

Out” in the stands and an emotional Survivor Walk around the field. And it’s not just a high school activity—every building in the district takes part in Pink Week activities, and students solicit donations and prizes from the generous local business community. The Leadership Class organizes and executes all of this, under the guidance and direction of their teacher, Mrs. Kelly Armstrong, and with the support and backing of the administration, all while balancing challenging coursework, college applications, varsity sports, musical endeavors, part-time jobs, and the general ups and downs of high school life.

Pink Week is a cherished tradition in Brighton, annually bringing in thousands of dollars to support cancer treatment for local residents. But the class of 2023 broke all records, raising close to \$55,000 in a single week for the Trinity Health Cancer Center, located just a few miles from their high school.

Mr. Speaker, today’s high school seniors have had to navigate and overcome so much: the massive disruptions of a global pandemic, social and political upheaval, a mental health crisis, the very real threat of gun violence, and so many more obstacles than they should have had to face in just 18 years of life. And yet in Brighton, still they rise in the service of others. I submit that these students are not waiting to become the leaders of tomorrow; they are stepping up today. I applaud the extraordinary accomplishments of the Brighton High School Leadership Class of 2023. Long may they continue to lead the way.

**TERMINATING CDC REQUIREMENT
FOR PROOF OF COVID-19 VAC-
CINATION FOR FOREIGN TRAV-
ELERS**

SPEECH OF

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 185) to terminate the requirement imposed by the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for proof of COVID-19 vaccination for foreign travelers, and for other purposes:

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Chair, I rise to provide remarks on H.R. 185, a bill House Republicans have brought to the Floor to revoke vaccine requirements for global travelers entering the United States. This legislation puts American health care at risk, flies in the face of settled science surrounding the COVID-19 vaccine and hinders America’s ability to adapt and respond to emerging variants.

The decision to revise or revoke our country’s public health guidance concerning COVID-19 vaccine requirements should rest in the hands of our public health experts—not Congress. Since the beginning of the pandemic, numerous variants of the virus originating in other countries have spread to the United States. The potential for new variants is a public health concern that is only elevated with increased travel of unvaccinated individuals.

With this bill, House Republicans have made themselves clear: they would prefer to play political games by misleading the Amer-

ican people about the efficacy of the vaccine instead of focusing on alleviating the stress on our hospitals, health care providers, and public health resources.

**HONORING THE LIFE AND WORK
OF EUGENE LEE**

HON. DAVID N. CICILLINE

OF RHODE ISLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Mr. CICILLINE. Mr. Speaker, this week, we mourn the death of Eugene Lee, a celebrated and innovative set designer from Providence, Rhode Island.

Perhaps most widely known as production designer for Saturday Night Live, he was longest serving member of the show’s production staff, joining the team for the show’s debut in 1975. During his tenure, he created iconic sets including Wayne’s World, Putin’s office, and the More Cowbell recording studio.

He was also production designer for The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon from 2014–2018, creating the Manhattan skyline-inspired set, and for Late Night with Seth Meyers.

He is a three-time Tony Award winner for Broadway’s *Candide*, *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street*, and *Wicked* and was nominated for 18 Emmys, winning 6. His is also a three-time recipient of the Drama Desk Award for Outstanding Set Design, and was presented with the Lucille Lortel Award, the Elliot Norton Award for Sustained Excellence, the Pell Award, and the DesignxRI Lifetime Achievement Award. He is an inductee of both the New York Theater Hall of Fame and the American Theatre Hall of Fame.

Eugene shared his talents with the Providence community as the resident designer at Trinity Repertory Company, and our arts community was proud and lucky to have him as a member.

Beyond his immeasurable talent, Eugene was a wonderful person, and I am grateful to have called him a friend.

My thoughts are with his wife Brooke, their sons Willie and Ted, his entire family and all of those who knew and loved him.

The world is a bit darker without his light. May he rest in peace.

**HONORING THE SCRIPPS HOWARD
SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AND
COMMUNICATIONS AT HAMPTON
UNIVERSITY ON ITS 20TH ANNI-
VERSARY**

HON. ROBERT C. “BOBBY” SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the Scripps Howard School of Journalism and Communications at Hampton University on its 20th Anniversary.

The Scripps Howard School of Journalism and Communications was established in September 2002 to train students to become expert journalists and communicators and increase diversity within the industry. Hampton University is one of the nation’s top Historically

Black Colleges and Universities, and the Scripps Howard School continues the legacy of innovative higher education that is found at Hampton University.

The Scripps Howard School of Journalism and Communications hosts a wide variety of experiences to prepare students for their future journalistic pursuits. Housed in a 36,000 square foot building, the school offers students the ability to work in a broadcast studio, a radio station, and a television station with state-of-the-art editing equipment. Alumni of the school enter the workforce as talented journalists, holding positions at local and national news organizations. The Scripps Howard School of Journalism and Communications embodies the Hampton University motto: “The Standard for Excellence, An Education for Life.”

I want to thank Julia A. Wilson, the current Dean of the Scripps Howard School of Journalism and Communications, for her dedication to the students of Hampton University. I also want to thank the prior deans Christopher Campbell, Tony Brown, Rosalynne Whitaker-Heck, Brett A. Pulley, and B. DaVida Plummer for their years of service.

Mr. Speaker, as the Hampton University community gathers this Friday to celebrate this momentous anniversary, I want to congratulate the students, faculty and alumni of the Scripps Howard School of Journalism and Communications on 20 years of excellence and wish them many more years of success.

**CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF FRED
ROGERS**

HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life and legacy of Mr. Fred Rogers, a fierce champion and advocate who helped guide the City of Aurora’s young people onto a path of success.

Mr. Rogers was the City of Aurora’s first ever youth services director, a role he held for 25 years. During his time, he directed the City of Lights Sports Tournament, the Aurora Sports Festival, Stepping Into the Arts Music Program, and several summer camps. He also coordinated several city events, including the Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebrations.

Upon his retirement, Mr. Rogers was recognized with the creation of the Fred Rogers Community Center in 2009. He believed that our youth are essential for our community’s future success, and it is estimated that Mr. Roger’s advocacy work impacted the lives of more than 25,000 Aurora children. In 1996, he traveled as part of a group to meet with former Alabama Governor George Wallace to offer his forgiveness for the Governor’s racist views, which ultimately led to the Governor repenting his past remarks.

Fred Rogers always taught Aurora’s youth to work with compassion in order to be good and productive citizens. I am proud to represent Aurora, and I like many others, know that the incredible legacy left by Mr. Rogers on the City of Aurora will provide a blueprint for our youth and community for years to come.

COMMEMORATING THE 50TH ANNI-
VERSARY OF THE GARDEN
RIDGE LIONS CLUB

HON. CHIP ROY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Garden Ridge Lions Club.

The past 50 years have highlighted the Garden Ridge Lions Club's outstanding achievements and dedication to serving Central Texas. Their work delivering holiday meals to families in need, assisting school nurses with hearing testing, and building access ramps for disabled citizens, highlights their selflessness and endless service to the great state of Texas.

Each one of their members should be immensely proud of all that they have accomplished. I am certainly proud of all their out-

standing achievements and dedication to their neighbors. Collectively, they have provided high-quality service for thousands of Texans in need.

On behalf of the 21st Congressional District of Texas, I want to thank each member for their service to our community. I trust that Garden Ridge Lions Club members will have great success in their future endeavors and continue to be leaders in our communities for years to come. It is a joy to wish them a happy 50th Anniversary.