

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING MARSHA BRUHN

HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 18, 2023

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Marsha Bruhn, a public servant and long-time resident of Detroit in Michigan's 12th District Strong, for her numerous outstanding contributions to the city and the Grandmont Rosedale community she calls home.

Before settling in Detroit's Grandmont Rosedale community, Ms. Bruhn lived all over the country. She developed her passion for community development when she volunteered with the Staten Island Citizens Planning Commission. The community engagement work she witnessed while later living in Los Angeles spurred her to return to school to complete her master's degree in urban planning. She used that experience and education over 22 years of service as the director of the Detroit Planning Commission.

In 1988, Ms. Bruhn fell in love with and made her home in Detroit's North Rosedale Park neighborhood. She quickly became a champion for North Rosedale Park and the entire 5-neighborhood area that comprises Grandmont Rosedale. She has steadily invested her time and energy into maintaining and further cultivating this unique and close-knit community for future generations to enjoy. As a long-time board member of the Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation, Ms. Bruhn has contributed immensely to strengthening housing, retaining and attracting new small businesses that are the backbone of the community's corridor, and beautifying the neighborhoods. Notably, she spear-headed the capital campaign to revitalize the North Rosedale Park Community House, a major hub and home to numerous neighborhood events and gatherings.

Please join me in thanking Ms. Marsha Bruhn as we recognize her dedication and thank her for her commitment and service to North Rosedale Park, Grandmont Rosedale, and the City of Detroit.

RECOGNIZING THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND CAREER OF ADRIENNE KOTLER

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, today I am honored to recognize the current treasurer of Amherst Democratic Committee and long-time political volunteer, Adrienne Kotler. From a very young age, Adrienne has been actively involved in the electoral process, and she has continued this commitment through all her life in numerous cities across the country.

In 1970, Adrienne joined Arthur Goldberg's campaign for Governor of New York before quickly joining the New York Democratic Assembly Campaign Committee. While working for the DACC, she enjoyed success as the Democratic Party took back control of the New York State Assembly. It was there that her work began for Majority Leader Al Blumenthal until his retirement in 1976, to be followed by work for the Speaker of the Assembly and the Committee on Reapportionment. When Adrienne wanted to get a B.S. in Accounting, she moved to attend Arizona State University in Tempe, AZ. In Arizona, she was hired to be the Staff Accountant to Bruce Babbitt's presidential bid. This allowed Adrienne to travel the early primary states of Iowa and New Hampshire.

After the presidential campaign, Adrienne moved onto work in the private sector. She worked for both Citibank on their audit staff in Arizona and Florida. In the last move of her career, Adrienne became a Compliance Officer at Citibank here in Buffalo, NY. She retired in 2000, met then-Amherst Democratic Committee Chairman Dennis Ward, and began volunteering for the Committee. As I thank her for all the sacrifices she has made for the Committee and her community, I am pleased to recognize Adrienne Kotler for all of her hard work and dedication to Western New York and Democratic ideals.

HONORING EUGENE W.
SULZBERGER

HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SWALWELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Judge Eugene W. Sulzberger of Dade County, Florida, for his more than 60 years practicing law in the state of Florida and commitment to the Dade County community.

Eugene was born on July 12, 1926, in Sheepshead Bay, New York. In 1941, his family moved to Florida where Eugene graduated from Miami Beach Senior High School in 1944. Upon graduation, Eugene enlisted in the Navy, serving over 2 years in the Atlantic with the 12th Naval District Pacific Command during World War II.

After his discharge, Eugene enrolled in the University of Miami Business School and graduated from the University of Miami Law School in 1951, a proud Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity member.

In 1952, Eugene was appointed as a Municipal Judge in Miami, Florida, at the age of 26, making him the youngest judge in the state. In 1954, the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce recognized Eugene as 1 of 10 outstanding young people in the state.

Also during this time, Eugene met his wife of over 60 years, Beverley. Beverley was the former President of the Miami Beach Board of Realtors and has worked by Eugene's side

giving back to the Miami community. They instilled in their children, Gene and Eric, a love and commitment to service. This included working with the Miami Children's Hospital Foundation, Gable Stage, the University of Miami, the Our Fund Foundation, and many other Miami charities.

Eugene was deeply committed to engaging his community, serving as the President of the North Shore Kiwanis Club, and sitting on the Board of Directors for the Boy Scouts of Florida.

He was also a strong supporter of education. He served as a trustee for Miami Country Day School, trustee and chairman of the board of directors for St. Thomas University, a member of the Grand Founders of the University of Miami, a member of the Society of Founders of Barry University. In 1983, he received the Champion of Higher Independent Education in Florida (CHIEF) Award from the Presidents of Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida.

For over 60 years, Eugene has remained committed to serving others, whether in the Armed Forces, the courtroom, or one of the many community organizations he was involved in. May we celebrate and honor Eugene and others like him for actively working to improve their communities.

HONORING TERESA ALEXANDER

HON. ABIGAIL DAVIS SPANBERGER

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 18, 2023

Ms. SPANBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commend Ms. Teresa Alexander for her outstanding service as part of Stafford County Public Schools.

For more than 15 years, Ms. Alexander has served as a Special Education/Autism teacher. In her role, she has nurtured a love for learning in her students and provided them with the tools they need to succeed. Her dedication to her students, their education, and their futures is admirable.

Prior to joining Stafford County Public Schools, Ms. Alexander taught at Fredericksburg City Public Schools. She was nominated for "Teacher of the Year" all 8 years she taught there—and she won the award twice.

Her expertise, commitment, and passion for teaching is inspiring. Her contributions as an educator help shape Virginia's future by both empowering students with knowledge and inspiring them to continue to learn. I am honored to recognize Ms. Alexander. Her hard work does not go unnoticed.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Ms. Alexander for her unwavering commitment to education and her continued commitment to educating tomorrow's leaders.

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CELEBRATING 240 YEARS OF
FAYETTE COUNTY

HON. GUY RESCENTIALER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 18, 2023

Mr. RESCENTIALER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate Fayette County, Pennsylvania, on its 240th anniversary and its place as an integral part of our community.

Fayette County was founded on September 26, 1783, and named after Marquis de Lafayette, a Revolutionary War hero who served alongside President George Washington. The county was carved out of southern Westmoreland County on land with an already rich and storied heritage. Fayette County represented a new frontier for Pennsylvania and America in its early days. Its people persevered through the hardships of early frontier life to build a better life for themselves and their families. The county would also become a crucial point along the newly created National Road.

The story of Fayette County and its people is an important and unique part of our region's history. The county served as an early steamboat manufacturing hub. The area quickly became one of the earliest industrial areas in America. After building the Pittsburgh Railroad, the local industry shifted from steamboat manufacturing and glass production to coal mining.

Today, Fayette County is a regional agriculture hub, with over 23 percent of the county devoted to farmland. Additionally, attractions such as Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater House, Fort Necessity National Battlefield, and Ohiopyle State Park make Fayette County one of the best places to visit and live in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Speaker, the story of Fayette County, is distinctively American and important to Pennsylvania. On behalf of the people of Pennsylvania's 14th Congressional District, I congratulate its citizens on this remarkable milestone and look forward to building on this storied history over the next 240 years.

HONORING THE WORK OF
COLONEL MICHAEL A. HONEYCUTT

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 18, 2023

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the accomplishments of Michael A. Honeycutt, who is retiring as Colonel after serving decades of military service. A decorated Officer, he worked as an Active Guard and Reserve servicemember, climbing to the Mississippi National Guard, culminating as the Director of Joint Plans, Training, and Exercises.

Colonel Honeycutt graduated from all professional military education courses, including the National War College. He is decorated with the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, and many other awards. He served in many tactical, operational, and strategic assignments, including an overseas combat tour to Iraq in 2004 to 2005, where I served alongside him.

He has worked at and served in all geographic areas of Mississippi on 17 different as-

signments. He was the Commander of the 154th Regional Training Institute at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center. Colonel Honeycutt has spent countless days, weeks, months, and years traveling throughout the state, country, and world, supporting and driving missions.

Colonel Honeycutt is one of the most influential leaders in the Army, maintaining the highest standards during the most demanding and complex times in history. He is a true American hero and a proud Mississippian. We are immensely grateful for his dedication to our country and the great state of Mississippi.

RECOGNIZING COLONEL CARL E.
SHELTON, JR.

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 18, 2023

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Colonel Carl E. Shelton, Jr., United States Marine Corps, Retired, at the conclusion of 43 years of dedicated service to the United States, both in uniform and as a civilian. Carl is a native of Newark, New Jersey and earned a Bachelor of Art Degree in Political Science from Rutgers University. Prior to joining the Marine Corps, he served this House as staff member to Congressman Nicholas Mavroules (D-Mass). Carl was then commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps in June 1980.

Beginning his career as an Infantry Officer serving in North Carolina, Norfolk, Virginia and California. He served at sea aboard the USS *John F. Kennedy* (CV-67) and on the USS *Denver* (LPD-9) during which time he deployed for Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm. He then attended the National War College, Washington, D.C. and earned a master's degree in National Security Strategy. In 2006 he was reassigned to the Inspector General's office in September 2006 where he served as Director, Assistance and Investigations Division for 3 years and became Acting Deputy in September of 2009.

When Carl retired from the Marine Corps in 2010 his commitment to the Marine Corps, and the Nation, continued. He immediately began serving as the Deputy Inspector General, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps. In that capacity Carl served as the principal advisor to the Inspector General of the Marine Corps (IGMC) on all matters related to inspections, analysis, assessments, investigations, and other oversight matters of importance to the United States Marine Corps with particular emphasis on institutional readiness.

Among his noteworthy accomplishments, Carl is the only senior official within the Department of the Navy (DON) who is a certified inspector general through the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) and the Association of Inspectors General. As a result of his extraordinary Inspector General qualifications and tested leadership abilities, Carl was elevated to "Acting Inspector General of the Marine Corps" on a number of occasions to include extended periods from 2014 to 2016 and 2020 through 2022. Of note, the Service Inspectors General for the Army, Navy and Air Force are 3-star flag officers.

During the uncertainty of the Pandemic, Carl flawlessly executed the full range of respon-

sibilities to include senior official investigations and an aggressive inspections process throughout the Pandemic (2000 through 2022). What's more remarkable is that Mr. Shelton executed these substantial duties without an assigned Deputy.

Our Nation is better because of great Americans like Carl Shelton. Those who volunteer to wear the uniform and continue to serve after they take it off. It is my great pleasure to offer my own congratulations for Carl on the happy occasion of his retirement after 43 years of service to the United States.

HONORING ANTHONY EDGEComb

HON. ABIGAIL DAVIS SPANBERGER

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 18, 2023

Ms. SPANBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commend Mr. Anthony Edgecomb for his outstanding service as a part of the U.S. Army.

Throughout his 10 years of service in the U.S. Army, Mr. Anthony Edgecomb upheld the important values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal courage. His career included a Classified National Security mission that spanned over 4 years and earned him the Meritorious Service Medal.

The Meritorious Service Medal is awarded to servicemembers for "distinguished service and performance above that normally expected, over a sustained period." Typically awarded to senior officers and senior enlisted servicemembers, Mr. Anthony Edgecomb achieved this milestone as an Army Staff Sergeant in 2013.

I am honored to extend my congratulations to Mr. Anthony Edgecomb. His hard work and sacrifice do not go unnoticed.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating and thanking Mr. Anthony Edgecomb for his service to our country.

RECOGNIZING THE EFFORTS OF
PATRICIA LAVELL

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 18, 2023

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, today I am honored to recognize one of our community's great activists, Patricia LaVell, as she is honored at the Amherst Democratic Committee's member recognition dinner. A former Buffalo public school teacher, Pat's passion for the Democratic Party led to better candidates and governance for thousands of her neighbors.

Since 2000, Pat has been a quintessential piece to the Amherst Democratic Committee's operation. She served as secretary to then-Chairman Dennis Ward and has run the Committee's fundraisers and dinners at Classic V Banquet hall. Pat understood that her opinion and voice carried weight, so was elated to learn of her appointment to the Nominating Committee that interviews candidates running for local office. With so many crucial decisions coming from Town of Amherst officials in the last 2 decades, it is undeniable that Pat's influence over candidates has led to more prosperous results for the citizens of Amherst. She