

To preserve our economic vitality and opportunity for our future, the United States and likeminded peoples, must echo Churchill in his commitment to repel the Nazis . . .

We must commit to fight this toxic blend of communism and terror on the beaches, in the streets, on the seas, in the air—but also on the network and in orbit.

Failure to do so will impoverish our economic future and our American spirit best voiced by President Kennedy in his inaugural address when he promised:

“Let every nation know, whether it wishes well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to ensure the survival and the success of liberty.”

Or maybe, as we are in a multipolar world you may find an old Chinese proverb (a favorite of Mao's) more compelling: “you have to choose between killing the Tiger or being eaten by it.”

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MAJOR RANDELL VOAS

HON. ANGIE CRAIG

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Ms. CRAIG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Major Randall Voas of Lakeville, Minnesota. Maj. Voas tragically lost his life on April 9, 2010, in an aircraft crash during a combat mission in Afghanistan. Though he lost his life that day, his heroic actions and flying skills helped save the lives of sixteen other passengers on board the aircraft.

Maj. Voas was a man of honor and integrity, serving our country in the United States Army and Air Force for nearly twenty years before his death. During that time, he served in Germany, Korea, England, Iraq, and Afghanistan. During Operation Iraqi Freedom, Major Voas participated in the largest airdrop operation since Vietnam, earning a Cheney Award for his exemplary conduct during the mission.

Maj. Voas' military career was one of remarkable service and immense sacrifice. In May of this year, the Air Force Special Operations Command honored that sacrifice by presenting his family with a Distinguished Flying Cross in honor of his extraordinary aerial skill in saving the lives of sixteen other souls on board his aircraft.

I want to both congratulate, and offer my deepest condolences to Maj. Voas's wife, Jill, his children Maddeline and Mitchell, and the rest of his family on this posthumous recognition of Maj. Voas's service to our country. May his memory be a blessing to them all.

CELEBRATING CARROLL DALE

HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Mr. GRIFFITH. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Super Bowl Champion Carroll Dale. Mr. Dale dedicated his career to the sport of football, playing in the National Football League as a wide receiver for several seasons.

Born in Wise, Virginia on April 24, 1938, Mr. Dale attended Wise's very own J.J. Kelly High School.

As an athlete for Virginia Tech Football, Mr. Dale excelled at his preparation and game routine. He played 39 games between 1956 through 1959 for Virginia Tech, amassing 15 touchdowns and over 1,000 yards receiving, which was unusual in the 1950's. These statistics caught the eyes of NFL scouts. The university also retired his No. 84, being the first Virginia Tech athlete to receive such an honor.

Following his collegiate career, Mr. Dale entered the 1960 NFL Draft. In the 8th round, the Los Angeles Rams selected Mr. Dale with the 86th overall pick. In his NFL debut, Mr. Dale scored on a 57-yard touchdown pass.

After 5 NFL seasons with the Rams, Vince Lombardi came calling. Mr. Dale was traded to the Green Bay Packers in 1965, where he became a receiver for one of the best pro football teams.

In his first season with the Packers, Mr. Dale provided a versatility to the team's passing attack. The Packers played the Cleveland Browns and Hall of Fame running back Jim Brown in the 1965 NFL Championship. Mr. Dale scored the first points of the game on a 47-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Bart Starr in the first quarter, helping the Packers win the championship match 23–12. Mr. Dale was a world champion.

In 1966, the Packers returned to the NFL Championship game. Mr. Dale scored on a 51-yard passing touchdown. Lead by Hall of Famers such as his coach Vince Lombardi and quarterback Bart Starr, the Packers then advanced to Super Bowl I.

In Super Bowl I, Mr. Dale caught four passes for 59 yards. He also scored on a 64 yard touchdown pass in the 2nd quarter, but a motion penalty was called on Green Bay and negated the touchdown play. Despite the penalty call, the Packers defeated the Kansas City Chiefs and won the first ever Super Bowl.

The following season, the Packers played the Oakland Raiders in Super Bowl II. Mr. Dale caught four passes for 43 yards in the Packers victory and won a second Super Bowl ring.

Still catching throws from Bart Starr, Mr. Dale was selected to his first Pro Bowl appearance because of his 1968 season. This was the first of three consecutive Pro Bowl selections in as many seasons.

For the 1973 season, his last in the NFL, Mr. Dale played for the Minnesota Vikings. The Vikings advanced to the Super Bowl but lost to the AFC champion Miami Dolphins.

Overall, in 14 NFL seasons Mr. Dale put together 52 receiving touchdowns and 438 receptions for 8,277 receiving yards.

His No. 84 is one of only ten numbers retired by the Hokies football program. Since his retirement, he has served the UVA-Wise athletic program to play a role in its growth and development.

As impressive as his accolades are, Mr. Dale maintained devout spiritual beliefs throughout his life. When he signed with the Packers, he signed a 10 percent tithing provision so the money could go to Hunt United Methodist Church in Bristol. His appreciation for the Lord was always evident.

I wish Mr. Dale well and thank him for being a role model for kids and athletes that grow up in Southwest Virginia.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I was otherwise detained seeking medical attention after taking ill. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 412; YEA on Roll Call No. 413; NAY on Roll Call No. 414; YEA on Roll Call No. 415; NAY on Roll Call No. 410; YEA on Roll Call No. 411; and YEA on Roll Call No. 409.

RECOGNIZING MR. MARK PLECKER

HON. VICTORIA SPARTZ

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Mrs. SPARTZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Hoosier Hero, Mr. Mark Plecker, of Noblesville, Indiana, who has led a life of dedicated service to our nation and his community.

A graduate of Noblesville High School, Mr. Plecker joined the U.S. Air Force in May 1964, and deployed as an air traffic controller during the Vietnam War, stationed in both Vietnam and Thailand from 1966 to 1967. His role was crucial in ensuring the safety of countless missions, as he managed the complex and high-stress task of his mission objectives.

After his honorable discharge in 1968, Mr. Plecker returned home to Indiana and dedicated himself to his community through a career in plumbing. At 80 years old, Mr. Plecker is still working in his field—truly showing the gumption and work ethic of the generations preceding us.

This year, Mr. Plecker has the privilege of joining the Indy Honor Flight to Washington, D.C., where he will visit the Vietnam Memorial and Arlington Cemetery—his first trip to our Nation's Capital. He will be accompanied by his daughter, Kris Noe, making this a very special family moment as well.

Mr. Plecker's life is a testament to service, both in uniform and in the years since. His dedication to his country and community reflects the true spirit of a veteran, and I am honored to recognize his service here today. From myself and on behalf of Indiana's Fifth Congressional District, I thank Mr. Plecker for his service.

REMEMBERING AND HONORING MAHSA AMINI

HON. KEVIN MULLIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Mr. MULLIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Mahsa Amini on the second anniversary of her heinous murder. I join people around the world in remembering her life and legacy for the Iranian people.

Mahsa Amini was devoted to her family; especially her parents and younger brother. From a young age she felt a call to service and set her sights on entering medicine to help keep her community safe. Tragically, this

dream was cut short when the Iranian Regime's morality police arrested, beat, and murdered Ms. Amini over an alleged dress code violation.

Yet, in the aftermath of her death; the world witnessed firsthand that Ms. Amini's story would not be defined by that horrible day. Her sacrifice galvanized hundreds of thousands of Iranians to stand up to the Iranian government's draconian oppression of its people, particularly its treatment of women. The Iranian people refused to be silent and formed the Woman, Life, Freedom movement as a powerful force for change. For weeks, thousands of protestors risked and lost their lives to bring justice for Ms. Amini and freedom for Iran. I am confident that Ms. Amini's memory and the Woman, Life, Freedom movement will not fade but serve as an enduring symbol of the Iranian people's struggle for freedom and equality.

The United States has an obligation to advocate for women like Ms. Amini, whose voices are too often marginalized. We must forcefully oppose human rights abuses and gender-based subjugation, wherever it occurs. This is the only way to properly honor the memory of the valiant individuals who have lost their lives in service of a better future.

Today, as we honor Mahsa Amini's life and legacy, we should also recognize the Iranian people's fortitude and perseverance. Despite heartbreaking setbacks and daunting odds, they are working to chart a new course for their country. I, alongside many of my Congressional colleagues, stand with the Iranian people in their fight for freedom, self-determination, and a democratic society.

PROTECTING OUR FOOD SUPPLY: THE CCP'S GROWING THREAT AND THE DANGERS OF THE EATS ACT

HON. NANCY MACE

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Ms. MACE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to add my voice to those of my colleagues who are coming to the Floor this week to speak about, and to legislate in response to, the growing threat from the Chinese Communist Party. The threat is real, it is significant, and it is the solemn duty of this body to respond to it.

You will hear a lot this week about the threat to our intellectual property. You will hear about the threat to our privacy, our economic security, and our national security. But I rise today to make sure we don't overlook the very real threat of food security.

I've heard Members of both parties say, "Food security is national security." But tucked into the current version of the House Farm Bill is the H.R. 4417—EATS Act of 2023, a bill that would be a gift to the CCP. It's been lauded by the Chinese media as a way for Chinese-owned companies to dominate market share in the American food industry.

Mr. Speaker, the American Farm Bill should benefit American farmers and protect the American food supply. It should not make it easier or "more efficient" for the CCP to control our food supply.

After all, food security is national security.

HONORING HEAVEN ROSE ARCHULETA

HON. TERESA LEGER FERNANDEZ

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an inspiring young girl from my hometown of Las Vegas, New Mexico—Heaven Rose Archuleta. Heaven Rose, a seventh grader at West Las Vegas Middle School, has already proven herself to be a remarkable young leader. At only 13 years old, she delivered a powerful TED Talk about teachers' salaries, earning her first place at the Educators Rising National Competition in Washington, D.C.

Heaven Rose is not only a passionate advocate for strengthening our education system, but also an active member of her school and community. She participates in cross country, track, and Mathematics, Engineering, Science, Achievement (MESA) at West Las Vegas Middle School and serves at her local church. Her dedication, passion, and commitment to her community and education have made her a true role model for her peers.

Her achievements have been recognized across the state. At the first New Mexico Highlands University football game this season, she was honored at halftime for her accomplishments.

Heaven Rose Archuleta continues to shine brightly, representing her state, city, community, and school district with distinction. She is a source of pride for all of us, and I look forward to seeing the many ways she will continue to lead and inspire others in the future.

TRIBUTE TO KEVIN UHRICH

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Kevin Uhrich, the long-time editor of the Pasadena Weekly from 1999 to 2020, who passed away on August 23, 2024.

I had the pleasure of knowing and working with Mr. Uhrich for many years. His unwavering dedication, passion for the issues, and intellect were on full display for those of us who were lucky enough to work with him and read his work. He was truly a remarkable and inspiring individual—a champion for social justice issues committed to covering the vulnerable and disadvantaged of our community.

At all times, like any good journalist, Mr. Uhrich sought to uncover the truth, and fight for what he felt was right and good in his community—always standing up for those whose voices were marginalized and who had few other advocates. He could be tough on elected officials—I can say that too from personal experience—but that was part of his job, part of holding those in power accountable, and he was always fair, professional and transparent in his analysis.

Mr. Uhrich was born on February 24, 1959, and raised in Lebanon, Pennsylvania. He moved to Southern California in 1979 to pursue a career in journalism. After stints at the LA Daily News and the Pasadena Star-News,

Uhrich landed at the Weekly, serving as its editor for twenty-one years.

In his passing, Kevin leaves a legacy of service to his community. Through his commitment to the public's right to information and truth, he went above and beyond, not only addressing the critical local issues that demanded attention but also shining a light on the often-overlooked stories that mattered just as much. Kevin truly cared about the people he served and made every effort to truly understand the people within his articles.

Mr. Uhrich's dedication was recognized through many prestigious accolades throughout his journalism career, including the John Anson Ford Award and awards from the Association of Alternative Newsmedia (AAN), California News Publishers Association (CNPA) and the LA Press Club.

My thoughts go out to Marina, Ted, and the rest of Mr. Uhrich's family. His legacy will resonate for years to come, and he will always be remembered for his work and the bright essence of his spirit.

HONORING BILL MASSEY ON HIS 40TH ANNIVERSARY AT THE PENINSULA AGENCY ON AGING

HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate a remarkable individual and a significant milestone. Today, we celebrate Bill Massey, the President & CEO of the Peninsula Agency on Aging, on his 40th anniversary with the organization.

For 4 decades, Mr. Massey has shown his commitment and compassion for older adults in Hampton Roads, and his work has empowered both older adults and their caregivers. Mr. Massey has been a cornerstone in the Hampton Roads community, working tirelessly to ensure the Peninsula Agency on Aging fulfills its mission to promote healthy aging by offering a wide range of services to seniors tailored to their specific needs.

The Peninsula Agency on Aging offers older generations the opportunity to foster greater independence, security, and an improved quality of life. The organization specifically implements several vital programs authorized under the Older Americans Act—the country's preeminent law that supports our nation's seniors. The Peninsula Agency on Aging also provides seniors with information regarding Medicare and Medicaid, as well as other supports for families and caregivers. In 2022, under his leadership, the Peninsula Agency on Aging served over 10,200 clients and provided 183,000 home delivered meals to senior citizens as well as transportation for non-emergency medical appointments. Simply put, Mr. Massey and his organization have helped Virginians stay healthy and safe.

Mr. Speaker, as we celebrate Bill Massey's 40 years of service with the Peninsula Agency on Aging, I want to express my gratitude for all of his hard work and dedication to supporting seniors, understanding the obstacles they face. His dedication has made a lasting impact.