

tools to build new housing developments that are financially sustainable and affordable.

That is why I co-led the introduction of the Public Housing for the 21st Century Act, which provides public housing authorities and housing finance agencies with the latest best practices for mixed-income public housing.

While Federal subsidies have long been insufficient to address the housing crisis in our country, Mr. Speaker, the Public Housing for the 21st Century Act would ensure that communities have access to the latest models and policy options, creating a pathway for real affordable housing.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to please join me in promoting housing access in every single district across our Nation by cosponsoring this bill.

RHETORIC INCITES VIOLENCE AGAINST  
PALESTINIANS

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, Hisham, Kinnan, and Tahseen are all Palestinian college students who were shot while wearing a keffiyeh and speaking Arabic on their way to a family dinner in Vermont.

Just weeks ago, a 6-year-old Palestinian-American child, Wadea, was stabbed 26 times in a hate crime in Illinois. They had to take the knife out of his body.

Mr. Speaker, the constant dehumanization of Palestinians has real consequences. It is fueling anti-Palestinian racism and violence. The dehumanization and rhetoric repeated by many elected officials, many in this Chamber, is inciting violence against Palestinians.

My heart goes out to every family affected by violence, Islamophobia, anti-Palestinian racism, and any form of hate.

One of the Palestinian victims who was shot in Burlington, Hisham, wrote: "This hideous crime did not happen in a vacuum. As much as I appreciate and love every single one of you here today, I am but one casualty in this much wider conflict.

"Had I been shot in the West Bank, where I grew up, the medical services that saved my life here would likely have been withheld by the Israeli Army. The soldier who shot me would go home and never be convicted. . . . Any attack like this is horrific, be it here or in Palestine.

"That is why when you say your wishes and light your candles today, your mind should not just be focused on me as an individual but, rather, as a proud member of a people being oppressed."

When I talk about Hisham, Kinnan, and Tahseen, I think of my two Palestinian boys living right here in the United States.

REMEMBERING WILLIAM "BILL" GOODMAN

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize my friend William "Bill" Goodman, a true people's lawyer who never wavered in his pursuit of justice.

I met Bill over 15 years ago when he was president of the Maurice and Jane

Sugar Law Center for Economic and Social Justice. He was a mentor of mine and so many movement lawyers and a hero to those who sought justice.

Over the course of his career, Bill sought to focus his work on the protection of civil liberties, holding the powerful accountable to the Constitution, and fighting for the working class at home and around the world. He was always ready and willing to fight for the most vulnerable among us.

Bill was a pioneering people's lawyer, both in private practice in Detroit and leading the Center for Constitutional Rights and the National Lawyers Guild.

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He was proud of representing the Attica prisoners, the Guantanamo Bay detainees, the Vietnam survivors of Agent Orange, and so many victims of police violence and corrupt persecution.

It speaks to Bill's character that one of the most important lawyers in American history will best be remembered by those close to him and for his endless jokes and bottomless love for his children and comrades. Please join me in honoring Bill Goodman and remembering his life and legacy.

HONORING ALBERT BURR "A.B."  
MCCALL

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

Mr. ROSE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a one-of-a-kind man, father, husband, businessowner, U.S. veteran, and a great friend of mine, Mr. Albert Burr McCall, or A.B., as many called him.

Mr. McCall passed away on September 13, 2023, at the grand age of 94. Living to that age is obviously quite a feat, but in A.B.'s case, the real feat was the full life he lived and the accomplishments he achieved.

A.B. was a man of faith, a loving and loyal family man, a proud and patriotic American. He was an unwavering believer in the preservation of the freedoms we enjoy as Americans, and he contributed generously to those causes that shared his convictions.

He saw the importance of hard work at a young age when he worked at the general store his grandparents started in 1896. That entrepreneurial spirit would prove to run in the family.

A.B. graduated from Smith County High School in Carthage, Tennessee, and later earned an undergraduate college degree in agriculture from my alma mater, Tennessee Tech. He then earned a master's degree in animal nutrition from the University of Missouri.

Mr. McCall started his professional career as a teacher, but after only 1 year, he found himself answering the Nation's call to serve in the military in the Korean war from 1952 to 1954. He was later discharged with the rank of

first lieutenant after being wounded in combat by enemy fire.

When he returned to the States, A.B. headed back to the classroom to teach agriculture to World War II veterans at an Iowa high school. While holding down that job and four others, he also worked toward a Ph.D. at Iowa State University, and most importantly, he met his wife, Virginia.

They wed just 9 months after their first meeting and soon thereafter moved to Smith County, Tennessee, where he would buy into his father's furniture and appliance business and eventually open D.T. McCall & Sons, which is still thriving today in the Smith County town of Carthage and surrounding middle Tennessee towns and cities.

A.B.'s success in business is attributable in no small part to his uncanny ability to sense a profitable opportunity when it came along. In 1958, he learned that a local cheese company was changing the way it made its product, which he realized would in turn require approximately 1,700 Tennessee dairy farmers to obtain a new type of industrial cooler in order to keep supplying milk.

A.B. did some digging and found a surplus of these coolers in North Carolina that were perfect to fill the needs of dairy farmers in Tennessee. After several trips east, he bought approximately 1,000 of these coolers to sell to Tennessee dairy farmers. He even stopped in South Carolina on the way home, filling one of the coolers with peaches to sell back in Carthage.

Mr. McCall clearly had an eye for finding deals and passing savings on to his customers, but he was also a marketing genius. He is still known throughout middle Tennessee from his days as a regular on Nashville's "The Ralph Emery Show." Thousands would tune in to watch him list all the deals he had on furniture because he made them laugh while doing it. He ended his live television ads by holding up his right hand and fist and saying, "hey," which became an unofficial trademark of his.

According to Home Furnishings Daily, D.T. McCall & Sons is ranked in the country's top 50 independently owned furniture dealers today. In terms of warehouse and sales floor footage, it is the largest furniture and appliance store in the United States.

Albert and Virginia McCall leave behind two children, A.J. McCall and Menda McCall Holmes, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Menda and her husband Howard are with us in the gallery today.

D.T. McCall & Sons continues to be a family business, something in which A.B. took great pride. Mr. Speaker, A.B. McCall's life is a lesson for us all—that while a long life is a wonderful blessing, having a life well lived is the superior goal. Albert McCall did both.

My prayers go out to all of his family and friends as they continue to mourn

the passing of their loved one and this great Tennessee man. Mr. Speaker, with that, I say "hey."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to refrain from referencing occupants in the gallery.

#### HONORING DR. JAMES WEST

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

Mr. NICKEL. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor Dr. James West, a revered Wake County commissioner and a true champion for the people of North Carolina. It is with deep sorrow that we mark his passing but with immense gratitude that we celebrate his legacy.

His journey, from protesting segregation in the sixties along with Jesse Jackson to serving as a Raleigh City councilman and Wake County commissioner, was marked by a relentless commitment to justice and equality.

Dr. West's legacy is not just in the numerous programs he initiated or the pivotal policies he championed but in the countless lives that he touched, mine included, the community leaders he inspired, and the unquantifiable impact of his vision and compassion.

We remember Dr. West for his Dr. West-isms, his wisdom, and his unwavering faith in the power of community.

As we mourn Dr. James West's passing, we also celebrate his extraordinary life, a life dedicated to service, equality, and the betterment of Wake County and its people.

#### CELEBRATING MR. IRA DAVID WOOD III

Mr. NICKEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor and celebrate an icon of North Carolina's cultural landscape, Mr. Ira David Wood III, as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of his legendary portrayal of Ebenezer Scrooge in Ira David Wood's "A Christmas Carol."

Mr. Wood's unique and comedic adaptation of this Christmas classic has become a beloved holiday tradition for the Raleigh community.

His visionary leadership in theater, coupled with his remarkable talents as an actor, author, singer, and playwright, has left a profound impact on the arts in North Carolina.

As the founder and executive director of Theatre in the Park in Raleigh, Mr. Wood has been a cornerstone of Raleigh's vibrant art scene since 1972.

His leadership and vision have earned him prestigious recognitions, including two Medal of Arts awards and The Order of the Long Leaf Pine, the highest civilian honor in North Carolina.

As we celebrate this milestone, let's applaud Mr. Wood's extraordinary contributions not only to the arts but to the heart and soul of North Carolina.

Please join me in congratulating Mr. Wood on this remarkable achievement and wishing him continued success.

#### SCHOOL SAFETY

Mr. NICKEL. Mr. Speaker, last week I visited the site of the 2018 Marjory

Stoneman Douglas school shooting in Parkland, Florida. Meeting the victims' families was a heartbreaking experience that I will never forget.

There is no way to describe what it felt like to see the bullet-riddled, bloodstained classrooms and hallways that remain frozen in time.

We owe it to each victim and family impacted by this tragedy to stop the epidemic of gun violence plaguing our Nation.

Just this week, another act of senseless violence rocked my district when a student was tragically killed and another seriously injured at Southeast Raleigh Magnet High School. My thoughts are with the victims' families and loved ones affected by this unspeakable tragedy.

I am sure a lot more details will be released in the coming days, but for now our mission remains clear: We can and must do more to keep our kids safe in school.

I remain committed to working with anyone on solutions to protect our kids.

#### STANDING WITH ISRAEL

Mr. NICKEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the No Funds for Iranian Terrorism Act.

For years, the Iranian regime has aided and abetted terrorist organizations, including Hamas.

On October 7, we saw Iranian-backed Hamas terrorists carry out a brutal and barbaric assault against the Jewish people and the State of Israel.

Both Iran and Hamas seek to destroy democracy, and we must hold them accountable for their actions.

I am proud to support this bill coming to the floor today that will ensure that not a single dollar of this funding, whether directly or indirectly, goes to support Hamas or its efforts to destroy Israel.

We must continue to stand with Israel and ensure they have the funding and resources to disarm and dismantle Hamas and every Iranian-backed terrorist threat.

#### HONORING DR. AMBROUS OLIVER "BUTCH" FINDLEY, JR.

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

Mr. CLYDE. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor and celebrate the life of Dr. Ambrous Oliver Findley, Jr., affectionately known as "Butch," who recently passed and is survived by his loving wife, Wanda, and his children, grandchildren, sister, nephews, and dear friends.

Butch's life was filled with tremendous acts of service. After obtaining a bachelor's in psychology from the University of South Florida, Butch's commitment to the well-being of others led him to the U.S. Navy where he selflessly served as a hospital corpsman. A man of diverse talents and interests, Butch then returned to the University

of South Florida and obtained a bachelor's in biology and premed.

Butch's devotion to the medical profession later led him to attend the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine and complete his residency at the General Hospital in Pinellas Park, Florida. After this pivotal chapter, Butch once again answered the call of duty, this time as a physician in the United States Army where he served at the rank of captain in Fort Stewart, Georgia.

For 42 years, Butch then dedicated himself to the well-being of Georgians in Rabun County, leaving an indelible mark on the northeast Georgia community that he served—first at Ridgecrest Hospital and later at MedLink Rabun. He was not merely a physician; he was a beacon of hope and healing, touching countless lives.

Beyond the stethoscope, Butch reveled in the simple joys of life. Whether exploring new adventures or finding solace in the comfort of home, he cherished precious moments with his family and friends.

Butch's kindness, compassion, and profound sense of duty will forever resonate in the hearts of those who knew him. As we bid farewell to a beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend, we find peace knowing that he is now with our Heavenly Father.

Georgia's Ninth District will always remember and honor the incredible legacy that Dr. Butch Findley, Jr. left behind.

#### 15TH ANNUAL INDUSTRY APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Mr. CLYDE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Hall County's top industries for 2023. Earlier this month, the Greater Hall County Chamber of Commerce held its 15th Annual Industry Appreciation Luncheon at Lanier Technical College in Gainesville. On behalf of the Ninth District, I would like to recognize this year's winners.

First, congratulations to Mar-Jac Poultry for receiving the Top Large Employer award for 2023. Based in Gainesville, the poultry capital of the world, Mar-Jac Poultry plays a pivotal role in our community's economic prosperity.

With the help of its 1,400 dedicated employees, Mar-Jac Poultry processes 2.4 million birds per week with plans to expand capacity by 50 percent and create 100 new jobs. I am proud to recognize Mar-Jac Poultry for this exciting award, and I thank the company for investing in our community.

This year's top Medium Sized Employer award is Corporate Storage, a successful third-party logistics provider with 56 hardworking employees.

Over the years, Corporate Storage has evolved from the initial moving and storage company, Adams Transfer Company, which was founded in Athens back in 1903, into a thriving business that provides commercial warehousing, records management, and logistic services.