

HONORING THE LIFE OF L.M.
"BUDDY" PREUSS, III

HON. MICHAEL T. McCAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

Mr. McCAUL. Mr. Speaker, on Friday, January 5, 2024, my district lost a pillar of our community. While we mourn the loss of L.M. "Buddy" Preuss, III, we know his legacy will live on for years to come in Giddings, Texas, and beyond.

Born and raised in Giddings, Buddy was hired as the editor for the Giddings News at just 19 years old. He went on to own and operate the Giddings Times and News, providing a reliable news service to the citizens of his county for more than five decades.

Buddy's life is a true inspiration. A member of the Giddings chamber of commerce, he constantly sought ways to contribute to his community's welfare. Buddy was also a remarkable husband to the love of his life, Louise, and father to his five children. And above all, Buddy was a man of sincere faith. He held on to hope and his love for the Lord, even during his battle with cancer. While he is missed, I find comfort in knowing he is rejoicing in the presence of God, finally pain free.

Buddy was so much more than a reporter, businessman, and community leader—he was a dear friend to many, including myself. My stops in Giddings certainly won't be the same without him. Rest in peace, Buddy.

RECOGNIZING MIRIAM KREUZER

HON. JAMES A. HIMES

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

Mr. HIMES. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Miriam Kreuzer for her contributions to the Town of Greenwich and her service on the Board of Estimate and Taxation (BET).

Miriam has been a trusted member of the Greenwich community for over 13 years. As a Board Member, Miriam spent countless volunteer hours on behalf of the Town of Greenwich. She served for four years on the BET, where she was a part of the Investment Advisory and Human Resources Committees and served on the First Selectman's Havemeyer Committee, the Hamill Rink RFP Committee and as a liaison to Parks and Recreation.

Throughout her time as a distinguished public servant, she applied her deep knowledge of the financial markets to various important roles in Town government, including six years as liaison to the Retirement Board and 18 months as a member of the Town's Other Post-Employment Benefits Board, which oversees investments for the health care plan for municipal retirees.

As Congressman for Connecticut's Fourth District, I have had the pleasure of working with Miriam and I have seen firsthand how she has served as an advocate and leader for the people of Greenwich. As she moves on from the BET, I thank her for all that she has done to strengthen our community.

HONORING CATHY GERAGHTY, A
FORCE OF NATURE

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join the Chicago Wilderness Alliance in honoring Ms. Cathy Geraghty, a 2023 recipient of the Dr. George B. Rabb Force of Nature Award. This award commends outstanding work in the field of conservation.

Cathy is a true champion of biodiversity. Through her work as the Director of External and Strategic Initiatives with the Forest Preserves of Cook County, Cathy has worked tirelessly to protect the environment. When she isn't working, she spends her free time serving as a proud member of the Chicago Wilderness Alliance Steering Committee. During her two-decade long career with the Forest Preserves of Cook County, Cathy has pushed the organization forward in tackling conservation issues, particularly with her drafting of the Next Century Conservation Plan. The Forest Preserves of Cook County is the first forest preserve district in the United States, and this ambitious plan continues our legacy as leader in the space of forest preservation and restoration. With an implementation strategy that includes volunteer outreach, tying the preserves to the economic future of Chicago, restoring 30,000 acres to full health, and leading with transparency, this plan will continue to improve our forest preserves and increase the community that supports them.

Cathy is truly a force of nature, and I could not be prouder of the work my friend has done to support our environment. Mr. Speaker, please join me and all our colleagues in the House of Representatives in recognizing Ms. Geraghty's service and congratulating her on receiving the Force of Nature Award.

RECOGNIZING QUEEN CITY COLLECTIVE COFFEE

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Queen City Collective Coffee for receiving the Wheat Ridge Business Association's 2023 Reinvestment Award.

The Reinvestment Award recognizes businesses that have demonstrated their commitment and investment in making Wheat Ridge a wonderful place to live, work, and play.

Congratulations to Queen City Collective Coffee for their contribution to the Wheat Ridge community and for receiving this award.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily

Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, January 18, 2024 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JANUARY 23

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Melissa Griffin Dalton, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force, Douglas Craig Schmidt, of Tennessee, to be Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, and April Joy Ericsson, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of Defense.

SD-G50

2:30 p.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

Subcommittee on Intellectual Property

To hold hearings to examine the Patent Eligibility Restoration Act, focusing restoring clarity, certainty, and predictability to the U.S. patent system.

SD-226

2:45 p.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Spending Oversight

To hold hearings to examine improving export controls enforcement.

SD-562

JANUARY 24

10 a.m.

Committee on the Budget

To hold hearings to examine how the climate crisis threatens ocean industries.

SD-608

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Toxic Substances Control Act amendments implementation.

SD-406

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine pending nominations.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice and Counterterrorism

To hold hearings to examine AI in criminal investigations and prosecutions.

SD-226

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

To hold hearings to examine succession planning, focusing on opportunities to build wealth and keep jobs in local communities.

SR-428A

3 p.m.
Committee on Rules and Administration
To hold hearings to examine the use of
Artificial Intelligence at the Library of

Congress, Government Publishing Of-
fice, and Smithsonian Institution.

JANUARY 25

SR-301 10 a.m.
Special Committee on Aging
To hold hearings to examine assisted liv-
ing facilities, focusing on under-
standing long-term care options for
older adults.

SD-106