

California's 5th District as a result of his extraordinary selflessness, dedication, and service to others.

A native of Deer Park, Texas, Mr. Ringo began serving his country at a young age. After graduating high school in 2004, he served in the U.S. Army for nearly a decade, completing four tours of combat duty in both Iraq and Afghanistan. After nearly a decade in uniform, Mr. Ringo received an honorable discharge at the rank of Staff Sergeant. In August 2021, he received an Associate of Arts degree from Solano Community College and in November of that year, was hired by the Napa County Sheriffs Office. In this capacity, he has served as a Patrol Officer in American Canyon and a seasonal deputy for the Marine Patrol Division at Lake Berryessa.

On June 17, 2022, Mr. Ringo was assigned to land patrol when the Napa County Sheriffs Office received numerous 911 calls regarding a pregnant woman whose legs had been severely injured. Aware of the gravity of the situation, he made the decision to join Marine Patrol Deputy Joseph Schiavoni in responding to the location of the 911 call via patrol vessel. When the two deputies arrived on scene, they found the victim in critical condition aboard the involved vessel. Mr. Ringo immediately provided medical aid, applying a tourniquet to stop heavy bleeding, and lifted the victim onto a backboard for extraction. Upon their arrival at the shoreline, Mr. Ringo assisted in packing the victim's wound and carrying her aboard a helicopter for transport to Kaiser Vacaville. The flight medic later reported that Mr. Ringo's placement of the tourniquet, along with the careful and rapid extraction of the victim, saved both her life and the life of her unborn child.

Madam Speaker, there is no doubt that Mr. Ringo is an exemplary civil servant whose determination and skill in the face of an extremely stressful incident is symbolic of his dedication to others. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

RECOGNIZING THE 2022 ST. CLAIR COUNTY VETERAN OF THE YEAR, KEVIN L. JONES

### HON. LISA C. McCLAIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mrs. McCLAIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 2022 St. Clair County Veteran of the Year, Kevin L. Jones of the Marine Corps League, Belcher-Lane-Williams Detachment 146.

Kevin enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1974 and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant infantry officer in 1978. He served in many roles as a commanding officer and has been deployed around the world.

After his distinguished military career, Kevin dedicated his life to serving the veterans in his community. He has been instrumental in establishing and forming a General Motors salaried veterans' group and was recognized by USA Today for his role in hiring veterans. Kevin is a member of several veteran advocacy organizations and has been vital in promoting the health and advancement of fellow veterans in his community. He is the Vice Chairman of the Saint Clair County Veterans

Affairs Board of Commissioners. He also holds several leadership roles within his detachment of the Marine Corps League. Additionally, he is a member of the American Legion and AMVETS.

I congratulate and thank Kevin for his selfless dedication to our veterans and community. It is vital that we continue to support and honor those who have risked their lives and given so much to our country. I applaud and recognize Kevin Jones for all he has done for our country and his fellow veterans.

CONGRATULATING MAJOR GENERAL TOM MULLIKIN ON A SUCCESSFUL DEPLOYMENT OF THE SMART REEF PROJECT

### HON. RALPH NORMAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. NORMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Major General (Ret.) Tom Mullikin, PhD, JD and the SC7 Team for successful deployment of the Smart Reef Project. This project increased integrated real time environmental observations and advanced modeling supporting an array of beneficial applications. A secondary focus was on technology development to enable cost effective distributed observing.

The Smart Reef Initiative advanced numerous goals of the South Carolina Floodwater Commission recommendations: data collection to advance modeling for predicting and engineering of coastal environments to deal with issues of sea level rise and flooding; exploring the utility of artificial reefs to potentially be designed to effect coastal beach erosion while also supporting recreational fisheries; and, data collection for similar ideas of "living shorelines" such as oyster reef restoration projects to help mitigate marsh erosion in estuaries as well as the potential to employ further up the watershed.

The Smart Reef system adds data and facilitates real-time data feeds into the Coastal Carolina University Center's interactively coupled ocean-atmosphere-wave-hydrologic modeling system to improve the advanced model applications to help inform discussions about tropical storm impacts (e.g., flooding, and storm surge) and eventually broader pressures and threats to our coastal environmental and economies. The data also supports broad research interests related to the growing of reef system interactions with waves and currents as well as a wide range of natural resource management concerns.

The SC7 Team Expedition along with the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor, Coastal Carolina University, University of South Carolina, South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, Force Blue, Medical University of South Carolina, South Carolina Office of Resiliency, South Carolina Department of Veterans Affairs, Toadfish and other private sector partners successfully overcame rough seas to deploy the Smart Reef technology to protect the Palmetto State. A special thanks to my friend MG Tom Mullikin for his continued and tireless efforts to protect South Carolina's beautiful environment.

BIDENFLATION THREATENS FAMILIES

### HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, an August NBC News poll revealed that fifty-eight percent of Americans believe the country is headed in the wrong direction.

Already at a forty-year high, inflation has surged thirteen percent since Biden took office, while wages have risen only eight percent over the same period. Under Biden, inflation has outpaced wages for workers for seventeen months in a row, causing families to pay more for everyday goods and services.

New economic figures show that inflation and high interest rates have cost the average American over four thousand dollars in annual income, according to a Heritage Foundation expert.

Eggs are up forty percent. Gas is up twenty-six percent. Milk is up seventeen percent. Bread is up sixteen percent, and the list goes on. Families are suffering and jobs are being destroyed.

Bidenflation prices are unsustainable for families.

God Bless our troops, who successfully protected America for 20 years, as the Global War on Terrorism moves from a safe haven in Afghanistan to America. Never forget 9-11.

HONORING WESTIN SCHINDLER

### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Westin Schindler, an officer with the Santa Rosa Police Department. I have named Mr. Schindler as a Public Safety Hero of the Year for Sonoma County in California's 5th District as a result of his extraordinary selflessness, dedication, and service to others.

Mr. Schindler was born in Santa Rosa, California and raised in Petaluma. He received two associates degrees from the Santa Rosa Junior College and a bachelor's degree in criminal justice administration from Sacramento State University. While attending Santa Rosa Junior College, Mr. Schindler began his law enforcement career as a police cadet and shortly after, became a community service officer at Sacramento State University. Immediately following his college graduation, Mr. Schindler was hired by the Petaluma Police Department and attended the police academy. After serving over two years with Petaluma Police Department as a member of their gang enforcement team, Mr. Schindler was hired by the Santa Rosa Police Department, where he works today. In addition to his role as a patrol officer, Mr. Schindler has also served on the special weapons and tactics team and as a defense tactics instructor.

Every year, Santa Rosa Police Department receives over 100,000 calls for service, with busy shifts averaging between 200 to 300 dispatched calls. Through his skill and determination, Mr. Schindler has also invested significant time in preventing criminal activity

through proactive traffic enforcement stops and investigations. In the last year alone, he has seized ten illegally possessed firearms, including numerous Polymer80 “ghost guns” and assault rifles. Mr. Schindler has also authored a search warrant and led an operation typically reserved for specialized detectives, allowing the rapid seizure of evidence before it could be destroyed.

Mr. Schindler is the younger brother of two other public servants—a firefighter with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and a fellow officer at Santa Rosa Police Department. He is also devoted to his family, which includes his two-year-old daughter Savannah and fiancée Jenn Eastham.

Madam Speaker, there is no doubt that Mr. Schindler is an exemplary civil servant whose resolve and endless commitment to the safety of his community is worthy of commendation. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

MRS. LOIS CALLAHAN

HON. J. FRENCH HILL

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. HILL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my fellow Arkansan, Mrs. Lois Callahan, on being named the national chaplain of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary.

Mrs. Callahan was inspired to join the auxiliary in 1990 by her father, the late Ruben Tamariz of Bryant, who served our nation for 26 years—including time served in both Korea and Vietnam.

Mrs. Callahan is a retired pediatric occupational therapist, and current life member of the Thaddeus H. Caraway Auxiliary 2278 in Hot Springs.

In her new role, Mrs. Callahan will be providing spiritual leadership and encouragement for the organization, which consists of roughly 475,000 members across the nation.

I thank her for her service and dedication to our nation's veterans. Her devotion to faith, family, and community does not go unnoticed.

I Congratulate, Lois.

RECOGNITION OF THE  
RETIREMENT OF STEVE W. MARSH

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer congratulations to Steve W. Marsh on the occasion of his Congressional retirement from the U.S. House of Representatives, CAO Office of Finance—Accounting Department as of Thursday, May 5, 2022, after over 24 years of service. Steve started as a Staff Accountant with the Chief Administrative Office on March 16, 1998, tasked with the Property, Plant, and Equipment (PP&E) reconciliation process where he quickly became the subject matter expert. Steve was promoted on October 1, 2000, to Senior Accountant, and July 1, 2012, to Accounting Manager. Steve played a significant role in the

implementation of the House's financial system of record, PeopleSoft, and was an integral part of the CAO Office of Finance team that has received a clean audit opinion for twenty-three consecutive years for the U.S. House of Representatives. Best wishes to Steve W. Marsh on a long, happy, fulfilling, and well-deserved retirement.

HONORING DENNIS L. PAVLIK

HON. DON BACON

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. BACON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the last living Korean War POW from Nebraska, Corporal Dennis L. Pavlik. Corporal Pavlik joined the United States Marine Corp in October of 1952 when he was inducted at Fort Omaha in Nebraska. Corporal Pavlik was then assigned to B Company, 22nd Armored Engineer for artillery basic training which he completed at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. Following his completion of basic training, Corporal Pavlik was assigned to C Battery, 555 Field Artillery also known as the “Triple Nickel.” Corporal Pavlik then moved to a variety of locations across Korea finally landing near Kumsong in a location known as the Kumsong Salient.

It was there, on the night of July 13, 1953, that Corporal Pavlik's artillery battery was under an intense enemy counter barrage ending in the eventual imprisonment of multiple United States Marines. Corporal Pavlik and his fellow marines were then forced to march north to a POW camp the Chinese referred to as Camp Six. It was here Corporal Pavlik spent 42 days as a Prisoner of War, which he has referred to as “the longest six weeks of my life.” Corporal Pavlik stated the most important lesson he learned during those six weeks is the knowledge of freedom. As the war in Korea ended, Corporal Pavlik was released from Camp Six and eventually returned to United States soil on August 25, 1953, just two days before the official end of the Korean War.

Corporal Pavlik ended his military service on July 20, 1954, and was awarded the Bronze Star with the “V” for valor device, Good Conduct Medal, POW Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Korean Service Medal with two Battle Stars, United Nations Service Medal, and the Korean Presidential Unit Citation. Today, he resides in Omaha, Nebraska with his wife Luella and has three children and five grandchildren. Corporal Pavlik also serves as the Post Commander for the American Ex-Prisoner of War Department of Nebraska. It is with great honor that I recognize the last known Prisoner of War survivor from the Korean War—Nebraska Corporal Dennis L. Pavlik.

RECOGNIZING HYDROCEPHALUS  
AWARENESS MONTH

HON. LLOYD DOGGETT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. DOGGETT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Hydrocephalus Awareness

Month. Every September patients, caregivers, and their families come together throughout our Nation in support of the more than 1,000,000 people of all ages living with hydrocephalus in the United States.

As co-chair of the Congressional Pediatric and Adult Hydrocephalus Caucus, I believe Congress has an important role to play in raising awareness of this condition and crafting policies that result in better treatments and potentially a cure. I urge my colleagues to join the caucus to learn more about this devastating condition. In addition, I urge you to join Representative CHRIS SMITH and me in showing your support for this community by cosponsoring our resolution, H. Res. 20, which supports the goals and ideals of Hydrocephalus Awareness Month.

Hydrocephalus is a complex, chronic neurological condition caused by an abnormal accumulation of cerebrospinal fluid in the brain. From newborns to seniors, anyone can develop hydrocephalus at any time.

The breathtaking prevalence of this condition is reflected in my own district. I recently met a constituent in Austin who described the challenges she has faced due to the limited treatment options available for hydrocephalus.

Hydrocephalus is the most common reason for brain surgery in young children. The physicians and staff at the Children's Hospital of San Antonio perform the brain surgeries necessary to treat many of the one in 770 babies across the country who develop hydrocephalus each year.

Veterans and active military personnel, such as those stationed at Joint Base San Antonio, are disproportionately affected. Since 2000, more than 370,000 U.S. service members have sustained a traumatic brain injury, and it is estimated that 14 percent of those individuals with severe TBI—over 50,000 service members—could develop hydrocephalus as a result.

Let's join together in recognizing Hydrocephalus Awareness Month. Congressman SMITH and I welcome all colleagues to become members of the Congressional Pediatric and Hydrocephalus Caucus and cosponsoring H. Res. 20.

HONORING RORY LOGAN

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Rory Logan, a Criminal Detective with the Benicia Police Department. I have named Ms. Logan as a Public Safety Hero of the Year for Solano County in California's 5th District as a result of her extraordinary selflessness, dedication, and service to others.

Ms. Logan was born in Los Angeles, California and graduated from Eagle Rock High School. She served for over 12 years in both the United States Marine Corps and United States Navy Reserves where she qualified as a field radio operator, parachutist and Stinger/Avenger gunner. Ms. Logan's overseas deployments include Korea, Thailand, Japan, Panama, and Kuwait. She is a recipient of two Navy Achievement Medals, a Navy Unit Commendation, and a Global War on Terrorism