

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LAKE COUNTY LAND TRUST

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 30, 2023

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Lake County Land Trust, which is celebrating thirty years of protecting Lake County's natural resources including wildlife habitat, wetlands, streams, shorelines, and forests.

Thirty years ago, the Lake County Land Trust was formed by a group of concerned residents, including Susanne Scholz, Roberta Lyons, John Graham, Glenn Dishman, Mary Tullanian-Benson, Michael Friel, Judy Cox, Kim Clymire, and Sibyl Day who saw the need for expanded conservation efforts in Lake County. The original officers worked to set up guidelines for the types of property that the Trust would work to preserve and educate themselves about the various funding sources available for land conservation and preservation purposes.

Shortly after its founding, the Trust began work to acquire the Rodman Ranch and Preserve, which was well known for its valuable wildlife habitat, including the largest Great Blue Heron rookeries in Northern California. This important property also contained nesting sites for Osprey and Western Grebes. The Rodman Ranch and Preserve remained unprotected and was being touted as an excellent site for housing developments, golf courses, and a marina. In order to protect this critical habitat, the Trust negotiated an option to purchase the property and with a successful "Adopt-A-Nest" campaign, they brought in nearly \$40,000 toward the \$1.2 million purchase price of the land. The Trust was able to preserve the natural habitat of the Rodman Ranch and facilitate the continued health and existence of the many nesting, breeding, and feeding areas for wildlife.

In September 2004, the Lake County Trust worked with the Bureau of Land Management and the State Wildlife Conservation Board to secure funding for an acquisition of the Black Forest, a 255-acre forest on the slopes of Mt. Konocti. The Bureau of Land Management now holds title to the land, which is dedicated to open space and wildlife habitat.

The Lake County Land Trust has also worked to conserve land and water resources of important environmental, cultural, and historic integrity on behalf of present and future generations. This includes protecting the Rabbit Hill and Chaparral Preserve, Melo Wetland Preserve in 2016, and most recently the Wright Wetland Preserve in 2020. They have successfully done this by working cooperatively with landowners, private groups, and government agencies.

Mr. Speaker, the Lake County Land Trust is deeply appreciated for their work preserving Lake County's natural resources through edu-

cation, cooperation, and conservation. I am proud to have represented this outstanding organization since its inception 30 years ago. Because of the Trust's outstanding work in our Lake County community, it is therefore fitting and proper that we honor them here today.

RECOGNIZING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PINK PONY

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 30, 2023

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to congratulate The Pink Pony of Mackinac Island on their 75th anniversary. A bright sight at the end of the ferry dock, The Pink Pony is widely celebrated for their extraordinary live music, refreshing drinks, and mouthwatering whitefish dip.

In 1948, as a part of the Seahorse Cottages, the pub first opened its doors. Though it wasn't until a renewal project by the original owners in 1956 when The Pink Pony was given its iconic name and design. Today, the restaurant maintains its classic warm feel while continuing to provide outstanding service and a welcoming atmosphere.

The Pink Pony has become a focal point for the residents and tourists alike. Sitting at the end of the Port Huron to Mackinac Sailboat Race, the bar is a favorite of sailboat racers and features the "Pink Pony Yacht Club", complete with pennants from competitors from all over the world.

Critically acclaimed as one of the best outdoor bars in the United States, The Pink Pony consistently receives rave reviews and national awards. Recognitions include 'The Most Iconic Bar in Michigan' by Thrillist, and 'One of America's Best Restaurants for Outdoor Dining' by the Daily Meal, as well as many more accolades.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize The Pink Pony, for its 75th anniversary. I wish The Pink Pony many more years of success and wish the crew the best in all of their future endeavors.

HONORING TENNESSEE'S SECOND DISTRICT VETERAN OF THE MONTH

HON. TIM BURCHETT

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 30, 2023

Mr. BURCHETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Seaman Lois Hensley, an American hero who served faithfully in the Navy from 1942 to 1945.

Seaman Hensley was born in New Philadelphia, Ohio. After high school she couldn't find a job in town and decided to join the Navy at the insistence of her father who was a Navy veteran.

She was sent to Yonkers, New York to become a teletype operator where she sent and received logistical messages. After her initial training, she was then stationed in Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia.

In 1945 she returned home and enrolled at Kent State University to study nursing where she was reacquainted with her former high school classmate James Hensley. They got married in 1946 and had three children together.

The couple moved around with James's job for many years before settling down in Friendsville, TN. After James passed away in 2003. Lois started doing volunteer work at Blount Memorial Hospital and Morning View Village Assisted living center. She started crocheting Prayer Shawls for friends and strangers. She made well over 600 shawls. She made it her life mission to wrap people in love with the shawls.

Our country's heroes are the men and women of our armed forces, like Seaman Lois Hensley, who continue to serve and sacrifice for our country and community. It's my honor to recognize Seaman Lois Hensley as the Tennessee Second District's November 2023 Veteran of the Month.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 30, 2023

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, I was attending a bipartisan briefing at the White House to review and discuss the funding needs for our national security. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 547 and NAY on Roll Call No. 548.

HONORING THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LOUIS M. MARTINI WINERY

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 30, 2023

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a Napa Valley landmark, the Louis M. Martini winery. In 1906, Louis M. Martini, an Italian immigrant who first made wine with his father in San Francisco, began his winemaking journey with the simple goal of making the best Cabernet Sauvignon possible. He built a legacy of top-notch hospitality, excellence, and innovation, championing fine dry wines, premium viticulture, and was a pioneer of temperature-controlled fermentation.

In 1933, Louis M. Martini established the world-class Louis M. Martini Winery in St. Helena, California. This was the first winery to open after the Repeal of Prohibition in Napa County. Louis M. and his son, Louis P. Martini, were early adopters of cold fermentation,

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a process that helps preserve a wine's fruit characteristics. They were also among the first to bottle a varietal Merlot in California. In 1938, the family further invested in winemaking by purchasing the Goldstein Ranch in Sonoma, renaming it Monte Rosso Vineyard.

Louis M. helped establish the Napa Valley Vintners Association with the aim of developing and promoting the quality of Napa Valley wines worldwide, while Louis P. pioneered the use of wind machines to prevent frost damage in vineyards. In 1954, Louis P. Martini inherited the role of winemaker from his father and would later be inducted into the Vintner's Hall of Fame as a "Pioneer" in the wine community.

The impact of the winery's legacy extends far beyond wine. In 1994, the Louis P. Martini Endowment was established as a viticulture and enological research fund. This fund has supported students in their research and helped send them to the American Society of Enology and Viticulture National Meeting in Portland, Oregon.

In 2019, the original winery was restored, introducing an array of world-class tasting experiences. Among the most significant additions to the winery during the redesign was the creation of a new culinary program, headed by Chef Jeffery Russell, and an extensive food and wine tasting known as the Martini Park and Cabana Experiences. Today, Louis M. Martini Winery has become a go-to destination for comprehensive tastings, educational experiences, and elevated food programs.

Mr. Speaker, the Louis M. Martini Winery has established a legacy that encapsulates the enduring commitment and passion of the winemakers, growers, and enthusiasts behind the winery's longevity and success. It has played a crucial role in cultivating Napa Valley's reputation for world-class wines throughout the 20th and 21st centuries. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor their 90 years of winemaking here today.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 30, 2023

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and missed the vote. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 546, NAY on Roll Call No. 545, and NAY on Roll Call No. 544.

RECOGNIZING THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF HORN'S GASLIGHT BAR AND RESTAURANT

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 30, 2023

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Horn's Gaslight Bar and Restaurant for 90 years of exemplary service. I would like to congratulate the Horn Family and their staff on their success and wish them many more years of success.

The Horn family has a long and celebrated history in Mackinac. In 1915, Ed Horn first

came to Mackinac Island to work for the Michigan Life Saving Service, the predecessor to the United States Coast Guard. During Prohibition, Ed Horn leased the building that would become Horn's and opened a pool hall and snack shop. In December of 1933, following the passage of the 21st Amendment, Ed finally opened Horn's Gaslight Bar and Restaurant as we know it today.

Since its start, Horn's has been a staple of Mackinac Island. During the day you can hear lively piano music drifting out the door and see eager customers dining on the renowned southwest cuisine. When the sun sets, the chairs are pulled aside, and the dance floor comes alive. Horn's is a favorite late-night spot among locals, workers, and visitors alike.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to congratulate Horn's Gaslight Bar and Restaurant for 90 years of outstanding service. I'd like to wish the Horn family and their staff all the best in their future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING PHILLIP JACKSON

HON. MARILYN STRICKLAND

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 30, 2023

Ms. STRICKLAND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize delivery driver Phillip Jackson of Thurston County for his remarkable perceptiveness that helped to reunite a five-year-old boy with his mother. While making a delivery to a West Olympia Texaco, Phillip noticed an unaccompanied boy without shoes or a shirt walking around the convenience store. Sensing that something was amiss, Phillip immediately sprang into action and called 911. It was Phillip's initiative in alerting authorities of the situation that allowed local law enforcement, who had already been working with the boy's mother after she had reported him missing, to locate the child. Even after the police had arrived, Phillip remained with the boy until the mother and her child were reunited. Phillip credits his intervention to a workplace training he took that teaches delivery drivers to recognize signs of human trafficking and children at risk on the road. I applaud Phillip's awareness and quick action to help keep our most vulnerable members of our community safe and I am proud to recognize him today as our community's Constituent of the Month.

TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF THE HONORABLE RICHARD CLARENCE CLARK

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 30, 2023

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and work of a great American and former United States Senator, Richard Clarence Clark. Dick Clark was born on September 14, 1928, in Paris, Iowa, and died peacefully on September 20, 2023, at his home in Washington, D.C., at the age of 95.

Dick Clark enlisted in the U.S. Army after high school and served his country in England during the Korean War. He earned a Bachelor's degree at Upper Iowa University and his

Master's at the University of Iowa. He then taught at Upper Iowa University, worked as a volunteer for the Democratic Party, and in 1972 he ran for the U.S. Senate. Partly in response to his unorthodox campaign tactic of actually walking 1,300 miles across Iowa to meet the voters, he won the seat. He served on the Senate Foreign Relations, Agriculture and Public Works Committees and after losing his race in 1978, he was soon appointed Ambassador-at-Large by President Jimmy Carter and spent most of 1979 serving as the administration's coordinator for refugee affairs, working to provide aid and housing for tens of thousands of people fleeing wars and famine in Southeast Asia. He then worked on the presidential campaign of Senator Ted Kennedy and became a Senior Fellow at the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies.

Dick Clark has been described as hard-working, studious, well-liked, and a highly respected Senator. He was all these and more. I first met him in 1994 when I was invited to participate in my first Aspen Institute Congressional Program as a newly elected Member of the House of Representatives. This program, initiated and directed by Dick Clark, fostered relationships with members of both parties and provided high value information on a variety of policies presented by experts and discussed by Members. Dick Clark said that "good policy depends on informed policy makers" and many minds were shaped and policies refined as a result of this superb Aspen Congressional Institute. Dick was as fine a human being one could ever know . . . a kind man of enormous integrity, a beautiful friend and a true patriot.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in paying tribute to this remarkable man, his life and his work, and in extending our most sincere condolences to his wife Julie, his three children, three grandchildren, and two great-grandsons. We are a better and stronger nation because of him.

RETIREMENT SECURITY WORK ONGOING: AN UPDATE FOR NATIONAL RETIREMENT SECURITY MONTH

HON. TIM WALBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 30, 2023

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to discuss a critical issue impacting millions of Americans who work hard every day so that, when the time comes, they can enjoy their golden years in retirement. October is National Retirement Security month, so it is a good time to both reflect on the retirement reforms we have recently enacted and look ahead to the remaining work to be done.

America's retirement savings system and the retirement outlook for millions has dramatically improved because of Congress's bipartisan work over the last few years. Our private sector retirement savings system works well for many employees and employers, but additional improvements could help more Americans achieve a successful retirement for all.

As a senior member of the House Education and the Workforce Committee, I was proud to play an active role in helping draft and advance the SECURE 2.0 Act of 2022 into law