

Dr. Colliver is one of a small percentage of career members of the Senior Executive Service to be chosen by the President for exceptional performance in their field over an extended period of time. He began his career at the National Air and Space Intelligence Center (NASIC) in 1988, where he helped revolutionize digital intelligence analysis, production, and modeling and simulation architectures.

Since 2012, Dr. Colliver has served as Technical Advisor for Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, and Acquisition Intelligence at the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. He advises the AFLCMC Commander, Engineering Director, Intelligence Director, and Program Executive Officers, to deliver superior war-winning capabilities on time and on cost.

Dr. Colliver has distinguished himself through sustained extraordinary service to the Department of Defense and the United States of America. His visionary threat predictions and engineering solutions drove the acceleration of a \$10 billion modernization program to defend all Department weapon systems.

Dr. Colliver led a multi-agency team responding to new terrorist tactics and provided solutions for warfighting operations, which drove enemy effectiveness to zero. He conceived and led novel experimentation resulting in a reprioritization of \$1 billion to implement enhanced flight security and safety.

Dr. Colliver's guidance mitigated critical technology threats to an advanced program, enabling an early \$2 billion decision with 20-year risk and threat reductions. He assured accurate global threat warning for ballistic missile launches by improving data fidelity and timeliness by 75 percent with \$10 million in savings.

Throughout his career, Dr. Colliver has been awarded numerous honors for his outstanding contributions to the Department of Defense and our Nation, including the Director of Central Intelligence Exceptional Analyst of the Year Award (2000); the Air Force Civilian Achievement Award (2002, 2003, 2005); and the Air Force Meritorious Civilian Service Award (2012, 2021).

I want to personally thank Dr. Colliver for his 35 years of service at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, and the significant contributions he has made in a life and career dedicated to our national security. His accomplishments bring great credit upon himself, the United States Air Force, and the Department of Defense. I wish him continued success in his future endeavors.

HONORING DISTINGUISHED LEADERS IN CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR PRIDE MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 30, 2023

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor distinguished leaders in Central Florida for Pride Month: Kimberly A. Holdridge, Andrea Montanez, Billy Looper and Tom Christ, Jessica Beers, Jorge Lanza, Joseph "Joey" Knoll, Svetlana "Lana" Dunn, and Tatiana Quiroga.

KIMBERLY A. HOLDRIDGE

Kimberly A. Holdridge is a labor leader with the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage

Employees Local 631 in Orlando, Florida. In 1993, Kim became the financial secretary of the Local and remained in that role for two decades. In June of 2020, Kim was elected to serve as a business representative for the same group and has just begun her second term in this prestigious role. During her career, she has served on the Florida AFL-CIO Executive Board where she currently serves as chairman of the Finance Committee and as executive vice president of the Central Florida AFL-CIO. In addition to the elected position of the local union, she was elected by acclamation to the role of district secretary/treasurer of the IATSE District 14 in 2006, representing thousands of theater and film craftspeople in Florida, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. In 2006, Kimberly was selected by the Central Florida LGBTQ community as Female Role Model of the Year and by the AFL-CIO as a Rising Star within the labor movement. In 2009, she received the IATSE International Presidents Award. Within the greater Central Florida community, Kim received many appointments to city and county boards. She is also chair of the Public Art Board, chair of the city and county Municipal Planning Board, and a member of the nominating board for the City of Orlando. Additionally, she serves as Chairman of the Board for the Mental Health Association of Central Florida.

The LGBTQ community has seen plenty of Kim in action. She has served as president of the Orlando Gay Chorus and the Rainbow Democratic Club and is the chair of the Orange County Democratic Executive Committee. Currently, she is proud to serve on the International IATSE Pride Committee and as secretary of the Central Florida Pride at Work Chapter. Kim resides in the heart of the City of Orlando with her partner of 30 years, Denise Holdridge, whom she married in 2014 in Providence, Rhode Island before gay marriage became permissible within the state of Florida. Lastly, Kim served in the armed forces of the United States Air Force Reserves in the early 1980s as a sheet metal specialist just prior to "Don't Ask, Don't Tell." She is a champion for working families and is doing whatever she can to create opportunities for everyone to thrive and live their best lives.

ANDREA MONTANEZ

Andrea Montanez (she/her/ella) is an openly proud immigrant transgender Latinx woman from Colombia. She serves as the LGBTQ+ immigration organizer lead for Hope Community Center and is a Contigo Fund community board member. Andrea's role is to bring visibility and educate communities on the intersections of being an immigrant and transgender.

A long-standing community builder through volunteerism, Andrea is a board member at Peer Support Space, whose mission is to build and be a local hub for diverse, peer-led recovery communities. In addition, she is the co-director of outreach at Come Out with Pride Orlando, whose focus is to produce an annual Pride event that fosters a sense of community, encourages LGBTQ+ citizens to live openly and with pride, and educates the general public about our shared cultural heritage.

Andrea is also in charge of the "ventanilla de inclusión" at the Consulmex in Orlando. She is also a captain at Equality Florida.

BILLY LOOPER AND TOM CHRIST

With entrepreneurial backgrounds, Billy Looper and Tom Christ began producing large

LGBTQ+ events at Walt Disney World Resorts in 2009. One Magical Weekend has included events at Disney's Typhoon Lagoon Waterpark, Disney Hollywood Studios, Epcot, and the House of Blues at Disney Springs. As one part of one of the longest-running events in our history, Billy and Tom are proud to contribute to Gay Disney and welcome guests from all over the world year after year to Orlando. They are especially proud to host over 250 alumni from Bliss Healthcare's Transformation program over the past three years at Riptide, providing a safe place for their trans friends at TransBeach. In 2018, they co-founded the Kindred Pride Foundation, whose mission is to honor the original Gay and Lesbian Day at Magic Kingdom attendees back in 1991 and continue the RED Shirt Pride Days kickoff to Pride Month, now in its 32nd year. The Kindred Pride Foundation values diversity, inclusion, equality, safe expression, and kindness and contributes to the community by producing the Pride Cup—an LGBTQ+ multi-sport tournament each year. The Diversity in Sports Summit included a forum of eight collegiate and professional athletes telling their inspiring "coming out" stories in front of business and sports leaders in Orlando. They invite you to join them for Santa's Bike Force—an annual tradition since 2003 where they give out "first time" bikes to deserving kids. Their LGBTQ+ marketing company is a Certified LGBT Business Enterprise, and they are proud members of the Pride Chamber and the National Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce.

JESSICA BEERS

Jessica Beers currently serves as the executive director of the Kissimmee Sports Commission. In her role, Jessica provides oversight of the administration and management of the Kissimmee Sports Commission. She is also responsible for identifying and pursuing new strategic partnerships on behalf of Experience Kissimmee.

Before her new role, she served as a leader in the sports, entertainment, and transportation industries. Her past employers include Brightline Trains Florida, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, the Orlando City Soccer Club, and the Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts.

Jessica played for and volunteered with the CFSLeague—an amateur softball league for all persons with an emphasis on LGBTQIA+ participation.

She was also a staff member who supported the ownership's decision to install 49 rainbow-colored seats at Exploria Stadium to honor Pulse victims and survivors.

As a sports enthusiast, Jessica also supports the Pride Cup—an annual LGBTQ+ multi-sport competition held the first weekend in June in Osceola and Orange Counties.

Jessica graduated Magna Cum Laude with her Master of Arts in Early Childhood Education from Concordia University, St. Paul, and currently resides in Central Florida with her wife Gina Lutz.

She serves on the Howard Phillips Center Community Leadership Council and is an active member of the Central Florida WISE Chapter.

JORGE LANZA

Jorge Lanza (he/him) serves as the Kissimmee program manager for the LGBTQ+ Center Orlando, Inc., also known as The Center. His commitment to serving the LGBTQ+ community began the night of the Pulse nightclub tragedy when he responded to the needs

of survivors and victims as a volunteer at ORM's Emergency Department.

His journey with The Center began in 2017 as a volunteer. A year later, he was hired on as The Center Kissimmee's HIV coordinator. In 2022, Jorge was promoted to his current role managing The Center Kissimmee. During his tenure, Jorge has been instrumental in the growth of The Center Kissimmee, providing a sex-positive safe space for HIV and HEP-C testing for underrepresented communities, including those with limited English proficiency. He is committed to breaking barriers to testing by providing services during non-traditional hours to accommodate the needs of the community. Under his watch, HIV testing at The Center Kissimmee has grown from an average of 200 tests annually to more than 700 tests annually.

Jorge's service includes collaboration with the Osceola County Health Department on numerous events, including hosting a vaccination drive for Monkeypox and other communicable diseases, as well as community health fairs, including co-hosting Osceola County's first World AIDS Day Health Fair in 2021 and again in 2022. Additional partnerships stewarded by Jorge include those with Club Orlando, Valencia College, the City of Kissimmee, Kissimmee Main Street, Harmony Healthcare Orlando, and Walmart Pharmacy.

JOSEPH "JOEY" KNOLL

Joseph "Joey" Knoll (he/him) is the founder and president of SPEKTRUM Health, a charitable community-based health center that caters to the LGBTQIA+ community in Orlando, Florida. He has a wealth of experience working in a variety of healthcare practice settings with over 20 years of nursing experience. Starting as a nursing assistant in New York at the age of 16, he worked his way up the nursing ladder to become a licensed practical nurse (LPN), then a registered nurse (RN), and ultimately a nurse practitioner (NP). One of his favorite roles was as a nursing instructor, teaching pharmacology classes for 10 years. He has additional formal training and experience in health policy, risk management, and health law. He also served on the executive board of the Florida Association of Nurse Practitioners (FLANP) for eight years. Clinically, he specializes in LGBT primary care with a special focus on mental health management, HIV treatment and prevention, STD treatment and prevention, and gender-affirming care for transgender individuals. He is also an active member of the World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH). Nursing and advocacy are at the heart of everything he does, and he believes all humans deserve equal quality and affirming healthcare in all settings. For fun, he enjoys the beach, sun, sand, and water. Though Joey does not have any human children, he is happy to have two four-legged companions, Kimber and Speck.

SVETLANA "LANA" DUNN

Svetlana "Lana" Dunn (she/her) is the chief operating officer for SPEKTRUM Health, a charitable community-based health center that caters to the LGBTQIA+ community in Orlando, Florida. Born and raised in the Pacific Northwest, Lana's early experiences as a transgender woman struggling to understand her own place in the world helped shape her deep empathy and passion for social justice. Lana's advocacy efforts extend far beyond her role at SPEKTRUM Health. She is a promi-

nent voice in the fight for transgender equality, advocating for policy changes, increased awareness, and improved healthcare practices at both the state and national levels. Recognizing the importance of collaboration and inclusivity, Lana actively engages with community members, patients, and advocacy groups to ensure their voices are heard and their needs are met. She firmly believes in the power of education and empowerment, working tirelessly to promote transgender rights, mental health support, and access to gender-affirming healthcare services. She believes in the healing power of art and creativity and often channels her passion into various artistic endeavors. Through her multifaceted approach to life and work, Lana inspires others to embrace their authentic selves and create a world where transgender individuals are celebrated and supported without discrimination. Lana's unwavering commitment to transgender equality and her exceptional leadership at SPEKTRUM Health have made a profound impact on the lives of countless individuals. Her tireless dedication and advocacy continue to drive positive change, shaping a more inclusive and equitable future for the LGBTQIA+ community in Orlando and beyond.

TATIANA QUIROGA

Tatiana Quiroga (she/ella) is a committed and seasoned leader with 20 years of experience in diversity and inclusion, pragmatic planning, and working in the nonprofit sector. She is an enthusiastic activist for the LGBTQIA+ and Latinx community who has held various advocacy roles. Most recently, she has been appointed as the first executive director for Come Out with Pride, Inc. Prior, she was the director of family equity & diversity with Family Equality, a national nonprofit advocating for LGBTQIA+ families. In addition, Tatiana also serves on the board of directors for Zebra Youth as co-chair. She earned her Master of Arts in Mental Health Counseling from Rollins College, a certificate in diversity, equity, and inclusion from Cornell University, and a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from the University of Central Florida. Originally from La Paz, Bolivia, Tatiana immigrated to the U.S. and is a strong advocate for social justice, racial and gender equity, and the LGBTQIA+ movement. She lives in the Orlando area with her wife and two kiddos.

HONORING THE TENURE OF
I.I.A.B.A. CHAIRMAN JOHN R.
COSTELLO

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 30, 2023

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. John R. Costello for his exceptional tenure as the 117th Chairman of the Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America.

A native of Rochester, New York, Mr. Costello graduated from Bishop Kearney High School before attending Villanova University and earning a B.B.A. in Finance. Shortly after his graduation in 1977, he began his career in insurance and spent the next five decades dedicated to serving the industry and those seeking its services. Currently, Mr. Costello is a partner at USI Insurance Services in Niagara Falls, New York.

First elected to the leadership team of the Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America, or I.I.A.B.A., in 2016, Mr. Costello was elevated to the organization's chairmanship in September of 2022. Founded in 1986, the I.I.A.B.A. is the country's largest and longest-operating national association of independent insurance agents and brokers. Over the past year, Mr. Costello has done a remarkable job guiding the association as a strong and thoughtful leader for independent insurance agents and small businesses across the country. His nearly half a century of service to the insurance industry has impacted thousands of lives, both locally and nationally. In addition to his association leadership, Mr. Costello is active in the Society of Certified Insurance Counselors and the Insurance Risk Management Institute.

Throughout his career, Mr. Costello also dedicated himself to giving back to his community, volunteering for a plethora of local organizations. To name only a few, he served as the Chairman of the Board of Bishop Kearney High School, a board member and past president of Sunset House Hospice Facility, a vice chair and treasurer of OASIS Adaptive Sports, and a former director and current member of the National Ski Patrol at Bristol Mountain. Both as a member of his community and the Chairman of the I.I.A.B.A., Mr. Costello has worked dutifully to improve the lives of those around him and ensure their highest potential could be achieved.

I am honored to recognize the extraordinary career of Mr. John R. Costello and his successful term as the 117th Chairman of the Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America.

CELEBRATING FARMINGTON HILLS
UPON ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 30, 2023

Ms. STEVENS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the city of Farmington Hills, and to recognize its contributions to the state of Michigan. Farmington Hills is a haven for a diverse community, for children of all ages, and for growth and justice. Over a hundred years before it became a city, Farmington Township and the Village of Farmington lived next to each other in harmony as a farming community that made its mark on Michigan history.

Farmington received its name from its first settler, Arthur Power, who hailed from Farmington, New York. Power and Dr. Ezekiel Webb helped develop the community by starting families and creating a post office, a physician's office, and school. Together, they developed a small, strong farming community that slowly grew more businesses and traditions. Power spread his Quaker religious teachings to his son, Nathan, and imbued in him respect for all humans regardless of race. Nathan Power went on to serve as President of the Oakland County Antislavery Society. As a result of Nathan Power's leadership, Farmington became a key stop on the Underground Railroad and a channel for formerly enslaved individuals to travel to Detroit and Canada. Other famous abolitionists that spent time in Farmington in the 1800s include Laura Haviland, J.S.T. Milligan, and Sojourner Truth.