

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF DEBORAH DAWN CSASZAR

#### HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 11, 2023*

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Deborah Dawn Csaszar of Blossom, Texas. Mrs. Csaszar was born on November 23, 1966, in Lima, Ohio to Reverend Raymond Rosebrough and Twila Huston Rosebrough. She is survived by her brother, Michael Rosebrough, and her parents.

In her early years, Mrs. Csaszar attended Angelo State University for her Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration, and later became an accomplished paralegal in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex. On October 10, 2020, she married the love of her life, John Csaszar.

Through her later work at the Lollypop Learning Center, Mrs. Csaszar was overjoyed to spend time with children, and loved teaching them to read and sing. She also had a passion for playing the piano and rescuing stray animals, once stopping at a parking lot to bring home an abandoned kitten. Moreover, Mrs. Csaszar was an adventurous spirit, and she was never afraid to execute plans on a whim. This spirit was embodied by the road trips through the countryside she would take with John, each with their own Harley-Davidson bikes.

Those who knew her can tell you she truly loved her country, family, and friends. She never met a stranger and was known for her kindness. The Csaszars were regular churchgoers at the Impact Church in Paris, Texas, and loved to open their home to the community. While they are no longer with us, their achievements and generous contributions will be remembered for many years to come.

I have requested the United States flag be flown over our Nation's Capitol to recognize Mrs. Csaszar's amazing and joyous life. She will be dearly missed by her friends, family, and all who knew her.

### RECOGNIZING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2021 AND 2022 FAIRFAX COUNTY FEDERATION OF CITI- ZENS' ASSOCIATIONS CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

#### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 11, 2023*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the recipients of the 2021 and 2022 Fairfax Federation of Citizens' Associations Citizen of the Year Awards.

The Federation is a coalition of civic and homeowners' associations who work together to promote and support initiatives that will benefit all. Each year, the Federation honors indi-

viduals for their extraordinary contributions to our community. It is my honor to include in the RECORD the following individuals.

Marco Johnson has been an expert in emergency preparedness for Fairfax County. Marco has worked with County government leaders and citizens across the county leading county teams, multi-county teams and integrated state teams for the Emergency Management Volunteer Corps, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and the American Red Cross in developing and implementing disaster preparedness programs. Mr. Johnson has represented the county public health department, the Fairfax County Citizen Corp Council, and public health leaders at all levels in designing and implementing County emergency awareness programs and projects to respond to emergency vulnerabilities.

John Litzenberger sets an outstanding example of civic participation. John served on the Fairfax County Planning Commission from 2007 to 2015 as the Sully District commissioner, and a member of its Housing Committee and Capital Improvement Committee. He previously served on the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority for four years. John has been active in local land use committees and task forces for over 40 years, going back to the Centreville Core Study in 1982.

Commissioner Peter F. "Pete" Murphy has been an active member of the community for many decades. In 1982, Pete was appointed to the Planning Commission by the Board of Supervisors, serving as its Chairman since 1989. During this time, he played a critical role in transforming the County from a sleepy bedroom community to the economic powerhouse it is today. He has been a leader in land use policy in Fairfax County as we know it from Springfield District cases like Fairfax Corner and Fair Lakes to countywide cases like the Tysons Plan.

Michele Menapace has been serving Fairfax communities for over a dozen years. She has served on the Human Services Council advising the Board of Supervisors on budgetary matters. As well, she helps ensure that federal Community Service Block Grants are efficiently spent on the needs of people living in poverty via her appointment to the Community Action Advisory Board. Over the years, Michele has served on numerous other county boards.

Linda Moore has dedicated years of time to the service of the elderly, emotionally and socially challenged adults, domestic and sexual violence. She has been very involved with the Medical Reserve Corps & Fairfax County Department of transportation events as a volunteer. She also has worked for four years with another group within the Department of Family Services, DSVS, helping them bring attention and awareness to the issues of domestic and sexual violence, stalking, and human trafficking. Linda Moore exemplifies courage in volunteering and serves as a role model for others.

Paula Lettice has been a dedicated volunteer and board member of several organiza-

tions here in Fairfax County for over two decades and is a role model for her community. Since 2020, Paula has served as the President of the Board of Directors for Mount Vernon at Home, a local organization that serves residents aged 55 and over who are choosing to remain in their homes in Mount Vernon as they age and is a part of a national movement of senior Villages. During the pandemic, Ms. Lettice has been a true leader for the organization, helping shift their fundraising efforts to virtual events, while still utilizing local businesses.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking these incredible individuals and in congratulating them on being honored by the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens' Associations. Civic engagement is the foundation of a healthy community, and Fairfax County residents enjoy an exceptional quality of life due in part to the efforts of these individuals.

### HONORING CINDY PAWLCCYN

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 11, 2023*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Cindy Pawlcyn and the 40th anniversary of her landmark wine-country restaurant, Mustards Grill. Her success as a restaurateur in wine country has brought great pride to Napa Valley and California's 4th Congressional District.

Ms. Pawlcyn was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota to an accomplished culinary family, where she fostered an interest in the culinary field from a young age. At 13 years old, she was helping in her mother's kitchen and working at a local cooking and equipment store. She went on to run a catering business throughout high school, and later obtained her degree in hotel and restaurant management from the University of Wisconsin-Stout. She then augmented her formal training with courses at Le Cordon Bleu and La Varenne in Paris. After her time in Paris, she worked at multiple esteemed restaurants in Chicago and Minneapolis, including Chicago's great restaurant the Pump Room.

After entering Napa Valley's culinary community as the opening chef at Meadowood in St. Helena, California, Ms. Pawlcyn launched her legendary restaurant Mustards Grill in 1983. Named after the mustard flowers that bloom in Napa's vineyards, Mustards Grill is a community favorite for unique dishes and world-class wine. Ms. Pawlcyn installed an organic garden at the restaurant which not only inspires a seasonal menu but also provides 20 percent of the restaurant's produce year-round.

Since opening Mustards Grill, Ms. Pawlcyn has been involved in the creation of many heralded restaurants in the greater San Francisco Bay Area including Fog City Diner, Bix, Roti, Betelnut, Buckeye Roadhouse, Cindy's

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Backstreet Kitchen, Go Fish, Cindy's Waterfront at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, and Mustards Grill-SFO. She is a three-time finalist for the James Beard Foundation's Outstanding Restaurateur Award. Ms. Pawlcyn is also the author of five cookbooks, including Mustards Grill Napa Valley Cookbook, which won the James Beard Foundation Award for Best American Cookbook. Moreover, she is a recipient of the Robert Mondavi Award for Culinary Excellence and the Fine Beverage & Food Federation's Career Achievement Award.

Despite a near fatal car accident and a fire that destroyed her home, Ms. Pawlcyn's list of achievements reflects her tenacity, perseverance, and passion for the culinary industry. She shares her success with managing partner Sean Knight, who has brilliant business skills and a love for hospitality, and Executive Chef Michael Forster who works incredibly hard to surpass the expectations of Mustards Grill's guests.

Mr. Speaker, there is no doubt that Cindy Pawlcyn and Mustards Grill have made incredible contributions to Napa County's food culture over the past 40 years. It is therefore fitting that we honor them here today.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR CHRISTOPHER J. KITCHENS

**HON. MARK E. GREEN**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 11, 2023*

Mr. GREEN of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Command Sergeant Major Christopher J. Kitchens for his exceptional military service, commitment to our country, and remarkable achievements. He is an exemplary leader, a distinguished soldier, and a true patriot. It is my privilege to cement his legacy into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, and to celebrate his well-deserved retirement.

CSM Kitchens' story is a testimony of resolve and selfless service. Enlisting in the Army in 1999, he completed Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning and graduated as an 11C Infantry Mortarman. He was assigned to the 2/327th Infantry Regiment at Fort Campbell, serving as an assistant gunner, gunner, and Team Leader. He first deployed to Kosovo and served admirably in support of Operation Joint Guardian.

In April 2002, he reclassified his MOS and attended Advanced Individual Training at Fort Eustis. As a 67U Helicopter Repairer, he was stationed at Camp Humphries, Republic of Korea, where he served in the 47 Maintenance Platoon until September 2003. The following December, CSM Kitchens joined the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (SOAR) (Airborne) after completing Green Platoon. He was assigned to the 2-160th SOAR (ABN) 47 Maintenance Platoon, servicing one of the most elite and fastest deployable nighttime aviation forces in the world. As a Night Stalker, he led MH-47E Phase Inspections and, for his exceptional service, attention to detail, and leadership abilities, he was promoted to Squad Leader and deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Going above and beyond the call of duty, CSM Kitchens volunteered to start up the 4th

Battalion of the 160th SOAR (ABN) as a Technical Inspector at Fort Lewis. His work quickly distinguished himself, leading to his promotion to the Quality Control NCOIC in January 2008, as MH-47 Maintenance Platoon Sergeant in July 2009 for three years, and Battalion Maintenance Manager for nearly two years. In March 2014, he was laterally promoted to Charlie Company 4th Battalion First Sergeant, and one year later was selected as the Delta Company 2nd Battalion First Sergeant. His relentless pursuit of excellence led to his selection to attend the Joint Special Operations Forces Senior Enlisted Academy in 2018 while serving as the USASOAC (ABN) Aviation Maintenance Support Office Sergeant Major.

In all his work, CSM Kitchens was a strong leader, a determined worker, and a trusted soldier. In June 2019, in recognition of his faithful and outstanding service, he became the 2nd Battalion, 160th SOAR (ABN) Command Sergeant Major, responsible for over 950 soldiers. As the Command Sergeant Major, CSM Kitchens completed the Joint Special Operations University Nominative Leader's SUMMIT Course, further honing his leadership skills. Two years after assuming command, he became the 16th Command Sergeant Major of the 160th SOAR (ABN). Like many Night Stalkers before him, he fulfilled the Night Stalker Creed's mission to safeguard the honor and prestige of the United States.

Beyond his military duties, CSM Kitchens is also a devoted husband to his wife, Laura, and loving father to their two children, Jacob and John Roy. He also served as a trusted mentor, advisor, and advocate for many soldiers, providing guidance and support. He truly understands what serving means, and he does it well.

CSM Kitchens' career of service is an exemplary model for all service members, veterans, and American citizens. Time and again, CSM Kitchens has proven faithful and diligent in his duties, earning greater and greater responsibilities. He stewarded these responsibilities with excellence, integrity, and consistency, and I am proud to represent him and his family in Congress. On behalf of the United States Congress, and as a fellow Night Stalker, I thank CSM Kitchens for his faithful and distinguished career to our great Nation and congratulate him on his retirement. Night Stalkers Don't Quit.

RECOGNIZING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF PEOPLE OF INDIAN ORIGIN AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 11, 2023*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Global Organization of People of Indian Origin (GOPIO) and to congratulate the recipients of its Annual Awards of Excellence. Founded in 1989, the mission of GOPIO is battling human rights violations committed against persons of Indian origin. Today, while that mission continues, GOPIO has also broadened its mission to include bringing together persons of Indian origin for the benefit of not only themselves and their Indian home-

land, but also the communities in which they currently reside.

Indian-Americans have made countless contributions to the United States in the fields of business, education, medicine, science, technology, and public service while preserving and sharing their culture in a manner that promotes tolerance and mutual understanding.

Many of our awardees tonight have been at the forefront of those efforts. It is my honor to include in the RECORD the names of the following individuals:

Education—Dr. Michael Rao, President of Virginia Commonwealth University.

Medicine—Dr. Siva Subramaniam, Emeritus Professor George Washington University and Hospital.

Philanthropy & Community Service—Mayur Shah.

Journalism—Dr. Rajeev Bhambri, Chief Executive Officer of New India Abroad Newspaper Journalism.

Public Service—Dr. Rahul Gupta, Director of National Drug Control Policy and leader of the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP).

Arts & Culture—Vatsala Mehra, Vocal artist.

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Social Services—Mayur Mody.

Science & Technology—Sant Gupta.

Northern Virginia, which I am proud to represent in Congress, is blessed by its diversity. We are home to more than 40,000 people of Indian descent as well as many Indian-American owned small businesses. This diversity enriches our entire community and contributes to our region being considered one of the best places in the country in which to live, work, raise a family, and start a business.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the recipients of the GOPIO Awards of Excellence on their accomplishments. I commend them for their service to their communities and to our Nation, and I wish them success in all their future endeavors.

CELEBRATING THE 90TH BIRTHDAY OF JOE WARD, SR.

**HON. PAT FALLON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 11, 2023*

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 90th birthday of Mr. Joe Ward, Sr. of Iowa Park, Texas. Mr. Ward was born on May 2, 1933, in Douglass, Texas, to Richard Ward and Liddie Ward, and is one of five children.

In his early years, Mr. Ward lived in Rusk, Texas, and attended Rusk High School while working part time in a local radio shop. At the age of 17, Mr. Ward joined the Texas National Guard and continued to study and train until his graduation in 1951. Mr. Ward later transferred to the Louisiana National Guard and graduated in 1955 from Shreveport Trade School with a focus in Electronics.

Mr. Ward worked for the Shreveport Fire Department and simultaneously became an amateur radio operator. He was the youngest driver in the fire department and was quickly promoted due to his expertise. On December 24, 1958, Mr. Ward married Evelyn Douglas,