

and leaving things better than you found them. As I leave this Chamber, I do so with a full heart and hope for the future.

There is a lot of work that I still want to do, and I plan to continue in public service. North Carolina's working families deserve elected leaders who will serve their best interests, not the interests of special interests or the interests of Donald Trump. I am not giving up in that fight.

Mr. Speaker, may God bless the United States of America.

STAFF NAMES TO BE ADDED TO  
CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

Abigail Atkins, Shawntay Anthony, Miles Beasley, Owen Berman Woodard, Scotty Bryan, Amanda Campos, Jennifer Cárdenas, Wade Chapman, Rachel Curtis, Brady Cusick, Harry Davis Jr., Jennings Dean, Robert Erwin, Kate Ferland, Elizabeth George, Jacob Glasser, Henry Goodwin, Caroline Kenney, Cameron Kidder.

Rachel Kline, Matt Landini, Richard Lin, Abner Martinez-Padilla, Abby May, Priya Moran, Margaret Murphy, Nalani Noonan, Quinn O'Connor, Alyssa Olbrys, Jennifer Popa, Kevin Porter, Laurin Potter, Freedom Fox Richardson, Siyona Shah, John Sloop, Maddie Smith-Russell, Alicia Speedy, Fallon Strickland, Nia White, George Willets, Mariam Wolk.

CELEBRATING DON POSTLES'  
RETIREMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York (Mr. LANGWORTHY) for 5 minutes.

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate a true Buffalo legend, Don Postles.

For nearly five decades, Don has been a trusted voice and a constant presence in the lives of western New Yorkers, guiding us through the news that shapes our community.

Don Postles' journey began in 1976. Since then, he has been a cornerstone of journalism in western New York. From his early days at Channel 7, to his time at Channel 2 and his remarkable 31 years at WIVB Channel 4, Don has been there for us through every significant moment. He has brought clarity to chaos, steadiness in uncertainty, and heart to every story he has told.

Don embodies the very best of journalism: honesty, integrity, and an unwavering commitment to the truth. At a time where trusted media is more important than ever, and more elusive, Don has been a beacon of credibility. Whether reporting on the tragedy surrounding the crash of Flight 3407 or sharing the joy of a Buffalo Bills victory, Don Postles delivered the news with professionalism, respect, and care for the community that he loves and serves.

Don Postles' legacy goes beyond the anchor desk. He has always been more than a journalist. He is a devoted member of this community. His presence at charity events, his support for local causes, and his role as an advocate for

western New Yorkers have made him an integral part of our region.

Mr. Speaker, western New York will not be the same without Don Postles on our screens each and every evening. His departure from Channel 4 marks the end of an era, but his impact will endure. He has set the gold standard for journalism and community service, leaving behind a legacy that will inspire generations to come.

On behalf of the people of western New York, I thank Don for his dedication to our community, his commitment to the truth, and the grace with which he has handled his role as our trusted voice.

As Don enters retirement, I hope he finds time to enjoy everything that he loves about Buffalo: spending time with his beautiful wife, Anne, and his gorgeous family; boating on Lake Erie; and savoring the pride of the community that he has helped to shape over the last five decades.

I congratulate Don. He has earned this next chapter and has left behind a legacy of excellence that will not be forgotten. We wish him and his family nothing but happiness and success in his years to come.

RECOGNIZING GRAND RAPIDS  
MAYOR ROSALYNN BLISS ON  
HER RETIREMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Michigan (Ms. SCHOLTEN) for 5 minutes.

Ms. SCHOLTEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the extraordinary career of Mayor Rosalynn Bliss of Grand Rapids, Michigan, my mayor and my friend.

Born in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, Mayor Bliss moved to Grand Rapids after graduating from the University of South Alabama. She then attended Michigan State University—go green—where she earned a master's in social work and then set forth on a career characterized by compassion and service.

In 2005, Mayor Bliss was first elected to the Grand Rapids City Commission, where she displayed her passion for improving Grand Rapids' beautiful parks and public spaces.

She had a vision for Grand Rapids and the experience and willingness to act. After laying out her ambitious plans for the city, then-City Commissioner Bliss was elected by her friends and neighbors to become the first woman mayor of Grand Rapids, which is Michigan's second largest city, and the youngest mayor in over 130 years.

Mayor Bliss' tenure in Grand Rapids was defined by bold, compassionate leadership. She strengthened community-police relations through community-centric law enforcement initiatives, mental health response teams, and a first-of-its-kind crisis stabilization unit.

Amidst a nationwide housing shortage, she expanded affordable housing opportunities and prioritized sustain-

able development through projects like the Grand River Greenway and an ambitious carbon-neutrality goal.

She also shepherded the city through the COVID-19 pandemic, allowing our west Michigan community to bounce back even stronger.

Thanks to Mayor Bliss, our economy is booming with over \$11 billion in private investments, a new soccer stadium, many new sports teams, and 9 million annual visitors. Our limitless growth potential is, in large part, due to her forward-thinking vision and her bold action.

After two incredible terms in our city's highest office, I am confident that Mayor Bliss will leave an impactful legacy that sets a high bar for public service in west Michigan and across America's great cities.

Mr. Speaker, once more, I ask my colleagues to join me in commending Mayor Bliss for her decades of service to the great city of Grand Rapids.

I wish my dear friend the greatest happiness in her retirement.

RECOGNIZING MARK CURTIS ON  
HIS RETIREMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from West Virginia (Mrs. MILLER) for 5 minutes.

Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I recognize one of West Virginia's most impressive reporters and a good friend of mine, Mark Curtis.

For four decades now, Mark has devoted his career to broadcast political journalism. From local government races to Presidential elections, Mark has consistently delivered fair and thorough reporting.

Despite his line of work taking him across the country, Mark chose to stay and finish his career in West Virginia, and his love of our State and its people shine through his reporting.

I am grateful for our friendship, and I have always enjoyed coming on his show to discuss the important issues that are happening in our State and around the country.

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I remember as if it was yesterday when I sang happy birthday to him on the House floor in the West Virginia House.

Mr. Speaker, time certainly does fly by. I thank Mark so much for his years of service to our wild and wonderful State. I wish him a happy and well-deserved retirement.

HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS  
OF LISA MURRAY McGOVERN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. CÁRDENAS) for 5 minutes.

Mr. CÁRDENAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and celebrate the contributions of a dedicated, generous, and kindhearted person, Lisa Murray McGovern.

Lisa volunteers for many causes. As the chair of the Democratic Spouses Forum, Lisa welcomes and helps spouses understand how to navigate the unique dynamics of the life of a Congress Member's spouse.

My wife, Norma, met Lisa 12 years ago and has benefited from Lisa's wisdom and friendship. Lisa works hard behind the scenes and is someone who does not seek credit or praise. She just does things out of the kindness of her heart.

Congressman JIM MCGOVERN is Lisa's husband. JIM has represented Massachusetts' Second Congressional District since 1996. For nearly three decades, many of us have come to count on Lisa's knowledge, experiences, her compassion, and friendship. Her enormous heart extends beyond just helping us, the Members and the spouses, she has made it her life's work to take the fight to cancer.

Her fight is personal as Lisa lost her mother to lung cancer in 1996 and has given every effort to the cause.

Lisa McGovern is the executive director of the Prevent Cancer Foundation's Congressional Families Program. She has spent two decades cultivating relationships with many national political leaders, encouraging them to use their platforms to promote cancer prevention and early detection.

Her tireless work has been very fruitful. Lisa has put together high-profile Capitol Hill events to raise awareness about the foundation's work and has brought out some high-level personalities and popular celebrities to help.

Mr. Speaker, Lisa's work and care have not gone unnoticed.

On behalf of my wife, Norma, I extend my deep gratitude and sincere appreciation for every single thing that she has done for us. From the bottom of my heart, I thank her for sharing the love, mentorship, and friendship to so many of us.

HONORING CHRISTINA WINTERS FOR HER  
INCREDIBLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Mr. CÁRDENAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a successful, self-made businesswoman, a philanthropist, a motivator, a luminary, and a great friend, Christina Winters, for her incredible accomplishments.

Christina Winters, a factory worker's daughter, comes from a simple blue-collar household that taught her critical principles and the values that shaped her unique character and life's work.

She grew up in the household with very little money where she managed to learn the value of a hard-earned dollar, and applied her knowledge and experiences into a long and successful career helping others manage their finances in order to enjoy a prosperous life.

Today, Christina Winters is the president and CEO of Creating and Managing Wealth, CMW, LLC. Based out of Irving, Texas, CMW is a business dedicated to looking out for the very best interests of people. This business is the

very reflection of Christina's very essence.

I had the pleasure of working for Christina very early on in my life. As my boss, Christina was always so generous with her time and her knowledge. Christina is the kind of boss that everyone would be blessed to have. Christina has been a lifelong mentor and friend to me.

Over the years, I have seen firsthand Christina's commitment to help and uplift others. She has become a very influential leader in the world of finance and life planning, and has evolved to become a successful leadership builder.

She has successfully navigated and overcome our male-dominated corporate environment. Christina has stepped up into positions of leadership and power. Today, she is sharing her stories and invaluable advice to help empower women and people of color to step up into their leadership roles.

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Christina Winters has had a long track record of volunteering and taking on numerous philanthropic causes. We could spend countless hours going through each and every one of her community service accolades because she has dedicated her life to giving back. For this reason and many more reasons, I honor her today.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Christina for being a loving, caring mentor to many of us. She has touched and changed the trajectory of many of our lives, including my own. I encourage her to continue on this great path of sharing and giving of herself for many, many more years to come.

CONCLUDING MY SERVICE IN CONGRESS WITH GRATITUDE AND HUMILITY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York (Mr. MOLINARO) for 5 minutes.

Mr. MOLINARO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with gratitude and humility as I conclude my service to New York's 19th Congressional District. Representing the people of upstate New York in this historic Chamber has truly been the honor of a lifetime.

This journey has been guided by the values, aspirations, and resilience of the families, farmers, and small businesses that are the backbone of our district, from the Massachusetts-New York border, across the Hudson River Valley, through the Catskill Mountains, to central New York, and into the Southern Tier.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the people of this amazing upstate New York District for their trust, their support, and their unwavering belief in me. Representing them was never just a job; it was a deeply personal mission.

Their faith in me inspired every decision we made, every vote cast, every moment spent advocating for our shared future.

Together, we focused on what truly matters: delivering results for the people and places that make our district extraordinary, and we met challenges head-on.

Together, we tackled the fentanyl and mental health crisis, securing Federal funding to expand stabilization centers in Broome and Sullivan Counties. These efforts remind us that no one should have to face their struggles alone. We championed the ThinkDIFFERENTLY initiative on the national stage, breaking down barriers and creating opportunities for individuals with physical, intellectual, and developmental disabilities and creating new opportunities for employment, education, and social services.

We worked to safeguard the Hudson River, preserve farmland, and protected our most precious natural resources for generations to come. Amid inflation and border crises, we sought solutions that would make a tangible difference for everyday Americans. Through tireless bipartisan collaboration, we passed over 40 pieces of legislation, earning recognition as New York's most bipartisan lawmaker.

This work was only possible because of the extraordinary team we assembled, individuals whose dedication and heart I will not soon forget.

Mr. Speaker, I thank my chief of staff, Jeff Bishop; deputy chief of staff, Dan Kranz; district director, Caitlin Daly; legislative director, Connor Torossian; scheduler, Maddie Bruno; legislative assistants, Kaitlyn Mullen and Doug Gordon; legislative correspondent, Nick Urbin; field representatives, Nicole Leonard and Alex Horton; constituent caseworkers, Michelle Speech and Sean Lisk; press assistant, Hannah Benfield; outreach coordinator, Ciano Briga; constituent services representative, Ben Straebl; staff assistant, Noelle Dana; and other members of team Molinaro: Jessica Akshar, Caroline Doxsee, Tyler Gutches, Alex Holderith, Kate McKan, Maddy Minahan, and Rick Yackel for their hard work and selfless dedication. It has been the cornerstone of all of our achievements.

Mr. Speaker, I say to my colleagues and friends who serve and represent the State of New York, Republicans and Democrats alike, their friendship and support has been so gratifying, and it has been a pleasure these last 30 years to work with most of them.

Finally, let me thank my family. My wife, Corinne, is a superhero, filled with strength, love, and patience, and I am grateful to her and my children: Abigail, Jack, Elias, and Theo, each amazing and accepting and wonderful in their own special way. I am thankful to my mother, Dona, who instilled in us a desire to pursue truth, work hard, and serve others.

They are all my foundation, my heart, my greatest source of strength. They stood side by side with me every step of the way, and this journey was ours together. I am endlessly grateful for their love and sacrifice.