

Expeditionary Medal, among other awards and decorations.

In 2020, following nearly two decades of experience with other law enforcement agencies, Ms. Logan joined the Benicia Police Department. As a Criminal Detective, Ms. Logan played a key role in the investigation of illegal gun sales, burglaries, and child predator cases. In each of these instances, Ms. Logan displayed remarkable skill and determination, often resulting in the arrest of wanted suspects and criminals. In March 2022, Bahadur Singh, the owner and clerk of Rose Market, was murdered during a robbery. Ms. Logan worked tirelessly to investigate the incident, cooperating with multiple other agencies, and led to the swift arrest of the suspect before he was able to cause further harm.

Outside of her service with the Benicia Police Department, Ms. Logan is a licensed vocational nurse and proud mother of two sons, Anthony and Scott.

Madam Speaker, I thank Ms. Logan for her persistence and investigative skill. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF COLUMBIA
INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I am honored to recognize the 100th Anniversary of Columbia International University.

Since its founding in 1923 as the Columbia Bible School, the University has been providing students in South Carolina and across the world with an outstanding Christian education. Originating from humble beginnings, the school has grown astronomically, and is consistently ranked as a top 'Southern Regional University,' 'Best Value University,' and for 'Social Mobility' in the South by U.S. News & World Report. The University also received a 2022 accolade of 'A Best College for Veterans in the South' from the same publication.

Columbia International University is committed to veterans and participates in the Yellow Ribbon Program, the Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program, and Veteran Readiness and Employment. Numerous educational benefits are provided by the school as well.

As a Veteran myself with four sons who have served overseas, and as a senior member of the House Armed Services Committee, I am proud my community is home to a university dedicated to our veterans.

One hundred years ago, Columbia International University was founded by a group of prayerful Christian women and led by first president, Robert C. McQuilkin, who dreamed of establishing a local Bible school. Their dream was not only realized, but then flourished into an accomplished university, evangelizing our community and nations with their 24,000 alumni.

I am proud of the positive impact Columbia International University has made globally and join them in celebrating their 100th Anniversary.

RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES OF THE OFFICERS AND INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WITH 25 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE HOUSE

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, I wish to recognize today a special group of dedicated and outstanding employees of the Officers (Clerk of the House, Sergeant at Arms, and Chief Administrative Officer) and of the Inspector General of the U.S. House of Representatives and congratulate those who have reached the milestone of 25 years of service to the U.S. House of Representatives.

The House's most important asset is its remarkable and steadfast employees, whose work is essential to keeping the operations and services of the House running efficiently and effectively. The employees we acknowledge today are commended for their hard work, dedication, professionalism, and teamwork; support of House Members, their staffs, and their constituents, and for their contributions day-in and day-out to the overall operations of the House. These employees, whose work is often performed behind the scenes, possess a wide range of responsibilities and skills that support the legislative process, ensure the security of this great institution, maintain our technology and service infrastructure, and contribute to more efficient and productive House support operations. These devoted employees have accomplished significant and essential work in a diverse range of activities, and the House of Representatives, its Members, staff, and the American public is better served because of them.

We recognize and honor the following individuals for 25 years of loyal service to the House. Collectively, the employees listed have provided 375 years of service to the U.S. House of Representatives.

Gordon Alexander, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Ricky Buckler, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Alicia Carcamo, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; John Collins, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Andrew Graeb, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Michael Keane, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Adam Magary, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; David McKittrick, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Donald Myhill, Office of the Clerk of the House; Frank Overby, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Carol Peterson, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Nancy Sumner, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Gary Thiessen, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Alan Vaughan, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; Donna K. Wolfgang, Office of Inspector General.

On behalf of the entire House community, I want to congratulate, acknowledge, and thank these employees for their professionalism and commitment to the U.S. House of Representatives as a whole, and in particular to their respective House Officer, the Inspector General, and collaboratively across these organizations once again. Their long hours, hard work, diverse skills, and team spirit are invaluable,

and their years of unwavering service and dedication to the House sets an example for their colleagues and raises the bar for the employees who will follow in their footsteps. I applaud all our honorees, and I am proud to stand before you and our great Nation on their behalf to recognize the importance of their public service.

RECOGNIZING MONTANA KNIFE COMPANY OWNER, MR. JOSH SMITH

HON. MATTHEW M. ROSENDALE, SR.

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. ROSENDALE. Madam Speaker, I want to recognize the outstanding work of Mr. Josh Smith, owner of Montana Knife Company in Frenchtown, Montana.

Growing up in Lincoln, Montana, Mr. Smith began his journey as a bladesmith at the early age of eleven when he would work at knife-making before and after school. At the age of twelve, Mr. Smith joined the American Bladesmith Society, and the next few years saw Mr. Smith honing his craft of blade smithing. His talents in the art are such that at the age of fifteen years old, Mr. Smith passed the Journeyman bladesmith test—becoming the youngest to ever do so. An impressive feat, Mr. Smith went on to earn his Master Smith rating from the American Bladesmith Society at the age of nineteen. In this too, Mr. Smith was the youngest to ever pass the rigorous Master Smith test.

Mr. Smith turned his dream of starting a custom knife-making business into a reality when he officially launched Montana Knife Company in 2020 as its co-founder and Master Bladesmith. During the pandemic when most businesses were closing, Montana Knife Company started flourishing. Hoping for one hundred thousand sales in 2020 and two million in 2021, they met and then surpassed their goals—with over four million in sales in just over three quarters for 2022.

Starting out in a garage with only two employees, the company has grown into a twelve-person team with a ten thousand square foot building project underway to expand their business.

Montana Knife Company has been gaining recognition nationwide for its high-quality, American-made knives. Its growth and success are certainly a testament to Mr. Smith's exceptional craftsmanship and entrepreneurial leadership.

I thank Josh for serving the people of Montana and his commitment to Montana values and traditions.

HONORING HERSCHEL SIZEMORE

HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Herschel Sizemore of Roanoke County, Virginia, who passed away on September 9, 2022, at the age of 87. Mr. Sizemore was a significant figure in the field of bluegrass music.

Western Virginia is the possessor of a rich musical heritage. It is the home to legendary talents such as the Carter family and Ralph Stanley. Annual festivals and competitions offer musicians a chance to perform and thrive in their own distinct genres.

To this vibrant musical scene came Herschel Sizemore in 1969. He was already an accomplished musician by that time. He had grown up in Alabama in a home that encouraged musical interests. His mother, Rebecca, was a self-taught guitarist with a style compared to Mother Maybelle Carter, according to Mr. Sizemore's obituary in *Bluegrass Today*. He was drawn toward the mandolin after hearing Bill Monroe perform in the Grand Ole Opry both on the radio and in person. When his brother Ross sent home a mandolin while away from home during a military deployment, Mr. Sizemore began playing the instrument with old-time fiddler Hugh McCormick.

At 14 years old, Mr. Sizemore started playing at local events as a paid performer with Ned Campbell & the Sunnyside Playboys. He became part of a professional group three years later, variously named the Tennessee Valley Playboys, the Country Gentlemen, and the Dixie Gentlemen, that toured, performed on air, and recorded.

When Mr. Sizemore moved to Roanoke in 1969, he continued playing by touring and recording with the Shenandoah Cut-Ups. He formed a group of his own, the Country Grass, and then joined the Dixie Pals. Mr. Sizemore's own album, *Bounce Away*, showcased his unique style of mandolin playing. One of its songs, *Rebecca*, named after his mother, became a popular tune in the bluegrass community and his most recognizable.

Work kept Mr. Sizemore from regularly performing for a period. After retiring, he joined the Bluegrass Cardinals, released more albums of his own, and worked with others. As a frequent teacher and mentor of younger players, he was known in the bluegrass community for his generosity with his considerable skill.

Mr. Sizemore is survived by his wife, Joyce Sizemore; children, Charlotte (Mike) Bishop, Tamba (Ralph) Agee, and Lee (Vickie) Sizemore; grandchildren, Dusty Davis, Sara Davis (Kyle) Duncan, Jenni Bishop (Jordan) Ramey, Matt Walrond, Steven Walrond, Jacob Agee, Cheyenna Agee, Drew (Savannah) Sizemore, Michael (Bri) Sizemore, and Garrett Carter; ten great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. I offer them my condolences on their loss. He leaves behind a unique legacy that burnishes Virginia's reputation as a home for great music.

HONORING RODGER COLLINSON

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 Rodger Collinson, a firefighter and paramedic with the Napa Fire Department (NFD). I have named Mr. Collinson as a Public Safety Hero of the Year for Napa County in California's 5th District as a result of his extraordinary selflessness, dedication, and service to others.

Mr. Collinson was born and raised in Napa, California. He graduated from Napa High

School in 1996 and has attended both Napa Valley College and Solano Community College. Mr. Collinson spent five years with Piner's Napa Ambulance before joining the Napa Fire Department in 2003. While working with the NFD, Mr. Collinson proposed, developed and continues to lead the Safe Program. The program provides fire safety messages to elementary schools across Napa.

In addition to putting his life on the line to protect our community from fires, Mr. Collinson demonstrated incredible initiative by creating the Facebook Group "Support Napa Valley Restaurants." The purpose of the group is to provide free advertising to the many local restaurants impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, Mr. Collinson recently competed on the Food Network's "Guy's Grocery Games" where he won \$40,000 for the Napa City Firefighter's Charitable Fund.

Outside of his work with the NFD, Mr. Collinson has served as the team lead for the annual City of Napa employee breakfast and is a member of the Native Sons of the Golden West. He is also passionate about bridging the gap between first responders and our Spanish speaking community, having studied Spanish with his wife Amanda.

Madam Speaker, there is no doubt that Mr. Collinson is an exemplary civil servant who represents the very best of our community. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

RECOGNIZING THE CAREER OF
MAUREEN BELLODY

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the continued career of Maureen Bellody, a lifelong Connecticut resident, recently-turned-Eastern-Connecticut native, who has quietly but effectively used her talents and empathy for people in the practice of law to make a positive difference in her community. Maureen will recognize her career accomplishments as a paralegal working for Mader, Roberson & DeFelice on October 3, 2022, following more than 37 remarkable years with the firm.

Born in East Hartford in 1959, Maureen remained a member of her hometown community for most of her life. Even prior to starting and raising a family of her own in East Hartford, she attended Goodwin University—then Goodwin College—earning her business certification in 1985. I had the first privilege of meeting Maureen in that same year, when she joined the team at the law firm of what was then Flaherty, Marder, Kallet, Meisler, and Courtney. I saw firsthand what a quick study she was even at a young age, to navigate the complexities of the law and the endless variety of clients that populate a small-town general law practice. Her poise with clients, sometimes in very emotional circumstances was remarkable.

Maureen has remained with the firm even though its principals have changed, including myself. Her expertise, loyalty and efficient work ethic have helped keep the firm on track and well organized throughout her tenure. This week the firm, her family and many friends

and clients are celebrating her service—a very well-deserved honor.

Outside of her time dedicated to the firm, Maureen has also been moved by a commitment to and strong bond with her family. This has been a guiding force throughout her life, even before her time working in the legal field, since bearing and raising her daughter, Jessica, in East Hartford.

In 2011, she moved to Ellington of the Second District of Connecticut, where she remains close with her daughter, son-in-law, Joseph, and two grandchildren, Landon and Mia.

As we appreciate her dedication to serving families throughout Tolland and Hartford County, we also wish that she may continue to impact our region through her work with the firm Marder, Roberson & DeFelice. To that end, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in recognizing the career of Maureen Bellody, wishing her the upmost, continued success in her career.

RECOGNITION OF THE RETIREMENT OF PHILIP D. HAMNER

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 Philip D. Hamner on the occasion of his Congressional retirement from the U.S. House of Representatives, CAO Office of Finance—Accounting Department as of September 30, 2022, after over 27 years of service. Philip started as an Accounting Supervisor with the Chief Administrative Office on June 12, 1995. Philip's outstanding work ethic and accounting knowledge of the U.S. Standard General Ledger (USSGL) allowed him to be promoted to various positions, like Systems Accountant, Deputy Director, Accounting, Acting Accounting Director, and finally Director of Accounting as of September 1, 2011. Philip has led his team in the compilation of the Annual Financial Statements and the annual external audits. Philip played a significant role in the implementation of the House's financial system of record, PeopleSoft. Through Philip's successful leadership and immeasurable knowledge of accounting, he has led the CAO Office of Finance team to receive a clean audit opinion for 23 consecutive years for the U.S. House of Representatives. Madam Speaker, I wish Philip D. Hamner embrace all new opportunities that are presented to him, as he did at the U.S. House of Representatives.

HONORING ROBERT O'CONNOR

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 Robert O'Connor, a recruit with the Vallejo Fire Department. I have named Mr. O'Connor as a Public Safety Hero of the Year for Solano County in California's 5th District as a result of his extraordinary selflessness, dedication, and service to others,