

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNITION OF THE RETIREMENT OF SHERIFF DAN BEAN

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Sheriff Daniel Bean for his 42 years in law enforcement and congratulate him on his retirement. Sheriff Bean has served as the Sheriff of Antrim County for the past 15 years. Valiantly, he has protected and bettered his community every day on the job.

Sheriff Bean began his distinguished service in law enforcement in 1981 with the East Jordan Police Department before transferring to the Mancelona Department, where he spent 4 years as a deputy. In 1985, Dan transferred to the Antrim Police Department and worked tirelessly with the corrections and dispatch teams.

Throughout his impressive career, Sheriff Bean served as a DARE Officer, a school liaison, a road patrol officer, and Undersheriff of Antrim County. In 2008, Dan finally made the decision to run for Sheriff of Antrim County, proceeding to win and hold the position with strength and humility until his retirement.

Sheriff Bean's devotion to his coworkers and community remains unrivaled. He could often be found going above and beyond the call of duty to give back, including through his mentoring of students and volunteering to serve lunch at the Antrim County Commission on Aging. When asked why he didn't leave his strenuous line of work sooner, Dan said he didn't want to go anywhere else, for he loved his county.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Sheriff Dan Bean for his 42 years of service and dedication to Antrim County. On behalf of Michigan's First District, I'd like to thank Sheriff Bean for his devotion to Antrim County and congratulate him on a well-deserved retirement.

HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF BYRNE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamation.

Whereas, Thos. S. Byrne, a distinguished construction services firm, was founded on July 17, 1923, in Fort Worth, Texas, by the visionary Thomas Sneed Byrne, a native Texan and an esteemed alumnus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology;

Whereas, throughout its illustrious history, Byrne has left an indelible mark on the State of Texas, shaping much of the Texas skyline and contributing to the growth and development of communities through its commitment to excellence, quality, and service;

Whereas, from its first milestone project completion in 1928, the Montgomery Ward's Regional Headquarters, to its innovative contributions recognized with the "Build/America Award" in 1972 for the revolutionary construction techniques utilized in the Kimbell Art Museum in Fort Worth, Byrne has consistently exceeded expectations and set new standards for architecturally significant and high-quality projects;

Whereas, in 1995, John Avila, Jr. exemplified his dedication to construction and community by acquiring Thos. S. Byrne, where he skillfully expanded the company's presence and influence, while fostering long-lasting relationships and a warm family atmosphere among employees and clients alike growing the firm on the mantra People Build Buildings and dedicating our success to the men and women of Byrne;

Whereas, John Avila's visionary leadership led Byrne to diversify its pursuits, resulting in strong portfolios in aviation, municipal, healthcare, historic restoration, commercial, education, and high-end residential markets, with a pioneering focus on technology in construction;

Whereas, in 2015, a new chapter began as John Avila passed on the mantle of Chairman to his sons, Matthew and Paul Avila, who have since taken on the roles of CEO and COO respectively, carrying forward the legacy of excellence, quality, and service for the next generation;

Now, therefore, I, Kay Granger, United States Representative, do hereby proclaim and commend the remarkable journey of Byrne, from its humble beginnings in 1923 to becoming one of the largest construction services firms in the state, and a true embodiment of dedication, innovation, and community-driven values;

I call upon the citizens of Texas and beyond to recognize and celebrate the immense contributions of Thos. S. Byrne to the built environment and cultural fabric of our communities, as well as their dedication to delivering projects that have defined the very essence of our State;

RECOGNITION OF MR. THOMAS "CAL" JENEROU

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize the late Thomas "Cal" Jenerou for his dedication to the working men and women of Northern Michigan and his posthumous induction into the Upper Peninsula Labor Hall of Fame.

Cal answered the call of service to our Nation at the young age of 17 as he joined the Navy. During World War II, Cal spent 3 years serving aboard the USS *Everts*, a destroyer escort. After more than seven successful es-

cort missions, Mr. Jenerou was honorably discharged on November 13, 1945. Following his valiant service, he returned to Michigan, eventually moving with his wife, Dorothy, to Gulliver, Michigan.

Beginning his career as a boilermaker in 1959, Cal joined the Boilermakers Local 169 and became their local business agent seven years later. Within that role, he worked tirelessly to defend and advocate for the rights of workers in Area 4. Cal's diligence and empathy pushed him to persistently fight for the laborers he represented, ensuring they had proper jobs and sufficient support.

In addition to serving thousands of workers as a business agent, Cal acted as President of the U.P. Building Trades Council and a member of the AFL-CIO Executive Board. He leveraged those platforms to be an essential voice for member unions and contractors, one known for his strong leadership as President and toughness as a negotiator.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize the late Thomas "Cal" Jenerou for his exemplary leadership and service to our country in many capacities. On behalf of Michigan's First Congressional District, I'd like to recognize the late Mr. Jenerou for his posthumous induction into the Upper Peninsula Labor Hall of Fame.

RECOGNIZING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF REBECCA MURPHY

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, today I am honored to recognize Rebecca Murphy, a dependable and intrepid leader in academia, the public sector, and the private sector. She has devoted her career to ensuring that all government and non-government leaders are educated on the consequences of international political affairs and risk.

After earning her bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Toronto, she would later earn her Ph.D. in International Relations from Columbia University. Through work with the Government of Canada, her former role of Vice President of Global Security at JPMorgan Chase, and her former role as a lecturer at Columbia University, Rebecca is rightfully regarded as one of the world's brightest geopolitical analysts and has been an incredible asset to every organization for which she has worked. Currently, Rebecca serves as the Senior Vice President, Geopolitical Risk and Analysis at Fiserv, and is an Adjunct Professor in the Elliott School of International Affairs at George Washington University. These roles offer her the opportunity to be an advisor to business leaders and students, alike, on the ramifications of geopolitical and socioeconomic developments. Her leadership in research and sensibility to the importance of international policy make Rebecca's counsel highly coveted. In an ever-shifting

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global landscape, Rebecca brings a heightened level of professionalism and acumen to all her efforts.

Just recently, Rebecca became a citizen of the United States. She can now call America her home, and surely, our Nation will be more prosperous because of it. People like Rebecca—those who are devoted to hard work and strive for expertise in their field—continue to make the future of the United States uniquely promising. It is my sincere privilege to congratulate Rebecca Murphy on this recent achievement, among the myriad of successes that she has enjoyed in her career and wish her well in her future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING THE INDUCTION OF MR. NINO GREEN

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Mr. Nino Green for his dedication to the working men and women of Michigan and to congratulate him on his induction into the Upper Peninsula Labor Hall of Fame.

Nino began his accomplished career as a lawyer in 1964 and soon thereafter was appointed as the first executive director of the Upper Peninsula Legal Services, where he provided free, high quality legal advice and representation for individuals and families in need. In 1969, Mr. Green transitioned to a private practice where he tirelessly worked to defend the rights of Michigan laborers.

A celebrated mediator, Nino Green represented federal employees before the E.E.O.C., Merit System Protection Board, F.A.A., and U.S. Forest Service. He also argued cases before the Michigan Workers Compensation Board, Employment Security Commission, Employment Relations Commission, Civil Service Commission, Department of Civil Rights, and State Employee's Retirement System. In addition, he led negotiations for collective bargaining agreements which settled strikes at St. Francis Hospital in Escanaba, Lodal in Kingsford, and Celotex in L'Anse.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Mr. Nino Green for his extensive efforts to protect workers' rights and serve his community. On behalf of Michigan's First Congressional District, I'd like to thank Mr. Green for his devotion to the workers of Northern Michigan and congratulate him on this well-deserved accomplishment.

COMMEMORATING THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF ETNYRE

HON. DARIN LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor a remarkable company, Etnyre. Etnyre is a family-owned business which manufactures road equipment in Oregon, Illinois. After many years of successful product innovation and superior customer service, Etnyre is celebrating their 125th anniversary.

Founded in 1898, ED Etnyre & Co was established by Edward Daniel to produce thresh-

er tanks and water tanks. Over the years, ED Etnyre & Co expanded to manufacture road equipment including the bituminous distributor and street flusher that were utilized by our Army, Navy, and Air Force in World War II. In the 1950's, Etnyre expanded to a new location where they continue to operate today as a family-owned business employing four hundred individuals. These individuals, called members, work hard to support, and serve Etnyre's mission, values, and the surrounding region's vitality.

Etnyre has a lengthy history of contributing to the betterment of their community and others in the area. In 2018, the Etnyre Foundation was established. The goal of the Etnyre Foundation is to give back to communities that have contributed to Etnyre's success by providing grants to organizations in the Etnyre International Footprint. The Etnyre Foundation has provided \$300,000 in grants since 2018.

I commend Etnyre for their innovative product development, community philanthropy, and successful company growth in Illinois. I extend my sincere congratulations to Etnyre for a successful 125 years in business, and I wish them continued success.

RECOGNITION OF MS. KAY FISCHER

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor today to recognize the remarkable life of Ms. Kay Fischer of Benzie County and wish her a most joyous 100th birthday. Ms. Fischer has led an inspiring and full life of service, including as an integral member of the Manhattan Project.

In 1943, the Michigander and her husband moved to Chicago, where she began work at the University of Chicago in the chemistry department. As a young scientist, Ms. Fischer worked across multiple programs within her department, lending her expertise, diligence, and grit to her colleagues and the country. She proudly worked alongside the brightest minds of the 20th century, including Dr. Robert J. Oppenheimer, Dr. Enrico Fermi, and Dr. Leo Szilard.

Ms. Fischer's work also extended to the study of the effects of radiation on organic matter. She was responsible for conducting autopsies and reporting on the results of sustained exposure to radiation, an inquiry which ultimately influenced the deployment of the first atomic bomb. After leaving this line of secret research, she recalled a few months later listening on the radio as the United States had dropped the result of her work above Hiroshima.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Ms. Kay Fischer for her steadfast commitment to her country. I wish her a birthday full of joy and reflection on the many wonderful memories and milestones in her impactful life. On behalf of Michigan's First District, I wish her and her family the best in their future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING ANDY FLICK FOR THREE YEARS OF SERVICE

HON. SETH MOULTON

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Mr. MOULTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the dedication and commitment of Andy Flick, who served as my Deputy Chief of Staff from 2015 to 2018.

You might think a deputy chief of staff is someone you "take under your wing," but from day one, Andy took me under his. When I began my service in the House on that first day, I did not know what the bells meant, did not know how to actually vote, and I couldn't find my pin. Andy was there to help and guide, to mentor and advise, every step of the way.

In those first three years of serving together, Andy helped make me the most productive Freshman Democrat. We held more town hall meetings than any other Democrat in Congress, House or Senate, and we built a constituent services operation that would soon win awards across Congress. Andy Flick was the most experienced Hill hand on my team, and we couldn't have done it without him.

Best of luck to Andy in his continued rise. I feel fortunate to be his friend.

RECOGNIZING THE UNMET NEED IN RARE DISEASE

HON. A. DREW FERGUSON, IV

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak about the unmet need in rare disease. Less than 5 percent of rare diseases have a Food and Drug Administration-approved treatment. For families affected by many of these diseases that lack such treatments, the suffering is exponential. Fortunately, advances in biomedical research based on the human genome is creating hope for millions of Americans affected by life-threatening genetic disorders.

Gene therapy, which in many instances are single treatment course interventions, is now a reality to either satisfy this unmet need or improve the standard of care for conditions that have had treatment options. Since 2019, FDA has approved gene therapies for spinal muscular atrophy, biallelic RPE65 mutation-associated retinal dystrophy, cerebral adrenoleukodystrophy, beta thalassemia, hemophilia A and B, Duchenne muscular dystrophy, and dystrophic epidermolysis bullosa. Estimates suggest that FDA is likely to approve another 20 gene therapies for rare genetic disorders by 2030.

Georgia is playing a leading role in this rapid innovation as well as its ultimate access. For example, Emory University Hospital in Atlanta is a clinical trial site for a sickle cell disease gene therapy that is currently under review for marketing authorization at FDA, as well as gene therapies for Fabry disease, phenylketonuria, and hemophilia. The Hemophilia of Georgia Center for Bleeding and Clotting Disorders at Emory will be a site for the administration of the most recently FDA-approved gene therapy. ROCTAVIAN, which is