

November 4, 1984, Ms. Davis was hired as the Regiment's Secretary to the Commander, just 31 days after the Regiment was founded at Fort Benning. On that day, Linda Davis found a place she says is a family.

For more than 31 years, Ms. Davis has served as an unfailingly reliable and invaluable asset to the 75th Ranger Regiment, including leading the scheduling for the Regiment's command team travel, working with the 75th Ranger Regiment Alumni "Ranger Graybeards," and providing guidance and assistance for Ranger Regiment Gold Star families.

During her time with the 75th Ranger Regiment, Ms. Davis has been recognized with the Meritorious Civilian Service Award, the Order of St. Maurice-Civis for civilian service, two Commander's Awards for Excellence, and was awarded the Mr. Charles E. Pimble Special Operations Department of the Army Civilian Lifetime Achievement Award in 2016.

In 2008, November 4 was designated as "Linda Davis Day" by former 75th Ranger Regiment Commander Col. Richard Clarke. Despite these accolades, Ms. Davis maintains the most honorable titles she has held in her career are being called 'Ranger Sis' and 'Ranger Mom' by those she serves and supports.

Throughout her years of service and leadership, Linda Davis has demonstrated unwavering loyalty and dedication to our country and a commitment to supporting those who protect our freedom. On behalf of the House Armed Services Committee and the people of Georgia's Eighth Congressional District, I wish to thank Linda Davis for her service to our country.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. PATRICK T. McHENRY

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Mr. McHENRY. Mr. Speaker, due to unforeseen circumstances, I was unable to participate in voting on H.R. 1076 and H.R. 1156. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 228, and YEA on Roll Call No. 229.

HONORING THE LOS ANGELES TIMES

HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Mr. LIEU. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Los Angeles Times newspaper, based in the 36th Congressional District of California, which won two Pulitzer Prizes this year for excellence in photography and investigative journalism.

A strong Fourth Estate is essential to our democracy. Good journalism shines light on injustice, holds power accountable, and informs the public. Since 1881, the Los Angeles Times has been a critical source of news for our community, and I want to congratulate them on these two recent honors. The staff of the Los Angeles Times, as well as our community in general, should be extremely proud of the Times' exceptional journalism.

We have seen a tumultuous decade for the journalism industry in general—from a changing business landscape to growing hostilities directed at journalists. Despite these challenges, the Los Angeles Times and its reporters have worked diligently to provide Southern California and the rest of the country with impactful journalism. I commend Los Angeles Times photographer Christina House for her Pulitzer for Feature Photography this year. I also congratulate the entire staff of the Times for their Pulitzer for Breaking News Reporting.

I often quote Abraham Lincoln, who once said: "In this age, in this country, public sentiment is everything. With it, nothing can fail; against it, nothing can succeed." No pillar of democracy is more important in providing information to the public than a free press. I want to thank the Los Angeles Times for its consistent dedication to the necessary and difficult work of informing the public. I am proud to honor Los Angeles Times leadership, reporters, and staff as they celebrate their Pulitzer Prizes.

HONORING RABBI MICHAEL C. SIMON

HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Rabbi Michael C. Simon, a respected scholar and spiritual leader, and to recognize him for eighteen years of exemplary service to Temple Beth Kodesh, the oldest conservative synagogue in Boynton Beach, Florida.

Rabbi Simon has invigorated Temple Beth Kodesh through his meaningful and topical sermons. After practicing law for 20 years, Rabbi Simon turned to this calling full-time and has spread nothing but joy and enthusiasm to all of those he has encountered. As a full time scholar and teacher, Rabbi Simon has been dedicated to encouraging his congregants through innovative and interesting services, programs, classes and lectures, warmth, kindness, and compassion.

Rabbi Simon also serves the community as the Chaplain for Jewish War Veterans, Instructor at Florida Atlantic University, and faculty member at Florence Melton Adult Mini-School, where he is a popular lecturer on Jewish subject matter and history. Rabbi Simon was awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Mesifita Adas Wolkowisk in recognition of his many years of service to the Jewish community.

Rabbi Simon's commitment to the Synagogue and his service to the Jewish community is truly remarkable. I am honored to recognize him today and wish him continued success.

CONGRATULATING ROB GELDER

HON. DEREK KILMER

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Mr. KILMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend my sincerest congratulations and to

wish a hearty farewell to one of my constituents and friends, Rob Gelder. Rob is leaving his post as Kitsap County Commissioner to work as assistant county manager for Thurston County.

After receiving a degree in political science from the University of Rochester in 1988, Rob relocated to the Pacific Northwest in January of 1990. Commissioner Gelder worked for Group Health Cooperative for over eight years, before joining Hopelink and then the Washington Health Foundation. With over a decade in senior leadership and executive management, he moved to Poulsbo to become part of the leadership team of Martha & Mary.

Rob was first appointed to Kitsap County's Board of Commissioners in 2011 and just celebrated 12 years of service to the residents of Kitsap County.

Commissioner Gelder has been an active member of the Kitsap community and has been involved with the Poulsbo Historical Society, Jewelbox Theatre, Poulsbo Rotary Club, and Hospice of Kitsap County. Rob is also a member of the State Council on Aging as well as the board of the Washington State Association of Counties.

He has been integral in creating a positive culture of collaboration between the various jurisdictions, elected officials, and staff for which our region has benefited.

Some of the Commissioner's accomplishments over his time in office include making the Kingston Village Green community center a reality, partnering with Coffee Oasis to expand into the Kingston community, adding over 4,000 acres of public open space for community enjoyment, and partnering with the Suquamish Tribe to create the Port Madison Dialogues.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor today to recognize Rob's dedication and service to Kitsap County. He has been a great friend and partner to me. His leadership and commitment to the community have never wavered. He has made a tremendous difference in Kitsap County and throughout the state of Washington. His service to our community is greatly appreciated and will be long remembered. We wish him all the best on his next endeavor.

CELEBRATING THE OUTSTANDING LIFE OF UNITED STATES AIR FORCE VETERAN LEON ROBERT FULTON

HON. TROY A. CARTER

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize New Orleans' beloved native son, a true mentor, friend and confidant to many. Leon Robert Fulton was born on September 27, 1932, in New Orleans, Louisiana and passed away on Saturday, April 29, 2023, in Fairburn, Georgia. He was the seventh of eight children born to Clinton and Martha Pugh Fulton. He accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at an early age when he was baptized by the late Rev. Felton Raphael, pastor of Second Bethlehem Baptist Church in New Orleans, Louisiana. He later converted to Catholicism, serving as a devout member of St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church,

and later to St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church in New Orleans. Leon even served as an Usher in both parishes. Leon was educated in the Orleans Parish School System, graduating from Booker T. Washington High School. He enlisted in the United States Air Force during the Korean War, and served at Fairchild Air Force Base in Spokane, Washington. Within four years he achieved the rank of Staff Sergeant. After serving his country, Leon enrolled at Dillard University where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education. He completed his graduate studies at the University of New Orleans, earning a master's degree in administrative supervision. In 1957, he married Orlean Marie Joseph, and from this union two children were born. Having excelled as a teacher, Leon was promoted to Assistant Principal within the Orleans Parish School System. He eventually retired there after 20 years of service. Leon had an entrepreneurial spirit that led him, along with his friend and partner, Stephen S. Johnson III, to establish Fulton and Johnson Insurance Agency. In 1985, Fulton, Johnson, Newman and Pittman Insurance Agency was formed and became one of the premiere African American agencies in the City of New Orleans. Additionally, he was the president of First Capital & Mortgage Company; partner, Woodlawn Estates; president of Gulf South Travels; and former Board member of Entergy New Orleans, Inc.; president, Southwest Protection Services, Inc.; founder/owner, New Orleans Thunder Football Team; Regional Football League; co-founder Republic National Bank and Bayou Federal Savings and Loan. Leon was a leader who always aimed to serve his community through numerous professional and civic affiliations including member, Independent Insurance Agents Association; board member, Urban League of New Orleans; New Orleans Mayor's Foundation of Education, Inc.; Louisiana Commerce and Industry Board; Louisiana Business Task Force for Education; Council of International Visitors; Louisiana Nature and Science Center; Greater New Orleans Tourist and Convention Commission; National Job Training Partnership; New Orleans Police Foundation; National Council of Christians and Jews; Louisiana Health Care Authority; National African American Insurance Association; past chairman; New Orleans World Trade Center; Friends of Louisiana Private Colleges and University; New Orleans Private Industry Council; Dillard University Century Club; Dillard University Alumni Association; former Louisiana State Commissioner-New Orleans Convention Center; former Board of Governors; and Energy City Club of New Orleans. Socially, he was a member of the Townsmen Club, Original Illinois Club, Alpha Alpha Boule, Alpha Phi Alpha, Sigma Lambda Chapter, and The Studs Social Club. Leon was a hard-working, honorable man who was known for his business acumen and "joie de la vie." He loved entertaining and truly enjoyed the camaraderie of family and friends. He left an indelible impression on all who knew him and will be sorely missed by countless friends, family, and colleagues. Following his wife's death, he later married Alma Willis Dunn in 1991 and embraced her children as his own. Leon Robert Fulton was preceded in death by his parents, Clinton and Martha Fulton; first wife, Orlean; and his siblings, Ishmael, Seenea, Eunice, Augustus, Alexander, and Rev. Warner Fulton. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Alma Willis Fulton; his children and stepchildren, Elise Fulton Smith, Bryan Fulton (Conchetta), Elisa

Dunn, and Grady Damon Dunn (Debbie); grandchildren Noel Smith, Kyle Fulton, Priya Dunn and Gianna Dunn; sisters-in-law Carline Fulton, Gladys Fulton, Gwen H. Willis, Wanda Willis, Tracy Willis and Charlotte Willis; brothers-in-law George Willis, J. Mack Willis, and Dr. Floyd Willis, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family and friends.

I am so blessed and grateful to have known such a phenomenal man, a real Trailblazer, and a faithful Leader, my true friend, Leon Robert Fulton.

COST ESTIMATE FOR H.R. 3091, THE FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SERVICE WEAPON PURCHASE ACT

HON. JIM JORDAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Mr. JORDAN. Mr. Speaker, I include in the Record the cost estimate prepared by the Congressional Budget Office for H.R. 3091, the Federal Law Enforcement Officer Service Weapon Purchase Act. The cost estimate was not available at the time of the Committee report filing.

H.R. 3091, FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SERVICE WEAPON PURCHASE ACT, AS ORDERED REPORTED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY ON MAY 10, 2023

	By fiscal year, millions of dollars—		
	2023	2023–2028	2023–2033
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	a	a
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (–) in the Deficit	0	a	a
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	0	*	**

a = decrease of more than \$500,000 in direct spending and deficits; * = between zero and \$500,000; ** = not estimated.

Increases net direct spending in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2034? No.

Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year No periods beginning in 2034? No.

Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply? Yes.

Mandate Effects:

Contains intergovernmental mandate? No.

Contains private-sector mandate? No.

H.R. 3091 would permit federal law enforcement officers to purchase retired handguns at fair market value from the federal agency that issued the handgun to such officer.

CBO expects that implementing the bill would increase administrative costs both for the General Services Administration to develop regulations to implement the program and for law enforcement agencies that participate in the program. Based on the cost of similar programs, we estimate those costs would be less than \$500,000 over the 2023–2028 period. Any spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Collections from handgun sales authorized under H.R. 3091 would be classified in the budget as offsetting receipts, or reductions in direct spending, and deposited in the Treasury. CBO is unaware of any comprehensive information about how frequently federal law enforcement agencies replace their handguns or how many guns they expect would be sold rather than destroyed. However, using information about the number of federal law enforcement officers employed at

federal agencies that would be potential purchasers, CBO estimates that on-budget receipts from sales of those guns would likely exceed \$500,000 over the 2023–2033 period. For example, if law enforcement agencies replaced 10 percent of their handguns every year and 10 percent of those guns were sold to law enforcement officers, receipts would total more than \$500,000 a year, CBO estimates.

Under H.R. 3091, the program would include the Postal Inspection Service, a law enforcement agency within the Postal Service. Cash flows for the Postal Service are recorded in the federal budget in the Postal Service Fund and are classified as off-budget direct spending. CBO estimates that any collections from handgun sales by the Postal Service would not be significant in any year or over the 2023–2033 period.

The CBO staff contacts for this estimate are Matthew Pickford and Kelly Durand (for the General Services Administration) and Jeremy Crimm (for the Postal Service). The estimate was reviewed by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Director of Budget Analysis.

PHILLIP L. SWAGEL,

Director, Congressional Budget Office.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JAKE AUCHINCLOSS

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Mr. AUCHINCLOSS. Mr. Speaker, I was necessarily absent from votes on May 22, 2023.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 228 and YEA on Roll Call No. 229.

RECOGNIZING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF CHIEF MARILYNN "LYNN" MALERBA

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the achievements of United States Treasurer and Mohegan Chief Marilynn "Lynn" Malerba. Lynn has been honored this year with the distinction as the Eastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year, for her model behavior for those in Eastern Connecticut as well as the entire country.

Born 1953. to Loretta and Albert Roberge. Lynn was raised by her parents to value hard work for the benefit of a community. She derives from a resilient line of Mohegan Tribe change makers and has lived a life defined by change and advocacy performed at all levels of government. As a matter of fact, Lynn's mother holds the title of Nonner, a unique honor given for her role in gaining the tribe its federal recognition, preserving its sacred sites, and ensuring the continuance of Mohegan culture.

Lynn's value for purposeful, hard work carried over into her first career as a registered nurse at Hartford Hospital and Lawrence & Memorial Hospital in New London, Connecticut. Lynn's dedication to patients from the community ultimately earned her the position