

across the country and include many small businesses that help drive the American economy and define the American dream.

I am honored to represent many great rendering companies in the 4th District of Arkansas. I am grateful for the role of rendering in producing America's feed and fuel, and reducing food waste and loss by repurposing products we don't eat for other practical needs. Today on National Rendering Day, please join me in recognizing renderers' countless contributions to strengthening the U.S. economy and protecting the environment.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR.
ROBERT BUNGER ZUFALL

HON. MIKIE SHERRILL

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 19, 2024

Ms. SHERRILL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Dr. Robert Bunger Zufall, a beloved community healthcare leader from New Jersey. Dr. Zufall dedicated his life to serving others and leaves an incredible legacy in New Jersey's Eleventh Congressional District and beyond.

Dr. Zufall was born in Middleton, New York and raised in Irvington, New Jersey. He graduated from Princeton University and served our country in the Navy during World War II before continuing his education at Harvard Medical School. From his leadership in the military as U.S. Army First Lieutenant and Captain in the medical corps, to his service as a physician at Bellevue Hospital and Dover General Hospital, Dr. Zufall dedicated his life to caring for others.

Dr. Zufall's most well-known achievement is the creation of Zufall Health, a Federally Qualified Health Center serving communities across Northern New Jersey. After several medical service trips to Peru, he and his wife Kay committed themselves to providing healthcare to those in need closer to home. Initially a once-a-week, one-room clinic, Zufall has since expanded to seven counties and two mobile sites that serve 48,000 New Jerseyans annually. The clinic has received many accolades, including the Jefferson Award given to Dr. Zufall and Kay in 2009. Dr. Zufall, known lovingly by many as "Dr. Bob," worked tirelessly to make sure that all New Jersey residents regardless of means have affordable access to healthcare.

Dr. Zufall deeply cherished his family and enjoyed spending time with his wife Kay, children Kathryn, Margaret, Ellen, Nancy, and David, his three siblings, nine grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren.

On March 5, 2024, Dr. Robert Zufall peacefully passed away at the age of 99. The selfless manner in which Dr. Zufall served his community is an inspiration to us all. He will not be forgotten and his impact will continue to be felt in New Jersey for generations to come.

COMMEMORATING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OPPORTUNITY CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS

HON. VERONICA ESCOBAR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 19, 2024

Ms. ESCOBAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the Opportunity Center for the Homeless.

Since its inception on January 3rd, 1994, the Opportunity Center has been a steadfast refuge for homeless adults, originally focusing on men but expanding to accommodate the increasing number of women seeking shelter. Through this evolution, it has established permanent and transitional housing options to offer stability and hope to those in need.

Central to the Center's philosophy is the principle of recovery to service. It proudly stands as the largest employer of homeless individuals in the El Paso community, with close to 60 percent of its staff having lived experience with homelessness. This practice not only provides employment but also fosters a sense of purpose, self-worth, empathy, and dignity among its employees. In a landmark achievement in October 2011, the Opportunity Center became the first homeless shelter in the United States to receive excess food from schools, thanks to Congressional clarification on food donation regulations. This initiative has since provided over 1.2 million meals in 2023 alone, nourishing those in need and exemplifying the Center's commitment to holistic support.

Founded by Ray Tullius, a U.S. Army veteran and Golden Nugget award recipient, the Center is dedicated to aiding veterans facing homelessness and has assisted countless individuals. By fostering collaboration among stakeholders, such as service providers, educational institutions, and local governments, the Opportunity Center ensures high-quality care and compassion for those experiencing homelessness.

Today, it is my privilege to honor the Opportunity Center for its 30-year legacy of service, resilience, and compassion. May it continue to make a profound impact on the lives of our community for many years to come.

FOURTH AMENDMENT IS NOT FOR
SALE ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Mr. Chair, I rise concerning my vote on H.R. 4639.

This bill raises important issues that must be addressed by Congress. Law enforcement agencies should not be able to circumvent due process by buying information about the targets of their operations from third-party data brokers. The American people need a solution that covers federal, state, and local governments to ensure that their rights are fully protected.

During legislative negotiations on H.R. 4639, members raised concerns about conflicting possible interpretations of this bill that were

not addressed before it came to the floor. As currently drafted, it is not clear whether H.R. 4639 appropriately covers federal, state, and local governments or whether the scope is limited to only cover the federal government. I also have concerns about restrictions that H.R. 4639 would impose on the Intelligence Community's ability to protect our national security by collecting data on foreign individuals operating abroad.

Given the ambiguity over the scope of H.R. 4639 and the challenges this bill would create for our ability to monitor foreign threats to the United States, I will vote PRESENT. I am hopeful these issues will be addressed by the Senate as they consider this legislation.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL FERTILIZER DEVELOPMENT CENTER (IFDC)

HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 19, 2024

Mr. ADERHOLT. Mr. Speaker, hunger and food insecurity are issues that plague many nations around the world. Luckily, within the district that I represent, there is an international organization working to alleviate this concern by working with farmers around the world to improve agricultural practices and teaching about advancements in fertilizer technology.

Founded in October 1974, the International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC) was created to fill a gap found in the inability to field international calls for assistance by the Tennessee Valley Authority's National Fertilizer Development Center.

After just shy of three years in operation, the IFDC was designated a public international organization in March 1977.

On this 50th anniversary, the staff that makes up the IFDC are working just as hard as they were on day one to make sure people around the world do not just have access to food, but have the knowledge needed to grow this food so that they can create a sustainable agricultural process that will feed generations.

The IFDC is headquartered in Muscle Shoals, Alabama, and currently operates in over 25 countries. President and CEO Henk van Duijn, along with the rest of the International Fertilizer Development Center's Global Management Team, Dr. Oumou Camara, Chris Holt, Douglas Kerr, and Dr. Upendra Singh, make up an outstanding team that delivers needed expertise to countries around the world.

I want to thank each and everyone at the International Fertilizer Development Center for their 50 years of service to the international community. They have provided a way for people across the world to grow food and feed their communities. Congratulations to them on their incredible achievements and for representing the very best of the United States by making significant contributions to the international community. I look forward to continued great work and the success of everyone at IFDC.

HONORING CARLO A. SCISSURA,
PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE
NEW YORK BUILDING CONGRESS

HON. NICOLE MALLIOTAKIS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 19, 2024

Ms. MALLIOTAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamation honoring Carlo A. Scissura, President and CEO of The New York Building Congress:

Whereas Carlo A. Scissura Esq., President & CEO of The New York Building Congress, was honored on April 18, 2024, by the National Italian American Foundation in recognition of his service and contributions to the Italian-American community.

Whereas Carlo A. Scissura was born and raised in Bensonhurst and is a lifelong Brooklyn resident, currently residing in Bay Ridge with his daughter, Teresa Rose. Scissura is a proud graduate of Pace University and Pace Law School. He had his private law practice in Dyker Heights before joining the Brooklyn Borough President's Office. Scissura previously served on the staffs of New York State Senator Vincent Gentile and Assemblyman Peter Abbate.

Whereas for nearly five years, Carlo A. Scissura previously served as Chief of Staff and General Counsel to Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz. Scissura restructured operations at Borough Hall, drove the borough's economic development, and collaborated extensively with the Mayor's Office, City Council, and Economic Development Corporation. Carlo also served on the boards of the EDC, the Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation, and the Brooklyn Public Library.

Whereas Carlo A. Scissura is a member of the Boards of the Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corp., The New York City Regional Economic Development Council, ACE Mentorship, Salvadori Center, and the Friends of the BQX. Carlo is a former member of Community Board 11 in Brooklyn and the District 20 School Board and Community Education Council. Scissura is also the Chair of the Federation of Italian-American Organizations, where he has led the opening of the new Italian Cultural and Community Center in Brooklyn.

Whereas in January 2017, Carlo A. Scissura was named President & CEO of The New York Building Congress. Under his leadership, Carlo and his team have achieved significant growth in membership and visibility across New York City and the surrounding region. They have maintained a strong focus on securing infrastructure investments from city, state, and federal governments. Membership has soared by over 200 percent, reaching more than 2,200 members. Additionally, the Chamber has been nationally recognized for creating exemplary models in business development, outreach, technical assistance, and regional branding. Thanks to Carlo's leadership, the New York Building Congress is stronger and more influential than ever.

Whereas Carlo A. Scissura was the Chair of the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway redevelopment panel and oversaw the replacement of the BQE from the Atlantic Avenue interchange to Sands Street in Brooklyn. Scissura received numerous honors for his contributions.

The people of New York City are thankful for years of Scissura's advocacy, development, contributions, and revitalization efforts throughout the five boroughs for the betterment of all New Yorkers.

CELEBRATING THE GRAND OPENING OF THE FOOD SHED CO-OP

HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 19, 2024

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Food Shed Co-op family on their achievement in organizing and establishing a community-owned grocery store. The concept of establishing a cooperative emerged from discussions among a group of friends seeking to strengthen their community. They collectively decided to create a community-owned store in McHenry County, embarking on an unpredictable and awe-inspiring journey. Their dedication to bringing this dream to fruition is truly commendable.

Food Shed Co-op is more than a simple grocery store, it is a symbol of the determination of the community. It is committed to providing everyone with access to fresh, locally sourced, and sustainably produced food. With a mission to support local farmers and producers, reduce environmental impact, and foster a sense of community, Food Shed Co-op is a shining example of what can be achieved when like-minded individuals come together for a common cause.

Nearly 2,100 people purchased equity shares in the co-op, reflecting the strong support of the community during the project's development and grand launch. This steady belief in Food Shed Co-op's mission speaks volumes about the community's commitment to building a vibrant, neighborhood-focused supermarket that is accessible to everyone.

I am proud to represent such an innovative group of individuals who continually strive to uplift their community and applaud the vital work they are doing to create a healthier and more sustainable future in McHenry County. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Food Shed Co-op in celebrating their grand opening.

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT THE SLOGAN, "FROM THE RIVER TO THE SEA, PALESTINE WILL BE FREE" IS ANTISEMITIC AND ITS USE MUST BE CONDEMNED

SPEECH OF

HON. VAL T. HOYLE

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Ms. HOYLE of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I will vote in support of H. Res. 883, a non-binding resolution that condemns the use of a slogan that has been used by some individuals and groups for antisemitic purposes, including as a rallying cry to deny the right to self-determination of the Jewish people or even to eliminate

the State of Israel from the Jordan River to the Mediterranean Sea.

I believe the antisemitic use of this slogan should rightfully be condemned. For example, this slogan has been widely used by terrorist entities—including Hamas, the Palestinian Islamic Jihad and Hezbollah—to encourage future attacks on Israel, the Jewish community and Jewish institutions. With antisemitism and antisemitic attacks on the rise in the U.S. and around the world, we must swiftly condemn antisemitism in all its forms.

However, this resolution should have been written better. For example, H. Res. 883, fails to acknowledge that some who use the phrase do so to advocate for Palestinian liberation and equality, and others—including some members of the Jewish community—use the phrase to advocate for an end to the Israeli control and annexation of the West Bank and Gaza. The resolution should have noted that this slogan is not always intended to be used as antisemitic and not all who use the phrase are antisemitic.

As with other resolutions this Congress, H. Res. 883 also fails to condemn antisemitic acts from those on the far-right, including white nationalists who have increasingly promoted antisemitic conspiracy theories and have threatened the lives and livelihoods of Jewish Americans.

H. Res. 883 also treats the slogan "from the river to the sea" as one-sided. However, this phrase has also been used by right-wing Israelis—including by Prime Minister Netanyahu himself in January—to deny the right to self-determination of the Palestinian people.

Let me be clear: I believe that both Israelis and Palestinians have a right to their own state. That's why I strongly support a two-state solution where Israelis and Palestinians recognize each other's right to live in peace and have prosperity.

I also unequivocally condemn all forms of antisemitism, and I am appalled by the significant rise in antisemitism we've seen in recent years and especially after Hamas's October 7th terrorist attacks on Israel. If the House Republican majority were serious about tackling antisemitism, they would support President Biden's National Strategy to Counter Antisemitism, would quit trying to defund the Office of Civil Rights for Title VI enforcement which protects Jewish students, and would increase funding for the High-Risk Nonprofit Grant Program to secure Jewish institutions as a start. I urge House Republicans to prioritize real action to combat hate, rather than continue to waste time and resources on non-binding resolutions.

That's why I've cosponsored legislation that thoughtfully and powerfully condemns the rise of antisemitism in the United States and calls on Congress to support the above substantive actions to tackle antisemitism, which congressional Republicans have so far refused to do.