

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING UNITED STATES  
NAVY WORLD WAR II VETERAN  
BERNARD M. RICE'S 100TH  
BIRTHDAY

**HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 21, 2024*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Bernard M. Rice, a United States Navy World War II veteran and a remarkable constituent from my district, and to pay tribute to his celebration of his 100th birthday.

Bernard was born in Baltimore, Maryland on June 19, 1924. He attended Calvert Hall High School, where he was an accomplished student and soccer player. After graduation in 1943, he enlisted into the United States Navy. Bernard served proudly during World War II as a Quartermaster 2nd Class on the USS *New Kent* (APA-217, which were part of the Amphibious Personnel Assault Ships). On Easter Sunday morning, April 1, 1945, Bernard helped to navigate the initial landing of the USS *New Kent* onto the beaches of Okinawa, Japan, as part of Operation Iceberg, the United States invasion of Japan. For the next seven days, Bernard and the USS *New Kent* made repeated landings transporting thousands of soldiers to support the Okinawa invasion.

After World War II, Bernard returned to Maryland. He attended the University of Maryland where he majored in Business and minored in Industrial Engineering. After graduation, Bernard worked for his father's mechanical contracting company. Several years later Bernard assumed the leadership of the company and successfully led its operation and expansion over the next 40 years until his retirement.

Bernard was a devoted husband of 72 years to his wife Norma, who sadly passed away in 2020. Together they raised four children in Severta Park, Maryland, where Bernard enjoyed his love of sailing. He moved to Bucks County, Pennsylvania in 2015. In addition to his four children, Bernard has nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

As we celebrate his 100 years of life, we are incredibly grateful for the many positive impacts he has made. We want to thank him for his devoted service to our Country, and we heartily wish Bernard continued joy and God's blessings for the future.

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**GRIFFIN GARVIN**

**HON. RICK W. ALLEN**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 21, 2024*

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my constituent, Griffin Garvin, upon his acceptance to the United States Military Academy at West Point.

As a future cadet, he will be joining the ranks of the world's most fearsome fighting force—the United States Army—guided by duty, honor, and country.

The service and sacrifice of America's military personnel have safeguarded our Nation since its inception, defending our way of life from Lexington to Normandy.

And throughout our history, American soldiers have demonstrated tremendous courage and strength, beating back tyranny to the ends of the earth.

I was glad to sponsor Griffin's nomination and I am confident that his talents will distinguish him among his peers both during his time at West Point and thereafter.

Congratulations to Griffin, I know that he will make this Nation proud.

HONORING MR. DALE F. LAMBERT  
ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER 33  
YEARS IN THE ELECTRIC UTIL-  
ITY INDUSTRY

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 21, 2024*

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mr. Dale F. Lambert on his retirement after 33 years of working in the electric utility industry.

Dale is the embodiment of the American Dream. He started off with the Randolph Electric Membership Corporation as an Apprentice Lineman in 1984. He then served as a District Manager before working his way up to CEO, a position he has held for the last 17 years. Thanks to his hard work and dedication we've been able to keep the lights on.

Dale is not only committed to making sure folks in Randolph County have reliable access to power, but he is also deeply involved with the community. Dale frequently volunteers with his church, the Beulah Baptist Church, as well as the Asheboro Rotary Club and the NC Jaycee Burn Center Advisory Committee. Dale is dedicated to improving the lives of the folks around him and is truly a steward of our region. Dale has given 33 great years to Randolph County, and while we will miss him dearly, I'm sure he is looking forward to spending more time with his wife Regina and their wonderful children and granddaughter.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in congratulating Mr. Dale F. Lambert on his well-earned retirement after a 33-year career in the electric utility industry.

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HONORING ROGER C. JONES

**HON. BLAKE D. MOORE**

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 21, 2024*

Mr. MOORE of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I am thankful for this opportunity to honor the suc-

cess and achievement of Mr. Roger C. Jones. Along with countless individuals in northern Utah, I congratulate Roger on his retirement from the Bear River Association of Governments (BRAG) and express my gratitude for his 51 years of service to our communities. Northern Utah has been fortunate to have had such a dedicated civil servant for so many decades. Born and raised in Logan, Utah, Mr. Jones embodies the best qualities that Utah, and our Nation, has to offer.

Prior to starting his career with BRAG, Mr. Jones served as an officer in the United States Army in Vietnam. Upon returning home, he completed his MBA at Utah State University and took what he thought would be a 6-month position with BRAG. That 6-month job turned into 51 years of continuous efforts to better communities throughout Northern Utah.

Soon after joining the organization, Roger implemented new functions and carried out responsibilities delegated to BRAG by the state, helping local governments adapt and integrate new programs for healthcare planning, aging services, substance abuse treatment, and law enforcement planning.

In 1986, Roger was appointed Executive Director and, in this position, worked to improve integration of the various government organizations within the Bear River Association of Governments. Under his watch, BRAG became the model for multi-county government associations.

It is people like Roger Jones and his team who have made Utah's First Congressional District, and all of Utah, the incredible place it is.

I join all who have been touched by Roger's service in thanking him for his work for our great state. I wish Roger nothing but the best in his well-deserved retirement.

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RECOGNIZING JOSEPH A. FLUEHR,  
III

**HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 21, 2024*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an exceptional constituent from my district, Joseph A. Fluehr, III, of Richboro who has been a dedicated citizen and caregiver to his community. Joe and his wife, Christine, opened the Joseph A. Fluehr III Funeral Home in Richboro, Pennsylvania in 1976, expanded to New Britain, Pennsylvania in 1997, and built Laurel Cremation Services in 2010. For almost 50 years, Joe has lovingly attended to families grieving the loss of a loved one.

Joe, the oldest of 8 children, was raised in the Oak Lane section of Philadelphia and eventually moved to Richboro when the construction of his funeral home was completed. He graduated from the College of West Virginia and continued to the Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science, where he received his Degree in Applied Sciences.

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Joe's commitment to community service is exemplified through his extensive involvement in local organizations. St. Mary Medical Center called on Mr. Fluehr to sit on their Board of Trustees, which he did for over a decade and served as Chairman of the Board for an impressive nine years. Under his leadership, the once small, neighborhood hospital saw huge growth in the numbers of patients it served and medical professionals it employed. They exponentially expanded the footprint of the building, and it is now a Level II Trauma Center. Rotating off the Board of Trustees, Joe served as a member of the St. Mary's Medical Center Entities Board and continues to serve on the St. Mary's Medical Center Hospital Authority today.

In addition to working with the hospital board, Joe served on the board of Prime Bank, a locally owned bank, for 13 years, where he also held the position of Corporate Secretary.

As another testament to his dedication to the community of Richboro and Northampton Township, Joe was a volunteer with the Northampton Township Volunteer Fire Department and served on the Tri-Hampton Rescue Squad Advisory Board. He has been a member of Council Rock Kiwanis Invitational, where he participated in many service projects dedicated to making the lives of children better. He supported the Northampton Township Historical Society and has been a long-standing member of the Northampton Township Business and Professional Association. In 2015, honoring this integral member of the community, they bestowed upon Joe their "Businessman of the Year Award".

Professionally, Joe has held significant roles within the funeral service industry, serving on the Pennsylvania State Board of Funeral Directors and chairing the board for two years. He is affiliated with prestigious organizations such as the Cremation Association of North America and the National Funeral Directors Association.

As a devout parishioner of St. Bede, the Venerable Church and a 4th Degree Knight with the Knights of Columbus, Joe embodies the values of faith, service, and community.

Furthermore, Joe has dedicated his life to serving and honoring the veterans of our community. He played a pivotal role in supporting the Washington Crossing National Cemetery, advocating for its opening, and facilitating logistical and professional support for unclaimed veterans' services. Joe's contributions extend to providing urns and nameplates to the Bucks County Morgue for unclaimed veterans and donating to various veterans' monuments at Washington Crossing.

Joe lives in Newtown with Christine, his wife of 55 years. They have three children and 6 dear grandchildren. In his free time, Joe enjoys a good glass of merlot, eating dinner with friends, and spending time with his family. He is proud of the family he raised with his wife, the relationships he fostered throughout his life, and the businesses he built that serve the community.

I am eternally grateful to Joe Fluehr, III for the life of committed service he has given to our community, district, and country. Indeed, his care and concern for his fellow neighbors, his support for local organizations, and his commitment to our service men and women are but a few impressive attributes of a truly great man. I am happy to honor him today.

## CONGRATULATING SAVANNAH KOBACK

**HON. RICK W. ALLEN**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 21, 2024*

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my constituent, Savannah Koback, upon her acceptance to the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

As a future midshipman, she will be joining the ranks of the world's most elite naval force, guided by the motto: "Acta Non Verba".

The service and sacrifice of America's military personnel have safeguarded our Nation since its inception, defending our way of life from Lexington to Normandy.

A vital part of our Nation's maritime operations, the Merchant Marines' duties are dynamic, transporting cargo and passengers during peacetime and serving as an auxiliary to the United States Navy during times of war.

I was glad to sponsor Savannah's nomination, as her dynamism reflects the mission of the branch which she will soon serve. I am confident that her talents will distinguish her among her peers during her time at the Academy and thereafter.

Congratulations to Savannah, I know that she will make this Nation proud.

## CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF THE WILLOW STREET FIRE COMPANY

**HON. LLOYD SMUCKER**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 21, 2024*

Mr. SMUCKER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Willow Street Fire Company in Willow Street, Pennsylvania on 100 years of service to the community.

The Willow Street Fire Company was founded in June 1924 by volunteers that recognized the need to provide fire and emergency services to their community. Today, the company's 40-person membership remains 100 percent volunteer-based, a reflection of their dedication to the well-being of the community.

You never know when you might need emergency services, but you are always thankful they are there when you need them. These heroes risk their lives in dangerous situations for people they likely do not know. This kind of selflessness is beyond admirable.

Willow Street Fire Company responds to almost 500 calls every year and services West Lampeter Township and Providence Township. They also provide mutual aid to surrounding townships.

For 100 years, Willow Street Fire Company emergency and rescue service volunteers have demonstrated what it means to be a good neighbor. I thank them for the heroism and bravery they demonstrate daily.

Congratulations to Willow Street Fire Company. I wish them a happy 100th anniversary.

## CELEBRATING 2024 U.S. OPEN CHAMPION BRYSON DECHAMBEAU

**HON. VINCE FONG**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 21, 2024*

Mr. FONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate Bryson DeChambeau on his second career 2024 U.S. Open Golf Championship win. This achievement not only exemplifies his impressive skill and dedication to the sport, but also reminds us of his journey from the Central Valley of California to the pinnacle of professional golf.

Originally born in Modesto, California, Bryson attended Clovis East High School, where his passion and innate talent for golf quickly became apparent. His first major golf moment arrived in 2010 when at age sixteen, he secured the California State Junior Championship. Five years later in 2015 as a Southern Methodist University Mustang, Bryson's hard work led to winning the NCAA Individual Championship, along with the United States Amateur Championship. These dual wins propelled Bryson forward, becoming one of only five golfers to ever hold both titles in the same year and launching him into the professional ranks in 2016 at the age of twenty two.

Unorthodox but confident in his approach, Bryson has reimaged golf using irons and wedges that are all the same length. This unique innovation, characteristic of the Central Valley's dynamic style, inspires future athletes to push boundaries as they see the U.S. Open Champion with nine career victories still finding new ways to excel in a game steeped in tradition.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of my constituents in Clovis and California's Central Valley, I am immensely proud of Bryson DeChambeau and congratulate him on his outstanding victory at the 2024 U.S. Open Golf Championship.

## RECOGNIZING BUCKS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE BUCKS COUNTY CHIEF OF DETECTIVES MARTIN McDONOUGH'S RETIREMENT

**HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 21, 2024*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a profound sense of admiration and gratitude to recognize an exceptional constituent from my district, Detective Martin McDonough of the Bucks County Police Department who is retiring after over three decades of unwavering dedication to the wellbeing of citizens in the community.

Martin is a native of Holland, Pennsylvania. In addition to his studies at Spring Garden College and Temple University, his commitment to professional growth led him to achieve a remarkable milestone in 2015 when he graduated from the prestigious FBI National Academy. This achievement not only showcased his relentless pursuit of excellence but also underscored his resolve for helping others. Detective McDonough eventually settled in Jamison, where he and his wife of nearly forty years, Joanne, still live today. It was here