

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING JAMES ED HARRIS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable unsung hero, James Ed Harris.

James Ed Harris is a native Mississippian, born on the Harris family homestead in Grenada, where he lived with his mother, Mary Magdalene Harris and his father, Jimmy Lee Harris, along with his six siblings.

James grew up working in the cotton fields on a local plantation with his mother; who was well known in the community as a seamstress taking the lead during a highly volatile racial south; to give relief while his WW2 Veteran father, Jimmy Lee Harris, also worked outside of the home.

In 1966, James was among many teenager kids who risked their lives for the cause of getting Black Americans registered to vote and integrated into white schools without them all being killed in the process. They were beaten and arrested for trying to register Black Children. These teens were all taken to prison in Parchman, MS. There was a military draft that happened during that time. Although there was not a massive number of Black soldiers, they were the first to get drafted to fight in a foreign land.

The day James was released from that prison was the day he made the conscious decision to protect his family's future. He chose to go and fight for his country in the perilous Vietnam War.

James Ed Harris was awarded with the Purple Heart and Bronze Star Medal citation for extraordinary acts of valor while under direct enemy fire during ground operations against a superior hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing James Ed Harris for his dedication and tenacity to serving his country and the desire to be an example for all.

RECOGNIZING MRS. BERNICE
TINSLEY

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mrs. Bernice Tinsley for her dedication to dedication to St. Thomas United Methodist Church.

At 94 years old, Mrs. Tinsley is the oldest living member at Saint Thomas United Methodist Church in Sylacauga, Alabama.

She has previously served as a Sunday school teacher, choir member, Older Adult

Ministry Chair, and a Vacation Bible School instructor. She is known among friends and fellow church members for her loving spirit and her infectious smile.

Mrs. Tinsley is the loving mother of 3 sons. Mrs. Tinsley's dedicated service to her community is one that every Alabamian should be proud of. Her dedication to the lives of others has truly made a difference and given hope and encouragement to so many people.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing Mrs. Tinsley and her lifetime of service to the Saint Thomas United Methodist Church.

CELEBRATING THE CAREER OF
PORT EVERGLADES ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LORI
BAER

HON. JARED MOSKOWITZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MOSKOWITZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Lori Baer, the Executive Director of the Port Everglades Association and port industry veteran, for her three decades of contributions to the industry.

Lori gained her port experience in the public and private sectors, holding various distinguished roles. At AECOM, a global engineering and consulting firm, she held the positions of Vice President and Ports and Marine Lead for the Americas. She also served as Executive Director of the Port of Palm Beach. Additionally, she has performed in senior management positions at the Port of Miami and the Western Hemisphere-wide American Association of Port Authorities. Lori has dedicated her career to developing an unmatched expertise in the port industry, which has served her communities domestically and internationally.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me in recognizing the Executive Director of the Port Everglades Association, Lori Baer, for her outstanding career and contributions to the ports of the Western Hemisphere and Florida's 23rd Congressional District.

HONORING DONNA BROWN-WYNN

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a tenacious and self-motivated leader, Donna Brown-Wynn. Donna Brown-Wynn has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication, and a desire to achieve.

Donna Brown-Wynn was a three-sport athlete—basketball, track and field and softball—

at Vicksburg High. She was the softball team's MVP in 1989 and won state championships in track in several events but excelled the most in basketball.

Brown-Wynn played at Mississippi State and was a four-year starter at point guard. She set an MSU record for 3-pointers in a game that stood for nearly 20 years.

After her playing career, Brown-Wynn went into coaching. She spent two years as an assistant at Mississippi State, then 13 more on the staff at Belmont University in Nashville.

Since 2003, Brown-Wynn has returned to her hometown each summer to host the week-long "Play 2 Wynn" basketball camp.

Brown-Wynn was inducted into the 2022 Vicksburg Warren School District Athletic Hall of Fame.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Donna Brown-Wynn for her passion and dedication to the Vicksburg Warren School District and Warren County Community.

RECOGNIZING ROBERT "BOB" J.
SCULLEY FOR DECADES OF
SERVICE AT THE NEW HAMPSHIRE
MOTOR TRANSPORTATION
AGENCY

HON. CHRIS PAPPAS

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Robert "Bob" J. Sculley's long-standing work for the New Hampshire Motor Transportation Agency (NHMTA), including his 34 years of service as the organization's president, and wish him well as he enters retirement. Bob's dedication to providing Granite Staters with a reliable, efficient, safe, and economical motor transport system through his advocacy before federal, state, and municipal government bodies is nothing but admirable.

Bob's persistent work to uplift the NHMTA began in 1989, when the organization was still in its early stages. Throughout his long tenure, he has helped the organization grow, instituted multiple programs that save members money, and formed ties between the NHMTA and local government agencies such as the NH Department of Safety. Bob's work has helped the economy of the Granite State flourish by creating programs that help small businesses comply with government regulations, thus saving them money and easing administrative burdens.

On behalf of the constituents of New Hampshire's First Congressional District, I want to thank Bob for his decades of service and congratulate him on his well-deserved retirement. Bob's work with NHMTA will continue to benefit Granite Staters for generations to come and I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

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HONORING MS. TERI GEORGE FOR
THREE DECADES OF SERVICE TO
THE U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER
PROTECTION

HON. RALPH NORMAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Mr. NORMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a dedicated public servant, Teri E. George, whose remarkable career with the United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP) exemplifies unwavering commitment and tireless dedication to the protection and security of the Carolinas and our great Nation.

Ms. Teri E. George's career began in 1993 with U.S. Customs. Her decades-long career has been marked by steadfast loyalty to her responsibilities, a deep sense of duty, and an unwavering commitment to the core principles of public service. Her retirement on December 31, 2023, is a milestone that marks thirty years and eleven months of exceptional service to our country.

In 2003, with the formation of the Department of Homeland Security, Ms. George seamlessly transitioned to the Customs and Border Protection agency. Her adaptability and ability to excel in a dynamic and ever-changing environment are a testament to her competence and leadership within the organization.

Ms. George's contributions to CBP have been significant, with the majority of her career spent as the Supervisory Mission Support Specialist for the Area Port of Charlotte. In this vital role, she oversaw crucial functions, including budget management, personnel actions, logistics, and facilities for ports of entry in North Carolina.

Ms. George's work as the Supervisory Mission Support Specialist ensured that the necessary resources and infrastructure were available to facilitate the essential operations of Customs and Border Protection across the Carolinas. Her tireless efforts helped to maintain the efficiency and effectiveness of CBP operations, safeguarding our nation's borders and enhancing our homeland security.

The dedication, expertise, and commitment that Ms. Teri George displayed throughout her career are commendable and deserving of the highest recognition. Her contributions have left an indelible mark on the Department of Homeland Security and the United States Customs and Border Protection, further enhancing our nation's security and prosperity.

As Ms. George embarks on a well-earned retirement, I extend my heartfelt gratitude and best wishes for the next chapter in her life. I want to express deep appreciation on behalf of the whole community for her unwavering commitment to public service and her outstanding contributions to the security of our Nation.

Her legacy will continue to inspire those who follow in her footsteps, and her dedication to public service will remain a shining example to all.

HONORING THE LIFE OF CHIEF
MICHAEL D. LIDDELL

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a tenacious and self-motivated leader, the late Chief Michael D. Liddell. Chief Liddell has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication, and a desire to achieve.

Michael attended Humphreys County High School and obtained his GED in November of 1989. He then attended Coahoma Community College in 1990. After deciding that he wanted to work, he obtained a job at SuperValu Distribution Company in 1991 in Indianola, MS, where he worked until 2003. Michael then attended Mississippi Delta Community College and graduated from the Law Enforcement Training Academy in March of 2005. After graduating, he became employed at the Pelzoni Police Department and served as a police officer until he assumed the position of Chief of Police in 2017.

Michael was a great officer. He took pride in his work and loved what he did. He dedicated many personal hours to protecting and serving his community. He was very passionate about his work. He had a huge heart and would help anyone he could. He served faithfully until he became ill in June 2022.

Of all his accomplishments, nothing meant as much as when Michael dedicated his life to Christ and became a faithful member of Shiloh MB Church Deovelente under the leadership of Pastor Charles Edwards on February 27, 2022.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life, legacy, and service of the late Chief Michael D. Liddell.

RECOGNIZING DOROTHY TAZIK'S
100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dorothy Tazik, a remarkable constituent from my district, and to pay tribute to her on the celebration of her 100th Birthday in September of this year.

Dorothy was born on September 6, 1923, in Wallington, New Jersey, as the third child and only daughter of Mary and John Pollak. From New Jersey, she and her family relocated to Tullytown and later Bristol in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. On October 19, 1946, she married her husband Wendel J. Tazik, an Army Air Corps veteran from World War II who served faithfully in the Pacific Theater. Dorothy and Wendel settled in Levittown, Pennsylvania, where they raised their five daughters, and she embarked on a lifetime of devotion as a wife, mother, homemaker, and grandmother. Dorothy is further blessed with 9 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

I am personally honored to have arranged for the flag of the United States of America to be flown over the United States Capitol on her 100th Birthday to commemorate this historic

occasion in her life. Moreover, I am deeply honored to have had the opportunity to present this flag to her during her Birthday celebration.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my esteemed colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to please join me in extending our heartfelt congratulations, sincere well-wishes, and all of God's Blessings to Dorothy Tazik on the celebration of her 100th Birthday.

HONORING THE WESLEY HOUSE
ASSOCIATION

HON. CORI BUSH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Ms. BUSH. Mr. Speaker, St. Louis and I rise to congratulate the Wesley House Association for 120 years of dedicated community service.

Wesley House is a professional, highly-motivated, and socially conscious organization with a passion for improving the overall quality of life for communities in need. They value creative problem-solving and ambitious fundraising efforts in order to support their far-reaching programs and services. Their after-school programs encourage civic engagement among young people, and their senior outreach programs help ensure that our seniors are respected, secure, and active participants in their communities.

Organizations like Wesley House are incredibly valued and beloved. Their efforts are truly the personification of what it means to be servant leaders who embody selflessness and unyielding altruism. St. Louis honors their service, and may we all commit to paying their efforts forward.

HONORING ROOSEVELT HARRIS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a determined and self-motivated leader, Roosevelt Harris. Roosevelt Harris has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication, and a desire to achieve.

Vicksburg Native Roosevelt Harris opened his third business; his trucking company, R&R Transportation, LLC in 2021. Harris has achieved his goal of becoming an owner/operator just one year after facing a near-death experience with COVID-19. His week-long stay in ICU renewed his resolve and inspired Harris to take action, not only for his own benefit, but to serve as an example for others to realize their potential.

Harris came up with the idea of having his own trucking service in July 2021. He purchased a 24-foot box truck which allows him to travel state-to-state hauling general freight, including furniture and equipment, to different companies.

Before jumping into the trucking industry, Harris also consulted with some of his close friends, Cambridge Williams, Stefon Demby, Jarvis McDaniel and Bobby Clark, who are already in the business.