# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF MEDICAL RESEARCH AND OBSERVING "MEDICAL RESEARCH WEEK" FROM SEPTEMBER 16 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 20, 2024

## HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. CARSON. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to introduce a resolution recognizing "Medical Research Week" from September 16 through September 20, 2024. This important resolution recognizes the important breakthroughs of medical research improving health outcomes for patients and communities, securing global competitiveness in science, boosting job creation, educating the next generation of scientists, and strengthening economic growth.

Medical research through the support of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), continues to serve a vital role advancing health and medicine. This research can lead cutting edge preventative strategies for treatments and aditional cures for longstanding medical challenges such as cancer, Alzheimer's, heart disease, sickle cell, and obesity. I have met with Hoosier families that are struggling with these rare diseases, and I have been moved by the impact that medical research has on their lives. These insights have inspired me and my colleagues about the necessity of medical research to provide more treatment options and better diagnoses for all Americans.

NIH research funding generates nearly \$93 billion in economic activity and continues to support more than 400,000 jobs across the United States. Medical research is not only focused on improving the health of all Americans, but it is also as an economic driver for growth and job opportunities. NIH work ripples far beyond its headquarters in Bethesda, Maryland, into every state. It drives demand for medical supplies and research equipment, boosts local and regional economics to benefit manufactures and suppliers across the country, and into many United States territories.

I'm proud to represent Indiana's 7th Congressional District which has become a healthcare and innovation hub in America. In my home state of Indiana the NIH awarded \$414 million dollars in grants and contracts during FY23 that directly supports 5,359 jobs for Hoosiers and over 1.1 billion dollars of economic activity. In my district alone the NIH has contributed \$264 million dollars in grants to 9 different research sites in 2023; including Indiana University, Purdue University, Butler University, Marian University, the Regenstreif Institute, and others.

NIH supported medical research plays a primary role in several sectors. The NIH supports noncommercial and clinical research with private sector innovation, allowing for major achievements in rare diseases such as ALS, substance use disorders, stroke, and Parkinson's.

During my service in Congress, I have consistently advocated for more resources to expand medical research that promotes better screening tools for underserved and understudied populations, and that is more inclusive of diverse participants in clinical trials. Congressional action has helped improve medical research through the NIH, CDC and DOD's pancreatic cancer research program, supported in part by the bipartisan appropriations letters I lead each year to increase overall funding and increasing funding for the Veterans Medical and Prosthetic Research Program. I urge all my colleagues to join me in these appropriations requests and oppose the short-sighted budget cuts some have proposed. Imagine what we could accomplish with more robust investments in medical research in our nation, from making strides to combatting antimicrobial resistance, to harnessing the power of personalized medicine to treat disease, and more. These critical breakthroughs in medical research are our nation's best hope in finding cures, prevention measures, and treatments for diseases affecting millions of Americans.

Mr. Speaker, I hope my colleagues will join me in supporting this resolution to recognize the importance of medical research in America I urge the House to support this resolution.

RECOGNIZING THE 40TH ANNIVER-SARY OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY STUDY INSTITUTE (EESI)

#### HON. JENNIFER L. McCLELLAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Ms. McCLELLAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of the Environmental and Energy Study Institute (EESI) on the organization's 40th anniversary.

For 40 years, EESI has played an important role on Capitol Hill by providing members of Congress and our staff with nonpartisan, science-based educational resources about climate, clean energy, and environmental topics

Congressional staff use EESI resources to stay informed, which contribute to our offices' ability to serve our constituents. Earlier this year, I was pleased to be a guest on EESI's podcast, The Climate Conversation, where we discussed environmental justice, the public health impacts of the climate crisis, and the need to build resilience into our communities and infrastructure.

EESI's origins date back to the 1970s when then-Rep. Richard L. "Dick" Ottinger (D-NY) and a bipartisan group of members of Congress saw a knowledge gap on environmental and energy topics and established a study conference to provide members with the information they necessary to make sound decisions. In 1984, EESI began its work as an independent nonprofit organization. Now, after

40 years, EESI still enjoys a reputation for providing Congress with the information necessary to do our jobs. What must have felt important then feels all the more urgent today.

Congratulations to EESI for serving as a trusted source of timely, relevant, nonpartisan, and science-based educational resources about climate topics. With gratitude for EESI's service to the policymaking community to date, I wish the organization the best for another 40 years of advancing solutions, fostering bipartisanship, supporting rural communities, and cultivating young leaders.

HONORING AN OUTSTANDING TX-08 CITIZEN

#### HON. MORGAN LUTTRELL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. LUTTRELL. Mr Speaker, I would like to recognize an outstanding District 8 citizen and local hero, Cy-Fair Fire Department Chief Amy Ramon. It is my privilege to stand before you and pay tribute to Chief Ramon, as she is now the first woman to receive the Texas Fire Chief of the Year award. Her dedication and commitment to excellence have truly set her apart in her field.

Chief Ramon earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from LeTourneau University then her Juris Doctor degree from South Texas College of Law.

She began as a volunteer firefighter at the age of 20 and was promoted through the ranks due to her commendable character. She assumed the role of Fire Chief in July 2014. Since then, Chief Ramon has worked diligently to steward her position with care. Her endless dedication and commitment to serving her community has left her with much to show from her service.

Chief Ramon currently oversees 13 active fire stations that cover 164 square miles. Last year, under her leadership, these stations responded to an astonishing 40,806 calls. Chief Ramon's guidance has been a key factor in the department's success over the past year. Her ability to lead such a large and active department is a testament to her exceptional skills and unwavering dedication.

Chief Ramon continues to serve as Cy-Fair's Fire Chief after 34 admirable years of success. She remains an active and important member of our community. I am proud of Chief Ramon for all she has accomplished and the exemplary citizen she continues to be in her community.

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#### HON. FRANK J. MRVAN

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. MRVAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to congratulate the members and leaders of the Hammond, Indiana Carpenters Union Local No. 599 as they commemorate the organization's 125th anniversary. In honor of this momentous occasion, Hammond Carpenters Local No. 599 will recognize union members for their outstanding service during a pin ceremony and anniversary celebration on Saturday, September 21, 2024, at the Hellenic Banquet Center in Merrillville, Indiana.

Hammond Carpenters Local No. 599 is a remarkable organization representing skilled craftsmen throughout Northwest Indiana and beyond. I would like to acknowledge the members being honored for their hard work and devotion to their trade. The graduated apprentices who will be honored include: Daniel Almeida, Sean Anderson, Trystan Arch, Joseph Armstrong, Robert Chicvara, Donald Collard, Brian Derby, Jaclyn Flores, Anthony Gibson, Austin Haney, Amber Jetmund, Isaiah Jimenez, Roy Meyer, Brian Orzechowicz, Matt Resunenko, Alex Salgado and Arnell Washington. The members who will be honored for 10 years of service include: Gregory Carns, Joshua Clausen, Jose Cordero, Tom Drakos, Adam Ibarra, Joshua Lindquist, Jakob Winarski, and Gregory Woosley. The members who will be honored for 15 years of service include: Andrew Denham, Brian Jamka, Cory Kliajic, Chad Kuhn, Thomas Lashenik, Gary Nord, Lazzaroni, Daniel Kyle Prendergast, Daniel Rademacher, Jason Shultz, Stephan Sosnowski, John Terpstra. and Bert Williams. The members who will be honored for 20 years of service include: Jack Bonick, Josh Bridegroom, Robert Buczek, Rick Companik, Todd Dapshis, Shane Eaker, Alberto Gomez, Todd Hemann, Jose Marguez, Sebert Meadows, Henry Quintana, Darryl Ramos, Jason Swigon, and Adam VanAmstel. The members who will be honored for 25 years of service include: Marc Bozetarnik, Jeff Buesing, John Erickson, Justin Fischer, Chris Gorski, Roy Hamende, Sr., Don Hancock, Gary Jenczalik, Darrin Jendreas, George Jeronimo, Alfonso Martrinez, Daniel Miller, Adam Nagel, Edwin Pina, Jeff Sellers, James Stuppy, Scott Talaga, and Chris Tauber. The members who will be awarded for 30 years of service include: Phil Baran, Sylvia Cabrales, Brian Hensley, Eric Long, James Prahlow, and David Thomas. The members who will be honored for 35 years of service include: John Adams, James Ballard, Michael Brown, Duane Dedelow, Daniel Deflorio, John Dorsey, James Golub, Carl Harbison, Tom John, Craig McGuane, Kenneth Morgan, Randall Norris, James Slagle, and David Turczi. The members who will be honored for 40 years of service are Kevin McCarthy and Michael Rodriguez. The members who will be honored for 45 years of service include: Terry Eckrich, Fred Kuhn, Richard Meyers, Brian Morton, and Thomas Perez. The members who will be honored for 50 years of service are Daniel Brown and Timothy Foley.

The members who will be honored for 55 years of service include: Greg Argentine,

Charles Gibbs, Rudy Medellin, and Michael Schaller. The members who will be honored for 60 years of service include: Robert Lowry, Bernard Ritchey, and Darrel Sills. Lastly, but most noteworthy, Ron Carlson will be honored for his 70 years of service.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating the Hammond, Indiana Carpenters Union Local No. 599 on its 125th Anniversary. Northwest Indiana has a rich history of excellence in its craftsmanship and loyalty among its tradesmen and women. Carpenters Union Local No. 599, and all unions, work tirelessly to ensure safe working conditions, living wages, and growth opportunities for its employees. For their significant contributions to working families and the development of the region, the leaders and members of Carpenters Union Local No. 599 are worthy of the highest praise.

HONORING THE CALIFORNIA TAHOE CONSERVANCY'S 40TH AN-NIVERSARY

### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend the California Tahoe Conservancy as it celebrates its 40th anniversary serving the Lake Tahoe Basin and community. This outstanding achievement is a testament to the crucial work the Tahoe Conservancy has accomplished to protect the Lake Tahoe Basin's beautiful natural resources and landscapes.

During my tenure as a California State Senator, I was honored to lead the legislation that established the Tahoe Conservancy in 1984. For four decades, the Tahoe Conservancy has significantly advanced California's efforts to restore and enhance the natural and recreational resources of the Lake Tahoe Basin. Today, the Tahoe Conservancy continues its legacy as a leader in environmental protection by helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and wildfire risk, protecting ecologically critical lands, and enhancing the region's climate resiliency.

Since its founding, the Tahoe Conservancy has consistently demonstrated its commitment to collaborating with other public agencies and fostering partnerships with surrounding communities, especially those facing significant inequities. From spearheading initiatives to support the Lake Tahoe Basin's sustainable economy to ensuring public health and safety, the Tahoe Conservancy is helping the region establish an enduring balance between humans and the natural environment.

The Tahoe Conservancy's innovative strategies and groundbreaking projects are protecting the Lake Tahoe Basin's rich biodiversity and restoring the Basin's ecological resilience. The Tahoe Conservancy is a faithful steward of the Basin's natural, tribal, and cultural resources, and I look forward to seeing their continued work to protect this special place for future generations to enjoy.

On behalf of the constituents of California's Eighth Congressional District, I would like to congratulate the California Tahoe Conservancy on its 40th anniversary and extend my

sincere gratitude for its generations of service to the Lake Tahoe Basin and community.

RECOGNIZING POLICE CHIEF DEAN LOGAN'S RETIREMENT FROM THE DOYLESTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and commemorate Doylestown Police Chief Dean Logan, after faithfully serving and protecting the residents of Doylestown for the past thirty-seven years.

Chief Logan began his career in 1987 as a patrolman. His hard work and unwavering dedication quickly propelled him through the ranks. Just four years later, Officer Logan became Detective Logan, a role in which he served for 12 years, solving numerous cases and delivering justice to the community he cared so deeply about. His excellence and leadership were undeniable, and he soon moved up again, this time to Sergeant. After just two years in that role, he became a Lieutenant— a position he held for seven years. It was during this period that he attended and graduated from Session 226 of the FBI National Academy, a prestigious milestone in his career

Chief Logan's ascent did not stop there. In 2012, after many years of dedicated service, he took on the role of Chief, a position in which he served the people of Doylestown Township with courage and distinction.

During his tenure as Chief, he led a team of over 20 officers and civilian staff and managed an annual budget exceeding three million dollars. His leadership and forward-thinking approach left a lasting impact on the community, particularly through his contributions to modernizing and improving policing practices. Under his guidance, the department embraced the use of social media, implemented In-Car and Body-Worn Camera systems, and established a Motor Patrol Unit. Chief Logan also prioritized the continued education and training of his officers, ensuring they were equipped with advanced skills in traffic enforcement. criminal investigations, and command-level leadership.

Chief Logan's service extended beyond the Doylestown Township Police Department. He was a dedicated member of the Bucks County Chiefs of Police Association and the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association. His leadership also played a key role in the construction of the new Township Administration Building and Police Station in 2018, as part of the Doylestown Township Building Committee.

Chief Logan has spent his life and career protecting and serving the public. His commitment, vision, and integrity embody the very best of law enforcement, and his impact on this community will be felt for years to come. We wish him all the best in his future endeavors and express our deep gratitude for his service to the Doylestown Township Police Department. Mr. Speaker, I ask that we remember Chief A. Dean Logan for his remarkable service, his commitment to others, and the indelible mark he has left on all who had the privilege to know him.