

best, it is one that provides a legal path of access to the United States Government to make their case for asylum.

I further applaud Mr. Mayorkas' efforts to implement a new program that basically applies to citizens of El Salvador, Colombia, Honduras, and Guatemala. It provides the ability to have family reunification. We often hear, time and time again, how family values are an integral part of America and that when families are together, our Nation is stronger; when families are divided, our Nation is weaker.

So this particular program will assist, again, in—through legal pathways—providing family reunification efforts and the abilities for citizens of El Salvador, Colombia, Honduras, and Guatemala. These are both very good programs.

Mr. Speaker, I think this is a step in the right direction.

#### CONGRATULATING GENERAL STEPHEN E. OSBORNE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Iowa (Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS) for 5 minutes.

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate General Stephen E. Osborne for being appointed by Governor Kim Reynolds as the 28th Adjunct General of the Iowa National Guard.

General Osborne is a native of Daventry, Iowa, and enlisted in the Army in 1984, actually 10 years after my own enlistment in the Army. He went on to commission as an infantry officer through the University of Alabama in 1990 before transferring to the Iowa National Guard in 1992.

General Osborne deployed to Saudi Arabia and Kuwait in 1991 during the Persian Gulf war. He then deployed to Kosovo in 2004 in support of Operation Joint Guardian and Iraq in 2009 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

He has served as the Iowa National Guard's deputy adjunct general since 2018 and will now manage more than 2,000 full-time employees and nearly 9,000 part-time soldiers and airmen in his new role as adjunct general.

Iowans can trust the National Guard will be in great hands under the leadership of General Osborne. I wish him the very best as he transitions into this important role.

#### CELEBRATING IOWA VIETNAM VETERANS RECOGNITION DAY

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Iowa Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day, which was held yesterday, May 8, and to recognize our veterans' service to this great Nation. The commemorative ceremony is held annually to honor our 115,000 Iowan Vietnam veterans for their service and remember the 868 Iowans who made the ultimate sacrifice during the war. This year's ceremony was held at the Iowa Vietnam Veterans Memorial, dedicated to those who died in combat

or after the war as a result of their service.

The Vietnam war was one of our country's most painful times, and our veterans were often not welcomed home. My brother was one of those. I take this chance to thank all of them for their bravery, sacrifice, and strength.

During last week's recess, I had the privilege of visiting with veterans across the First District. As an elected official and as chair of the Subcommittee on Health of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, I felt it was my duty to reassure them that the Limit, Save, Grow Act would not cut veterans' benefits or resources. As long as I am in Congress, I will always fight to improve and protect our veterans' benefits.

It is important that we always take the time to recognize the patriotism, dedication, and willingness of our veterans to fight for our liberties and our way of life. Our servicemembers dedicate their lives to protecting our Nation, and it is our duty to honor those commitments both during and after their service.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF DEB HAYS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. ROUZER) for 5 minutes.

Mr. ROUZER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of New Hanover County Commissioner Deb Hays.

All who knew Deb knew her steadfast devotion to her family, her faith, and to her community. Born and raised in Louisville, Kentucky, she later made Wilmington, North Carolina, home, where she was a pillar in the community and her pride for New Hanover County was unmatched.

As a New Hanover County commissioner, Deb served with the utmost integrity and honor. She loved nothing more than giving back to the citizens of Wilmington and New Hanover County and was continually improving the lives of those around her in every way. She was proud to serve as the chair of the Wilmington Planning Commission and as a member of the Wilmington Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee.

Beyond Deb's work and influence as a county commissioner, she was involved in multiple charities and community organizations, including the Airlie Gardens Foundation, the North Carolina Azalea Festival, the Wilmington Airport Authority, the Community Leaders Task Force, Lump to Laughter, Habitat for Humanity, and the Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministry.

Now, some of her greatest charitable accomplishments include building more than 20 Habitat for Humanity homes, as well as 10 homes in Guatemala while on a mission trip, participating in the rebuilding of post-hurri-

cane New Orleans, and helping to rebuild our own communities in southeastern North Carolina after Hurricane Florence hit.

Deb also enjoyed a very rewarding and successful career as a Realtor and will be forever loved and missed by her Intracoastal Realty family.

Now, I have no doubt Deb's spirit and love for our community will be felt for many years to come. She was a fierce and gracious force for good, always bringing so much enthusiasm and love for every facet of life. The lives that have been and will continue to be impacted by her legacy are countless. Hers truly was a great life lived.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF DONNA LEE GIRADOT

Mr. ROUZER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Donna Giradot. Donna was a fixture in the Wilmington community and will be remembered as a talented business leader, dedicated public servant, and a great friend and mentor to so many.

After moving to the Wilmington area in the late 1990s, Donna led a successful career and served New Hanover County in many different capacities. She began her career in southeastern North Carolina by working for Cape Fear Realtors. She then went on to serve as executive director of the Wilmington-Cape Fear Home Builders Association and founded the Business Alliance for a Sound Economy, also known as BASE.

Beyond her successful business endeavors, Donna held numerous leadership positions in our community, including four terms as chair of the New Hanover County Planning Board and four consecutive years as chair of the Wilmington International Airport Authority, making her the first female to chair an airport authority in North Carolina.

Donna always stood firm in her faith and enjoyed serving her fellow man through her church, as well. As a testament to her commitment to serving others, in 2020 Donna was a recipient of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine award, the State's highest civilian award for service.

Donna was a generous and great leader who will be sorely missed. Her numerous contributions to the Wilmington community will never, ever be forgotten. Hers is a tremendous legacy that will be felt for many years to come.

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#### HONORING MARY JEAN GRECO

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. CARTER) for 5 minutes.

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mary Jean Greco. Jeannie was born in 1955 in Hazelton, Pennsylvania.

As the daughter of two medical professionals, she always knew she wanted to devote her life to the service of others. Her professional career consisted

of many healthcare roles, including being a tech in her father's surgical suite and selling medical equipment for some of the top manufacturers in the country.

Outside of her professional career, she was always involved in local issues and advocacy. A devout Catholic, she would pray the rosary every morning before beginning her day.

A stranger to no one, Jeannie was well known for her ability to work a room and make friends with ease.

Spending time with her family was her favorite activity. She traveled often, especially to visit her sister, who lives in Hawaii. The two of them went around the world, including stops in Russia and Cuba.

My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Greco family and anyone who had the joy of knowing Jeannie.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF JAMES ALEXANDER ATWOOD, SR.

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of James Alexander Atwood, Sr., a great husband, loving father, and proud American.

James was born in December 1925 in Sumrall, Mississippi. In 1942, at the age of 17, he enlisted in the Navy and served with honor and distinction through World War II and the Korean war.

He retired from the Navy in 1965 with the rank of chief hospital corpsman. James was rewarded the Good Conduct Medal with four stars, the WWII Victory Medal, and the United Nations Service Medal.

After his career with the Navy, James went on to be a successful pharmaceutical sales rep in Winston, Georgia.

An avid traveler, he visited 43 countries and even had tea with the future King of England, Prince Charles III. In 2004, James and his wife of 49 years, Louise, relocated to the Golden Isles.

He is survived by his wife, son, three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

My thoughts and prayers go out to the Atwood family during this difficult time.

CELEBRATING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF KEN GRINER

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the achievements of Ken Griner as he is inducted into the Greater Savannah Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2023.

Ken is a Savannah native, playing football and baseball for Savannah Christian before going off to Brewton-Parker Junior College and then to the University of Georgia, where he was a standout baseball player.

On the gridiron, Ken went 24-4 as the starting quarterback at Savannah Christian, and on the diamond, he was the most valuable player and team captain. At the University of Georgia, his batting average was .317, and he was a stellar defensive player.

After graduating from the University of Georgia, Ken began a distinguished

35-year career in TV broadcasting, working for three different Savannah stations. For the last decade, he has been in various roles at the local Savannah CBS affiliate, WTOG, including anchor, cohost, and sports reporter.

On top of his on-the-air duties at WTOG, Ken is also the director of broadcasting at Calvary Day School.

Congratulations to Ken and to all the inductees for this year's Greater Savannah Athletic Hall of Fame.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF WALTER DUMAS

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Walter Dumas, a great husband, loving father, and proud American.

I had the privilege of knowing Mr. Dumas, and I last saw him 2 days before his passing at the Stand Up for America Day parade in Port Wentworth.

Mr. Dumas was born in May 1922 in McRae, Georgia. He served his country with honor and distinction during World War II as a proud member of the United States Army. At the end of the war, he was in Tokyo Harbor when the Paris Peace Treaties were signed.

Mr. Dumas was an avid outdoorsman, gardener, and fan of the Atlanta Braves. He was a faithful member of my home church, the Port Wentworth United Methodist Church, and he remained a member of the Frank F. Baker Masonic Lodge for 70 years.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 66 years, Pollie, my school bus driver. Survived by his three children, five grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and one great-great-granddaughter, Mr. Dumas is certain to be dearly missed.

My sincerest condolences are with the Dumas family during this most difficult time.

#### PROUD DESCENDANT OF DAIRY FARMERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) for 5 minutes.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to talk about something near and dear to my heart: dairy.

As you may know and may have heard me say in the past, I have milk flowing through my veins. As a proud descendant of dairy farmers, I know how important this industry is to Pennsylvania's 15th Congressional District, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and our country.

As a longtime supporter of dairy, I am proud to continue to use my voice to recognize our dairy farmers. Recently, I introduced the Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act with 36 of my colleagues and bipartisan support. We currently have 47 cosponsors, and I encourage my colleagues to join this legislation. This bill would allow for flavored and unflavored whole milk to be offered in school cafeterias.

Whole milk is rich with health benefits and has 13 essential nutrients vital

to the healthy development of our children. From better bone health to lower blood pressure, milk is a powerhouse of nutrients. In fact, according to the most recent Dietary Guidelines for Americans, milk is a source of three out of four underconsumed nutrients: calcium, potassium, and vitamin D. No other beverage comes close to this level of nutritional value.

Sadly, bad Federal policy has kept whole milk out of our school cafeterias for too long. In 2010, Congress passed the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act, which amended nutrition standards in the school lunch program. Among the changes, the law mandated that flavored milk must be fat-free within the program. This law, along with lower participation in the program—mostly, I would say, due to a bad milk experience—led to an alarming decline in milk consumption in schools since 2010.

From 2014 to 2016, schools served 213 million fewer half-pints of milk, even though public school enrollment was growing. Children over 4 years old are not meeting the recommended daily servings of milk in the Dietary Guidelines of America. Given the nutritional value of milk and the fact that young minds need to be well nourished to perform at their best, this is a cause for concern.

Mr. Speaker, in order for students to excel in the classroom, they must have access to proper nutrition. It is my hope the Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act will give children a wide variety of milk options and bolster milk consumption, a win-win for growing children and America's dairy farmers.

As I mentioned earlier, dairy is a crucial part of Pennsylvania's 15th Congressional District and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. I am proud to represent more than 1,040 dairy farms across 18 counties. Across the Keystone State, we have 500,000 cows producing more than 10.2 billion pounds of milk annually.

This level of production puts Pennsylvania as the seventh highest in milk production across our country. We are also the second nationally in terms of the number of dairy farms, with 6,200 farms. The Pennsylvania dairy industry provides 52,000 jobs across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and generates \$14.7 billion in annual revenue.

In fact, Pennsylvania is now home to a new record Holstein cow, Chrome-View Charles 3044. This 13-year-old registered Holstein cow is in her 10th lactation and broke the record with her lifetime milk production record of 478,200 pounds of milk, 14,447 pounds of fat, and 12,576 pounds of protein and counting. She is a member of the Mason's Chrome View herd, where they have 500 registered Holstein cows.

This monumental milk production record surpasses the total record of 460,720 pounds of lifetime milk set by Stone-Front Leader Hilda in 2020. Prior to Hilda, Koepke K0017229-1660 broke the record in 2003 with a lifetime milk total of 458,616 pounds. The record was