

include in the RECORD the names of these men and women for all to see, hear, and recognize, and I call on my colleagues to rise and join me in expressing gratitude:

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HONORING SUE DONAHUE

HON. DEBBIE LESKO

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Mrs. LESKO. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of Arizona's 8th Congressional District, I would like to recognize the president of the Arrowhead Republican Women, Sue Donahue.

Sue has distinguished herself by providing exceptional service to the members of this organization, with roots in the West Valley dating back to 1993. As president, Sue has been an advocate for educating members on philosophies of smaller government, reduced taxes, and personal freedoms. The efforts of Sue and the Arrowhead Republican Women have been pivotal to the success of elected officials and candidates in the State of Arizona.

As a member of the Arrowhead Republican Women, I am thankful for Sue's leadership

and dedication to conservative principles. I sincerely appreciate her service to Congressional District 8 and the State of Arizona.

APPRECIATING GEORGE SHISSIAS

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, the obituary of George Constantine Shissias clearly presents a loving review of his meaningful achievements for the citizens of the Midlands of South Carolina. In addition to the successes listed, he was a co-founder of the First Tuesday Republican Club of Richland and Lexington Counties, which worked to provide a low-cost Rotary-like opportunity for political involvement. Having lasted for over 50 years, it is now the longest surviving political luncheon in South Carolina.

At the memorial service, Governor Henry McMaster provided heartfelt appreciation of the dynamic couple, George and his wife, State Representative June Shissias. The Governor cited the success of electing Charlie Boineau to the State House in August 1961 as the first Republican legislator of the Twentieth Century. This achievement led to now super Republican majorities in the State House and Senate with all statewide offices, and eight of nine Federal offices held by Republicans.

The following obituary was published upon his death:

George Constantine Shissias, of Columbia, died October 13, 2024. A memorial service will be held at Eastminster Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 20 at 2:00 pm, with a reception to follow. There will be a private interment at Fort Jackson Military Cemetery. Born in Camden, NJ, to immigrant parents, George graduated from Cornell University in 1957 with a degree in Hotel and Restaurant Management. He served in the Army and was honorably discharged as first lieutenant, having run an Officers Club during his military service where he met his future wife June. In 1959 he began his career in hospitality management by accepting a position as manager of Forest Lake Country Club in Columbia. He held that position for 42 years until his retirement in 2001.

George was one of the founders of the Richland County Republican Party. In 1961, George was instrumental in the election of the first Republican candidate to the South Carolina State House of Representatives since Reconstruction. In the early years, victories were few, but George never gave up and worked tirelessly on behalf of Republican candidates to build a two-party system in South Carolina. It was George's grit and determination that contributed to the growth of the Republican Party to dominance in South Carolina, all while managing one of the finest clubs in South Carolina. He was a charter member of the Forest Acres Rotary Club which he served faithfully since 1968.

George was born June 20, 1936 in Camden, NJ, to the late Constantine N. Shissias and the late Alexandra (Kazantzis). He is survived by his wife of 63 years June (Strother), brother Nick Shissias and his wife Sophia, and many wonderful nieces and nephews. Surviving also are sons Charles and his wife Marlo Smith, Alexander and his wife Anne (Abercrombie), and beloved grandchildren Hunter Alexander Shissias, Charles Logan Shissias and Janna Shissias.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be sent to The Tunnels to Towers Foundation or MPN Research Foundation.

RECOGNIZING AMOGY FOR SAILING THE WORLD'S FIRST CARBON-FREE AMMONIA-POWERED MARITIME VESSEL

HON. PATRICK RYAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Mr. RYAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an extraordinary milestone in clean energy innovation achieved by Amogy, a trailblazing company in the sustainable energy sector. On September 22nd, Amogy successfully demonstrated the world's first carbon-free, ammonia-powered maritime vessel on Rondout Creek and the Hudson River, located in my district in New York.

This achievement reflects Amogy's commitment to addressing one of the most pressing challenges of our time—reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the maritime industry. The successful voyage of this vessel marks a historic step forward in the global push to transition to cleaner energy solutions, and it serves as a beacon of what can be achieved when we leverage groundbreaking technology for the good of our planet.

Amogy's innovation lies in its advanced ammonia-to-power platform, which enables the use of ammonia as a renewable, carbon-free fuel. This vessel's demonstration is a tangible example of how we can reimagine existing industries—such as shipping—and move toward a more sustainable future.

Not only is this accomplishment a testament to the technical prowess of the engineers, scientists, and visionaries at Amogy, but it also represents a significant moment for environmental policy and industrial decarbonization. By replacing fossil fuels with alternative, cleaner energy sources like ammonia, we can dramatically reduce emissions in sectors that have historically been difficult to decarbonize.

I would like to commend the entire team at Amogy for their pursuit of innovation and sustainability. Their dedication to pushing the boundaries of clean energy is a vital contribution to the fight against climate change. I would also like to recognize that this historic demonstration took place at Feeney Shipyard, in Kingston, New York, which has long been a hub of maritime activity in the Hudson Valley.

I congratulate Amogy on this monumental achievement and look forward to witnessing the continued advancements the company will bring to the clean energy landscape. It is through the efforts of companies like Amogy that we will continue to make strides toward a more sustainable and resilient future.

HONORING MR. MICHAEL PRICE

HON. JUAN VARGAS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Mr. VARGAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Michael Price, an outstanding citizen who serves the south San Diego community as a chef and small business owner. Mr.

Price is the proud owner of Chef Budda Blasian Soul Food, a food truck that incorporates the traditions of Soul Food alongside a creative Asian flare to provide a unique culinary experience for its consumers.

During the pandemic, Mr. Price and his wife, Lily Nachampasak, turned their focus to their passion for food and brought their dreams of cooking professionally to life when they started a pop-up kitchen in City Heights. They succeeded not only in supporting their family through this new business venture, but also in enriching our community by providing joy and a flavorful dining experience for all.

Their pop-up kitchen quickly found success, leading to invitations to serve food at music festivals, night markets, and more. Through hard work and determination, they expanded their business and purchased a food truck. Now, Chef Budda Blasian Soul Food is a cherished part of the local food scene and can be found all throughout our communities.

It was great to have been able to meet and speak with Mr. Price about how he built this thriving small business, recognize him for his contributions to the community, and get some delicious fried chicken, shrimp, and catfish and fixings.

Mr. Price's dedication has made our community a better place, and I can't think of a better person to have recognized during National Black Business Month.

CELEBRATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE WESTERN CATTLE TRAIL

HON. RON ESTES

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Mr. ESTES. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Western Cattle Trail. The entrepreneurial cattlemen who blazed this new path across the frontier exemplified the American spirit of adventure and freedom.

In the wake of the Civil War, longhorn cattle were running free in Texas, while cities and towns on the East Coast demanded more beef than ever to feed their growing populations. Young cowboys called drovers rode to gather the wild cattle and move them hundreds of miles across the wilderness to northern railroads to meet the demands. Their destinations were railroad towns such as Newton, Wichita, and Caldwell in my district.

In 1874, these cowboys pioneered a new route. It became known as the Western Trail, located west of the existing Shawnee and Chisholm Trails. Cowboys on horseback moved longhorn cattle along the trail through Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, and north to Canada. Over the next several decades, millions of heads of cattle were herded up the trail by these enterprising young Americans.

In addition to providing beef for a growing nation, the Western Trail played a crucial role in moving much-needed breeding stock to ranches in the northern plains and carrying essential meat supplies to Native American tribes across the west. The trail's significant impact on the national economy underscores the importance of cattle routes in the development and history of the United States.

In November, the Western Cattle Trail Association, along with the International Chisholm Trail Association, will be commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Western Trail. Historians, authors, artists, and friends of the Western Trail will gather in Kansas to honor and commemorate the cowboys who made those drives and overcame the dangers of the frontier to deliver their herds to the rest of the country. In so doing, these cowboys became recognized worldwide as symbols of American courage, strength, freedom, and independence. I proudly join those honoring them and this historic milestone in our history.

HONORING PACE NORTH ON THEIR FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to congratulate PACE North on their five years of dedicated service to the Northern Michigan Community.

Program of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly—North is an all-inclusive healthcare plan, which serves primarily as an alternative tailored to individuals' and families' specific needs. Once admitted, an interdisciplinary team works with families to design a plan that works for each person. Once this is done, PACE replaces traditional health coverage such as Medicare and Medicaid to become both provider and caregiver.

Under the leadership of Executive Director Nicole Farkas, PACE North has helped hundreds of seniors navigate the uncertain terrain of living co-dependently, providing top of the line medical care as well as kind and compassionate assistance with day-to-day life.

PACE North has certainly lived up to their core values of Quality Safety, Compassion, Integrity, Collaboration and Community.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to congratulate PACE North on their five years of dedicated service to the Northern Michigan Community. I wish Director Farkas, Dr. Wilborn and the rest of the team the very best going forward.

RECOGNIZING RETIRED CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT RUDY LOPEZ

HON. CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Mrs. RODGERS of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize retired Chief Master Sergeant Rudy Lopez for his distinguished military service and commitment to serving Washington's veterans and military families as the Director of the Washington State Veterans Cemetery in Medical Lake, Wash.

Retired CMSgt. Rudy Lopez first entered the Air Force as a pharmacy technician in 1983 where he worked in a variety of settings—from small clinic pharmacies to 50-bed hospital pharmacies—at McClellan Air Force Base and Eglin Air Force Base. During this time in the field, he notably led an Air Force beta test on pharmacy automation that was successfully

implemented throughout the Department of Defense within 3 years of proof of concept.

In 2001, Lopez was selected for promotion to Chief Master Sergeant and transitioned out of pharmacy to serve as a Medical Group Superintendent—a role in which he would later deploy with the 332 Expeditionary Medical Group to Balad Air Base in 2007. CMSgt. Lopez also spent five years serving in a dual capacity as the Air Force Pharmacy Career Field Manager, advising the Air Force Surgeon General on the training, utilization, and career progression for more than 1,300 pharmacy technicians around the world.

In 2013, CMSgt. Lopez ended his illustrious three-decades-long career in Washington's Fifth Congressional District after serving three years as the 92nd Air Refueling Wing Command Chief Master Sergeant at Fairchild Air Force Base. Throughout his decorated career, Lopez earned the Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters, Air Force Commendation Medal with an oak leaf cluster, an Iraq Campaign Medal with one service star, and many others.

Shortly after retiring from the Air Force, Rudy joined the Washington Department of Veterans Affairs as Director of the Washington State Veterans Cemetery in Medical Lake. In this role, he is responsible for the strategic planning, coordination, and oversight of administrative and operational functions of the Washington State Veterans Cemeteries Program, which includes cemetery locations across the state. He and his team diligently serve the state's 554,000 veterans by providing more than 900 dignified and honorable interment services to our nation's heroes each year.

He and his team are responsible for playing an active role in the research and recovery of well over 800 unclaimed or abandoned veterans' remains, all of whom receive a long overdue and proper final resting place in recognition of their service to our Nation. As if that weren't enough, retired CMSgt. Lopez also serves as an advisor on veteran's burial benefits state-wide, provides much-needed outreach to communities across Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, and serves on a number of civic non-profit advisory boards and committees.

Mr. Speaker, I am grateful for retired CMSgt. Rudy Lopez's continued commitment to serving his country and community here in Eastern Washington. His dedication to honoring our nation's heroes is second to none, so I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing him for his tremendous efforts and celebrating the lasting legacy they will have on the lives he has touched.

RECOGNIZING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF PAMPER ME PINK

HON. ABIGAIL DAVIS SPANBERGER

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Ms. SPANBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Pamper Me Pink on their 20th anniversary. Founded in 2004 by Sharon Welch Clark, Pamper Me Pink has grown into a partnership with UVA Health Culpeper Medical Center and has been instrumental in educating the community about cancer and the resources available to those contending with a