

Barry and his wife continue to operate their West Central Indiana-based farm where they employ the strategies he developed and perfected, and their farm now acts as a living laboratory to many conservation groups who travel from across the country to learn about soy health. Barry's contributions to our agriculture industry are immeasurable, and I can think of no one more deserving of this well-deserved honor.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. COLIN Z. ALLRED

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Mr. ALLRED. Mr. Speaker, on January 30, 2023, I was absent during the time of votes due to illness. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 94, H.R. 500, Financial Exploitation Prevention Act.

REINTRODUCTION OF THE STUDENTS HELPING YOUNG STUDENTS ACT

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Mr. CARSON. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to reintroduce the Students Helping Young Students Act. This important legislation will invest in college students who support and mentor K–12 students at after-school activities. This legislation will make a meaningful difference in the lives of all Hoosier students, and young Americans across the country, by ensuring that college students can be compensated for the critical work of mentoring and supporting their younger counterparts. I would like to thank my Senate Colleague, Senator CORY BOOKER, for leading the companion of this important legislation.

It is an honor to represent students of all ages in Indiana's Seventh District. I am continually impressed by the many college students in my district and across the country that, in addition to their studies, help mentor and support K–12 students in after-school programs. These college students, by serving as powerful examples and mentors, continue to inspire my colleagues and I about the importance of peer mentorship opportunities. This includes the crucial role of work-study programs in helping students finance their postsecondary education.

Several examples in Indiana underscore the importance of supporting mentorship programs, both to the mentee and the mentor. The influence and investment from a mentor can improve younger student lives and outcomes. Their stories are common: in fact, at-risk youth that have a mentor are 55 percent more likely to attend college. Moreover, at-risk youth that have a mentor are 52 percent less likely to skip a day of school and 46 percent less likely to use drugs. Mentoring also increases community engagement, as at-risk students are 78 percent more likely to volunteer in their community and are 130 percent more likely to hold a leadership role in clubs or teams with a mentor in their lives. Men-

toring not only helps students stay away from drugs and violence, but also live healthier lives and improve school performance. Mentees participating in mentorship programs have also performed higher on the Indiana Statewide Testing for Educational Progress (ISTEP) tests.

Because of these unmistakable benefits, Congress must do more to support these after-school programs and their student mentors. Although after-school mentorship programs often intersect with students' courses of study and benefit the community, after-school activities are not currently considered a community service under the Federal Work-Study program. This means that college students cannot rely on compensation from Federal Work-Study for their participation in after-school activities.

The Federal Work-Study program has helped support undergraduate and graduate students, who have exhibited financial need, find part-time jobs. The Federal Work-Study program employs hundreds of thousands of undergraduate and graduate students. Across all higher education, 7 in 10 college students work at least 15 hours per week to help cover their tuition, and 1 in 4 work more than 35 hours a week. While mentorship's benefits are clear, the absence of after-school activities from consideration as work-study programs causes students with financial need to more often pursue other opportunities. This means that many students are unable to serve in mentorship roles, even if it aligns with their course of study, for financial reasons. This dynamic exacerbates the widening mentoring gap, which includes the over 9 million young people without a mentor outside their family to support their growth and education.

As a result, more work needs to be done to help compensate students who choose to serve their communities by mentoring younger students. That is why the Students Helping Young Students Act is so important. This bill incorporates work at after-school programs into the Federal Work-Study Program under community service by making participation in these programs eligible for federal funds. In short, this bill allows college students to access Federal Work-Study funds for their participation in after-school activities.

Through the Students Helping Young Students Act, after-school mentoring programs will count as community service under the Federal Work-Study program. Students can be compensated for their work, including time spent in training and travel, directly related to the program. This will allow any student who wishes to serve in their community to participate in mentorship activities, regardless of their financial background. As a result, the Students Helping Young Students Act will also help close the mentoring gap and ensure that younger students, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds, have the support they need to succeed and reach their goals.

Mr. Speaker, I hope my colleagues will join me in supporting this bill to ensure that Federal Work-Study students are compensated for their mentorship efforts. It is important that Congress supports these students in their pursuit to serve our communities. I urge the House to support this bill.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JIMMIE MASSIE III

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the life and memory of James "Jimmie" Pleasants Massie III, who tragically passed away on January 25, 2023, at age 64. My prayers are with his family and loved ones, especially his wife, Elizabeth, and his children, Jimmie, William, Becky, and John.

Jimmie was a caring husband, father, son, brother, grandfather, friend, and so much more. He also had a strong passion for public service and cared deeply for his community. I had the honor of knowing Jimmie throughout his time in public service when he served as the Henrico County Delegate in the Virginia House of Delegates. Jimmie's colleagues and community remember and honor him as a strong leader and passionate advocate for the issues facing his community. I am personally grateful for his leadership in Virginia, and I know that our communities are stronger because of his time in office.

Jimmie was, and is, well-loved and highly respected amongst his family and community, and his memory will not soon be forgotten. I pray that his family and loved ones may be comforted as they mourn his loss. Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me in honoring the life and legacy of Jimmie Massie.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO ARTHUR WILLIAM FRAZIER

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a distinguished military veteran. Mr. Arthur William Frazier transitioned from this life on January 21, 2023, in Fort Gordon, Georgia. He dedicated his life to serving our great Nation and should be honored and celebrated for his service.

Arthur Frazier was born on July 25, 1953, to the late Hubert Same and Julia Mae "Molly" Frazier in Cope, South Carolina. One of 5 siblings, he developed deep roots to his community, attending school at the George Washington Carver School as well as Edisto High School. He graduated from Edisto High School in 1971, and shortly thereafter embarked on what would become a lifetime of military service.

In 1971, Mr. Frazier joined the United States Army. He was a trailblazer, becoming the first African American 1st Sergeant in the South Carolina National Guard Armory in Orangeburg, South Carolina. He was also the first African American to serve as Surface Maintenance Supervisor at the Field Maintenance Shop No. 14 in Varnville, South Carolina. Mr. Frazier received his Warrant Officer commission in 2003. From 2007 to 2008, he served a tour in Afghanistan, and honorably retired in 2013.

Throughout his 42 years of military service, he was recognized with many awards and accolades. For his domestic service, he received

the Legion of Merit, the Army Achievement Medal 2nd Award, the Army Good Conduct 2nd Award, and the South Carolina Palmetto Service Ribbon, among many others. For his service abroad, he received the Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, and Afghanistan Campaign Medal.

Mr. Frazier was a man of faith and a lifelong member of Emmanuel AME Church in his hometown of Cope, South Carolina. He was an active participant in the church, serving at various times as a Class Leader, Choir Member, President of the Sunday School Department, and Financial Administrator. He is lovingly remembered by his wife of 42 years, Helen "Judy" Frazier, as well as their 3 children, Shenika Frederick, CoSaundra Rivers, Arthur "AJ" Frazier, Jr., and 5 grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in recognizing the highly decorated life of service led by Mr. Arthur W. Frazier. He served his country with dignity and pride for over 4 decades. He will be sorely missed and well-remembered.

HONORING LARRY NESS ON HIS BANKING CAREER OF MORE THAN 50 YEARS

HON. DUSTY JOHNSON

OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Larry Ness on his banking career of more than 50 years in South Dakota.

As CEO of First Dakota National Bank in Yankton, South Dakota, Larry helped the company rebound once he joined over 40 years ago. Prior to working with First Dakota National Bank, Larry was a bank examiner at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Over the last 40 years, Larry and his wife Diane have dedicated an incredible amount of time, talent, and treasure to Yankton and the whole state of South Dakota. They have been among the very best citizens and community members I've ever met. Larry's leadership has left a legacy in the state of South Dakota and we are grateful for his service.

I wish him all the best in his retirement and as he continues to serve as Chairman of the Board for First Dakota National Bank.

COMMEMORATING THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF SCIO

HON. NICHOLAS A. LANGWORTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Town of Scio in Allegany County, New York.

The Town of Scio was named after the Greek Island of Scio in the Aegean Sea because in 1820, the western world was horrified by the slaying of Christians on the island. The founding fathers of the town were so moved by a speech given by Daniel Webster honoring the Christians that died and wanted to

name the town Scio in memoriam. The Town of Scio was first settled at the mouth of Knight Creek and was a crucial community to the building of the Erie railroad.

Whether they are lifelong residents or new in town, the citizens of Scio love their town. A tight knit community of only 1,625, the neighbors in this town look out for each other.

Two hundred years as a community and a town is certainly a cause for celebration. I congratulate the Town of Scio for withstanding the tests of time and look forward to many more years of Scio providing a welcoming community for our friends, neighbors and visitors.

Given the above, I ask that this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations and join me to celebrate the Town of Scio's 200th anniversary.

HONORING KAREN REINER

HON. ANDY KIM

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Mr. KIM of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Karen Reiner, who is being honored as the 2023 Citizen of the Year for Moorestown, New Jersey. This year's award recognizes a Moorestown resident who has positively impacted the quality of life for everyone in our community.

Karen's family raised her to have a deep sense of service and to look out for her surrounding community. This upbringing spurred her desire to always emulate the values she learned growing up—involvement, kindness, and service. She has dedicated her life to partnering with those in the community to create programs and environments where people know they can feel safe and respected.

Karen both co-founded and served as President of MooreUnity, a non-profit civic group centered on promoting inclusion within the community. Through her work building bridges across divides, MooreUnity has continued to support local efforts to root out prejudice and discrimination. Hosting about ten programs every year, MooreUnity provides discussion panels and workshops to learn about the damaging impact of discrimination as well as to teach people about how understanding and acceptance can bring people together in the face of injustice and hate. Karen has even helped children learn to interact with their peers as well and how to stand up to bullying and prejudice they experience or see thrust at others.

In addition to MooreUnity, Karen is also working to heal political divides within our community. Through the Moorestown Braver Angel Alliance, she has hosted multiple workshops with Republicans and Democrats to learn and implement techniques to communicate effectively and civilly despite different political beliefs. As a co-founder and active member of the Moorestown Directory Group, Karen also works to bring people together from different walks of service including nonprofits, people interested and active in civic engagement, and religious groups to name a few.

Beyond this work and these organizations, Karen also finds time to for local community service. She has served as a Girl Scout Troop leader and previously led an effort to place

five kindness benches at each of the local elementary schools in Moorestown as well as the Jeff Young Park. Karen also works with numerous organizations centered on gun violence prevention including Sandy Hook Promise and Moms Demand Action.

For years across multiple sectors, Karen has made Moorestown a better place and has been an example for so many in the volunteer community. Described as an inspiration, I am proud to congratulate Karen for winning the 2023 Citizen of the Year for Moorestown, New Jersey and thank her for her continued service to our community.

HONORING THE 50TH ANNUAL NORWEGIAN RECIPROCAL TROOPS EXCHANGE

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 50th annual Norwegian Reciprocal Troops Exchange between the Minnesota National Guard and the Norwegian Home Guard. Known as NOREX, this annual exchange between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Norway is the world's longest-running military partnership, an enduring tradition which continues to strengthen the bonds between our two countries. Not only is this anniversary a cause for celebration, but it is particularly fitting that it occur as the Minnesota National Guard and the Norwegian Home Guard prepare to formalize this friendship as official partners in the National Guard State Partnership Program.

This month, more than one hundred Soldiers and Airmen of the Minnesota National Guard will travel to Norway and conduct winter operations training with the Norwegian Home Guard, known as Heimevernet. This unique training opportunity takes place over five days in Norway's countryside and includes skiing techniques, avalanche training, emergency food rationing, bivouac routines, constructing a lean-to, and building and lighting a fire. Meanwhile, members of the Norwegian Home Guard will travel to Camp Ripley in Minnesota, to learn joint domestic response exercises with local law enforcement.

In addition to military training, our Soldiers and Airmen will participate in cultural exchanges by spending a weekend with Norwegian host families and visiting cultural sites. Similarly, the visiting Norwegian troops will enjoy American cultural experiences such as attending a Minnesota Wild hockey game, visiting the Mall of America, enjoying walleye at a local VFW fish fry, and being the guests of honor at an official dinner hosted by the Saint Paul-based civic organization Serving Our Troops.

Of course, it is especially fitting that the Minnesota National Guard participate in this exchange. Thousands of immigrants from Norway came to Minnesota during the 1800s. Today, over 850,000 Minnesotans claim Norwegian ancestry—myself included. Minnesota has more Norwegian-Americans than any other state and these Minnesotans keep alive many proud traditions passed down from their Nordic ancestors. In Congress, I have been proud to honor Norwegian-American heritage