

spotlight her efforts in empowering local education professionals and supporting students' success in our South Sound community.

**INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION
TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THE
RECOGNITION OF JANUARY AS
"MUSLIM-AMERICAN HERITAGE
MONTH" AND CELEBRATING THE
HERITAGE AND CULTURE OF
MUSLIM AMERICANS IN THE
UNITED STATES**

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Mr. CARSON. Mr. Speaker, I am proud, as the longest serving Muslim in Congress, to introduce legislation to recognize January as "Muslim-American Heritage Month" and celebrating the heritage and culture of Muslim Americans in the United States. I thank the endorsing organizations that joined this important resolution: American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC), Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), Islamic Relief USA, Muslim Americans in Public Service (MAPS), Muslim Public Affairs Council (MPAC), and Project Islamic Hope.

I am honored to partner with my Senate colleague, Senator BOOKER, to introduce this important resolution to recognize the many contributions of Muslims in the U.S. and worldwide. The value of this bill to Muslim Americans is great because their contributions to the establishment of the United States is an inspiration that others can look to as an example of what a diverse community of people can accomplish. Unfortunately, these contributions have historically been overlooked. Diversity is a cornerstone of American democracy and success; our American Muslim community is a vital contributor to our nation's strength, as well as to the talents, perspectives, and achievements this diversity brings. This bill illuminates the economic and cultural contributions of Muslims to America, and it helps combat harmful stereotypes.

Mr. Speaker, I hope my colleagues will join me in recognizing January as "Muslim-American Heritage Month" and celebrating the heritage and culture of Muslim Americans in the United States by supporting this important legislation.

**RETIRING OF NTSB'S "MOST
WANTED LIST" OF TRANSPORTATION
SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS**

HON. VAL T. HOYLE

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Ms. HOYLE of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark the retirement of the National Transportation Safety Board's (NTSB's) "Most Wanted List" of Transportation Safety Improvements.

Many of us have interacted with the NTSB in our own communities in the wake of transportation tragedies and know they are well-regarded for their world-class crash and accident investigations.

Since 1990, the Most Wanted List has put a focus on needed transportation safety improvements across all modes of transportation, impacting communities across the country. It was introduced as a communications tool—before today's 24-hour news cycle and relentless social media—helping the NTSB focus its advocacy messages to policymakers. In its time, it was phenomenally effective.

Since the creation of the List in 1990, the NTSB successfully promoted and saw significant policy changes that led to several transportation safety wins, including:

Positive Train Control: legislation requiring full implementation of PTC on tracks with regularly scheduled intercity or commuter passenger rail service and Class I railroad main lines carrying poison- or toxic-by-inhalation hazardous materials.

Fuel Tank Safety: implementation of safety recommendations on fuel tank inerting systems and enactment of a related FAA final rule.

Occupant Protection:

Child passenger safety laws requiring booster seat use and requiring that children ride, properly restrained by a child car seat or seat belt, in the back seat.

Crashworthiness improvements across all modes, including the adoption of crash-resistant fuel tanks in helicopters.

Seat belt laws—requiring that all occupants in all vehicles equipped with safety belts use them.

Recreational Boating: implementation of alcohol-impaired boating laws, requirements for personal flotation devices, and requirements for boater education.

Additional areas of safety improvement that the Most Wanted List addressed include human fatigue, runway safety, alcohol and drug impairment, the shipment of hazardous materials, rail tank car safety, as well as pipeline leak detection and mitigation.

I also want to take a moment to acknowledge the agency's thorough and professional investigations that have led to safety recommendations which prevented future tragedies.

America's transportation industry is among the safest in the world, and the NTSB is its conscience. But unlike Congress, the agency can only recommend, not require or implement these changes. For almost 35 years, the "Most Wanted List" focused the agency's advocacy efforts that led to the enactment of new safety policies.

The NTSB feels now is the moment to change with the times. Its Board is calling for a more nimble safety advocacy program, freed from the structure of a formal list.

As they embark on that change, I want to join the Board and the agency in celebrating the legacy of the "Most Wanted List" on the occasion of its retirement. It has served the nation well, and it has helped save many American lives.

RECOGNIZING KATELYN CLELAND

HON. MARILYN STRICKLAND

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Ms. STRICKLAND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Katelyn Cleland, a South Sound

resident who has shown exemplary commitment to community service and self-improvement, and congratulate her on being awarded the Bronze Medal Congressional Award for such service.

I commend her desire to better both herself and the community around her and know that her contributions to our South Sound community merit Congress's highest form of recognition that can be granted to America's youth.

I hope that Katelyn's service has paved the path for more achievements in the next chapters of her life, as well as inspired others in our community to prioritize service.

HONORING GEORGE SALLIE

HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Ms. SEWELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life and legacy of George Sallie, who at 94 years old, was among the oldest living Foot Soldiers from Bloody Sunday and passed away on January 18, 2024.

Mr. Sallie was born on March 15, 1929, in Fostoria, Alabama, as the youngest of five children to the late Monroe and Mamie Sallie. He received his education in the segregated school system of Lowndes and Dallas Counties. At a young age, he learned to value hard work. Mr. Sallie was the son of sharecroppers and dropped out of school early to support his family. Despite leaving school, he never abandoned his "helmet of salvation," which was education.

Mr. Sallie married Minnie Walker on October 4, 1952, and they enjoyed 65 years of marriage. The Sallies built their union on biblical principles to nurture their love for God and desire for equality. George and Minnie were longtime members of the Freewill Christian Church in Selma, Alabama.

The United States Army drafted Mr. Sallie two days after his wedding. He completed basic training at Fort Rucker, Alabama, and did his first tour in South Korea with the 8th Infantry on February 26, 1953. Mr. Sallie experienced segregation in the military, and while in Korea, he realized that he was fighting for a freedom he did not have himself.

After being discharged from the Army, Mr. Sallie returned home and fought for veterans to receive a fair and equal education. He and his wife, Minnie, championed educational cases for veterans and encouraged everyone in their community to pursue higher learning.

In 1955, the Sallies moved to Selma, Alabama. They quickly became involved in the Civil Rights Movement, helping to raise funds to support a committee to travel to Washington, D.C., to assist Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with the March on Washington.

In 1966, Mr. Sallie pursued a career in electoral politics, running for a seat on the Dallas County School Board and then again in 1970, vying for a seat on the Dallas County Commission. Though he was unsuccessful in these elections, Mr. Sallie's life inspired future generations of African American leaders to engage in community activism and pursue elected office.

Mr. Sallie was a distinguished community leader and a man of principles and high morale. He earned the title of a Foot Soldier on

Bloody Sunday in Selma, Alabama, on March 7, 1965. From that moment, he wore his "Shoes of the Gospel of the Peace" and never missed a commemorative march to return to the Edmund Pettus Bridge.

Throughout his life, Mr. Sallie received many awards and recognitions, including the distinguished member of the Civil Rights Foot Soldier's Hall of Fame at the National Voting Rights Museum; a plaque commemorating courage and bravery from the Dallas County Commission; and the Living Legend Award from the New Jersey Institute for Social Justice.

Mr. Sallie is preceded in death by his parents; his wife of over 60 years, Minnie Walker; and his siblings: Mason Gatrey, Jessie Brown, Rosie Sallie, and Johnnie Sallie. He is survived by his son, Darren Sallie; nineteen nieces and nephews: Mamie Thomas, Adam Gatrey, Ronnie Gatrey, Lawrence Gatrey, Andrew Gatrey, Gloria Gandy, Carlyon Gatrey, Richard Gatrey, Jackalyn Smith, Leon Gatrey, Mamie Calhoun, Minnie Brown, Betty Jones, Rosie Edwards, Lola Sallie, Lyndon Sallie, John Sallie, Eddie Sallie, and Sony Sallie; and a host of other family and friends.

On a personal note, I got to know Mr. George Sallie because of his faithful participation in the annual Bridge Crossing Commemoration in Selma. Mr. Sallie never missed an opportunity to cross the Edmund Pettus Bridge with his fellow Foot Soldiers leading the way. His steadfast belief in the power of the Civil Rights and Voting Rights Movement serves as an inspiration for future generations. It is because of the courage, bravery, and strength of Foot Soldiers like George Sallie that we enjoy the freedoms we have today. His life is a testament to the power of ordinary Americans to

achieve extraordinary social change. Last year, it was my great honor to walk with Mr. Sallie and President Biden on his final march across that bridge, and upon his passing, it was special to me to pay tribute to George Sallie on the floor of the House of Representatives. His legacy will live on with every vote cast. May he Rest in Power.

On behalf of Alabama's 7th Congressional District, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the extraordinary life and legacy of Mr. George Sallie for his contributions to generations of civil rights leaders and decades of exemplary service to our nation in our fight for liberty, equality, and justice for all.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, February 1, 2024 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

FEBRUARY 6

3:30 p.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations

To hold hearings to examine foreign influence in the United States, focusing on reviewing Boston Consulting Group, McKinsey and Company, M. Klein and Company, and Teneo's compliance with congressional subpoenas.

SD-562

FEBRUARY 8

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the administration's pause on liquefied natural gas (LNG) export approvals and the Department of Energy's process for assessing LNG export applications.

SD-366

FEBRUARY 28

10 a.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine the Water Resources Development Act, focusing on USACE water infrastructure projects, programs and priorities.

SD-406