

Following his Honorable Discharge in 2012, Joshua returned to his hometown where he attended and graduated from Plattsburgh State University. Later, after graduating from the New York State Police Academy, Joshua joined the ranks of New York's finest with the New York State Police. He was posted in Plattsburgh, the community he loved so dearly and served dutifully every day of his life.

While he kept the North Country safe, Joshua was also building a family at home. In 2018, he married his wife Katie and soon after they were blessed with two boys: Maverick and Jaxx. Joshua was a caring husband and a wonderful father to his sons, spending time with whom he treasured most. Perhaps most impressive of all is that Joshua, despite the demanding nature of each of his roles, still found time to give back to his community through his involvement in the American Legion. His commitment to his community was truly boundless.

The North Country lost one of its best when Joshua passed on February 20th, 2022. I continue to pray for his family and share in their grief from this terrible loss; we all stand to learn plenty from the selfless example Joshua set.

On behalf of New York's 21st District, we thank Joshua, for his lifetime of service and the legacy that he left us.

HONORING COMMISSIONER  
ANICETO ORTIZ UPON HIS RE-  
TIREMENT FROM THE CALI-  
FORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

**HON. JOHN S. DUARTE**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2024*

Mr. DUARTE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Assistant Commissioner Field Aniceto Ortiz upon his retirement from the Ceres Police Department.

On December 16, 2023, Assistant Commissioner Field Aniceto Ortiz retired from the California Highway Patrol (CHP), after serving for 30 years. Aniceto was responsible for CHP field operations in the State of California and was responsible for nearly nine thousand employees.

Aniceto served in various assignments across the state, such as Chief of Central Division in Fresno, a Special Response Team Commander, and was an inaugural member of the Department's Office of Inspector General.

Aniceto engaged with the communities he served to provide the highest level of Safety, Service and Security to the people of the state of California. Throughout his career, Aniceto held firm to the CHP's organizational values to serve and safeguard communities with compassion and understanding.

Aniceto is a first generation American and was the first in his family to serve in law enforcement. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, FBI California Law Enforcement Executive Development Seminar, and the Naval Postgraduate School Executive Leaders Program.

Aniceto continues to serve his community by volunteering for several community organizations, including the Visually Impaired Persons Support group, Children's Crisis Center, Rotary Club, and as an honorary board mem-

ber for Without Permission, Inc. And upon his retirement, I want to extend my best wishes to Assistant Commissioner Ortiz on his new journey.

RECOGNIZING SUMMER LUSTIG

**HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2024*

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Summer Lustig for earning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

Summer has overcome many challenges along her journey to success, demonstrating perseverance at every step. Students who strive to make the most of their education, like Summer, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Summer's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Jefferson Jr./Sr. High School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

It is my honor to congratulate Summer Lustig on achieving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

RECOGNIZING THE HOUSE, INC.'S  
EMPOWERMENT LEADERSHIP IN-  
STITUTE 2024 GRADUATES

**HON. ABIGAIL DAVIS SPANBERGER**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2024*

Ms. SPANBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the EmpowerMENT Leadership Institute of The House, Inc. and their work to improve the lives of pre-teens and teens in the Greater Washington, D.C. area.

The House, Inc. hosts out-of-school time programs for pre-teens and teens in the Washington, D.C. Capital Region focusing on youth leadership development and social justice. Its EmpowerMENT Leadership Institute, in partnership with the University of Virginia Darden School of Business, is a resource to develop the newest generation of youth activists, creators, and innovators and connect young people with more tools, more resources, more attention, and more inspiration.

It is my privilege to join The House, Inc. in recognizing the achievement of its Class of 2024 as they prepare to engage with issues of our time. Each of the following changemakers have demonstrated tenacity and a joy for learning and commitment to growth: Johanna Jarrett, Sophia Kona, Andrew Curry, Kayla Warren, Kesten Watson, Miles Woodard, Naiya Alexander, Nathan Warner, Jr., Garrett Mixon, Larry Copeland, Lauren Fain, Mia Patton, Treyvon Smith, and Jaelyn Young.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the hard work and achievements of The House, Inc.'s 2024 EmpowerMENT Leadership Institute graduates. I wish each of these students the best as they take their next step in becoming a leader and a champion for change.

HONORING ARTHUR BOURGEOIS'S  
100TH BIRTHDAY

**HON. CHRIS PAPPAS**

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2024*

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Arthur Bourgeois of Exeter, New Hampshire on his 100th birthday. A World War II Navy Veteran, active community member, and loving family man, Arthur has shown what it means to devote his life to his loved ones, community, and country.

On this special day, I commend Arthur on his distinguished lifetime that exemplifies service and dedication. During World War II, individuals like Arthur sacrificed their lives to defend our freedom and democracy. His contributions have left a mark on our nation's history and the world. His bravery and selflessness during one of the most tiresome times in American history has not gone unnoticed. The sacrifices made and the challenges overcome speak volumes about Arthur's character and will serve as an inspiration for generations to come.

On behalf of my constituents in New Hampshire's First Congressional District, I want to thank Arthur Bourgeois for his service and wish him a happy 100th birthday. While we can never fully repay our debt of gratitude, we recognize and applaud his decades of service. I look forward to seeing what his next chapter holds, and I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

HONORING THE HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY OF WINTERS

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2024*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Historical Society of Winters, who are doing crucial work to preserve and commemorate the history of Winters' Japanese community.

The Historical Society of Winters began in 2004 as the Winters History Committee, initially created by the Winters City Council. In 2018, it became a nonprofit, and opened the Winters Museum that same Year. Their express intention was to be a 'museum without walls,' and to commemorate all the history of Winters, especially the history that had been forgotten.

One of the most important forgotten histories that the Historical Society has unearthed and commemorated is that of the pre-World War II Japanese community in Winters. In 1888, the first Japanese immigrants arrived in Winters, looking to create better lives for themselves and their families. Over the years, as more immigrants arrived, they created a thriving Japantown on the edge of the city. At its peak, the Japanese population of Winters numbered approximately 300 people.

Sadly, as World War II began, and President Roosevelt ordered the internment of all Japanese Americans on the West Coast, the community was torn apart. The thriving Japantown was abandoned, and all the families were sent to internment camps either in

Arizona or Colorado. But that was not the end of the story of this community. When the war finally ended on V-J Day in 1945, Japantown burned down in a suspicious fire. Due to this hostility, less than 15 percent of the pre-war Japanese residents returned to Winters.

This legacy of hostility and distrust of these people led to the stories of this integral Winters community being largely lost to history. But the Historical Society of Winters, along with the work of Japanese community members, has worked tirelessly to restore these memories and commemorate this essential part of our community's history.

To do this, the Historical Society took their advocacy to the local level. In the summer of 2023, they urged the Winters City Council to approve a monument which would commemorate the existence and history of the pre-war Japanese community and Japantown. In a unanimous vote, the city council approved the placement of the monument in Rotary Park, where the community once existed.

Without the dedicated and tireless advocacy by the Historical Society, as well as members of Winters' Japanese community, our community would likely have never learned about the existence and history of the pre-war community that shaped so much of this town.

Mr. Speaker, the Historical Society of Winters is deeply appreciated for their work to preserve and commemorate the pre-war Japanese community. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor them here today.

#### RECOGNIZING ANTHONY MUÑOS-HINTON

#### HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2024*

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Anthony Muños-Hinton for earning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

Anthony has overcome many challenges along his journey to success, demonstrating perseverance at every step. Students who strive to make the most of their education, like Anthony, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Anthony's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Jefferson Jr./Sr. High School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

It is my honor to congratulate Anthony Muños-Hinton on achieving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

#### RECOGNIZING AGEWAYS

#### HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2024*

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, today I want to recognize AgeWays, a human services agency, as they celebrate fifty years of service to our seasoned residents of Southeast Michigan.

Formerly known as Area Agency on Aging 1-B, AgeWays has been a resource for sen-

iors and their caregivers since 1974. They take an active role in helping older adults access services and assistance they need to live independently. They serve over 700,000 people in their six-county service areas, providing comprehensive services such as direct care, meals on wheels, transportation, and health and wellness programs. They have been a steadfast partner for the communities of the 12th Congressional District who rely on their work.

The 12th District is proud to recognize their incredible and dedicated leadership to serving our seasoned residents and we offer our congratulations as they celebrate their 50th anniversary. Please join me in recognizing AgeWays in celebration of fifty years of commitment to our community.

#### HONORING PFC JOSEPH F. MOORE

#### HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2024*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor United States World War II Army veteran Joseph F. Moore.

Joseph Moore was born in Benton Harbor, Michigan on March 4, 1910. He was raised in Benton Harbor until 1922 when his family moved to Prospect Heights in North Greenbush, New York. Joseph enlisted in the U.S. Army on April 7, 1944, where he served as a Rifleman in the 71st Infantry Regiment. He spent 11 months overseas in Northern France, the Rhineland, and Central Europe, participating in three major European campaigns.

Moore remained in the Army until his honorable discharge on October 26, 1945, at the rank of Private First Class. For his brave service, he was awarded the European-African-Middle Eastern Medal with three bronze service stars, the Combat Infantry Badge, and the Good Conduct Medal. The 71st Infantry Regiment's Second Battalion is cited for its outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy in Eastern France in December 1944 and January 1945.

After his honorable discharge, Joseph returned to New York to pursue a career and start a family. He obtained a job as manager at B.F. Goodrich Store in Albany, New York. Joseph married his beloved wife, Ethel McGeough-Moore and together they had four children, Elizabeth, Lela, Francis, and Ethel. He retired from B.F. Goodrich Store in 1972 after 42 years of employment.

When he was not working, Joseph maintained a fulfilling personal life and enjoyed hobbies such as traveling and smoking cigars. He was an active communicant of St. Mary's Church in Clinton Heights, New York, and a dedicated member of the Melvin Roads American Legion Post 1231, a veteran organization devoted to their community.

Joseph's dedication and service to the United States is truly remarkable. On behalf of New York's 21st District, I am honored to recognize his extraordinary life.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. MARIO DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2024*

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to vote during the week of April 29th through May 1st, as I was in the district recovering from a medical procedure.

Had I been present, I would have voted: YEA on H.R. 4866, Roll Call No. 153;

YEA on H.R. 4755, Roll Call No. 154;

YEA on H. Res. Roll Call No. 1173, Roll Call No. 163;

YEA on H.R. 529, Roll Call No. 155;

YEA on H.R. 4824, Roll Call No. 156;

YEA on H.R. 4877, Roll Call No. 157;

YEA on H.R. 6093, Roll Call No. 158;

YEA ON H.R. 3738, Roll Call No. 159,

YEA on H.R. 4016, Roll Call No. 160;

YEA on H.R. 1767, Roll Call 161;

YEA on H.R. 3195, Roll Call No. 171;

YEA on H.R. 764, Roll Call No. 169;

YEA on H.R. 615, Roll Call No. 167;

YEA on H.R. 3397, Roll Call No. 165;

YEA on H. Res. 1112, Roll Call No. 176;

YEA on H.R. 6090, Roll Call No. 172; and

YEA on H.R. 6285, Roll Call No. 174.

#### RECOGNIZING AARON DONTEZ YATES, TECH N9NE, FOR HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE MUSIC INDUSTRY

#### HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2024*

Mr. CLEAVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the extraordinary actions and success of an accomplished individual in Missouri's Fifth Congressional District, Aaron Donte Yates, better known as his stage name Tech N9ne. Today, we join in recognition of the milestones he has achieved throughout his career in the music industry.

Born and raised in Kansas City, Missouri, Tech N9ne embarked on a journey looking for ways in which he could express himself. From an early age, he began to rap, first using it as a method to learn and remember how to spell his name and later to release his inner thoughts and emotions. Before taking a leap of faith in seeking success on his own, he was part of the groups Black Mafia, 57th Street Rogue Dog Villains, and the Regime, where he began to get acquainted with the industry and would lead him to move forward in opening his own record label. Strange Music, with his business partner Travis O-Guin.

With releases such as "Anghellic" and "Everready (The Religion)," his discography stands as a testament to his unparalleled talent and unwavering dedication to his craft. His talent and ability to create new rhythms and rhymes have not been overlooked and have instead garnered the attention of other acclaimed artists as well as solidified his status as a true pioneer in the world of hip-hop and rap. His success and unique approach have led to collaborations with artists Machine Gun Kelly, Lil Wayne, and Eminem among others. His love for his hometown is apparent through a now football season classic. "Red Kingdom", a love song to the Kansas City Chiefs