

world's largest sportfishing trade show, bringing thousands of Americans from all 50 states and over 70 countries together to showcase the latest innovations in sportfishing equipment and technology that their members have manufactured. ASA's I CAST also provides a platform for anglers and the sportfishing industry professionals to collaborate, share knowledge and form lifelong friendships dedicated to the sport.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in commending the American Sportfishing Association for their 90 years of service to the angling community. Their unwavering commitment to the sport, conservation and education has enriched the lives of countless Americans and will continue to do so for generations to come. Congratulations to ASA, their President Glenn Hughes and all their dedicated staff and members. Here's to the Association's next 90 years.

CELEBRATING CRYSTAL RIVER,  
FLORIDA'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 30, 2023*

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to celebrate the city of Crystal River, Florida's 100th anniversary, which will be celebrated on July 3, 2023. This city is home to more than 3,500 residents and to some of the most beautiful natural resources on the planet. More than half a million people from around the world travel to Crystal River each year to kayak, fish, dive, swim with the manatees and enjoy the pristine waterways within this gem of Florida's Nature Coast. Trip Advisor lists Crystal River's own Three Sisters Springs as one of the Top 10 Places in the World to Visit Before You Die. Crystal River is also home to a National Wildlife Refuge located in Kings Bay, which consists of 20 islands and small parcels of that that was established in 1983 to protect the West Indian manatee. In addition to its tremendous natural resources, the people of Crystal River are its best asset. The residents work together to create a sense of community and ensure that their city remains a wonderful place to live, work and play. Over the last 100 years, Crystal River has achieved many important accomplishments:

In 1924, its first school was built.

In 1933, airport construction began.

In 1939, the first ever City Hall building was built.

In 1948, Crystal River High School became state football champions.

In 1951, Paradise Point, a deluxe resort for sportsman was built.

In 1961, Elvis Presley visited to film "Follow that Dream".

In 1969, Crystal River schools were fully integrated.

In 1975, The federal government designated the Crystal River and Kings Bay as critical habitats for the manatees.

In 1976, the Crystal River nuclear power plant opened.

In 1978, Seven Rivers Community Hospital opened.

In 2013, Three Sisters Springs was featured in National Geographic Magazine.

In 2015, Crystal River became a Main Street community.

I look forward to working with the residents and compassionate leaders of Crystal River as we celebrate many more important milestones in this wonderful city within the years to come.

BIDEN SUBVERTS RULE OF LAW

**HON. JOE WILSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 30, 2023*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, the failure to lawfully secure the border by Biden and liberal Democrats have encouraged dangerous surges in crossings of illegal aliens. This invasion exposes families to potential terrorists, human trafficking, and dangerous drugs.

The intentional failure at the border will be further documented on July 4th with the release of the movie "Sound of Freedom" at theaters nationwide. In it, Americans can see the true story of the rescue of children from sex traffickers, directed by Alejandro Monteverde with cast of Jim Caviezel, Mira Servino, Kurt Fuller, Bill Camp, Jose Zuniga, Scott Haze, Gerardo Taracena, and Eduardo Verastegui.

Since Biden took office, over 5.2 million illegal aliens have crossed the Southern Border and 1.5 million aliens have evaded apprehension. Among these numbers include over 200 on the terrorist watchlist, putting families everywhere at risk of mass murder. Rule of law is subverted benefiting illegal aliens and the Biden Family with the Hunter Biden plea deal as President Trump is targeted with fabricated hoaxes.

Over 100,000 Americans die annually by drug overdose, including those affected by materials supplied by the Chinese Communist Party. In the last six months, over 19,000 pounds of the deadly drug fentanyl have been seized at the border.

In conclusion, God Bless our troops, who successfully protected America for 20 years, as the Global War on Terrorism continues moving from the Afghanistan safe haven to America with open Biden borders.

CELEBRATING THE 190TH ANNIVERSARY OF U.S.-THAILAND ALLIANCE

**HON. RICHARD McCORMICK**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 30, 2023*

Mr. McCORMICK. I rise today to commemorate and honor the 190th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the United States and the Kingdom of Thailand. As our two nations celebrate this historic milestone, I want to acknowledge the enduring bond of trust and collaboration since the signing of the 1833 Treaty of Amity and Commerce.

I want to reflect on the remarkable journey we have shared with our oldest treaty ally in the Asia-Pacific region and celebrate the invaluable partnership that has flourished between our nations. Thailand was designated a major non-NATO ally in 2003 and is one of the strongest security partners of the United States. The annual Cobra Gold Exercise re-

mains the largest multinational military exercise in the Indo-Pacific region. Our two countries have fought side by side in countless conflicts such as the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and most notably Thailand was one of the first Asian nations to commit troops to Afghanistan and Iraq.

The longstanding friendship and partnership between The United States and Thailand has been a cornerstone of stability and progress in the Asia-Pacific region with multilateral agreements that have furthered our shared commitment to democratic values, human rights, and economic cooperation. This is reflected in the U.S.-Thailand Communique on Strategic Alliance and Partnership, signed last year, and the first ever U.S.-Thailand Strategic and Defense Dialogue held last year.

We must recognize Thailand's unwavering commitment to our shared values throughout the ebbs and flows of shared adversity and prosperity. Therefore, I warmly thank the Royal Thai Embassy in Washington, D.C. for organizing the Sawasdee Thai Festival, which commemorates the enduring friendship between our two nations.

As we celebrate this significant milestone, it is essential to recognize the individuals who have contributed to enhancing the understanding and strengthening the ties between our nations. I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation and recognition to Park Boonnuch, who has provided invaluable assistance to my Congressional Office and been a valuable help in various matters of Foreign Affairs.

Through Mr. Boonnuch's dedication and expertise, we have gained a deeper understanding of the Thai people's rich culture, history, and aspirations. Mr. Boonnuch has also demonstrated a strong passion for understanding the intricacies of the United States government system. We have witnessed his desire to acquire knowledge and share this newfound wisdom to improve U.S.-Thailand cooperation.

As a result of his tireless efforts, not only have we witnessed an enhanced spirit of cooperation between our nations, but we have also borne witness to the blossoming of a profound fellowship that unites us ever closer.

As we look ahead, let us reaffirm our commitment to the enduring friendship between Thailand and the United States—"as long as heaven and earth shall endure"—as reflected in the Treaty's preamble. May the next one thousand years be marked by even deeper diplomatic relations, cultural exchange, and mutual respect. Together, we can build a future that upholds our values and paves the way for continued prosperity and friendship.

HONORING DR. ANTHONY NUNEZ  
AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN  
CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR CARIBBEAN  
HERITAGE MONTH

**HON. DARREN SOTO**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 30, 2023*

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Dr. Anthony Nunez is a practicing cardiothoracic surgeon in Osceola County, Florida. He is a staff surgeon at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center at Lake Nona with additional privileges at HCA Florida Poinciana Medical Center. He became board

certified in thoracic surgery after graduating from the University of Alabama at Birmingham and received advanced training in heart and lung transplantation at the Cleveland Clinic in Ohio.

He started his practice in Florida at Halifax Medical Center and subsequently moved to the Osceola Regional Medical Center. He is serving the counties of Osceola and Polk and was instrumental in the care of many critically ill patients during the COVID-19 pandemic. His diverse research interests started at the National Institutes of Health, and he now serves on the Industrial Advisory Board at Embry Riddle University, Daytona Beach.

He was the co-founder of Endotronix along with Harry Rowland, Ph.D. Endotronix is a medical device company currently conducting human trials of a wireless implantable pressure sensor designed to monitor pulmonary artery pressure in patients with congestive heart failure. The conception of this device started at the NASA Glenn Research Center in Ohio. Through a Space Act agreement and private equity funding, Endotronix developed the device and monitoring system, and performed all the early animal and human trials in the United States and Europe. They recently completed enrollment in the PROACTIVE-HF pivotal U.S. human trial, anticipating FDA data submission in 2024.

Dr. Nunez is married with three children. His eldest daughter is preparing to start at Florida State University. Dr. Nunez continues to serve the communities of Lake Nona, Kissimmee, and Poinciana through a diverse portfolio of thoracic surgery cases with an ongoing focus on robotic thoracic surgery for mediastinal and pulmonary cancer, performing his surgical cases on the DaVinci robotic surgical platform.

HONORING WWII VETERAN PAUL  
ENGLEHART IN RECOGNITION OF  
HIS 98TH BIRTHDAY

**HON. LISA C. McCLAIN**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 30, 2023*

Mrs. McCLAIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Paul Englehart, who celebrated his 98th birthday on June 27, 2023. I am honored to pay tribute to him for his service and loyalty to his Nation during wartime.

Born in 1925 to Calvin Englehart and Margaret Squire, Paul grew up in Toledo, Ohio alongside his twin sister, Pauline, and older brother, Russell.

After the outbreak of the war, Russell served in the South Pacific until its end in 1945. But after Paul graduated from Libbey High School in 1943, he too decided to enlist in the United States Army.

Paul received his training at Fort Custer in Battle Creek, Michigan. At the time, his training assignment was to guard prisoners of war. He was then sent to Roswell, New Mexico, to guard German prisoners.

In July 1944, along with 5,000 other soldiers, Paul was dispatched to the Philippines where he would continue his assignments, and on January 14, 1946, he was honorable discharged.

In 1950, Paul married his wife, Loulla, and had three children, Roy, Ann, and Kathy. Paul then began work as a draftsman for the Pack-

ard Motor Car Company in Detroit where he stayed for two years.

Paul then worked for GM-Truck and Bus in Pontiac, Michigan, to continue his specialization as a draftsman. He remained there for 25 years, retiring in 1981. While at GM, Paul was specially recognized for not missing a day of work in over a decade of service.

During his much-earned retirement, he has enjoyed traveling to Las Vegas, Nevada—and especially the Grand Canyon. For over 25 years, Paul has also been an active participant in the VFW.

On behalf of Michigan's 9th Congressional District, I am proud to offer my warmest birthday wishes and a debt of gratitude for his honorable service to the United States Army. We are proud to have Paul Englehart in our community.

RECOGNIZING MAJOR JONATHAN  
TAYLOR

**HON. MARILYN STRICKLAND**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 30, 2023*

Ms. STRICKLAND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Major Jonathan Taylor of the United States Air Force upon his departure from this body as a Legislative Affairs Officer for NORAD and USNORTHCOM. In that role, Major Taylor served as a bridge between key Department of Defense senior leaders and Members of Congress, advising both on the impacts of Congressional proceedings and legislation to Homeland Defense and National Security. Prior to this role, he served for nearly three years as a Legislative Liaison for the Department of the Air Force during which he escorted many of us Members across the world on successful Congressional delegations, educated and advised his commanders and Members on critical missions sets, and helped us pass three consecutive NDAA's.

Major Taylor's exemplary career began in 2009 as a Distinguished Graduate from the University of Mississippi's Air Force ROTC Det. 430, and he earned his wings at Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training on Sheppard AFB, TX. He spent the next nine years flying the mighty C-17 Globemaster III around the globe, amassing over 2,400 hours, including 555 combat hours, executing airlift, humanitarian, airdrop, and special operations missions. Prior to joining us in the Capitol, he taught hundreds of students how to fly at Altus AFB, OK.

We wish Major Taylor and his wife, Amber, the best of luck as he furthers his education at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, and we look forward to seeing him lead in the years to come.

On behalf of the U.S. Congress and a grateful Nation, I extend our deepest appreciation to Major Jonathan Taylor for his dedicated service to the U.S. Air Force and to our Nation.

HONORING THE EXTRAORDINARY  
LIFE AND LEGACY OF MIKE LONG

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 30, 2023*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of New York's 21st Congressional District, I rise today to recognize and honor my good friend, Mike Long, the longtime Chairman of the Conservative Party of New York.

Mike Long was a man of integrity who lived a life of service above self. In the realm of New York politics, he was among the most highly respected leaders, held in high esteem by both his allies and his political opponents.

Proudly born in Brooklyn, New York, Mike was raised in southern Queens. In 1959, feeling strongly that he had a duty to his country, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. Following his military service, Mike began his career in elected office, serving on the New York City Council before becoming Chair of the New York State Conservative Party. Throughout his term, Mike met with virtually every state and federal Republican and Conservative candidate running for public office. His chairmanship continued for more than 30 years, a testament to his character, his work ethic, his leadership, and his determination to make a difference.

Mike proudly stood as a champion for hard-working New Yorkers and a lifelong advocate for smaller government, lower taxes, and improving the lives of New York families. In recognition of his strong defense of the rights of the unborn, Pope Saint John Paul II named him a Knight of St. Gregory, one of the highest honors for a Catholic layman.

I am honored that I was able to call Mike a true friend.

When I first ran for office, I reached out to Chairman Long to set up a formal meeting and seek his advice. The meeting was set for his Brooklyn office, however, I had gotten lost driving in the city and ended up being hours late. When I arrived, Mike couldn't have been more gracious—I will never forget it—he said I will probably win my campaign because I know how to drive in upstate New York, but clearly not in New York City.

I was proud to earn his support and that of the Conservative Party. My family was honored to have Mike and his wife, Eileen, at our wedding years later. He is a dear lifelong friend.

While my heart remains broken under the weight of his irreplaceable loss, my sadness gives way to joy when I think of Mike at peace in heaven, keeping tabs on New York politics surrounded by angels.

As I honor him for his service and an extraordinary life well lived, we join together in praying for his beloved family, thousands and thousands of friends, and a vast community of admirers.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF  
FRANCIS H. "FRANK" SUITS, SR.

**HON. MARCUS J. MOLINARO**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 30, 2023*

Mr. MOLINARO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Frank Suits who passed