

This remarkable milestone is a testament to the thousands of congregants who, through their unwavering faith and love for their neighbors, have helped build a legacy of service at the church.

For 170 years, Shiloh Old Site has been an advocate for justice, equality, and perseverance. Throughout the years, this community has been a catalyst in halting the spread of racial injustice in the city of Fredericksburg and has worked tirelessly to provide supplemental education to Black residents to offset the shortfalls of a racially segregated educational system. Through its ministries and its purpose-driven youth mission, the church works to provide families and children with programming that nurtures a community service mindset.

Shiloh Old Site is a pillar of the Fredericksburg community—always ready to lend a helping hand to those in need. The community's commitment to Fredericksburg and its residents is both inspiring and humbling.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating and thanking Shiloh Baptist Church Old Site on 170 years of dedicated service to the Fredericksburg community. I look forward to celebrating their continued success and contributions to Virginia in years to come.

RECOGNIZING JACK CLOUSE

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2024

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

Jack 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 Jack, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Jack's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Standley Lake High School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

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

RECOGNIZING BERNIE RICKE'S LEADERSHIP OF UAW LOCAL 600 IN DEARBORN, MICHIGAN

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2024

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Bernie Ricke, President of UAW Local 600 in Dearborn, Michigan, on the occasion of his retirement. His dedication to the UAW over the last 51 years, and his leadership of Local 600 for the past 15 years, is worthy of commendation.

UAW Local 600 currently has over 30,000 active and retired members, representing a diverse membership from the Ford Rouge Complex, AK Steel, truck drivers, independent part suppliers, as well as healthcare and technical

office professionals. They currently have over 47 autonomous bargaining units throughout Southeastern Michigan.

Bernie was born into the auto industry as the son of an engineer who worked at Ford, General Motors, and Chrysler. At the age of 18, Bernie took a job in a Ford warehouse and shortly thereafter joined the UAW as a member of Local 600 in November of 1973. He quickly took on more roles within the union, holding positions of Financial Secretary, District Committee-person, Bargaining Committee-person, and Vice President of the Parts Depot Unit. From 1997 he served as the Second and First Vice President of Local 600 before being elected President in 2009. His leadership over the last 15 years has earned him the respect of not only local leaders but national leaders as well. UAW VP Chuck Brownning said about Bernie "He's unselfish, He's humble. And he's a really powerful presence in our union." Rory Gamble, the former president of the UAW, said "Bernie's leadership legacy will fare well over the years as historians look back at his impact on the UAW and Ford. He was steady, fair, and successful for members in the worst of times. If the measure of a man is the dignity he brings to others, he will always be a giant in our union."

Bernie and I got to know each other through the many community projects that he has dedicated himself to. Outside of his work with the UAW, Bernie and his wife, Sue, are pillars of the Detroit community. Together they run the Bernie Ricke Charity Fund out of Trenton, MI. Bernie is a lifetime member of the NAACP, member of the Labor Advisory Board for Health Alliance Plan, and serves as the Chairman of the Board of Directors for Bridging Communities Incorporated. Bridging Communities is a non-profit organization that serves the community of Southwest Detroit by providing a variety of services to the homebound elderly including meals on wheels, minor home repairs, transportation for doctors' appointments and medical care. In 1999 and again in 2004, Bernie was given the "Spirit of Detroit" award by the Detroit City Council.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Bernie Ricke for all that he has done for the people of Southeastern Michigan. Together we have been through the thick and thin of life, surviving the tough times by breaking bread at his famous garage parties. We wish him all best in retirement, though we know he will still be working hard to support the UAW and his Detroit community in whatever ways he can. I thank Bernie.

RECOGNIZING CAIT OWEN

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2024

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

Cait 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 Cait, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Cait's hard work, de-

termination, and perseverance at Ralston Valley High School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

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

RECOGNIZING GUEST CHAPLAIN PASTOR DAVID MASON

HON. BRUCE WESTERMAN

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2024

Mr. WESTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank our guest chaplain, Pastor David Mason, for his opening prayer on May 10th. I've had the pleasure of knowing David for quite some time, as he serves as Pastor at my home church, Walnut Valley Baptist in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

David and his wife, Aamie, who serves as a family counselor, are dear friends of mine who have a heart for sharing the gospel and ministering not only inside the church building but in the community with individuals wherever there is a need.

David and Aamie have been faithful servants and leaders for many years. It was a pleasure to host them in D.C. this week.

I, along with others in Arkansas' Fourth Congressional District, are grateful to Pastor Mason and his wife Aamie for their servant hearts and their obedience in serving God.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CLAY HIGGINS

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2024

Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, due to flight delays caused by storms in my home state of Louisiana, I was unable to be present for votes on May 14, 2024.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 196, and YEA Roll Call No. 197.

RECOGNIZING DALE "DOC" DOUGHERTY

HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2024

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to recognize the City Manager of Garden City Dale "Doc" Dougherty for his diligent service to the people of Garden City community since 2018.

Born and raised in Allentown, Pennsylvania, Mr. Dougherty has extensive experience in public administration. He carries a bachelor's degree in health care management from King's College, a master's degree in Sports Management from the United States Sports Academy, and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Notre Dame. Furthermore, Mr. Dougherty has obtained the highest certification in city management and the highest credential in the parks and recreation industry. He began his career as the Director of Community Affairs with the Town of

Lake Park, Florida and has since led four different organizations during times of great change. Mr. Dougherty has demonstrated his skillful leadership by creating, producing, and managing hundreds of major events, including a major national sporting event.

In Garden City, Mr. Dougherty personally managed the reconstruction and renovation of the 60-year-old city hall, the fire station, and a 78,000-square-foot community center. He has demonstrated his dedication to promoting the best quality of life for Garden City residents by implementing countless new and improved policies and City Ordinances. Doc Dougherty has worked tirelessly to uplift the people of Garden City. We are grateful for his many years of service to our community and our district. His leadership and partnership in securing critical funding for our families will never be forgotten.

Please join me and the 12th Congressional District in recognizing Doc Dougherty and his service to the people of Garden City, as we wish him well in all his future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING KIMBERLY OLIVAS
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HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2024

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

Kimberly 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 Kimberly, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Kimberly's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Standley Lake High School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

It is my honor to congratulate Kimberly Olivas Soto on achieving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

CELEBRATING THE 2024 UCLA
MEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM

HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2024

Mr. LIEU. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the men's volleyball team from the Uni-

versity of California, Los Angeles. They took home the 2024 NCAA Men's National Collegiate Volleyball Championship on the 4th of May. UCLA defeated the men's volleyball team from the California State University, Long Beach at Walter Pyramid on the campus of Long Beach State in Long Beach, California.

This year's championship brought home the team's 21st national title win, cementing their record as the winningest program in NCAA history. The win marks UCLA's 122nd overall NCAA title across all sports. These are truly remarkable achievements.

The men's volleyball team should be proud of their achievement in earning the distinction of being back-to-back national champions, amongst the more than half a million student-athletes who participate in NCAA events each year. With guidance from Coach John Speraw, who secured his fifth NCAA men's volleyball title as a collegiate head coach, UCLA ended their season with wins in 15 out of their last 16 matches.

I would like to sincerely congratulate the UCLA's men's volleyball team once again on winning its second consecutive national championship and wish them the best of luck next season. This win is a special moment in the collegiate athletic careers of each player and marks an exceptional accomplishment and historical achievement for the UCLA community. Go Bruins. U-C-L-A. Fight. Fight. Fight.

RECOGNIZING CONGRESSIONAL PA-
TRIOT AWARD RECIPIENT MARK
KIPPHUT

HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2024

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Mark Kipphut of McLendon-Chisholm, Texas, and present him with the Congressional Patriot Award. Mark has dedicated himself to faithfully serving our community and country.

After graduating from The Citadel with a political science degree in May 1979, Mark commissioned into the United States Air Force. He served as a Command Intelligence Officer during the Gulf War and Global War on Terrorism for many years. In his last assignment, Mark became the Director of Intelligence for the Pacific Air Forces at Hickam Air Force Base. He later received a master's degree in management from Embry-Riddle University.

When he retired from the military as a Colonel, Mark served as the Director of Strategy

for Raytheon Missile Systems in Tucson, Arizona. In 2010, he and his family moved to Texas, where he became the Program Director of Tactical Intelligence Systems for Raytheon. In this role, Mark oversaw hundreds of millions of dollars in annual sales and government contracting. He currently works as a Senior Advisor for BCE Consulting, in which he focuses on enhancing our operational capabilities to defend against cyber and unmanned threats. In addition to protecting our national security, Mark is passionate about giving back to his community and supporting our veterans. He is the Commander of the Rockwall Terry Fisher American Legion Post, where he created college scholarships for the children of veterans. Moreover, Mark organizes annual trips for students to attend the Youth Leadership Conferences. I am proud of Mark's contributions to our community, and I am sure he will continue to make a positive impact on the world around us for many years to come.

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

RECOGNIZING VICTORIA QUINE

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2024

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

Victoria 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 Victoria, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Victoria's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Sobesky Academy and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

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