

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF RALPH DOSS

HON. LLOYD SMUCKER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 10, 2025

Mr. SMUCKER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of World War II veteran Ralph Doss.

Ralph Doss was born on March 30, 1925, and spent his formative years in Chester County. Mr. Doss enlisted in the U.S. Navy at the age of 17, requiring his mother's written permission due to his age. He then served on the USS *Sigourney*, a destroyer, and the USS *Duluth*, a flagship cruiser, in the South Pacific. During his stint on the *Sigourney*, he was involved in the 1943 rescue of Medal of Honor winning fighter pilot Robert M. Hanson.

At the conclusion of the war, Ralph Doss was discharged and settled in Kennett Square, where he worked for Longwood Gardens for 28 years. In his spare time, he wrote poetry, was a professional harmonica musician for four decades, and served as Grand Marshall in the Kennett Square Memorial Day parade.

Since 2008, Mr. Doss called Gordonville in Lancaster County home, where he lives with his wife of 60 years, Dora.

As he approaches his 100th birthday, I would like to honor Mr. Ralph Doss for his selfless military service. We should be proud to have such an outstanding individual in our district.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF AMIT YORAN

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the legacy of Amit Yoran, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the cybersecurity company Tenable, who recently passed away after a courageous battle with cancer. Mr. Yoran was a pioneering force in cybersecurity from his early days at the United States Military Academy at West Point and as an officer with the U.S. Air Force, to his years as an entrepreneur and business executive, to his return to public service as the founding Director of the U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT) and the Nation's first Director of the National Cybersecurity Division in the Department of Homeland Security.

As a leader, Mr. Yoran used his diverse experience to become a bridge between the public and private sectors to improve our national cybersecurity and protect critical infrastructure. He was a born leader, who believed in hard work, collaboration, and transparency as a strategy for our collective success.

On behalf of Members and staff of the Committee on Homeland Security, I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Amit's family, loved ones, colleagues, friends, and the Tenable team—may his legacy live on. I include in the RECORD the obituary of this man who made our country a safer and better place.

AMIT YORAN (1970–2025)

Amit Yoran, a pioneering force in cybersecurity, passed away on January 3, 2025, at

the age of 54 after a courageous battle with cancer. A resident of Reston, VA, Amit was born on December 1, 1970, in New York City to Shlomit Schonberger and Chaim Yoran, the second of four children, with an older brother Elad Yoran and younger brothers Dov Yoran and Ron Schonberger.

He grew up predominantly in suburban New York, in Pound Ridge, NY, and attended Fox Lane High School in Bedford, NY, where he excelled academically and athletically, playing on both varsity football and wrestling teams.

Amit's remarkable journey continued at the United States Military Academy at West Point, where he earned a bachelor of Science degree, majoring in Computer Science. He served as cadet captain and was beloved by his classmates.

After graduating, he was commissioned in the U.S. Air Force, where he served as a computer security officer at the Pentagon, in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, and other locations within the Department of Defense. Amit's early work in cybersecurity laid the groundwork for a distinguished career that would shape the field for years to come.

Amit earned a Master's degree in Computer Science from George Washington University, studying with renowned professors Lance Hoffman and Dorothy Denning.

Upon transitioning out of the Air Force, Amit began the next phase of his professional life as an entrepreneur and business executive in cybersecurity. He co-founded Ripstech with his brother Elad and friend Tim Belcher, where they pioneered the field of network security analysis and managed security services. Ripstech's success led to its acquisition by Symantec, where Amit served as Vice President.

Amit's commitment to public service saw him return to the government as the founding Director of the U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT) and the Nation's first Director of the National Cybersecurity Division in the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), appointed by President George W. Bush.

Upon leaving government, Amit continued to innovate and lead in the private sector. Together with his brothers Elad and Dov, they have been referred to by many in the industry as the First Family of Cybersecurity. As CEO of NetWitness, Amit helped revolutionize the field of network investigations and response. NetWitness's acquisition by RSA Security saw Amit eventually becoming President of RSA, leading it through acquisitions by EMC and then Dell. As CEO of Tenable, Amit took the company public in a successful IPO in July 2018 and served as Chairman and CEO until taking a leave of absence to focus on his health.

Amit married Catherine Lotrionte, a Georgetown professor, and together they raised three children, twins Hannah and Josh, and Zoey. A dedicated father, Amit volunteered as a little league football coach and an assistant coach for men's and women's wrestling at Langley High School.

Amit was a giant in the cybersecurity industry. But even more than his many professional accomplishments, Amit is remembered as a deeply caring, dedicated and fun friend. He touched countless people and made a difference in the lives of everyone he touched.

Amit had an incredible sense of humor. He loved all sports, Army football and the Dallas Cowboys in particular, motorcycle riding with his friends and family, annual ski trips with his cousins, working out, and above all else spending time with friends and family and people he loved. As busy as he was, Amit always seemed to have time to speak with someone one-on-one, to understand what was

troubling them and to help them in whatever way he could. Amit was the best friend anyone could have and we all believed and felt that he was our best friend. Despite his many professional successes, Amit never lost sense of who he was and his deep sense of humility.

He is survived by his loving family: children Hannah, Josh, and Zoey, wife Catherine Lotrionte Yoran, mother Shlomit Schonberger, brothers Elad Yoran, Dov Yoran, and Ron Schonberger, six nephews and nieces, cousins, and countless friends and colleagues.

Amit's visionary leadership will continue to inspire and guide the cybersecurity community and beyond. His legacy as a caring, dedicated friend will be remembered by all who knew him.

RECOGNIZING GIRL SCOUTS OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN AT THE UNITED NATIONS 69TH COM- MISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

HON. SHRI THANEDAR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. THANEDAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Sonja Dunlap, Lauren Hatto, Jasmine Hunley and Soren O'Dell from Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan, who have been selected to represent Girl Scouts of the USA at the United Nations' 69th Commission on the Status of Women.

Each year, Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) joins over 5,000 women and girls from around the world at the United Nations headquarters in New York to participate in the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW). Delegates representing GSUSA undergo a rigorous application process and training to prepare them for their participation in the CSW. As delegates, girls will have an opportunity to engage with GSUSA's work around global advocacy, learn about global issues, see firsthand how global entities function, and let their voices be heard on key global issues impacting girls and young women.

The Commission on the Status of Women is a functional commission of the United Nations, dedicated exclusively to shaping global standards on gender equality as well as the advancement and empowerment of women and girls. Every year, national representatives of Member States gather for a two-week session to evaluate progress on gender equality, identify challenges, set global standards, and formulate concrete policies to promote gender equality and the advancement of women worldwide. As NGO Consultative members, Girl Scouts of the USA and the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts participate to bring the voice of girls and young women to the global stage.

The focus of the sixty-ninth session will be on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcomes of the 23rd special session of the General Assembly. The review will include an assessment of current challenges that affect the implementation of the Platform for Action and the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of women and its contribution towards the full realization of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of Michigan's 13th Congressional District, I congratulate these four outstanding young women on their selection, and I thank them for their leadership. We wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING RITA PRICE-SIMPSON'S 50 YEARS OF SERVICE TO INDIANA HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

HON. MARLIN A. STUTZMAN

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 10, 2025

Mr. STUTZMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise as a proud Hoosier representing the 3rd district of Indiana. We have beautiful landscapes and many storied histories, but above all we have terrific people who make up our fantastic district.

Today, I'm proud to recognize one such Hoosier. Rita Price-Simpson has been on WRSW radio for 65 years. On that historic station, she has broadcast boys and girls basketball games and football games for 50 years. That is quite a milestone, and Rita is truly a remarkable woman.

She has been inducted into the Indiana High School Basketball Hall of Fame, the Indiana Broadcasters Hall of Fame, and the Kosciusko County Basketball Hall of Fame. She has also received the Indiana Torchbearers Award from the Indiana Commission For Women and The Sportscaster of The Year Award from the Indiana Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association, along with that, she was named the Kosciusko County Woman of The Year.

For her tremendous accomplishments, in fact, WRSW named her studio at the station "The Rita Price Studio." Going along with all those honors, if you look closely at the basketball court at Tippecanoe Valley High School, you will see it has been aptly named the "Rita Price-Simpson Court." To this day, she continues working in sales and broadcasts 65 basketball games and 10 football games every year.

She is happily married with 3 daughters and 5 grandchildren. She has been president of the Mentone Chamber Of Commerce, and she is an active member of the Mentone United Methodist Church.

But today she is recognized for the work she loves desperately, and obviously, Mr. Speaker, she loves and honors high school sports right here in her home state of Indiana.

I'm proud to make her name known throughout our Nation's capitol . . . and the fruited plain.

RECOGNIZING SAVANNAH FEED THE HUNGRY

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 10, 2025

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Savannah Feed the Hungry, an organization that has served as a pillar of hope and nourishment for Georgia's First District since 2009.

Savannah Feed the Hungry has provided over 1.5 million meals, fighting hunger and food insecurity across the Lowcountry.

What started as a mission to help low-income families has expanded to serve over 14 cities offering: fresh produce distribution, gas giveaways, disaster relief efforts and seminars and workshops for financial and job readiness.

In 2019, Savannah Feed the Hungry, in partnership with St. Joseph/Candler, established the Empowerment Center, which equips individuals with: financial literacy training, job readiness programs, and nutritional education.

Beyond food assistance, the organization promotes urban gardening and healthy cooking classes, fostering self-sufficiency and community engagement.

For 16 years, its annual "Hope for a Plate" holiday dinner has ensured that thousands of people receive a warm meal and companionship during the holidays.

Savannah Feed the Hungry is not just feeding people—it is empowering lives. Its commitment to these values deserves our recognition and support.

RECOGNIZING SHIRLEY ANN ELLIS

HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 10, 2025

Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the extraordinary service of Shirley Ann Ellis. Shirley has worked as part of my staff for over 30 years, spending 12 of those years as my Chief of Staff in the Wisconsin State Senate. She has also served as my District Director and Senior Advisor for over 20 years throughout my time in the U.S. House of Representatives. It is with sadness, but also great pride, that I announce her retirement today, and it is an honor to recognize her incredible commitment to public service, our Nation, and the people of the Fourth Congressional District of Wisconsin.

Shirley's remarkable journey began in Waukegan, Illinois, when she was born to parents Ruby Snowden Ellis and Lepolis Ellis. She grew up in my district alongside her sister, Betty Ross, and attended Milwaukee Public Schools starting at the age of four. She graduated from Rufus King High School at just sixteen. Shirley continued her education at Gustavus Adolphus College, earning a bachelor's degree in zoology with a minor in chemistry. At 22 years old, she went on to earn a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in library science. After completing her education, Shirley worked for the State of Wisconsin for 25 years, 11 of those years she served as the State Long Term Care Ombudsman, where she oversaw investigations into complaints of mistreatment of elderly and disabled individuals in nursing homes and community-based residential facilities. As an unwavering advocate for the most vulnerable members of society, she worked tirelessly to ensure their voices were heard and their injustices were addressed. Her work in this field, combined with her education, laid the foundation for a career defined by exceptional leadership and advocacy in healthcare, justice, labor, and women's issues. Throughout her career, Shirley has been driven by a commitment to reform and progress, ensuring a more

prosperous, equitable, and inclusive Nation for all.

In 1993, Shirley's journey in public service took a pivotal turn when she became my Chief of Staff during my tenure in the Wisconsin State Senate. Over the next 12 years, she played an essential role in advancing civil and women's rights, expanding welfare, investing in education, and reforming the criminal justice system. Her leadership during this time was invaluable, and she became an indispensable part of my team.

With my election to this chamber in 2004, Shirley continued her work as my Senior Advisor and District Director. Simply put, without her extraordinary management and leadership, I would not be standing where I am today. The legislation and policies that have transformed the lives of my constituents and this country would not have come to fruition without Shirley's dedication and service. As District Director for the Fourth Congressional District of Wisconsin, she ensured that every community, group, and individual had their concerns heard, uplifted, and addressed. She continues to serve as a bright example of how governance can transform lives and inspire progress.

At the heart of Shirley's service was her deep love for community and family. She was married to Gabriel Lee Shaw, Jr., for 42 years. Known to me as my brother-in-law, Gabe was Shirley's steadfast foundation and source of strength. Even beyond his passing in December of 2023, he remains a guiding light and inspiration for her advocacy. Those of us who know Shirley recognize that her compassion, trust, integrity, intelligence, and loyalty have been shaped by a love that transcends time.

Shirley's dedication to public service is unparalleled. She has spent her career advocating for the most vulnerable people in our country, giving a voice to those who would otherwise remain unheard in this chamber. There was never a moment when she wasn't deeply in tune with the needs of the people she served. The progress we have witnessed across my district, the City of Milwaukee, and our Nation is a testament to her tireless efforts. While the impact of her work cannot be measured in numbers, it is felt in the countless lives she has touched and transformed. We will continue to see her legacy in the future leaders of this country, many of whom regard her as a mentor, role model, and a shining example of what it means to lead with integrity, empathy, and empowerment. Shirley has received many praises for her vast knowledge of political and community networks. In 2020, she was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award by the DPMC and was selected as a Senior Advisor for the 2020 DNC Host Committee and by the Biden for President campaign as Strategic Advisor for the State of Wisconsin. This was a result of Shirley's unmatched management skills and experience in the political field.

Having worked alongside Shirley for 33 years, I will deeply miss her leadership and the way she brought my staff and constituents together. However, as her close friend, I am ecstatic to see what blessings this new chapter of life holds for her. Though she may no longer serve as my District Director, I know her spirit of service will remain unyielding. Shirley will continue to put others first, championing causes close to her heart and advocating for those around her. She has led her life with service first, and I am confident when