

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

WELCOMING GOVERNOR SAMUEL  
ALEJANDRO GARCÍA SEPÚLVEDA

**HON. HENRY CUELLAR**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Mr. CUELLAR. Madam Speaker, today I rise to welcome Samuel Alejandro García Sepúlveda, governor of the Mexican state of Nuevo León, to the House of Representatives.

Nuevo León has a significant economic footprint. It's a leader in education and several major industries. It's also home to Monterrey, Mexico's second-largest metropolitan area. But folks back home in Laredo know Nuevo León for different reason: it's our neighbor across the border. Governor García has a central role to play both at home and in U.S.-Mexico relations, and I am honored to welcome him here today.

The Laredo-Colombia Solidarity International Bridge, which spans from Nuevo León to my hometown of Laredo, is a critical artery for North American trade. With this visit, Governor García is strengthening the bond between Nuevo León and Laredo, and between the U.S. and Mexico—not only in the realm of trade, but also security cooperation, healthcare, and more.

At just 34 years old, Governor García is already an accomplished attorney, a former local deputy and senator in Nuevo León, and the author of several books. He has a bold vision for his state and for his country. By investing in education, infrastructure, and sustainable growth, Governor García is putting Nuevo León on the path toward a more prosperous future.

Madam Speaker, I ask all my colleagues to join me in welcoming Governor García to the House of Representatives. Governor García is a truly committed public servant with a bright future. I look forward to working with him to deepen the ties between our two communities and our two countries.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Mr. PASCRELL. Madam Speaker, on September 19, 2022, I missed one roll call vote. Had I been present, I would have voted YES on Roll Call No. 438, on Passage of S. 3895—United States Commission on International Religious Freedom Reauthorization Act of 2022.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MARTA  
PERMUY

**HON. MARIA ELVIRA SALAZAR**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Ms. SALAZAR. Madam Speaker, Marta Permuy was born on September 22, 1938. She would have turned 84 this Thursday. While she may have passed on from this life, I want to ensure she remains immortalized in history by telling her story. To be recognized in a place where democracy is held sacred and steadfast seems like a fitting birthday present for a woman who understood that true art is born of free societies.

Marta was a Cuban American Fine Arts Patron based in Coral Gables, a prominent part of Miami-Dade County, and a part of my district. Marta's heart was that of an activist, which explains her natural inclination for art. Why limit yourself to the ears of an audience when they have eyes?

Born and raised in Cuba, Marta was a witness to the rise of the Communist regime. This led her to become active in the MRR, the Movement for Revolutionary Recovery, a leading force of resistance against the regime. She was among the few women given a central role in the organization's leadership. Upon realizing that their efforts would not be able to contain the regime, she fled to Venezuela with her family. In 1962, she resettled in South Florida where she would go on to open an art gallery, the Permuy Gallery. The Permuy Gallery became a home for innovative art, particularly from Cuban artists. In the evenings, after exhibitions, it hosted gatherings for South Florida's notable figures, to discuss art in its varying forms, whether it was painted on a canvas, written in literature, prayed in spiritual realms, or argued in politics. This was a significant meeting point for the community, especially for the Cuban exiles in Miami.

After the Gallery closed, Marta devoted herself to her children. Eventually, the art world would call her back home to the Permuy House, where she would carry out her art ventures for over 40 years. In 2021, The Permuy House was designated a landmark of the City of Coral Gables.

Her legacy lives on through her children, who remain involved in the arts, and seek to honor their mother through different cultural events in South Florida. May this record aid in preserving her spirit, and to inspire artists to understand that all talent, even unconventional, is useful to the cause of preserving a free and just society.

CONGRESSIONAL VETERANS  
COMMENDATION

**HON. VERN BUCHANAN**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Mr. BUCHANAN. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize a group of veterans for their military and community service.

Our veterans have sacrificed much in the defense of our nation. Many of them retired their uniforms but continued their service by helping others in their community.

I recently established the 16th District Congressional Veteran Commendation program to recognize the heroic wartime sacrifices and admirable peacetime community involvement of my constituents.

An independent panel reviewed several nominations and chose the following six veterans for their wartime and post-military service:

Edward J. Mahoney of Sun City Center who served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II

John V. Skeen of Bradenton who served in the U.S. Army during World War II

John J. Brill of Longboat Key who served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War

Richard J. Petrucci of Lakewood Ranch who served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War

Richard M. Swier of Sarasota who served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War

David W. Daily of Bradenton who served in the U.S. Army during the Gulf War

These are exceptional Americans. I appreciate the opportunity to honor them for their service to the Nation and community.

HONORING MORGAN ROUTMAN  
AND ALEXANDER HILL

**HON. LOIS FRANKEL**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Morgan Routman and Alexander Hill on the occasion of their marriage. Morgan has been an important member of my team for three years, starting as a Communications Assistant and now an exceptional Communications Director.

Morgan, at age 15 from Florida, and Alex, at age 15 from Maryland, met ten years ago at Kutz, a leadership camp for reform Jewish teens. One thousand miles apart, they spent their high school years dating long distance making sure they were together for special moments like proms.

After high school, they both attended George Washington University in D.C., allowing their relationship to grow stronger and stronger. After graduation, they moved in together and added Bourbon, a sweet Pitbull, to their family.

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On August 17, 2022, they celebrated their wedding in Boudy de Beauregard, France with close friends and family. Morgan called it the best day of her life.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in extending best wishes to Morgan and Alex, wishing them happiness and blessings in the years to come.

CHUCK EALEY

HON. BRAD R. WENSTRUP

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Mr. WENSTRUP. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate Chuck Ealey, Portsmouth, Ohio native, on his induction to the United States College Football Hall of Fame.

Chuck was undefeated during his time as quarterback at Notre Dame High School in Portsmouth. He opted to attend the University of Toledo and led his team to 35 straight victories from 1969 to 1971 and three straight Tangerine Bowl victories during that span. In his final year at Toledo, Chuck was named First Team All-American by Football News, Third Team All-American by the Associated Press, and was a finalist for the 1971 Heisman Trophy.

Chuck later played in the Canadian Football League (CFL) and led his team to a victory in the 60th Grey Cup in the 1972 season, earning the Grey Cup's Most Valuable Player award along the way. His number 16 was retired at Toledo, and to this day, no other college quarterback has won 35 games in a row.

During his time at Toledo, in the CFL, and in his business ventures since football, Chuck has exemplified determination and integrity, and shown what it truly means to be a leader of a team.

Congratulations to Chuck and his family on his well-deserved induction to the United States College Football Hall of Fame Class of 2022. I look forward to seeing where the future will take him.

SEPTEMBER CONSTITUENT OF  
THE MONTH

HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Mr. LEVIN of California. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Edward Becerra as my September Constituent of the Month. As we begin another school year, we must continue to support and uplift the work of local community leaders who are going above and beyond to help our region thrive. During the pandemic, many kids fell behind on key educational markers, including literacy. Edward's work with Education Begins in the Home is critical to ensuring all families in my District have access to age-appropriate books for their children.

Edward's program, Education Begins in the Home, aims to increase literacy in the Latino community through access to free books. The program is one of several under non-profit Empowering Latino Futures, whose mission is to remove barriers to educational and profes-

sional success for Latino communities. He started Education Begins in the Home in May of 2015 after learning that 60 percent of low-income families in the county at the time did not own a book at home according to the San Diego Council on Literacy. To address this problem, Edward partners with community organizations to gather books and hosts 'book sorting parties' with volunteers to later distribute them in the community. Since its founding, his program has hosted 700 events and distributed 176,500 free books to children in North County San Diego. I'm proud that my office was able to secure books for Edward's program through the Library of Congress Surplus Books program.

During Hispanic Heritage Month, I am proud to uplift Edward Becerra and other Latino voices who contribute to our unique and diverse district. I'm so grateful for CA-49 residents who dedicate their time to the betterment of our community, and I'm proud to honor Edward Becerra as my September Constituent of the Month.

HONORING CARLOS TAMAYO

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Carlos Tamayo. Through the creation of La Tortilla Factory with his family, Mr. Tamayo helped contribute to his community by increasing the diversity of cuisine in the area, providing jobs and livelihoods for so many.

Mr. Tamayo was born in Nebraska in 1946 to a family of five sons. After attending college in Arizona, Mr. Tamayo and his wife moved to Fremont, California, where they found inspiration to partner with his parents to create La Tortilla Factory.

La Tortilla Factory was founded in August of 1977 in Santa Rosa, California. It began as a family-run restaurant owned by Mr. Tamayo's parents, and siblings, and quickly expanded into a business that focused solely on producing tortillas. The factory's growth led to more than 300 new job opportunities for the local community.

Mr. Tamayo has dedicated his life and work to helping others through a variety of roles. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War from 1969 to 1971. After earning his master's degree, he took on a job as a financial analyst at the National Economic Development Association and worked to help Latino individuals who were interested in a career in business.

Mr. Tamayo was heavily involved in decision-making and financial components of La Tortilla Factory, and served as the business' Chief Executive Officer, Chairman, and President throughout its duration. La Tortilla Factory's success as the main tortilla distributor for the United States is in part due to Mr. Tamayo's expertise.

Mr. Tamayo was well-known in his community, and will be remembered as friendly, passionate, and incredibly intelligent. He was dedicated to his family, and travel was a huge part of his life. Mr. Tamayo was also inspired by his parents. They raised a family and achieved success in the United States after

his father immigrated to the U.S. from Mexico through the Bracero program, and his mother's parents immigrated to the U.S. Mr. Tamayo passed away on July 29, 2022, and he will be greatly missed by all.

Madam Speaker, it is evident that Mr. Tamayo has left a tremendous impact on the community. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor his legacy here today.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. STEPHANIE N. MURPHY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Mrs. MURPHY of Florida. Madam Speaker, I was unable to vote on Roll Call Nos. 438 through 440 on September 19, 2022. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call Nos. 438 through 440.

MS. CHRISTINA PAQUIAN

HON. JUAN VARGAS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Mr. VARGAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Christina Paquian, outstanding blood donor and community volunteer in the 51st Congressional District.

Ms. Paquian has made tremendous efforts to help meet regional blood needs and save lives around the region. She has been donating blood for more than 10 years, and recently reached a milestone of donating a total of four gallons.

As a Guardian Circle Member of the San Diego Blood Bank, Ms. Paquian donates within 8 weeks from the day she is eligible to donate. She donates whole blood, platelets, double red blood cells, and plasma. During the pandemic, she was able to donate Convalescent Plasma, which includes Covid-19 antibodies.

Ms. Paquian continues to donate blood to various organizations in San Diego County and was honored as the 51st District Constituent of the Month in January 2022 during National Blood Donor Month, for her selfless commitment and her positive impact to others.

CENTURY OF PARTNERSHIP OF  
EGYPT AND AMERICA

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 20, 2022*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, as a Ranking Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, I am grateful to recognize the Centennial of Egypt and the United States with diplomatic relations.

Egypt is a friend, an ally, and an important economic and regional security partner of the United States. Over the past 100 years, Egypt has been a strategic partner in advancing peace in the Middle East and the Eastern Mediterranean.

Trade ties between America and Egypt have grown rapidly over the years. In 2021, the