

academic life. She expressed her gratitude, saying, "I am very blessed to be able to help Spanish speaking parents and students be successful in school." I, along with all of Northwest Florida, thank Ms. Gamboa for her hard work and dedication to her students and this community.

On behalf of the United States House of Representatives, I am privileged to recognize Ms. Gamboa for her contributions to Northwest Florida.

RECOGNIZING WENDY PATE'S  
SERVICE TO THE CITY OF TRENTON

**HON. DEBBIE DINGELL**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 6, 2023*

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Wendy Pate, City Councilwoman for the City of Trenton, on the occasion of her retirement. The dedication and love that she has shown to her community during her tenure is worthy of commendation.

Wendy is a lifelong Downriver resident, and she and her husband, Carl, have lived in Trenton for the last 19 years. Together they have two children, Daphne and Carl III. Her family has been volunteering in community activities for years, including working with the local Boy Scouts and events put on by the Trenton Business Association, the Trenton Educational Foundation, and the local Student Council. Wendy is a retired high school math teacher and MEA-retired member. She served as MEA-RA, class congress sponsor, and staff morale committee chair.

Wendy was elected to the Trenton City Council in 2019. She was a member of the City Beautiful Commission and is a member of the Trail Town Advisory Committee. She also co-founded a community action group, the DCC Coal Grant Riverfront Community Group, whose mission is to support the Trenton Coast Resiliency Master Plan and engage residents to support sustainable uses for Trenton's waterfront and revitalize their downtown. Wendy also spearheaded the project to paint murals on West Jefferson Ave in order to beautify a main intersection in Trenton as well as celebrate their 2021 designation as a Pure Michigan Trail Town.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing Councilwoman Wendy Pate for all that she has done for the City of Trenton. Both in her position on the city council and in her private life, Wendy has worked tirelessly to make Trenton and the Downriver area healthier and more sustainable for future generations. I thank Wendy.

HONORING BEULAH HEIGHTS  
FIRST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH  
ON THE CELEBRATION OF THEIR  
CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

**HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 6, 2023*

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to join the congregation

of the Beulah Heights First Pentecostal Church of New Haven, Connecticut in extending my heartfelt congratulations on the celebration of their 100th Anniversary. Throughout its history, the Church and its congregation have demonstrated a unique commitment to serve the community and ensure that the most vulnerable of our citizens could find comfort and resources in their time of need.

Originally named Beulah Heights Mission, the ministry was founded in a converted storefront on Poplar Street in New Haven during the summer of 1923 under the leadership of the late Elder Walter and Rosa B. Andrews. While their initial membership was modest, just twelve, over the next several decades, under the leadership of Elder Andrews, Mother Andrews, and then Elder Lambert Tolbert, the ministry saw steady growth. In 1943, the Elder George H. Brooks succeeded Elder Tolbert and in 1950 was installed as Pastor of Beulah Heights Church.

The installation of Pastor George Brooks at Beulah Heights Church also marked the beginning of what would be an expansion of the Church's work in the community and generational leadership at Beulah Heights. After serving as junior pastor under his father, Elder Theodore L. Brooks, Sr. was installed as the church's fifth pastor in 1988.

It was the vision and leadership of Bishop Brooks that Beulah Heights became a pillar in the Greater New Haven community. The first outreach ministry under this new administration was the Beulah Land Development Corporation, launching what still today is an ongoing renaissance in New Haven's Dixwell community. The organization's mission focused on transforming severely blighted properties into safe, revitalized affordable homes for working families. Over the last four years, its Back to School Fair has served over 1,500 children and 3,000 families. Children from preschool through high school receiving backpacks filled with all the tools necessary to be prepared on the first day of school and adults and parents in attendance are connected with a network of health and human services resources from around the city. The Beulah Heights Social Integration Program provides outreach to individuals who have experienced substance abuse, dependence and incarceration—equipping them with essential resources to help them obtain employment, housing, and mental health support. And the T.L. Brooks Ministries utilizes new technologies to make the preached word available for the masses on CD and DVD.

Today, while Bishop Brooks remains an active participant in both the Church and its many ministries, his son, Elder Harold Brooks leads Beulah Heights First Pentecostal Church, while his other son, Darrell Brooks serves as the Chief Operating Officer for Beulah Land Development—representing a third generation of invaluable service to our community.

The Beulah Heights First Pentecostal Church has not only been a center for religious worship, but a vehicle through which their members could give back to the community. For the last century, the Beulah Heights First Pentecostal Church has been a fixture in our community, their ministry and outreach efforts leaving an indelible mark on our community. The Beulah Heights First Pentecostal Church gives its members a place to find their spiritual center and to solidify and support

their values—a beacon of light and hope for their members and the community. I am proud to stand today and extend my very best wishes to them as they mark this milestone in their history. Happy 100th Anniversary and as we say in Italian, C'ent Anni.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. DEBBIE LESKO**

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 6, 2023*

Mrs. LESKO. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 578, H. Res. 798, and YEA on Roll Call No. 577, H.R. 6126.

HONORING TEXAS-24 HOMETOWN  
HERO FREDDY GARRIDO

**HON. BETH VAN DUYN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 6, 2023*

Ms. VAN DUYN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize our Texas-24 Hometown Hero, FMC Fort Worth Warden, Freddy Garrido. Warden Garrido has spent almost 30 years in the Bureau of Prisons and is retiring on October 31, 2023. During his impressive career, Warden Freddy Garrido has served selflessly to promote responsibility and lifelong skills for those incarcerated. Through his passion for service, Warden Garrido has used his role to give an underserved community hope and a second chance. Warden Garrido served at various duty stations including, FDC Oakdale, FCI Forrest City, FCC Butner, FMC Lexington, FCC Florence, FCC Victorville, and FCC Beaumont before moving to North Texas at a critical time to provide leadership and direction at FMC Fort Worth. Those who work closely with him say that his attitude and leadership style make them more empathetic and compassionate in fulfilling their own duties. During his time at FMC Fort Worth, Warden Garrido has made leadership development and training a priority. By establishing vocational programs, like a "second chance cafe" and HVAC program, the incarcerated have the opportunity to learn valuable life skills to equip them upon their release into society. I want to congratulate Warden Garrido on his retirement and thank him for his outstanding career of service.

RECOGNIZING THE 2023 FARM AND  
LAND EXPOSITION

**HON. BARRY MOORE**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 6, 2023*

Mr. MOORE of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize constituents of Alabama's Second Congressional District and their participation in the 2023 Farm and Land Exposition hosted in Mobile, Alabama on August 10-13, 2023 by the Alabama Farmers Federation.

My constituents, Daniel Free of Elmore County, Sarah Temple of Houston County,

Gracie Woodall of Houston County, and Caleb Connor of Montgomery County, participated in the discussion meet competition. Will Kirkland of Henry County and Nathan Parker of Houston County participated in the Excellence in Agriculture competition.

While remaining good stewards of their land, these folks have also been gracious neighbors by extending their knowledge and expertise to others. The evident dedication to agricultural production by these young producers and families makes me hopeful for the industry's future.

These young farmers have embodied exactly what it means to have a servant's heart while taking care of their land and their communities. 1 Peter 4:10 says, "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." The Second Congressional District of Alabama is fortunate to have outstanding individuals like them.

I would like to recognize these young producers for their participation in this year's young farmer competitions and their dedication to production agriculture in Alabama's Second Congressional District. The farmers and producers in Alabama's Second Congressional District have created a remarkable legacy of feeding and supporting citizens across the great state of Alabama and the Nation.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE REVEREND JUAN MARTINEZ

##### HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 6, 2023*

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today to join the New Haven community in mourning the loss of the Reverend Juan Martinez. At the age of 94, Reverend Martinez lived a full life, full of family, faith, and service to our community. His legacy of advocacy and religious leadership has left an indelible mark and will serve as an inspiration to many for generations to come.

Born in Puerto Rico, Reverend Martinez came to New Haven more than six decades ago, eventually making a home in West Haven where he has lived for more than fifty years. He and his first wife, Persida, raised six children, all of whom have mirrored their father's commitment to community. His son, John, was a beloved State Representative for many years before his tragic passing in 2002; Joe a firefighter for the City of New Haven; and Ariel, followed his father in becoming a pastor himself. His daughter, Evelyn, volunteered her time as a supervisor and site coordinator for the Vita Tax Program.

A Pentecostal Minister, Reverend Martinez founded the Door of Salvation Pentecostal Church of New Haven where he led the congregation for more than sixty years. As a spiritual guide, he nourished the souls of many—often providing much needed comfort during the hardest of personal trials. A leader in the Pentecostal ministry and understanding the growing need for Spanish language led houses of worship, Reverend Martinez was also responsible for the establishment of a multitude of Spanish speaking churches across the state.

As a pastor, Reverend Martinez had a unique insight into the needs of his community. With many in his congregation struggling to find financial and economic security, he looked for ways he could make a difference in their lives. This led him to serve on several local service organization boards including the City of New Haven Crossroads Program, the Hill Health Center, and the Latino Youth Development Program. Always seeking to do more for his community, Reverend Martinez founded the New Life Corporation, an organization formed to aid communities and residents with financial and tax assistance; co-founded the Evangelical Spanish Association of New Haven, which assisted the inner city with low-income housing; and was instrumental in the development of Junta for Progressive Action, the oldest Latino, community-based nonprofit organization in New Haven which began as an advocacy hub to address the needs of Greater New Haven first generation of migrants and has grown to offer no-cost social services, legal services, immigration services, adult education, and youth programs to over 2,000 low-income individuals annually.

As a respected leader in his community, local elected officials often sought his advice and counsel. When I first decided to run for Congress, Reverend Martinez was one of my earliest supporters. He introduced me not only to his congregation but also several others across the City. He and his family embraced me, and I have cherished the special friendship we have built over the years. I, like so many others, have and will continue to be inspired by Reverend Martinez—his compassion, advocacy, and commitment to bettering our community and improving the quality of life for all.

Today we mourn the loss of a giant—a spiritual guide, a community leader, a friend, and mentor. Reverend Juan Martinez will be deeply missed by all of those fortunate enough to have known him. I extend my deepest sympathies to his wife and partner, Maria, as well as his children; Ariel, Joe, and Persida; and his four beloved grandchildren, Elias, Alexandra, Jonothan, and Priscilla. His legacy will live on through them and the countless lives he touched.

#### CONGRATULATING SENIOR PASTOR CHUL LEE ON HIS RETIREMENT

##### HON. BETH VAN DUYNE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 6, 2023*

Ms. VAN DUYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank Senior Pastor Chul Lee for his service with the Dallas Central Methodist Church and to congratulate him on his retirement.

Pastor Lee's exceptional leadership at the Dallas Central Methodist Church has brought about remarkable initiatives that have made a significant impact on our community. One of the standout achievements during his tenure has been the church's dedication to providing scholarships to various segments of our community. Over the past 15 years, these scholarships have totaled an impressive \$500,000, making it possible for numerous young individuals to pursue their educational aspirations.

These segments include students attending university from the Irving Police Department, students from the firefighting community, and students from Irving Senior High School who are seeking higher education.

Pastor Sung Chul Lee's unwavering commitment to our community's welfare serves as a testament to his profound dedication to the well-being of our citizens and his faith. Through his leadership and the contributions of the Dallas Central Methodist Church, they have greatly improved the lives of numerous Irving residents. It is my honor to congratulate Senior Pastor Sung Chul Lee on his successful career and retirement.

#### SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, November 7, 2023 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

#### MEETINGS SCHEDULED

##### NOVEMBER 8

9 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

To hold hearings to examine the President's supplemental request for the Departments of Health and Human Services and Homeland Security.

SD-106

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the philosophy of AI, focusing on learning from history and shaping our future.

SD-562

10 a.m.

Committee on the Budget

To hold hearings to examine fairness and fiscal responsibility.

SD-608

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine accessing clean water infrastructure assistance, focusing on small, rural, disadvantaged and underserved communities.

SD-406

Committee on Finance

Business meeting to consider an original bill entitled "Better Mental Health Care, Lower-Cost Drugs, and Extenders Act".

SD-215

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine U.S. national security interests in Ukraine.

SD-419