversary of his passing on June 27, 2021.

Born on a dairy farm in Lakeport, California on March 5, 1934, Fred's love for journalism began at the age of 10 when he started the Scotts Valley News. This one-page weekly report was written, edited, and delivered all by Fred.

In 1952, Fred attended Humboldt State College where he earned a bachelor's degree in Journalism. While studying at Humboldt, he worked part-time at the local radio station in Eureka, California.

In 1956, Fred was drafted into the Army. At his posting in Fort Bliss, Texas, he worked as an Army public information officer under Sam Donaldson. After his time in the Army, Fred worked for KVIQ-TV in Eureka as the station's first news director. He later worked for several other networks, including KPIX Channel 5, CBS-TV, and KGO-TV. In 1988, Fred became the news director at KTVU Channel 2 in Oakland, California, until his retirement in 1999. For over 20 years, he worked with talents such as Dennis Richmond, Barbara Simpson, Elaine Corral, Leslie Griffith, Julie Haener, Bill Martin, and Mark Ibanez.

While working at KTVU, Fred founded the San Leandro Times and later purchased the Castro Valley Forum. Every Wednesday, over 22,000 copies of the Castro Valley Forum continue to be delivered for free to Castro Valley residents and businesses. Additionally, on Thursdays, over 38,000 free copies of the San

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Leandro Times are distributed to businesses and residents throughout San Leandro.

Fred tragically lost his life at the age of 87, after being struck by a drunk driver while walking in his Alameda neighborhood.

Fred shaped the journalism landscape in the East Bay, both in print and television. We're grateful for his commitment to community journalism and the legacy he created. He is survived by his three brothers, John, Robert, and David; his seven nephews and niece, Andy, Chris, Jim, Mark, David, Rob, Mitch, and Carolyn; and his long-time friends and business partners Howard and Claudette Morrison.

CELEBRATING MR. AND MRS.
GOLDENKRANZ

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 70th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Steve and Betty Goldenkranz. Mr. and Mrs. Goldenkranz exhibit strong values of family, commitment, and sacrifice, and their dedication to each other and to their life of service is well-deserving of recognition today.

Steve and Betty Goldenkranz both hail from Brooklyn, New York and came of age during the Great Depression. After Mr. Goldenkranz enlisted in the United States Navy during the Korean War in 1951, the two married on September 23, 1952, and soon relocated to Newfoundland, Canada for a military assignment. After another relocation to Virginia Beach, Virginia and a tour of service, the young couple returned to Brooklyn, and by 1957, were parents to their three sons Michael, Jeffrey, and Andrew.

After leaving the U.S. Navy, Mr. Goldenkranz worked for Lockheed Aircraft during the 1960s Space Race, while Mrs. Goldenkranz served their family as fulltime homemaker, filling the home with music and supporting their sons' education. Later, Mrs. Betty Goldenkranz earned her teaching credential, became a renowned educator, was recognized as the New York State Reading Teacher of the Year in 1987, and continued to mentor other educators through her work with Hunter University. After leaving Lockheed, Mr. Goldenkranz returned to higher education and graduated in 1974—the same year his oldest son graduated. While Working in the home furnishing industry until his retirement, he was an ardent and enthusiastic supporter of then-New York State Assembly member CHUCK SCHUMER and has remained as such throughout his career in the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate.

Both Steve and Betty are forces of change in their communities, encouraging their children and neighbors to be active in their community. Together, they enjoy being patrons of the arts and attending the opera, ballet, and theater. In 2013, Mr. and Mrs. Goldenkranz relocated to Aptos, California, where they continue to engage with their community. Now, Steve is active with the Alzheimer's Association in an effort to best support his wife, and both work closely with local political organizations and their Temple Beth El community.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in cele-

brating Mr. and Mrs. Goldenkranz as they ring in their 70th anniversary. May they continue to honor the Central Coast and all who know them with their wisdom, humor, and generous spirit.

CELEBRATING NATIONAL
HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

HON. FRANK J. MRVAN

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Mr. MRVAN. Madam Speaker, it is with great respect that I rise to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month and its 2022 theme, Unidos: Inclusivity for a Stronger Nation. The theme inspires us to ensure that all people are welcomed to help build stronger communities and a united country. From September 15, 2022, through October 15, 2022, in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, the people of the United States will once again celebrate the cultures, traditions, and the many remarkable contributions Hispanic Americans have made throughout our country's history.

Hispanic Heritage Month, which begins each year on September 15, recognizes the anniversaries of the independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile observe their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively. Since its inception as National Hispanic Heritage Week in 1968, which later became National Hispanic Heritage Month in 1988, Americans have taken this time to reflect on the many noteworthy and outstanding efforts of generations of Hispanic Americans which has helped to establish a more successful and honorable nation.

America's success is reliant upon the rich heritage and cultural diversity of its people. Hispanic Heritage Month commends the many Hispanic leaders and members of our communities who have added to the prosperity of the United States in every facet of our society.

Madam Speaker, at this time, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to once again join me in recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month. Throughout America's history, present, and future, the Hispanic community has played and will continue to play a vital role in enriching the quality of life for the people of the United States, and they are worthy of our deepest admiration and gratitude.

HONORING WWII VETERAN BOB
RAMOS ON HIS 101ST BIRTHDAY

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Bob Ramos, a brave and dedicated World War II veteran aboard the USS *Oklahoma City*. As part of the U.S. Navy, Mr. Ramos was an active service member for two years, earning the American Campaign Medal, Navy Occupation Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal, Navy Occupation Service Medal, Honorable Service Lapel Pin, and Honorable Discharge Button.

Born on August 23, 1921 to Spanish immigrants, Mr. Ramos grew up in Niagara Falls. He attended Trott Vocational School where he specialized and excelled in welding. Upon his graduation, Mr. Ramos found employment at a Buffalo shipyard, where he built landing crafts to support the war effort. While there, his superiors took note of his skills, leading Mr. Ramos to be scouted by Hooker Chemical to work on a secret project, which he later learned was a part of the Manhattan Project.

Mr. Ramos worked for Hooker Chemical until he was drafted into the U.S. Navy in March 1944. Sent aboard the USS *Oklahoma City*, Bob achieved the rank of Fireman First Class working in the boiler room. He and his shipmates were among the first to witness the aftermath of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. A few weeks later, Mr. Ramos was present at Tokyo Bay where the Japanese surrendered.

Following the war, Mr. Ramos was rehired by Hooker. He continued to work on projects involving atomic energy and helped with the closure of the Three Mile Power Plant after its partial meltdown.

Mr. Ramos met and fell in love with fellow Niagara Falls native, Margaret, whom he married prior to his service in the Navy. Margaret sadly passed in 2014 due to Alzheimer's disease, but Mr. Ramos fondly remembers the great times they had together and the care he provided her. Mr. Ramos is survived by his daughter, Cynthia, and his several grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all of whom he keeps in close contact with.

Now retired, Mr. Ramos spends his time baking and caring for his garden. He likes to show off his skills, frequently baking for his friends and family. For his niece's wedding, he offered to make over 1,000 pizzelles, an Italian waffle cookie, for all the guests. Mr. Ramos was also appointed chairman of the Niagara Falls Senior Council at its formation. Currently, Mr. Ramos regularly volunteers at the John Duke Senior Center in Niagara falls.

As one of approximately 240,000 World War II Veterans still alive today, we owe a great deal of gratitude to Mr. Ramos for all he has done to protect our country. Madam Speaker, we stand together today to celebrate Bob Ramos on his 101st birthday.

HONORING JENNY DO

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory and in honor of Jenny Do, who passed away on Thursday, August 4, 2022, at the age of 56. She was a talented artist, attorney, and activist who was beloved and deeply respected in my district.

Jenny fled Vietnam as a child refugee. She came to this country to begin a new life and pursue her education. She earned a legal degree and became very involved in issues affecting the Vietnamese American community. She served in numerous organizations, including the notable Friends of Hue Foundation, to provide services to improve and implement sustainable solutions in impoverished communities. She sat on the City of San Jose's Art Commission and was committed to raising