

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.

RECOGNIZING DEPUTY QUINTEN L. MIGHT

HON. LARRY BUCSHON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Mr. BUCSHON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the lifesaving efforts of Deputy Quinten L. Might of the Gibson County Sheriff's Office and thank him for his continuing service to his community and state.

Deputy Might grew up in the community that he serves today, attending and graduating from Wood Memorial High School in Gibson County. After graduation, he enlisted in the United States Army where he served as a medic. He continued his record of service when he joined the Gibson County Sheriff's Office in 2019 as a correctional officer and was sworn in as a deputy in 2021. At only 25 years old, Quinten has proven that he is willing and ready to protect and save the lives of those in his community, including in four separate incidents since July of 2023.

One of these lifesaving occasions was on May 24, 2024, when Deputy Might and another deputy responded to a personal injury accident involving a two-vehicle collision. Upon arrival, Deputy Might came to the aid of an individual who was unconscious and not breathing. Despite multiple small explosions from the fire of the crash, the two deputies moved the victim to safety, and hooked up an AED unit and began two-person CPR until the individual thankfully regained consciousness, ultimately surviving the incident.

More recently, on August 9, 2024, Deputy Might responded to a residence call about a two-year old girl who fell into a swimming pool and was unresponsive. As soon as he arrived, Deputy Might called an ambulance and quickly moved the child from the backyard to the front, during which time he freed up her airway by striking her back, likely saving her life.

I am grateful that we have law enforcement officers like Deputy Quinten Might serving our communities today and thank him for his service and dedication to Gibson County, and the State of Indiana.

CELEBRATING THE 80TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF BERMAN AND VIOLET LAYER

HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Mr. TURNER. Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate a husband and wife from my Congressional district in Dayton, Ohio, who have reached a rare milestone, celebrating their 80th wedding anniversary.

Berman Layer and his wife Violet Layer are both 101 years old. They were married on Berman's 21st birthday, on September 16, 1944. At the time, Berman served in Europe as an aerial photographer in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. After serving three years in both France and Germany, Berman retired from the military and returned home to the United States. He used the GI Bill to attend Ohio State University, and graduated in 1950.

During their eight decades of marriage, Berman and Violet have served as business and

civic leaders in their community. They owned and managed a small business called Layer Repair Solutions in Dayton. Berman was elected to the Miami Township Board of Trustees in Montgomery County and served from 1978 through 1997. He helped establish the Miami Township Park Board, was a member of the Ohio Township Association, and served as an officer for that organization for 15 years.

Berman and Violet have been faithful members of the Parkview Methodist Church in Miamisburg for the past 70 years. They served as nature tour guide volunteers for school children at Cox Arboretum for over 40 years. They have visited all 50 states and toured 23 foreign countries. The couple have one son, two daughters, and eleven grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, Berman and Violet's love for each other has kept them together for more years than many people live. Together, they have shared the joys and challenges of marriage, and set a fine example for many young husbands and wives.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Berman and Violet Layer as they each celebrate 101 years of a life well-lived, and 80 years of love and treasured memories. I wish them more years of good health and happiness together.

RECOGNIZING COLONEL SUZANNE C. NIELSEN FOR HER SERVICE

HON. PATRICK RYAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Mr. RYAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Colonel Suzanne C. Nielsen, Professor and Head of the Department of Social Sciences at the United States Military Academy at West Point.

She graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in the class of 1991 with a B.S. in political science. She holds a master's degree from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and is an alumna of the National War College. She also has a Ph.D. in political science from Harvard University. Colonel Nielsen serves on the governing council of the Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Upon commissioning, Colonel Nielsen moved to Augsburg, Germany, where she served as a Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer, and Operations Officer for the 204th MI Battalion, 66th MI Brigade. She then went on to serve in many roles in the United States Military, both at home and abroad, from 1995 to 2009, including serving in Korea and Iraq. Her career at West Point began in 1999 as an Instructor and Assistant Professor with the Department of Social Sciences. Colonel Nielsen assumed the role of Professor and Deputy Head of the Department of Social Sciences at West Point in 2013 and became the head of the department in 2016, where she has served since.

Colonel Nielsen has written six books, including her most recent American National Security, published by Johns Hopkins University Press in 2018. Over her distinguished 34-year career, Colonel Nielsen has proven herself to be a superb Soldier, an inspirational leader, and an outstanding educator. As the Head of

the Department of Social Sciences for the past eight years, Colonel Nielsen's leadership has positioned the department to provide a 21st-century outlook for cadets, faculty, staff, and the Army.

Colonel Nielsen's unwavering dedication to duty and her lifelong impact on the careers of faculty members and future Army officers have contributed immeasurably to the Department of Social Sciences and the United States Military Academy. I commend Colonel Nielsen for her life-long service and wish her all the best as she transitions to civilian life and continues to serve in new ways.

CONGRATULATING MAJOR GENERAL BOBBY M. GINN, JR. ON HIS NEW ROLE AS THE ADJUTANT GENERAL OF THE MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD

HON. MICHAEL GUEST

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Major General Bobby M. Ginn, Jr. on his new role as the Adjutant General of the Mississippi National Guard.

Major General Bobby Ginn was appointed by Governor Tate Reeves on August 1, 2024. From Tylertown, Mississippi, Major General Bobby Ginn has a long history of military tradition. His grandfather served in WWI, and his father served in WWII, both mobilizing through Camp Shelby, Mississippi—the very same military post that Major General Ginn commanded from July 2017 through November 2020.

Ginn has over 34 years of service in the Armed Forces. He started his career in 1990 as an enlisted soldier and was commissioned as a Logistics Officer in 1993 through Officer Candidate School. He became a Supply Officer for Headquarters and Headquarters Co., 114th Area Support Group, and then was assigned as a platoon leader in 1994 of the 367th Maintenance Company—a unit he later commanded. Ginn has completed many critical assignments, including playing a vital role in the response effort after Hurricane Katrina in 2005. He answered the call in 2007–2008 when he was deployed overseas during Operation Iraqi Freedom. In 2017, he was appointed commander at Camp Shelby and, most recently, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics. Ginn earned a B.S. from the University of Southern Mississippi and a Master of Strategic Studies degree from the United States Army War College.

Major General Ginn is a decorated officer having earned the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Iraqi Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Humanitarian Service Medal, a Meritorious Unit Commendation, and many other commendations.

I am proud of his appointment as the new Adjutant General of the Mississippi National Guard. His service both to our Nation and the State of Mississippi are well recognized, and I am thankful for his leadership. Major General Bobby Ginn is a true American patriot.