

thrive. The company has expanded the distribution of Argia B's mumbo barbecue sauce beyond the confines of Chicago. Over the years, mumbo sauce's popularity has soared, and it is now prominently displayed on retail shelves across the country. This iconic sauce brings a taste of our city's culinary excellence to households nationwide, showcasing the enduring appeal of the company's 74-year commitment to quality and flavor. This accomplishment not only underscores the sauce's widespread appeal but also reflects select brands' dedication to sharing the flavors of Chicago worldwide.

Again, I thank the Collins family for their tireless efforts and unwavering devotion to the city of Chicago. Their legacy will continue to inspire and uplift generations to come.

We wish them continued success.

**CELEBRATING R&R PARTNERS  
FOR 50 YEARS OF ADVERTISING  
EXCELLENCE IN SOUTHERN NE-  
VADA**

**HON. DINA TITUS**

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 15, 2024*

Ms. TITUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and congratulate R&R Partners for 50 years of promoting Las Vegas around the world.

On January 18, 1974, Sig Rogich founded R&R Advertising. The firm quickly made a name for itself by landing casino accounts and the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority. A short nine years later, Sig Rogich hired Billy Vassiliadis, then a 26-year-old Chicagoan and fellow Greek American. I had the pleasure of teaching Billy at UNLV where he was a political science major and already engaged in local politics.

Just as Southern Nevada grew from a population of 350,000 in 1974 to 2,300,000 in 2024, R&R Partners has grown from a small firm to an advertising and public affairs institution with hundreds of employees in offices around the country and in Mexico. Celebrating its 25th anniversary in 1999, R&R Advertising changed its name to R&R Partners, emphasizing the full service that R&R provides to clients. In addition to advertising, the agency offers legislative advice and often works pro bono for good causes.

In a 2004 profile, the New York Times declared Billy, "The Pied Piper of Las Vegas", saying that, "Every dream needs a merchant, every myth a mythmaker. In Las Vegas, the job falls to Billy." I've always said that while other congressional districts make cigarettes or cars, in Las Vegas we make dreams come true. And Billy and R&R Partners have played a key role in spreading that message around the world.

In 2003, R&R developed their most famous advertising campaign, one that has made Las Vegas the international tourism destination that it is today. "What happens here, stays here" is heard in movies, music, and even commercials for nonrelated products.

This simple and suggestive slogan ushered in a new era of tourism for Las Vegas. The iconic tagline was honored on Madison Avenue's Advertising Walk of Fame and won R&R Partners and LVCVA Brandweek magazine's Grand Marketer of the Year Award.

Billy and R&R have not only created winning campaigns for Las Vegas's casino and tourism industry, but also for causes like the Andre Agassi Foundation for Education, Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Brain Institute, and "Flip the Script", a state-wide anti-bullying campaign. R&R has also assisted various public entities like the Southern Nevada Water District in its compliance campaign, "It's a desert out there. Be water small."

Today, R&R remains at the forefront of advertising and public affairs in Las Vegas and around the world. Whether it is the 2020 remix of their famous slogan for LVCVA, "What happens here only happens here"; campaigns for the Las Vegas Raiders, Las Vegas Grand Prix, and Super Bowl LVIII; or innovative work for Fortune 500 companies, and non-profits and government entities, R&R continues to deliver for its clients and for Southern Nevada.

I am honored and pleased to call Billy Vassiliadis a longtime friend and am proud of the work R&R Partners has done for our community over the past 50 years. I cannot wait to see what the future holds. What happens at R&R, does not stay at R&R.

**HONORING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF  
VANESSA GRANT**

**HON. LLOYD SMUCKER**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 15, 2024*

Mr. SMUCKER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate McCaskey High School senior Vanessa Grant for her recognition as "Most Outstanding Attorney" at the Empire Mock Trial tournament in Chicago, Illinois.

For the past four years, Vanessa has participated on the McCaskey High School Mock Trial team, beginning her time virtually during the pandemic. Despite the added challenges, she overcame the obstacles and became the team's leader a few years later.

This year, Vanessa led her team of twelve to the invitational competition against teams from across the world before sitting judges. The judges awarded Vanessa a perfect score in the defense of her case, an esteemed honor coming from legal professionals.

Vanessa's dedication to her team is admirable. She spends hours every week reviewing numerous cases her team will argue at future competitions, or even for fun.

The coaches and attorney advisors of the team praise Vanessa's growth and confidence as a leader and future international criminal lawyer, high praise reflected in her long list of accomplishments.

Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate Vanessa on her success at the Empire Mock Trial tournament and wish her and the rest of the McCaskey Mock Trial team all the best as they finish out the rest of their season and going forward. I wish Vanessa continued success in her future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PI LAMBDA LAMBDA CHAPTER OF THE OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.

**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 15, 2024*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 20th Anniversary of the Pi Lambda Lambda Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. The Chapter includes the communities of Prince William County, the City of Manassas, the City of Manassas Park, and Stafford County.

Coinciding with the local chapter's 20th Anniversary is the international organization's 112th Anniversary. The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. was founded on November 17, 1911, by three Howard University undergraduate students, Edgar A. Love, Oscar J. Cooper, and Frank Coleman, along with their faculty adviser, Professor Ernest E. Just. Together, they laid the foundation of an organization based on the core principles of Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance, and Uplift. From the initials of the Greek phrase meaning, "friendship is essential to the soul", the name Omega Psi Phi was derived. For 112 years, the membership has upheld a strong tradition of friendship and civic engagement.

The chapter was chartered on January 24, 2004, by the fraternity's Supreme Council led by the 37th Grand Basileus, Dr. George H. Grace and the Third District Representative, Brother Curtis Baylor. The 29 Charter Members of the chapter are Brother Crispin A. Abad, Brother Honney L. Barner, Brother David Bell, Brother Gene Bryson, Brother Willie D. Camp, Brother Byron L. Cherry, Brother Leonard Daniels, Brother Phillip Ferguson, Brother Anthony M. Fields, Sr., Brother Walter Gooley, Brother Gregory L. Hamlett, Brother George M. Hampton, Brother Darryl K. Hairston, Brother James Harris, Brother Steven B. Holmes, Brother William H. Hundley, Brother Alexander King, Brother Johnny Q. Ledbetter, Brother Bennie J. Lotlie, Brother Herbert Mitchell, Brother Bernard V. Oliphant, Brother George M. Parker, Sr., Brother Jordon C. Pope, Brother Gregory Reid, Brother Carl T. Ross, Brother Andre Smith, Brother Arthur A. Sobers, Brother David Stevenson, and Brother Algie Walker, Jr.

The chapter members are expected to participate in social action programs and activities that will uplift their communities. Some of the activities under the umbrella of social action include voter registration, education, Assault on Illiteracy, Habitat for Humanity, mentoring, and participation in fundraisers for charities such as American Diabetes Association, United Way, Sickle Cell Anemia, etc. Additionally, the chapter offers 5 different scholarship opportunities for students.

The chapter leadership over the 20 years has been past Chapter Basilei: Brother Bernard V. Oliphant, Brother Byron L. Cherry, Brother Harvey L. Woodson, Jr., Brother George M. Parker, Sr., Brother Trevor J. Hamilton, Brother Tony B. Bullock, Brother David Holliday, Brother Raymond Bell, Brother Eddie Stephens, Jr., Brother Jeffrey Allen, and the current Chapter Basileus, Brother Charles Hunter.

The chapter has won many fraternity and civic awards most notably the following International Awards:

2005–2006 International: Social Action Chapter of the Year  
 2006–2007 International: Social Action Chapter of the Year  
 2010–2011 International: Social Action Large Graduate Chapter of the Year  
 2010–2011 International: Graduate Large Chapter of the Year  
 2011–2012 International: Graduate Large Chapter of the Year  
 2014–2015 International: Graduate Large Chapter of the Year  
 2019–2020 International: St Jude & Omega—The Power of Giving 2020 Top Chapter Fund Raiser  
 2020–2021 International: St Jude & Omega—The Power of Giving 2021 Top Chapter Fund Raiser  
 2021–2022 International: St Jude & Omega—The Power of Giving 2022 Top Chapter Fund Raiser  
 2022–2023 International: Social Action Chapter of the Year  
 2022–2023 International: St Jude & Omega—The Power of Giving 2023 Top Chapter Fund Raiser

The Pi Lambda Lambda's 20th Anniversary Celebration was held on Saturday, January 20, 2024, in Dumfries, VA. The committee chaired by Brother Trevor J. Hamilton and assisted by Brother Daryl Furman, Brother James Lloyd, Brother James Rowe, Brother Derwin Babineaux, Brother Randall Webb, and Brother Rowland Webb, Sr. has planned a wonderful event.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the Pi Lambda Lambda Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc for their 20th Anniversary. It is civic groups like the Pi Lambda Lambda Chapter that define the character of our communities and give measure to our generosity of spirit.

#### HONORING BURT BUNDY

#### HON. DOUG LaMALFA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 15, 2024*

Mr. LaMALFA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of Tehama County resident, Burton Miles Bundy, my good friend who passed peacefully at home, on January 25, 2024, after a lengthy battle with Parkinson's Disease.

Burt was born on October 2nd, 1941, in Santa Maria, California. In 1946 his family moved to a ranch in Los Molinos, California, where he lived until his last day. He was a graduate of Los Molinos High School in the class of 1959 before attending University of California, Davis. Burt enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1960 and specialized as a jet aircraft mechanic on F102's, F105's and F106's. He was stationed at McCord Air Force Base in Tacoma, Washington where he met and married his wife Joyce McGinn in 1962. Afterwards, he deployed to Thule, Greenland before being discharged in 1963.

In 1968, Burt and Joyce opened the Los Molinos Feed and Supply Store. They owned the business until Burt was elected to the Tehama County Board of Supervisors in 1981.

Burt was a leader in water, land, and fish issues throughout the North State. Burt not only served as County Supervisor for five terms, but he also served as a board member on the California Bureau of Reclamation, the California State Farm Bureau, the Tehama County Farm Bureau, the Regional Council for Rural Counties, the Northern California Land Trust, the Mill Creek Conservancy, and the Los Molinos Mutual Water Company. In 1998 he developed and led the Sacramento River Conservation Forum until his retirement in 2010. His outstanding service and dedication to his community was instrumental in the development of the area and his contributions will live long past his time of service.

Burt was a husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and a friend to so many. He and his wife Joyce have attended nearly every Tehama County event. They were always willing to volunteer and lend a hand when anyone needed help. He coached his sons for years with Little League, was a lifetime member of the Central Tehama Kiwanis and played cards with a group of friends for over 35 years. He was a dedicated husband and father as well as a public servant, volunteer, and businessman who spent hours working for the betterment of the community around him.

An avid hunter, Burt's special place was a cabin located on Mill Creek where he enjoyed hunting and fishing with family and friends. He loved the San Francisco Giants and listened to all the games on the radio. He loved to fix up old cars and raised cattle his entire life. Burt not only traveled with Joyce but traveled around the world representing his lifelong passion for farming and ranching as a graduate of the 1998 AG Leadership Class 29.

He will take a seat at the poker table with his buddies in heaven who are waiting for him.

Burt is survived by his wife Joyce of 61 years, sons Lance and Justin, his grandchildren Britta, Carson, Angus, Abbey, and Axel, and his sister Ruthe. Burt leaves a legacy and example to follow. He will be missed dearly.

#### HONORING MRS. ZETELDA WYNTER ON HER 100TH BIRTHDAY

#### HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 15, 2024*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Zetelda Wynter of Lithonia, Georgia, in celebration of her 100th birthday.

Mrs. Wynter was born in the Parish of St. Mary, Jamaica, on February 20, 1924. After attending Carron Hall School and dressmaking school, she became a professional seamstress and opened her own clothing store.

After some time, she and her family set their sights on a new beginning in the United States. In 1968, she settled in Virginia and later the greater DMV area with her family. She also had a notable career in various aspects of the hospitality industry. She became a naturalized citizen in 1986 and staunchly advocated for her children to follow in her footsteps.

Mrs. Wynter's life has been about resilience, service, and determination. In the face of unspeakable tragedy when she lost her youngest

son at the hands of a drunk driver, she joined the Washington, D.C. chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) where she turned her pain into purpose by working to save lives and prevent families from experiencing the same grief she had.

Seeking a warmer climate and a new chapter in their lives, Mrs. Wynter and her husband, Egbert, moved to Lithonia, Georgia, in 1997. A devout Christian, she was very active in her local church and continued serving her community by visiting nursing homes. She is an inspiration to all who meet her, including the many generations of her large and loving family.

I urge my colleagues to join me in wishing Mrs. Zetelda Wynter a very happy and blessed 100th birthday.

#### RECOGNIZING NATIONAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK

#### HON. LUCY MCBATH

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 15, 2024*

Mrs. MCBATH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of National Entrepreneurship Week. During Black History Month, I am proud to recognize and celebrate the achievements of Black small business owners and champion solutions that will build on the progress that has been made.

Thanks to historic federal investments through the American Rescue Plan, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, and the Inflation Reduction Act, Black business ownership is growing at its fastest pace in 30 years and Black wealth is up 60% from prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. While we celebrate these historic gains, it is important to recognize the challenges that Black small business owners still face when seeking access to credit. According to the Alliance for Entrepreneurial Equity, Black-owned businesses are three times more likely to be labeled a higher credit risk than non-Black counterparts, and 72 percent of businesses use personal savings to overcome difficulties accessing credit from other sources.

Business owners in my district have experienced these barriers. Ché Houston, the "Macaron Maven of Atlanta" and owner of Ché Rene Macarons & More, has herself experienced difficulty securing financing for her growing business. Despite these challenges, Ché's business has continued to grow at a rapid pace. Last year, she earned recognition as OUT Georgia Business Alliance's New Business of the Year, and she continues to serve as an Ambassador for OUT Georgia Business Alliance where she assists new members in Food and Beverage startups. She is also a stakeholder with the Russell Innovation Center for Entrepreneurs.

Here in Congress, I am fighting for solutions that will eliminate barriers that business owners like Ché face when developing and growing their small businesses. And back home, I am committed to sharing federal resources that have been made possible through the historic investments from the Biden-Harris Administration. I urge my colleagues to consider additional solutions to help our entrepreneurs thrive. Together, we can champion solutions that invigorate our communities and strengthen our economy.