

New England are found there, lovingly restored and maintained. The First Congregational Church, built in 1730, is the oldest church building in continuous use in Maine. Two historic seaside forts now offer hiking trails, parkland, a museum, and spectacular ocean views.

As the gateway to Maine from New Hampshire and points south, Kittery has much to offer visitors and residents alike. From extensive shopping, excellent restaurants, and a vibrant arts scene to a wealth of outdoor recreation opportunities, there is something for everyone. The wide range of events held during this landmark anniversary year demonstrates the civic pride found throughout the community.

For 375 years, Kittery has grown and prospered for the future while honoring its past. The story of Kittery is an important part of America's story, written by committed citizens working together. I congratulate the people of Kittery for their accomplishments and wish them all the best in the years to come.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

BICENTENNIAL OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

• Mr. BRAUN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the 200th anniversary of the founding of Montgomery County, IN, and the unique contributions that the Montgomery County community has made to the United States.

This December, Montgomery County celebrates the bicentennial of its foundation. Montgomery County is a place one could characterize as quintessentially "Indiana:" the mellow bends of Sugar Creek crossed with covered bridges; the buzzing hometown feel of Crawfordsville; and the ambitious energy of Wabash college—all hallmarks of Indiana that make my State such a wonderful place to live. Over two centuries, this county has steadily grown from a handful of log cabins into a historic community, contributing greatly to American history and culture.

Consider, for instance, Lew Wallace, a highly accomplished citizen who spent much of his life in Crawfordsville. Wallace left his career as a lawyer to fight for the Union in the Civil War, rising to the rank of general. Later, he served as Governor of the territory of New Mexico. After completing his service to the United States and returning to Crawfordsville, Wallace published his highly acclaimed and influential novel, "Ben-Hur: A Tale of the Christ." It soon became the best-selling novel of the 19th century and is still adapted for stage and film today.

Now, I could not commemorate Montgomery County without mentioning its important role in the story of Indiana's favorite sport, basketball. Indeed, according to many historical

sources, Montgomery County served as the launch pad for the sport of basketball in Indiana. The first Indiana High School Athletic Association basketball championship was won by Crawfordsville High School in 1911, and the following eight Indiana high school basketball champions were located within thirty miles of Montgomery County. Piggy Lambert, one highly influential basketball coach from Purdue University, played basketball at Crawfordsville High School and Wabash College. Even scenes from the legendary movie "Hoosiers" were filmed in New Richmond, cementing Indiana's relationship with basketball in American culture.

Finally, I want to address Wabash College, my alma mater. The time that I spent at Wabash College impressed upon me the qualities that make Montgomery County not only special, but representative of Indiana. Founded in 1832, on what was then our Nation's western frontier, Wabash College has produced thousands of influential graduates across many fields. As president of the student body at Wabash College, I had plenty of experience to prepare me for my careers in business and public service.

In closing, I am delighted to honor Montgomery County, and I want to congratulate the communities of Montgomery County for 200 years of meaningful contributions to American history and culture. Thank you.●

REMEMBERING MYLAN HAWKINS

• Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, today I recognize Mylan Barin Hawkins, who passed away on August 26, 2022. Mylan devoted her life to serving others and made invaluable contributions to the State of Nevada. She was a dedicated political and social activist who fought to advance women's rights and advocated for healthcare for women and children.

Mylan was born in Chicago, IL, and attended the University of Chicago. Mylan was involved in Chicago Ward Boss politics before moving to Florida, where she founded Project Survival after giving birth to a premature son. Project Survival helped build a neonatal center at the University of Miami Jackson Memorial Hospital. Mylan was driven by her passion to work on women's and children's healthcare. She served on nonprofits and advocacy campaigns wherever she went. She helped raise funds for the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and for the Sloan Kettering Memorial Hospital in New York.

In 1976, Mylan settled in Reno, NV, and immediately set to work to advance women's rights in the State. Mylan joined the National Organization for Women in their mission to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment. Along the way, Mylan helped pass ground-breaking legislation and ballot initiatives in the State. Mylan also co-founded the Nevada and California Dia-

betes Association, an organization focused on providing local services including camps, teen, family and adult support programs, and emergency medical information and referral services.

In the late 1980s, Mylan and her colleagues realized the dangers ahead for reproductive freedom. They worked tirelessly to draft a State ballot referendum protecting Nevada women's reproductive rights, which passed in 1990. Mylan continued to advocate for women's rights and was in her late 70s when she launched the 2016 Women's March in Reno, gathering thousands of supporters. Mylan also helped found Northern Nevada Marches Forward, an inclusive volunteer led nonprofit with a mission to support, spotlight, and uplift the voices and power of diverse people and communities to create transformative social change.

Mylan's tenacity and courage are a testament to the grit and spirit of Nevada women, and her legacy lives on in the countless women and activists she has inspired and mentored across the State. Her service and dedication to her country, community, and her family will not be forgotten.●

RECOGNIZING THE NEVADA TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION

• Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of the Nevada Taxpayers Association.

In 1922, Nevadans started the organization that would become the Nevada Taxpayers Association, NTA. From its first office located in the Reno National Bank Building, the small organization has continued to work on behalf of Nevada taxpayers. It is now one of the oldest governmental research and advocacy associations, not only in Nevada but in the United States.

Today, the NTA is a renowned tax policy and analysis organization, providing valuable service to the citizens of the Silver State. NTA advocates on behalf of Nevada's working families for policies that promote efficiency, accountability and common sense. NTA ensures State and local lawmakers have the data and expert analysis to craft fair tax policy, including by providing the public with "Tax Facts," a digest of tax history dating back nearly 50 years.

NTA had the foresight to advocate with the Nevada Legislature to establish a rainy day fund to insulate the State budget from dramatic swings that sometimes resulted in tough choices and devastating cuts to critical services such as education and healthcare. There are many examples of NTA raising difficult issues that required legislators across the aisle to work together. From helping establish the Nevada Gaming Law in the 1930s, to developing a "computers for schools program" for Nevada's public school system, the association has played an active role in fiscal policy analysis and research that has strengthened our State for the benefit of every Nevadan.

Congratulations to the Nevada Taxpayers Association on its 100th anniversary and for supporting good government in Nevada. I look forward to its continued success.●

RECOGNIZING BORICUACTIVATED

● Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, democracy is a precious concept, serving as the foundation of our freedoms, which we must not take for granted. Democracy's success is dependent on the active participation of our communities—people of all different backgrounds and beliefs.

I am proud to recognize an organization that inspires members of our diverse communities to take an active role in our democratic process, BoricuActivatEd.

Five years ago, BoricuActivatEd was created amid a crisis: the aftermath of Hurricanes Irma and Maria's destruction of Puerto Rico. In a matter of days, the island was on the brink of total disaster, and the former administration that held the keys to alleviating the suffering dragged their heels and closed their eyes.

Like many within the Puerto Rican diaspora that watched the U.S. Government's response in disbelief, a group of former congressional staffers—led by Jennice Fuentes—knew action had to be taken and mobilized. Much remains to be done as Puerto Rico continues to rebuild and recover, especially now after Hurricane Fiona, but it is undeniable that BoricuActivatEd has had an outsized impact in bringing attention to the island's crisis.

BoricuActivatEd operates on the idea that each individual should decide and advocate on the issues that resonate most with them. And that is the ingenuity of this organization, keeping true to its commitment to promoting participatory democracy.

BoricuActivatEd gives individuals across the country the tools they need to stand up and speak out, teaching them the value of civic engagement and the techniques needed to succeed.

They believe that it is never too early to teach people no matter who they are or where they were born that they, too, can play a role in shaping our country. I am especially proud that, when BoricuActivatEd introduced a school-based curriculum on participatory democracy, they chose the students of Camden, NJ, as their first student participants.

It is undeniable that learning best practices in civic engagement is valuable to people of all ages and backgrounds. But we, as the elected representatives of the United States, stand to gain as we navigate our roles as public servants, guided by the priorities of our civically engaged constituents.

I extend my congratulations to BoricuActivatEd for 5 impactful years, showing us that their success is a success for our Nation, and I cannot wait to see all they accomplish in the years ahead.●

RECOGNIZING UNICO NATIONAL

● Mr. MURPHY. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the 100th anniversary of UNICO National, founded in Waterbury, CT, by Dr. Anthony P. Vastola and 15 other proud Italian-Americans. UNICO began as a small service organization, helping people in the greater Waterbury area gain access to higher education through scholarships, promoting Italian heritage, and contributing to charities throughout the State.

In the century since its inception, UNICO has grown into the largest Italian-American service organization in the United States. UNICO started as a way to combat anti-Italian prejudice and discrimination, showing non-Italian Americans that their culture was founded in philanthropy, civic engagement, and charity. As our Nation's Italian-American population grew, so, too, did the membership of UNICO and its spirit of generosity.

While UNICO was founded in Connecticut, its reach stretches far past our State's borders. When an earthquake ravaged parts of Italy, UNICO members raised thousands of dollars to build shelters for those affected. After the attacks on September 11, 2001, UNICO once again rose to the occasion by supporting victims' relief funds and restaurants around Ground Zero. By funding research to help find cures for diseases like Cooley's anemia and cancer and giving to institutions like the University of Connecticut and Seton Hall University, UNICO ensures that future generation will also benefit from its members' selflessness. The endowed chairs of modern Italian history and Italian studies at these schools, help teach students about Italian heritage, and work to advance UNICO's mission of eliminating discrimination.

The impact this organization has had on communities is immeasurable. For 100 years, UNICO has been a model of service towards others. I am proud and grateful for its work and its deep roots in Waterbury. I can't wait to see what more the members of UNICO accomplish as they continue their pursuit to make our world a better place.●

TRIBUTE TO JAIME JARRÍN

● Mr. PADILLA. Mr. President, I submit the following statement to the record in recognition of the lifelong career of Jaime Jarrin, the voice of the Los Angeles Dodgers en español for over half a century.

A native of Ecuador, Jaime moved to Los Angeles in 1955 at the age of 19 and worked as a news and sports director for KWKW, a Spanish language radio station that is now the Spanish radio home for the Los Angeles Dodgers. Soon after, in 1959, Jarrin called his first Dodger game, launching what would become an over six-decade career with the Dodgers that would make him the longest tenured announcer in Major League Baseball, second only to

the legendary Vin Scully, and earning him the respect of generations of Angelenos whose fandom will forever be measured by Jarrin's play-by-play and home run calls, "Se va, se va, se va, y despídala con un beso. Se fue de cuadrangular!"

Among his long list of accomplishments from a lifetime in baseball, some of his most impressive include his streak of nearly 4,000 consecutive games called between 1962–84—spanning 22 seasons without missing a single game. And they include any number of games he has called that read like headlines straight from baseball's history books: he has called three perfect games—Sandy Koufax in 1965, Tom Browning in 1988, and Dennis Martinez in 1991—as well as 22 no-hitters, 30 World Series, and 30 All-Star Games.

In 1998, he was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY, as the recipient of the Ford C. Frick Award for "major contributions to baseball," becoming only the second Spanish-language announcer to achieve the honor.

And during "Fernandomania," the young Dodger pitcher Fernando Valenzuela's rise to become the first and only player to win both the Cy Young and Rookie of the Year awards in one season, Jarrin was there side-by-side, introducing Valenzuela to Los Angeles and to the world. "Fernandomania" also helped introduce Jarrin to an English-speaking audience—not only in Los Angeles, but across the country—helping bridge communities through a shared love of the game.

Through years of hard work, dedication, and passion for the game he loves, Jarrin will have gone on to call games for 64 years in the booth after he retires at the end of this season. Five of those years were alongside his son, Jorge Jarrin, forming the first father-son duo to broadcast baseball on MLB Spanish-language radio. Jaime truly brought Dodger stadium to life inside the homes of Californians each and every night. He has become a legend in his own right, and the entire baseball community will miss his voice once he retires this year.

Outside of baseball, it was clear that Jaime was listening to the community that supported him. With the love and support of his late wife Blanca Jarrin—who is survived by Jaime's sons Jorge and Mauricio, three sisters, and three grandchildren—they launched the Jaime and Blanca Jarrin Foundation committed to serving and supporting educational and athletic programs in the Los Angeles area.

On behalf of the greater Los Angeles metropolitan area and the worldwide baseball community that listened to Jaime's voice for decades: thank you Jaime, "y gracias," for your lifetime service to the Dodgers and to the beautiful game of "beisbol."●