

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE POLICE OFFICERS MICHAEL COLLAZO AND REX ENGLEBERT, IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR EXCEPTIONAL BRAVERY AND VALOR IN CONFRONTING AN ACTIVE SHOOTER AT THE COVENANT SCHOOL IN NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

### HON. ANDREW OGLES

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 19, 2024*

Mr. OGLES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and commemorate the outstanding bravery and valor of Metropolitan Nashville Police Officers Michael Collazo and Rex Englebert. Nearly one year ago today, two men answered the call to serve the most vulnerable members of our Nashville community, and without regard to their own physical well-being, they confronted a murderer and saved countless lives.

At 10:13 am, on March 27, 2023, Metropolitan Nashville Police confirmed an active shooter situation was taking place at The Covenant School, a private Christian school in Nashville, Tennessee. After the first 911 call, officers rushed to the campus, entered the building, and reported shots coming from the second level of the school. On the second floor, in a common area, a team of officers encountered the shooter who had been firing through a window at arriving police cars. Two members of an officer team, the men we are honoring today—Michael Collazo and Rex Englebert—fired on the shooter and fatally wounded her.

The Covenant School shooting remains etched in the minds of the Nashville community as an evil, brutish, and senseless assault against the most innocent members of our society. Six lives—three children and three adults—were needlessly taken from their families and those who loved them. In the face of such depravity, we are fortunate and grateful that two men acted in such a manner that they were willing to give their own lives to preserve the lives of strangers. The heroism of Michael Collazo and Rex Englebert serves as a poignant reminder to each of us that evil will never triumph over good.

On behalf of Tennessee's Fifth Congressional District, I express our profound gratitude to Officers Collazo and Englebert for their devoted service to their community. May we learn from these two men the virtues of self-sacrifice and fidelity to our beloved Nation.

HONORING THE ROTARY CLUB OF CALISTOGA

### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 19, 2024*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Rotary Club of

Calistoga, as it celebrates its 100th anniversary.

Since its chartering on March 10, 1924, the Rotary Club of Calistoga has worked tirelessly to give back to our Calistoga community. As the second-oldest Rotary Club in Napa County, the club has worked to embody Rotary International's 5 areas of service—Club, Vocational, Community, International and Youth Services for 100 years.

The members of The Rotary Club of Calistoga are people of action that have joined a global network of millions of neighbors, friends, and leaders volunteering their skills and resources to solve issues and address community needs. They aim to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill. They also generously serve our community with the time and the money they raise.

Over the course of its history, the Calistoga Rotary has repeatedly endeavored to serve its community. For example, the organization was the first to bring scouting groups to town. In 1933, it was the original sponsor of Boy Scout Troop 18, which it continues to sponsor today. The Rotary Club of Calistoga also supports international causes such as the Health, Hunger and Humanity Program, which has raised millions of dollars to help improve health, alleviate hunger, and enhance the human condition everywhere. The organization has also generously supported Calistoga schools and students. The Calistoga Rotary has donated money in the form of scholarships to local students throughout the years.

Mr. Speaker, the Rotary Club of Calistoga is deeply appreciated for their work on behalf of our community. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor the Calistoga Rotary on its 100th anniversary.

PROTECTING AMERICANS FROM FOREIGN ADVERSARY CONTROLLED APPLICATIONS ACT

SPEECH OF

### HON. VAL T. HOYLE

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 13, 2024*

Ms. HOYLE of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I will vote in opposition to H.R. 7521, the so-called "Protecting Americans from Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications Act." This bill would force the sale of the social media application TikTok, whose parent company ByteDance is based in China.

Let me be clear: I share the national security concerns of many that the Chinese government is collecting Americans' personal data via TikTok. However, I believe H.R. 7521 is an inadequate proposal that unconstitutionally singles out a specific company, setting a dangerous precedent. Additionally, by restricting access to a social media application, I believe this bill threatens Americans' constitutional

rights to free speech, expression and a free press.

I also believe the bill's provisions to force ByteDance to divest from TikTok within 180 days are unrealistic. In reality, a sale of this magnitude could trigger an antitrust acquisition review in the United States—a process that could take up to a year or longer. During this period, TikTok users in the U.S. could lose access to the app.

This bill also ignores the fact that the Chinese government and other public and private entities around the world—including the U.S. government—are still able to purchase Americans' private information from third-party brokers. That's why I support comprehensive privacy reforms to protect Americans' constitutional right to privacy and close the data broker loophole.

The United States has rightfully criticized other countries for infringing on the rights of their own citizens by restricting free speech and censoring access to the internet. However, H.R. 7521's restriction of Americans' free speech and singling out of one company makes us no better than our adversaries, and it invites reciprocal attacks from other countries on U.S.-based companies.

We must not forget that the U.S. government also engages in what I strongly believe to be unconstitutional surveillance and collection of Americans' personal data and communications. If TikTok were sold to a U.S.-based company, I'm not convinced that American users' private data would be secure.

Instead of rushing a vote on a bill that was written behind closed doors without proper debate, Congress should pass comprehensive data privacy and security reform legislation that protects Americans from unconstitutional data collection by all companies, governments, and digital applications—not just one.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF OPHELIA MARTINEZ SILVA

### HON. NORMA J. TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 19, 2024*

Mrs. TORRES of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and celebrate the 100th birthday of Ophelia Martinez Silva.

Ophelia was born March 8, 1924, in Los Angeles, California. She lived and worked throughout Southern California for her entire life. She married Henry Albarran Silva on August 8, 1947 at St. Joseph's Church in the City of Fontana. They were married for 63 years. They moved from Los Angeles to El Monte in the 1950s, where she worked at the city's Sears for 25 years. In her personal time, she volunteered at Epiphany Catholic School and the local adult school.

On behalf of the 35th Congressional District, I congratulate Ophelia on this incredible milestone. It is my honor to represent incredible

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people like her. I hope that she and her family enjoy an incredible celebration in April. I wish her much happiness in the coming year.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY  
OF SENATOR ALAN G. SIEROTY

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 19, 2024*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the life and legacy of former California State Senator Alan G. Sieroty, a champion for disability rights and a leader in efforts to preserve California's coastline and natural beauty. Mr. Sieroty, who passed away at the age of 93, leaves behind an indelible legacy of devout public service and advocacy.

Born and raised in Los Angeles, California, Mr. Sieroty demonstrated his hard-working spirit from a young age. After earning his bachelor's degree in economics from Stanford University and graduating from the University of Southern California Gould School of Law, Mr. Sieroty began a lifelong career in public service. He served as an Administrative Assistant and Executive Secretary to California Lieutenant Governor Glenn M. Anderson and went on to become the Deputy Director of the Chile-California Program.

In 1967, Mr. Sieroty became a California State Assemblymember and, after a decade of service, was elected to the California State Senate, where he served until his retirement in 1982. While serving in the State Assembly and Senate, Mr. Sieroty authored over 100 bills, many of which were critical pieces of environmental protection legislation. One of his most significant accomplishments was his leading role in creating the California Coastal Commission in 1972. Today, the Commission continues to play an integral part in protecting California's coastal waters and regulating environmentally sustainable development.

Mr. Sieroty's commitment to his community expanded beyond his extensive career in public service. He served on the board of several nonprofit organizations, including the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California and the Venice Family Clinic. In addition, Mr. Sieroty and his family partnered with the Los Angeles Family Housing nonprofit to transform a former motel into a temporary housing facility for unhoused seniors.

Mr. Sieroty will be remembered for his decades of service to California and his critical efforts to preserve our environment for future generations. His enduring spirit will live on in his family and the communities he dedicated his life to serving. I would like to extend my deepest sympathies to Mr. Sieroty's loved ones. I know they and the people of California will join me in celebrating his life and legacy.

HONORING SHARON SCHAUER

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 19, 2024*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sharon Schauer, a member of the Yolo Crisis Nursery. Ms. Schauer is

being honored at this year's Yolo Crisis Nursery Crab Feed for her limitless volunteer contributions, which have greatly benefited the Yolo Crisis Nursery and our community.

The Yolo Crisis Nursery was founded in 2001 as a child-abuse prevention program. The Nursery aims to help children thrive and become resilient after traumatic experiences. The Nursery fulfills its mission through signature programs such as Crisis Overnight and Respite Care, Wraparound Services for Families, and a Specialized Infant Day Care and Preschool.

Since joining the Friends of the Yolo Crisis Nursery group in 2016, Ms. Schauer has brought a superior level of professionalism to the organization through her management and leadership. Not only has she been an active member, but also she has served as a Co-Chair of the organization since 2020, as well as a Board Associate on the Yolo Crisis Nursery Board of Directors.

Ms. Schauer's talents and contribution to the Yolo Crisis Nursery are invaluable. She is the only member of the volunteer organization to have a critical role in planning all fundraising events. Ms. Schauer is a skilled project manager with a background in business and finance. As a result of this, she has made every Crisis Nursery event a resounding success through her budget management and keen attention to detail.

Ms. Schauer's vision for expanding the resources of Yolo Crisis Nursery came to life when she added a fall Barn Dance to the organization's annual calendar of events. The result of this event is that it strengthened our community and raised awareness for child abuse prevention programs offered by the Yolo Crisis Nursery. The Nursery has provided more than 5,000 care packages of basic needs as part of their services and 3,000 safe stays in the Nursery's loving, home-like environment for children whose caretakers found themselves temporarily unable to provide a secure environment.

Through Ms. Schauer's selfless leadership, she has motivated the group of volunteers at the organization to raise approximately 10 percent of the annual operating budget for the Yolo Crisis Nursery through their unique events and community outreach.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Ms. Schauer for her dedicated service and philanthropic actions in our community. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

CONGRESSIONAL PATRIOT AWARD  
FOR FRED MOSES

**HON. PAT FALLON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 19, 2024*

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Fred Moses of Plano, Texas and present him with the Congressional Patriot Award. Fred is an outstanding leader who has dedicated himself to faithfully serving our community.

As a young man, Fred was passionate about the political process and knew he wanted to play a bigger role in shaping the future of our Nation. Shortly after graduating from the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut with a bachelor's degree in marketing, he was elect-

ed Justice of the Peace in Bridgeport and officiated marriages. Fred later moved to Plano and has remained active in local Republican politics for over 40 years. In 2008, he was elected as the Chairman of the Collin County Republican Party and worked diligently to advance the conservative agenda in North Texas. For his outstanding leadership and service, Fred was awarded the prestigious John McVeigh Award by the Collin County Republican Party.

Furthermore, Fred has launched numerous charitable initiatives to benefit our community. Since 1980, he has worked with the Plano Community Forum to provide scholarships for students in need and established scholarship endowment awards at colleges and universities nationwide. He has also supported charitable programs to help eradicate cancer and heart disease. For his work, Fred was awarded the Living Legend Award by Collin County Community College and inducted into the Minority Business Hall of Fame in 2019. Fred is a devoted man of faith and serves as an Associate Minister at Shiloh Baptist Church in Plano, where he also teaches Sunday School. In his free time, Fred enjoys golfing and volunteering with local community organizations.

It is an honor to bestow Fred with the Patriot Award for his exceptional service to our Nation and the people of North Texas.

RECOGNIZING CHRISTINA OWENS

**HON. ANDRÉ CARSON**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, March 19, 2024*

Mr. CARSON. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor a Hoosier whose exemplary service has led to the betterment of Indianapolis and our Nation. Christina Owens of the Indianapolis Vet Center served as a combat medic in Iraq and has since been aiding and encouraging veterans through the various changes in life that arise after military discharge.

Christina's service to country began in Iraq as a combat medic in the U.S. Army and continues through her work with the Indianapolis Vet Center and the Indianapolis Veteran Court Mentor Program. As the Post Commander for IUPUI's American Legion Post No. 360 and as District 11's Vice Commander, she continues to serve her community in a significant way by providing support to Hoosier veterans and their families, enabling so many to overcome immense challenges and lead healthy and meaningful lives.

Her work to engage veterans through programs like Irreverent Warriors is inspiring, and as a liaison between veterans and a variety of services, her mentorship and advocacy directly impacts the lives of Hoosier veterans. For her unwavering advocacy, Christina has received numerous accolades, and the legacy she has fostered will be cherished by Hoosiers for years to come.

Each month, our office recognizes women veterans who are too often overlooked and underrepresented. Beginning with its namesake, the Sheila Corcoran Hoosier Women Hero Award was created to highlight exemplary Hoosier veterans whose service to their community and Nation is unparalleled. I am proud to honor Christina Owens for her service to our community and country by recognizing her here today.