

of the Pacific war. During his mission, 1 of his B-24 Liberator's engines was struck by enemy fire, forcing Mr. Tasker and his crew to crash land in a rice paddy. Tragically, 1 of his gunners was killed, and several more crew members were severely burned. Thankfully, a group of Filipino civilians rescued them and provided shelter and aid long enough for the United States Navy to send a boat to pick them up. For his injuries sustained in combat, First Lt. Tasker received the Purple Heart.

In recognition of his remarkable achievements, the city of Sherman has named Royce Tasker as a Texoma Hero and proclaimed July 28, 2023, as 1st Lieutenant Royce Tasker Day. I am proud to recognize Mr. Tasker's honor, courage, and steadfast patriotism here today, and I wish him good health for many more years to come.

I have requested the United States flag to be flown over our Nation's Capital to recognize Mr. Tasker's amazing life and service to our Nation. May God bless Mr. Tasker on 100 years of life and joy.

HONORING REVEREND DR. CARL JOHNSON

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Reverend Dr. Carl Johnson, an outstanding spiritual leader guiding South Florida.

In 1987, Pastor Johnson began his journey as a clergyman, answering the call and receiving a ministerial license at 93rd Street Community Baptist Church. He was appointed the position of youth minister and he quickly ascended to assistant to the Senior Pastor. After the passing of Rev. Alonzo Anderson, Pastor Johnson became the interim Pastor, and was shortly installed as Senior Pastor on May 16, 1993. God gave him a vision for the 93rd St. Baptist Church, "the church being faithful to become fruitful", undergirded with the mission statement, "the Church Where the Holy Spirit Leads and the Body of Christ Follows".

Under Pastor Johnson's leadership, the church has steadily grown from 100 to 7000 members. The old sanctuary was renovated in 1996, and the church expanded into numerous properties in the surrounding area. In December 2007, the church moved adjacent to a beautiful new cathedral holstering their capacity to over 1,500 parishioners and adding administrative offices, bookstore, conference room, and a chapel. Due to the rapid growth many more ministries have been added.

Pastor Johnson has served in many capacities. He serves as the President of the 93rd St. Community Development (social services) since 1999. He served as the President of the Caretaker for Christ Incorporation and served as the President of the Ministers & Deacons Union of the Seaboard Baptist Association. In 2018, he was appointed the President of the Moderators Axillary of the Florida General Baptist Convention. Presently, he serves as the Moderator of the Seaboard Baptist Association for the past 7 years. Today, he serves as a Chaplain for the Florida Highway Patrol Department and Chaplain for the Doral Police Department.

On April 6, 2023, he was elected, as the 24th President of the Florida General Baptist Convention. Beyond his endless love of community, his willingness to serve knows no bounds, and it is recognized by his peers and members of the community. On Tuesday, May 2, 2023, Pastor Johnson was installed as the 24th President of the Florida General Baptist Convention.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring Reverend Dr. Carl Johnson for his dedicated service to the South Florida community and all he has achieved.

HONORING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL MUSEUM OF WASHTENAW COUNTY

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the African American Cultural and Historical Museum of Washtenaw County (AACHM) on the occasion of their 30th anniversary. The job they have done in preserving the deep history of Washtenaw County's African American population is worthy of commendation.

Founded in 1993, the AACHM has been crucial in helping local residents understand their shared history, from the many Underground Railroad stops in the area to the Broadway Historic District in Ann Arbor. Originally a "museum without walls", the museum currently resides in their Historic Albert Polhemus House, built in 1848 to house Albert and Leah Polhemus and their 6 children. A later resident by the name of Joseph Mills Maltby was the pastor of Ann Arbor's First Presbyterian Church from 1888 to 1909, at which the Michigan Anti-Slavery Society was founded in 1836.

The exhibits at the AACHM are in constant rotation, and each and every 1 is worthy of a visit in person. Whether it was an exhibition of the Great Migration of the 20th century or a collection of the origin stories of local black families, the AACHM are consistently collaborating with our local high schools and universities to make sure that residents of all stripes participate in our shared history. The AACHM is also well known for their "Journey to Freedom" tours that showcase the role Washtenaw County played in the Underground Railroad. Michigan was often the last stop on the way to freedom in Canada, and 2 crucial routes went through Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in celebrating the 30th anniversary of the AACHM. They say that "those who don't learn from history are doomed to repeat it", and for the last 3 decades the AACHM has been working tirelessly to ensure that the residents of Washtenaw County remember their history, both the highlights and the low points. Progress in the present requires an understanding of the past, and the AACHM is vital to that cause. We thank you and are excited to see what history you uncover over the next 30 years.

HONORING GARY SANDY

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today along with my colleagues JOHN GARAMENDI and DORIS MATSUI, to honor the life and legacy of Yolo County Supervisor Gary Sandy. Supervisor Sandy grew up in Vacaville, California and lived in Woodland, California for nearly 40 years where he devoted his life to public service.

Supervisor Sandy graduated from Sonoma State University "With Distinction" in 1985 and was later awarded the prestigious Coro Foundation Fellowship in Public Affairs. Supervisor Sandy also received a master's degree in organizational development from the University of San Francisco and completed the University of California, Davis Executive Program.

Supervisor Sandy has been active in our community for decades. He served as a member of the Woodland City Council from 1989 through 1996 and was mayor of the City of Woodland from 1994 through 1996. Between 2010 and 2018, Supervisor Sandy was a trustee for the Yuba Community College District, where he was twice elected president of the board. In 2018, he was elected to the Yolo County Board of Supervisors for District 3; and in 2020, Mr. Sandy served as the chair to the board during the COVID-19 pandemic.

He was a treasured member of our community who advocated for matters of mental health, homelessness, agricultural land preservation, economic development, and education. Supervisor Sandy was a leading voice as the chair to the Yolo County Housing Commission and assisted in the creation of Yolo County's Commission to Address Homelessness supporting countywide policy, strategy, and funding recommendations to address homelessness and housing issues. Mr. Sandy was a leader in promoting practices and technologies that aid in water conservation. He furthered these initiatives as a representative to the Yolo County Water Resources Association and the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency.

Supervisor Sandy's colleagues remembered him as a kind, wise, and personable man. His gift was not in what he had to say, but rather in the way he made you feel. Supervisor Sandy brought a sense of warmth and humor into every conversation he had. We will miss his friendship and unwavering support.

Beyond his work, Supervisor Sandy was deeply devoted to his family. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Mary, his children, Owen, Grayson, and Bayley, his grandchildren, and his sister, Shirley. Supervisor Sandy will be remembered for his love of his family and the people he served.

Mr. Speaker, Gary Sandy was a dedicated public servant and leader in our community.

RECOGNIZING THE PUBLIC SERVICE CAREER OF BOB HUNDLEY

HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions to the city of Paris,

Texas by Mr. Bob Hundley. For over 45 years, Mr. Hundley served in the Paris Police Department.

From a young age, Mr. Hundley had his mind set on pursuing a career in law enforcement and positively impacting his community. He first began working for the Tyler Police Department as a patrol officer in January of 1975. Shortly after, he relocated to the Paris Police Department and made it his life's mission to help his community through the best and worst of times. From assisting children in appalling situations to rescuing individuals in natural disasters, Mr. Hundley's commitment to selfless service has remained steadfast throughout the years. He was promoted to the rank of lieutenant in the early 1990s and also served as the emergency management coordinator.

Beginning in 2004, Mr. Hundley served as the assistant police chief and was later promoted to Chief of Police in 2009. For the next 11 years, he led the charge to protect and serve North Texas during which he established a robust training program for future law enforcement officers. Moreover, Mr. Hundley created a Citizen's Police Academy to improve law enforcement outreach efforts to the public. Under his leadership, the Paris Police Department received 2 Recognized Law Enforcement Agency awards. At the time, only 66 out of Texas' 2,800 police departments had received such an award. Many people who know Mr. Hundley would agree that his humble contributions to Paris have been invaluable, and his retirement on July 3, 2023, was well deserved after a lifetime of public service.

I have requested the United States flag to be flown over our Nation's Capital to recognize Mr. Hundley's lifetime of public service to the good people of North Texas. I wish him good health and the best of luck in his future endeavors.

**HONORING DR. LAMONT S.
SNYDER**

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON
OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Lamont S. Snyder in honor of his retirement from Broward County Public Schools.

Dr. Lamont Snyder, a constituent of District 24, is a noted visionary, a well-respected mentor and father figure and a nationally recognized Music teacher and Band Director at Hallandale High School in Broward County, Florida.

Dr. Snyder's leadership and dedication turned a small fledgling high school band of amateur players into a nationally recognized and talented organization of skilled musicians and performers. The band has competed in and won numerous competitions, marched in the acclaimed Orange Bowl Parade and entertained thousands of people across the country.

Dr. Snyder's devotion and accomplishments earned him the Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation Award in 2004 that was presented to him at New York City's Carnegie Hall. Every year the foundation recognizes the five best band directors in the country.

Dr. Snyder is completing his 21st year as a Broward County Schools Band Director. He has used music to instill in his students self-discipline, self-confidence, self-motivation, drive and determination for excellence in everything they do.

He has built a support system, comprised of parents, students, alumni, and friends that has allowed the band to flourish and remain competitive. More importantly, it serves as a safe and positive avenue for the students, many of whom have gone on to earn music scholarships to schools like Bethune-Cookman University, Florida State University and Florida A&M University.

Dr. Snyder is a native of Miami, Florida and a graduate of Miami Carol City High School. He received a Master's degree in Music from Florida Memorial College.

Dr. Snyder is married to Connie Snyder and is the father of 5 children: Venita, Lakinya, Regina, Celisse and Lamont Jr. He is also a grandfather, son, brother and uncle.

Please join me in honoring Dr. Lamont S. Snyder for his commitment to our children, their education and musical enlightenment and for his commitment to our community.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF AMERICAN LEGION POST 46

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the American Legion Post 46 in Ann Arbor, MI on the 100th anniversary of their founding. The support and care that they have shown to our veterans and our community over the last century is worthy of commendation.

The Erwin Prieskorn American Legion Post 46 was issued its charter in 1923, named in honor of Erwin Prieskorn, an Ann Arbor native who died of his wounds in France during the First World War. Over the next 40 years, membership increased to over 1,000 veterans. Membership has fluctuated over the years, but Post 46 is now 1 of the faster growing American Legion posts in the country by growing over 30 percent in membership in the last year alone.

For the past 100 years, the members of Post 46 have dedicated themselves to their fellow veterans. Members are consistently volunteering at the Ann Arbor VA Hospital; visiting with patients, assisting spouses, and providing transportation for those who are not able to drive. In 2019, Post 46 gathered \$100,000 to donate for the construction of a Fisher House at the Ann Arbor VA. The American Legion Department of Michigan followed suit, urging other legionnaires to also contribute during a yearlong campaign. In total, more than \$500,000 was raised and the VA Ann Arbor Fisher House welcomed its first guests on June 1, 2020.

Over the decades, Post 46 been committed to other community-based programs in the greater Ann Arbor area working on youth education, combating domestic violence and sexual assault, food insecurity, homelessness, and public health. Post 46 regularly donates and raises funds for the following organiza-

tions; SafeHouse Center, Food Gatherers, Hope Clinic, Staples Family Center, Salvation Army, Toys for Tots, Youth Scouting, placing flags at veterans graves every Memorial Day, high school scholarships, Boys State, Veterans Memorial Park, Washtenaw Community College, U of M ROTC, MSP Student Trooper Program and so much more.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Erwin Prieskorn American Legion Post 46. For the last century, their members have continued serving their community well after being out of uniform. We thank them for their service, both at home and abroad, and are excited to see what they can accomplish over the next 100 years.

RECOGNIZING THE FOOD BANK OF CONTRA COSTA AND SOLANO

HON. MARK DeSAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Mr. DESAULNIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano Counties as we commemorate Hunger Action Month.

The Food Bank, a member of Feeding America's national network of food banks, distributes free food each week to the communities of Contra Costa and Solano Counties. Through partnering with 260 local nonprofit organizations, the Food Bank provides more than two million pounds of food each month to support hunger-fighting efforts in our community. Initiatives including its mobile food pharmacy, senior food program, and drive-thru distributions, have helped reducing food insecurity in the Bay Area.

With one in four residents in our community depending on the Food Bank for emergency and supplemental food each month, the Food Bank not only provides over 3,500,000 meals monthly, but it also advocates for a hunger-free future by highlighting the hunger issues our community faces, educating people on the importance of food banks in addressing these challenges, and advocating for policy changes to advance the fight to end hunger. Further, the Food Bank works tirelessly to prevent food waste, saving perfectly edible food from being discarded. The organization partners with over 130 retailers to rescue 6,500,000 lbs. of food each year through its grocery recovery pickups.

As we celebrate Hunger Action Month, I extend my sincere appreciation to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano Counties for its invaluable service to our community and commitment to fighting food insecurity and improving the lives of Bay Area residents.

CELEBRATING CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT VANESSA JOHNSTON FOR HER SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

HON. ZACHARY NUNN

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Mr. NUNN of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate Chief Master Sergeant Vanessa Johnston for her retirement