

in the United States, and Pat is truly one of a kind.

Pat Frisch's story is that of a man coming from a small community 50 miles north of Chicago and growing his brand and reputation through hard work to become a trusted public figure to thousands of listeners throughout all of the markets he has worked in. I'm proud to acknowledge Pat Frisch for his service, and it is a privilege to honor him in the U.S. House of Representatives.

RECOGNIZING JUNE CONSTITUENT
OF THE MONTH JERI NICOLAS

HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to recognize Jeri Nicolas as my June Constituent of the Month. As an employee of the North County LGBTQ Resource Center in Oceanside, Jeri embodies the Center's mission by advocating for resources and promoting educational programs to assist members of the LGBTQ+ community and create a more equitable and safer region.

Jeri has more than two decades of experience doing this work. Jeri also uses her background as a native Hawaiian to promote the preservation of Hawaiian culture and conduct outreach to LGBTQ+ individuals in the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community. I have no doubt she will continue to make a difference in my district and across our greater region.

During Pride Month, I am proud to celebrate the exceptional efforts of individuals like Jeri Nicolas who spend their time helping others and contribute to our unique and beautiful district. I'm so grateful for CA-19 residents who dedicate their lives to the betterment of our residents and community, and I'm proud to honor Jeri Nicolas as my June Constituent of the Month.

HONORING NELSON LEANDRO SEPULVEDA AS A DISTINGUISHED
LEADER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA
FOR CARIBBEAN HERITAGE
MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Nelson Leandro Sepulveda was born on September 6, 1978, in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. He is a dedicated education professional and community advocate known for his unwavering commitment to education and his students.

His educational achievements include an associate degree from Valencia College, a bachelor's degree in psychology with a minor in marketing from the University of Central Florida, and a master's degree in strategic leadership from Mountain State University. Throughout his college years, Nelson faced numerous challenges. These experiences shaped his character and fueled his passion for supporting college students during their transformative years.

He held various roles within the college, including working in Enrollment Services, College Transitions, and Student Development. Currently, Nelson serves as the director of the Osceola Prosper program. This life-changing initiative has already had a profound impact on the Osceola County community in just a couple of years by providing all Osceola County graduates with free tuition for Valencia College or a technical school so they may pursue their dreams without limitations.

His motto in life, inspired by the film "Glad-iator," is "What we do in life . . . echoes in eternity," reflecting his deep belief in the lasting impact of his work. Additionally, he embraces the mantra, "Everything you want is on the other side of fear," encouraging others, especially students, to overcome their barriers and pursue their dreams.

Throughout his over 24 years of work at Valencia College, Nelson's hard work and dedication have positively influenced countless lives, leaving a lasting legacy in the pursuit of education and community growth. Starting next year, the college's Legacy Award will be renamed to reflect Nelson's impact, making it the Nelson Sepulveda Legacy Award.

Looking ahead, Nelson's goal is to continue serving the community and empower young adults to discover their talents and passions. He envisions building a compassionate and inclusive community that celebrates diversity, respects student choices, and fosters a culture of learning.

RECOGNIZING THE 59TH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE 1964 MARSHALLS
CREEK EXPLOSION

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize a significant milestone in the history of our region. June 26, 2023 marked the 59th anniversary of the Marshalls Creek Explosion in Middle Smithfield Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania.

On June 26, 1964, the Marshalls Creek Fire Company responded to a tractor trailer fire on State Route 209. Shortly thereafter, the trailer exploded killing firefighters F. Earl Miller, Leonard Mosier and Edward Hines. Three passersby also died: John Regina, Joseph J. Horvath Jr., and Lillian Paesch. The explosion also injured 10 other people, caused damage to the Regina Hotel, Middle Smithfield Elementary School, and the Pocono Reptile Farm.

After our community endured the chaos of the explosion, it was discovered that the tractor trailer had no identification placard reporting its explosive contents. During numerous Congressional hearings, the Marshalls Creek Explosion served as a catalyst for remarks concerning increased traffic safety measures and inspections. The concerns expressed ultimately became law with the enactment of the Transportation Safety Act of 1974 and further development of the Emergency Response Guidebook, which is widely used as a resource by Fire Responders across North America.

Today, 59 years later, the Middle Smithfield Township community comes together to dedi-

cate a historical marker at Regina Farms, across from where the explosion occurred. The business is owned by Ed Regina, brother of the late John Regina. This marker will help preserve a piece of history of the community and continue to educate future visitors of the site.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the 59th anniversary of the 1964 Marshalls Creek Explosion to acknowledge the importance and impact that this event has had on the families of those killed in the explosion, Middle Smithfield Township, and traffic and transportation safety across the Nation.

HONORING WILLIAM MAXWELL
"BILLY" CARROLL

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor a dedicated husband, loving father, extraordinary funeral practitioner, humble community servant and friend of longstanding, Mr. William Maxwell "Billy" Carroll. Sadly, Billy transitioned this life from labor to reward on June 18, 2023. A home going service celebrating his remarkable life was held on Sunday, June 25, 2023, at the Saint Mary Missionary Baptist Church in Baconton, Georgia.

William Maxwell Carroll was born in Camilla, Georgia on October 6, 1936, to the union of the late Horace Carroll of Atlanta, Georgia and Thelma Jester Carroll White of Albany, Georgia. He received his early fruits of knowledge in the public-school systems of Atlanta, Camilla and Moultrie, Georgia. Following high school, Billy matriculated at the Agricultural and Technical College of Greensboro, North Carolina where he majored in Business Administration. He then attended Atlanta College of Mortuary Science and upon completion returned to his hometown roots in Camilla to operate a family-owned business.

A licensed funeral director and embalmer, Billy used his stewardship of the Robert Jester Mortuary to serve and comfort thousands of families during their times of bereavement. He and the entire staff did whatever it took to support the needs of those who entrusted Robert Jester Mortuary with the care of their dearly departed loved ones. He was a longtime member of the Georgia Funeral Services Practitioners Association, Inc. where he served as President from 1982 to 1984. He was chosen 4th District Mortician of the Year in 1972 and selected as Mortician of the year in 1988 by Alpha Gamma Chapter of Epsilon Nu Delta Mortuary Fraternity, Inc.

It has been said that "Service is the rent we pay for the space we occupy on this earth." Billy Carroll paid his rent, and he paid it well! He gave his time, talent and treasure to numerous social and civic organizations to include City of Camilla Zoning Board; Mitchell County Hospital Endowment Board; Camilla Chamber of Commerce; Kiwanis Club of Mitchell County; NAACP; and Boys and Girls Club; to name a few. He was appointed by Gov. George Busbee to serve on the Georgia State Commission on Indian Affairs and by Gov. Joe Frank Harris to serve on the Governor's Education Review Commission. He

was politically astute, active, a trail blazer and was the first African American to run for City Commissioner in Camilla, Georgia. He received the Living History Award in 2009, the Great Man Award in 2017 and was honored by the Southern Poverty Law Center, the Georgia Department of Public Safety and was nominated by the African American Funeral Services Museum for the Hall of Fame.

A faithful man of God, Billy was an active member of Saint Peter AME Church where he was both a Steward and Trustee.

Billy accomplished much in his life, but none of it would have been possible without the grace of God, the love and support of his beloved wife, Naomi, and his two children, William Carroll, Jr., and Vinai Carroll English.

On a personal note, Billy was my friend and longtime supporter. Over the years he gave me wise and sage counsel, for which I will be forever grateful. Likewise, during his life he did so much for so many for so long. He touched countless lives and because he did, the world is a better place.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join my wife, Vivian, and me, along with the 765,000 people of the 2nd Congressional District in honoring the life and service of Mr. William Maxwell "Billy" Carroll and in extending our deepest condolences to Mr. Carroll's family, friends and all who mourn his loss. May they all be consoled and comforted by an abiding faith and the Holy Spirit in the days, weeks and months ahead.

HONORING ANJIRO DORWAY GABRIEL AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR CARIBBEAN HERITAGE MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Anjiro Dorway Gabriel began her healthcare career more than 27 years ago when she graduated from Hampton University with a baccalaureate degree in healthcare and nutrition sciences. In 2006, Anjiro received her master's degree in public administration from Troy University. Over the years, Anjiro has worked extensively in the healthcare field in numerous capacities, including policy formation, mental health modalities, quality assurance/compliance, education/training, data analysis, program evaluation, risk management, strategic planning, coordination of services, and budgeting.

As a Guyanese-American, she has remained very connected to her Caribbean culture and is committed to various forms of community activism and volunteerism.

For that reason, in 2003, Anjiro founded the only known 501(c)(3) non-profit Caribbean community service-driven organization in Central Florida to date: the Caribbean Community Connection of Orlando, Inc. This agency has provided direct services to more than 15,000 children and families in its 20-year history.

In 2021, Anjiro stretched her arms again and founded an educational institution: the Caribbean Community Advanced Education Center, Inc., designed to provide a platform for educating the public at large. The marriage

coaching designed with prayer, praise, and healing serves as its first program.

Anjiro has received numerous awards and accolades denoting her tireless efforts working in the community, including the Caribbean and Floridian Association Community Service Award, Additions School Volunteer Recognition Award, and Compaq-Partners in Education Award, OCPS. Anjiro speaks English, Creole, and Spanish and spends most of her free time engaging in motivational public speaking engagements. Her hobbies include traveling, swimming, gardening, and dancing.

Anjiro is a very proud and active member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Anjiro Dorway Gabriel is a wife, mother, community activist, prayer warrior, CEO, motivational speaker, and friend. She has been married for 27 years to Barthelmy Gabriel and has 2 daughters, Nereida and Mirelya.

HONORING KATHY BURNS

HON. A. DREW FERGUSON IV

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Kathy Burns, a remarkable veteran who has dedicated herself to serving and supporting our military and their families. Following her marriage to Mike Burns in 1981, Kathy and Mike attended the Officer Basic Course at Fort Benning, GA. During her 26 years of service, Kathy completed assignments in Fort Leavenworth, KS and the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, PA, where Mike attended two Army courses. Because Kathy and Mike served at Fort Benning for a total of five tours and eleven years, when it came time to retire from active duty, Kathy and Mike decided to retire in Columbus, GA.

Throughout their military journey, Kathy consistently volunteered to lead and support her husband's family support groups which provide guidance and mentorship to junior spouses and families. Her contributions were instrumental in unit readiness and the well-being of countless families in many military installations. Kathy's impact extended beyond the military realm. She made it her goal to bridge the gap between the Army and the civilian community, serving on the boards of the Springer Opera House and Wynn House, among other community organizations.

Throughout her 42-year marriage, while balancing multiple jobs and raising her son John, Kathy remained an unwavering role model for other Army spouses. Her positive impact on hundreds of Army spouses and families lives cannot be overstated. Mr. Speaker, her selfless actions have provided an amazing resource to our local families and beyond and we are extremely grateful for her dedication to our Nation's Army.

CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF DR. HAAKAN JONSSON

HON. GUY RESCHENTHALER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Mr. RESCHENTHALER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize and celebrate the retirement of

Dr. Haakan Jonsson, who will step down as President of Covestro, LLC, on June 28, 2023.

For 25 years, Dr. Jonsson worked to become an accomplished leader in both business and science. At the Royal Institute of Technology in Stockholm, Sweden, he received a Ph.D. in Polymer Technology and a MS in Chemical Engineering. In 1992, he began his career at Covestro as a scientist working in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Over the years, Dr. Jonsson rose through the ranks to become Vice President of the Polycarbonate Business Unit, Senior Vice President and Head of Global Innovation, and President of Covestro.

Forever dedicated to his work, he sits on the boards of the American Chemistry Council, the Society of Chemical Industry America, and several other related industry boards.

Dr. Jonsson's leadership also went beyond business and positively impacted the Greater Pittsburgh community. He sits on the Board of Visitors for the University of Pittsburgh's Swanson School of Engineering and the Board of Variety for the Children's Charity of Pittsburgh, among other boards of organizations providing important services to the communities of southwestern Pennsylvania.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Jonsson's service to his community and dedication to Covestro are an example for us all. On behalf of Pennsylvania's 14th Congressional District, I congratulate him on both his retirement and his many impressive accomplishments throughout a successful career in the sciences.

HONORING SANDRA FATMI-HALL AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR CARIBBEAN HERITAGE MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Sandra Fatmi-Hall is the founder and executive director of the United Foundation of Central Florida, Inc. (UFCF). In 2014, she turned her lifelong dream of starting a non-profit organization into a reality, aiming to positively transform families and individuals through early intervention and educational resources.

Sandra's comprehensive approach focuses on addressing the needs of families, education, and mentoring in our community. Collaborating with neighborhood organizations, school administrations, and students, she has made significant strides in transforming schools and increasing graduation rates.

Driven by her commitment to higher education, Sandra established an educational scholarship program that has awarded over \$182,500 in scholarships. Through Future Leaders United (FLU), she has guided 180 students to graduation, with 168 now attending college, 10 serving in the military, and 2 participating in workforce development programs. Beyond FLU, Sandra has mentored over 500 students preparing them for life after high school. The FLU Program focuses on 7 key pillars: college readiness, career preparedness, health and wellness, leadership development, S.T.E.A.M. education, life after high school, and financial literacy. It stands as the most extensive and well-rounded after-school program at Maynard Evans High School.