

CONGRATULATING JUDGE DON  
DAVIS**HON. JERRY L. CARL**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Mr. CARL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate Judge Don Davis on his upcoming retirement after 24 years of service.

Upon graduation from the University of South Alabama and Cumberland School of Law, Judge Don Davis began his legal career at McDermott, Slepian, Windom, & Reed in 1981. The firm later merged with Sirote & Permutt, and Judge Davis remained with the firm until 2001, when he became the judge of probate of Mobile County, Alabama. He was elected to serve as the judge of probate in November 2000 and was reelected in 2006, 2012, and 2018 without opposition.

His numerous accomplishments include implementing a new election system for Mobile County, receiving the More Than A Lawyer Award, formulating the Mobile Volunteer Guardian Program, and chairing the triathlon host committee for the Tri the Gulf Triathlon.

I am honored to congratulate Judge Don Davis on his career accomplishments, and I wish him the best of luck in his retirement.

HONORING BROOKE SEVERSONS'S  
COMMITMENT TO COMBATING  
THE OPIOID CRISIS**HON. ANGIE CRAIG**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Ms. CRAIG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my constituent, Brooke Severson, who worked in partnership with her peers to put together a Fight Back Against Fentanyl PSA.

Brooke is from Cottage Grove, Minnesota. She has proven her commitment to combating the opioid crisis through her advocacy and work with the Devin Norring Foundation. The Devin Norring Foundation was established to honor Devin's legacy and raise awareness about the dangers of illicit drugs and fentanyl.

On April 4, 2020, Devin passed away from fentanyl poisoning. He was seeking relief from blackout migraines and dental pain. He bought what he thought was Percocet marketed by a drug dealer on Snapchat. That pill turned out to be 100 percent fentanyl.

Devin was 19 years old.

The Devin Norring Foundation, in partnership with Brooke, produced an impactful and heartfelt PSA to fight back against fentanyl. In turning grief into activism, Brooke has shown strength and courage beyond her years. I am proud to have her as a constituent and an ally in this fight against the fentanyl crisis.

I thank Brooke for demonstrating a commitment to combating the opioid crisis.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. PATRICK T. McHENRY**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Mr. McHENRY. Mr. Speaker, due to unforeseen circumstances, I was unable to cast my votes for H.R. 4866 and H.R. 4755.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 153 and YEA on Roll Call No. 154.

HONORING THE LIFE OF CAROL  
CHRIST**HON. BARBARA LEE**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the achievements of Carol Christ as she celebrates her retirement from the University of California, Berkeley after serving as Chancellor of the university since 2017. I honor Chancellor Christ for her dedication to this distinguished university in California's 12th district and wish her the best of luck in her retirement.

Carol Christ has had an incredible career in higher education that has made a lasting impact on the Berkeley community. Before becoming Chancellor, Christ was a professor and administrator at UC Berkeley for more than thirty years, serving as executive vice chancellor and provost from 1994 to 2000. During that time, she was the highest-ranking female administrator at the university. She then served as the president of Smith College from 2002 to 2013 before returning to Berkeley as the director of the Center for Studies in Higher Education and interim executive vice chancellor and provost in the years leading up to her being named chancellor.

Christ received her Bachelor of Arts from Douglass College and her Master's degree and Ph.D. in English from Yale University. In 1970, she joined UC Berkeley's faculty in the English department, focusing on Victorian literature. She later served as both chair of the department and dean of the Division of Humanities.

As Chancellor, Christ has been a champion of women's issues and diversity on UC Berkeley's campus. She has fostered a positive campus climate for students, staff, and faculty of all backgrounds. She has addressed critical issues such as the housing shortage and has embraced and celebrated UC Berkeley's spirit and commitment to free speech.

I am happy to congratulate Carol Christ on her retirement from the University of California, Berkeley. Christ has made a lasting positive impact on UC Berkeley and California's 12th Congressional District, and I honor and thank her for her continued contributions to our community.

## HONORING TIMOTHY SCHWARTZ

**HON. DEBBIE LESKO**

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Mrs. LESKO. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of Arizona's 8th Congressional District, it is my honor to recognize Timothy Schwartz, Chairman of Republican Legislative District 26. This district includes the Central West Phoenix area of Maricopa County.

As Chairman, Timothy has worked tirelessly to educate, train, and inspire the next generation of citizens through civic engagement. His efforts to ensure Republicans are elected have been instrumental to the success of Legislative District 26 and beyond.

I am thankful for Timothy's leadership and dedication to conservative principles. I sincerely appreciate his service to the legislative district and to the state of Arizona.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. LORI CHAVEZ-DeREMÉR**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Mrs. CHAVEZ-DeREMÉR. Mr. Speaker, I was attending a funeral of a family friend this weekend, and my flight back to DC on Monday was severely delayed due to maintenance, causing me to miss the vote series. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 440; YEA on Roll Call No. 441; and YEA on Roll Call No. 442.

RECOGNIZING NEPHROLOGY  
NURSES WEEK**HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the vital contributions of nephrology nurses and address the profound impact Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) has on the Greater Philadelphia Community. Nephrology nurses are critical to the support and care of patients who suffer with CKD and often go above and beyond to meet their patients' needs. Recognizing their critical work, I am proud to support the designation of September 8–14, 2024, as National Nephrology Nurses Week.

CKD statistics are staggering: about 1 in 7 Americans are affected by chronic kidney disease, over 1.8 million people in Pennsylvania alone. We must provide the necessary education and care to this vulnerable population and their families and recognize the significance of the nurses who practice in all areas of nephrology.

Nephrology nurses practice in countless different areas as they care for patients with CKD, such as inpatient (hospital) and outpatient hemodialysis, transplantation, home therapy, pediatric dialysis, and CKD education. Nephrology nurses' responsibilities include care coordination, outcome management, supervision and delegation, patient-centered

care, interdisciplinary collaboration, and focused, one-on-one teaching of patients, their families, and their support systems.

I call upon all members of our community to join me in celebrating the strength, courage, and dedication of nephrology nurses. Let us honor those who care for this patient population in the Greater Philadelphia area and reaffirm our commitment to supporting these dedicated nurses.

Congress should also support the designation of September 8–14, 2024, as National Nephrology Nurses Week. Together, let us acknowledge the role of these nurses in our community regarding the care and support of those with CKD.

I encourage all individuals to learn more about chronic kidney disease and the impact it has on our health system and our population in Pennsylvania, as well as celebrate the invaluable impact made by nephrology nurses.

#### HONORING NATALIA SHEVTSOVA'S COMMITMENT TO COMBATING THE OPIOID CRISIS

##### HON. ANGIE CRAIG

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Ms. CRAIG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Natalia Shevtsova, who worked in partnership with her peers to put together a Fight Back Against Fentanyl PSA.

Natalia is from St. Paul, Minnesota. Her sister, Anastasia, loved playing the piano, singing, painting and drawing.

On April 20, 2022, Natalia lost her sister, Anastasia, to fentanyl poisoning. She purchased what she thought was Percocet marketed by a dealer. Those pills turned out to contain fentanyl.

Anastasia was 15 years old.

The Devin Norring Foundation, in partnership with Natalia, produced an impactful and heartfelt PSA to fight back against fentanyl. In turning her grief into activism, Natalia has shown strength and courage beyond her years. I am proud to have her as an ally in this fight against the fentanyl crisis.

I thank Natalia for sharing Anastasia's story and demonstrating a commitment to combating the opioid crisis.

#### REMEMBERING SEAN GRIFFIN

##### HON. MARY SATTLER PELTOLA

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Mrs. PELTOLA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor and remember a very special Alaskan.

On August 25th, a devastating landslide in Ketchikan destroyed homes and took a fellow Alaskan from us. That Alaskan was Sean Griffin. Sean was a selfless husband, father, son, neighbor, and public servant. Ketchikan families knew him for his positive spirit and his devotion to his friends, family, and community. At the time of the landslide, Sean, a senior maintenance technician for the city, was clearing stormwater drains on his day off.

It's heartbreaking to see that such a model Alaskan and public servant is now gone from

our Ketchikan community. He will be so deeply missed.

Earlier this month, I witnessed the landslide damage in Ketchikan firsthand. It was horrific. Alaskans had their entire lives uprooted.

Our delegation will be working closely with those affected to make sure Ketchikan is safe. But Sean was taken from us too soon. I am sharing my deepest condolences to his friends, family and all those whose lives he touched. May he rest in peace.

#### RECOGNIZING SHELLY McLAREN

##### HON. ZACHARY NUNN

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Mr. NUNN of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the exceptional work demonstrated by Shelly McLaren, who selflessly dedicates her life to ensuring individuals feel comfort following life-altering events across the State of Iowa and the United States. This remarkable woman demonstrates an exceptional volunteer commitment to serve our communities. As the team lead for the Iowa chapter of Crisis Response Canines (CRC), a national nonprofit that provides comfort visits and crisis response support following traumatic incidents, she has made an indelible mark on Iowa communities and beyond.

Her dedication to rigorous training has earned both her and her canine partner, Jacks, the highest certifications. Embracing the credo "Purpose Beyond Oneself," she is committed to selflessly caring for those experiencing life-altering traumatic events.

She consistently shows an unparalleled ability to mobilize swiftly in response to crises, coordinating with operations leaders to support those impacted by critical incidents. During these interactions, she and Jacks bring their healing, compassionate presence to individuals enduring the most traumatic events of their lives. Their deployments include responding to the January 4, 2024, shooting in Perry, Iowa; assisting in Minden and Greenfield, Iowa, following spring 2024 tornadoes; and most recently, aiding multiple counties in northwestern Iowa after severe storms and flooding.

When not responding to tragic events, she and Jacks are a well-known and respected team, visiting community organizations and attending special events.

Her work has inspired others to join, creating a ripple effect that strengthens the community's ability to respond to crises effectively. The countless lives touched by her compassion and dedication serve as a testament to the lasting impact of her volunteerism.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating this remarkable woman and Jacks for their service to the State of Iowa and the Third Congressional District.

#### HONORING BRIGADIER GENERAL KEVIN STEWART

##### HON. GREGORY F. MURPHY

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 24, 2024*

Mr. MURPHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Brigadier General Kevin Stewart, the

first President and CEO of the Carolina Museum of the Marine. BGen Stewart, an Iraq and Afghanistan War veteran, has served our Nation and his community with great honor and integrity. He retired from the Marine Corps in 2021 as the Director of the Global Operations Center at U.S. Transportation Command. He also served as the Commanding General of the 2nd Marine Logistics Group at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, as well as Chief of Staff for the Deputy Commandant for Installations and Logistics, at the United States Marine Corps headquarters.

In his two years as CEO, BGen Stewart has demonstrated remarkable fundraising and marketing prowess. He secured \$4 million from the state government, over \$1.9 million in private sector donations, and additional funds from the city and county governments. He also launched the first regional TV and live-streaming ad campaign for the Carolina Museum of the Marine. BGen Stewart implemented the organization's first brand guidelines and upgraded the website.

Under his leadership, the Carolina Museum of the Marine is coming to life. BGen Stewart is to be commended for assembling a team of outstanding design and construction firms and finalizing the necessary approvals for the museum. The official groundbreaking earlier this year celebrated the start of museum construction, and you can now see the walls going up as you drive by the Lejeune Memorial Gardens. To support this physical progress, he also strengthened the museum's organization, building a top-notch staff, improving fiscal management, and planning for its operations.

This transformational project is becoming so much more than just a museum and far surpassing traditional expectations. BGen Stewart led development of the Carolina Museum of the Marine's Al Gray Marine Leadership Forum that teaches the core values of the Marine Corps, strategic thinking, and leadership traits. He oversaw construction of the studio for the Leadership Forum and helped to shape the compelling programming created there.

Words do little justice when trying to fully capture the contributions BGen Stewart has made to our great Nation and to the development of this museum from the ground up. His talent and leadership skills are truly second to none. It has been an honor to witness his efforts to memorialize the history of our beloved Sailors and Marines in the Carolinas. I wish BGen Stewart swift recovery and look forward to seeing all that he accomplishes in the future.

#### HONORING JOSEPH CHAPLIK

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