

an "Oasis for German-Americans in New Jersey." We take great pride and are deeply proud of what this club and its members have accomplished.

Mr. Speaker, as The Deutscher Club celebrates their 90th anniversary of German-American cultural and communal excellence, I am pleased to commend all members of The Deutscher Club for being an integral part of the Clark area. I invite my colleagues to join me in honoring this community truly dedicated to faith, culture and education.

HONORING ABIGAIL PROVOST

HON. NICHOLAS A. LANGWORTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Abigail Provost, who was awarded the National Bronze Cross Lifesaving Award from the Girl Scouts of the USA.

Lifesaving Awards are national awards given to registered Girl Scouts in recognition of independent acts of extraordinary bravery that were essential to a lifesaving rescue. These awards acknowledge Girl Scouts who have saved or attempted to save a human life, with or without risk to their own lives, and under circumstances that most people of their age and life experience may not be able to function.

Health and safety training is an essential part of the Girl Scout program. In accordance with the Girl Scout Promise, Law, motto, and slogan to which she has subscribed, a Girl Scout is expected to be resourceful, skilled, and competent. She is also expected to have a presence of mind and to be of service to others. Each lifesaving situation is unique and there are many considerations determining if the Girl Scout led actions that were essential to the rescue.

On November 11, the Provost family indulged in a typical evening together immersed in their favorite television program. As the evening progressed, Abigail's father excused himself to bed, and Abigail eventually decided it was time for her to do the same while her mom and siblings stayed comfortably in front of the TV. Abigail's rest was soon interrupted when she began to smell smoke. In a panic, she began screaming to get her family's attention and followed the pungent smell down to the basement where Abigail's father met her. Fire extinguisher in hand, Abigail bravely took on the breaker box, which she had correctly assumed to be the source of the fire. The Provosts had recently installed solar panels, so Abigail suggested that she and her father cut that power source too. It turned out these new panels were the source of the sparks and smoke.

Abigail's quick-thinking, sharp instincts, and clear mind in this high stress situation saved not only her family home, but also her entire family's lives. This is Abigail's second Lifesaving Award in six months after her and her Girl Scout troop saved a man having a heart attack using the skills they had learned through their Girl Scout training.

I thank Abigail Provost for going above and beyond to make a difference in our community. I congratulate her on receiving this well-deserved honor.

HONORING MR. RENALDO SCOTT

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Mr. Renaldo Scott, a distinguished citizen and veteran whose life reflects exceptional service to his community, his State, and the United States of America.

Mr. Scott, a native of Mound Bayou, Mississippi, has devoted his career to military service, aviation maintenance, community engagement, and public safety. A 2014 graduate of John F. Kennedy High School in Mound Bayou, he enlisted in the Mississippi Army National Guard soon after completing his studies. Trained as a helicopter mechanic, Mr. Scott served his State and Nation for years through deployments and specialized technical assignments, including a deployment to Afghanistan. While deployed, he was a UH medevac/combat search and rescue chief.

Seeking to deepen his knowledge and advance professionally, Mr. Scott pursued and completed a degree in Aviation/Aerospace Management with a minor in Business Administration. Over the course of his military and technical career, he served in multiple states and capacities, supporting aviation operations in Mississippi, Louisiana, California, and Texas. His duties included working for the Army Aviation Support Facility in Jackson and supporting aircraft maintenance operations in San Antonio.

Despite building a respected career away from home, Mr. Scott ultimately returned to Mound Bayou in 2022 to support his family and re-establish roots in the community he cherishes. He subsequently completed a deployment to Sinai, Egypt, in 2023.

Mr. Scott's path reflects the best of American values: service, sacrifice, and leadership. He has balanced demanding careers in the military, aircraft maintenance, and public safety—joining the Lincoln-Parker Fire Protection District as a volunteer firefighter and continuing his long-term goal of enhancing safety and opportunity in his hometown.

Mr. Scott has expressed that helping others is a deeply personal calling. He states that while he grew up in Mound Bayou, his life experiences have strengthened his commitment to serve the community that raised him. Whether through emergency response, local engagement, or mentorship, Mr. Scott exemplifies the spirit of duty and the enduring value of public service.

Mr. Speaker, today I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Renaldo Scott—a son of Mississippi, a dedicated servicemember, and a community leader, whose contributions bring honor to his family, his State, and this Nation.

RECOGNIZING MRS. EMILY MONDSCHNEIN

HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

Mr. KENNEDY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Mrs. Emily Mondschein, the

Executive Director of Gigi's Playhouse. Emily is a woman whose compassion and advocacy can be seen throughout Western New York, through parents and children of all ages, and far beyond the walls of Gigi's Playhouse.

As the proud mother of two sons, Samuel and Paul, Mrs. Mondschein, alongside her husband, Mr. Will Mondschein, set out on a mission to ensure that individuals with Down syndrome are treated with equality and respect in all areas of society. Inspired by her son, Paul, Mrs. Mondschein wanted to establish an organization for families and community members throughout Western New York to empower individuals with Down syndrome and increase positive awareness through educational programs.

After visiting Gigi's Playhouse in Syracuse, Mrs. Mondschein was more inspired than ever and determined to open her own location in Western New York. Through Gigi's Playhouse, community members are offered one-on-one literacy tutoring, discovery arts and science, and group music therapy. Each program is dedicated to helping community members with Down Syndrome reach their full potential.

As we recognize the incredible service of Mrs. Emily Mondschein, let us not only acknowledge her dedicated career as an educational leader and her steadfast commitment to children in need, but also her unwavering advocacy for accessible and inclusive community programming where every individual is celebrated for who they are, providing a safe space for all to be heard. Mrs. Mondschein's service is a blessing, and we look forward to many more years of her inspired leadership.

HONORING THE NORTHERN MACOMB REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ON ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. LISA C. McCLAIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

Mrs. McCLAIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to proudly recognize the Northern Macomb Regional Chamber as it marks a significant milestone, its fiftieth anniversary. This stands as a testament to five decades of dedicated service, principled leadership, and an enduring devotion to the residents, businesses, and communities of Northern Macomb County.

Originally established as the Greater Romeo-Washington Chamber of Commerce in 1975, the organization later expanded and rebranded as the Northern Macomb Regional Chamber of Commerce to better reflect its broader service area. Over the decades, it has adapted to changing economic and community needs while helping to connect businesses and stakeholders across Northern Macomb County.

For fifty years, the Northern Macomb Regional Chamber of Commerce has supported local engagement through practical business programs and community events, including ribbon cuttings, business networking opportunities, and its annual EMMA Awards. These activities reflect the Chamber's ongoing role in convening businesses and community leaders across Northern Macomb County.

Mr. Speaker, today's recognition marks an important anniversary for an organization that

has served the Northern Macomb area for five decades. On behalf of Michigan's 9th Congressional District, I congratulate the Northern Macomb Regional Chamber of Commerce on this milestone and wish it continued success in the years ahead.

WELCOMING HIS ALL-HOLINESS
ECUMENICAL PATRIARCH BARTHOLOMEW
OF CONSTANTINOPLE

HON. THOMAS R. SUOZZI

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

Mr. SUOZZI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, His All-Holiness Bartholomew I, who is the spiritual leader and the Primus inter Pares (First among Equals) of Orthodox Christianity worldwide, a Church of 300 million people. This September, His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew visited our Nation's capital, continuing his longstanding practice of meeting with the President and engaging with Members of Congress from both political sides.

His All-Holiness is the spiritual leader of more than 300 million Orthodox Christians worldwide, representing faith's ability to bring people together across borders and generations. His leadership has fostered dialogue among faith communities and highlighted the positive role moral guidance can play in promoting cooperation and understanding.

His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople, has been called the Bridge Builder and the Patriarch of Peace by Christians and non-Christians alike. I am proud to welcome a peacemaker of his caliber to the Capitol.

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY
OF NATIVE AMERICAN
COMMUNITY SERVICES

HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

Mr. KENNEDY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 50th anniversary of Native American Community Services, a not-for-profit organization in Western New York. For half a century, Native American Community Services has provided high-quality health and social services to the Native American community throughout Western New York.

Guided by its mission of a "Tradition of Caring," Native American Community Services has built a lasting legacy of service through four essential programs: Economic Self-Sufficiency, Family Services, Health and Wellness, and Community and Cultural Services. These initiatives strengthen families, empower individuals, and enrich the fabric of the Buffalo-Niagara region. Through decades of dedicated work, Native American Community Services has shown a tireless commitment to compassion, inclusion, and community well-being across Western New York.

As we celebrate a half century of Native American Community Services contributions to

our region, let us acknowledge its ongoing success and advocacy for Native American community members throughout Western New York. The impact of the organization's work will be seen, felt, and heard for generations to come, enriching the lives of all who call this region home.

RECOGNIZING FLORIDA'S 16TH
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT FIRE
AND RESCUE EMS AWARDS RECIPIENTS

HON. VERN BUCHANAN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

Mr. BUCHANAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize fire, rescue and EMS personnel who have provided distinguished service to the people of Florida's 16th Congressional District.

First responders, fire departments and emergency medical service teams are summoned on short notice to serve their respective communities. Often, they arrive at scenes of great adversity and trauma, to which they reliably bring strength and composure. These brave men and women spend hundreds of hours in training so that they are prepared when they get "the call."

Thirteen years ago, I established the 16th District Congressional Fire and Rescue and EMS Awards to honor officers, departments, and units for outstanding achievement.

On behalf of the people of Florida's 16th District, it is my privilege to congratulate and include in the RECORD the following honorees, who were selected this year by an independent committee comprised of a cross section of current and retired fire and rescue personnel living in the district:

Associate Service Award: Adam Nover of Manatee County Department of Public Safety.

Dedication and Professionalism Award: Firefighter Rob Day of East Manatee Fire Rescue, Firefighter/Paramedic—Company Fire Captain Ralph Mascaro of Hillsborough County Fire Rescue, and the Sun City Center Emergency Squad.

Preservation of Life Award: Firefighter/Paramedic Jacob Campbell, Fire Captain Clifford Davis, Firefighter/Paramedic Anna Inman, and Firefighter Maurice Swan of Hillsborough County Fire Rescue, Charge Paramedic Peterson Gustave, District Chief William Thayer, and District Chief Beth Tucciarone of Manatee County EMS.

Unit Citation Award: Engineer Joshua Eriksen, Engineer Zachary Gilbert, Firefighter Bo Gurskis, Lieutenant Jared Manning, Engineer Louis Chiochio, Firefighter George Norris, Captain Jonathan Turpin, Battalion Chief Barry Cornelison, Lieutenant Matthew McCabe, Engineer Brandon Beals, Firefighter Ricardo Rivera, Firefighter Luke Marvin, Lieutenant Scott Viehman, Lieutenant Thomas Ferrett, Lieutenant Robert Hinton, Firefighter Shawn Heinlein, Engineer Michael King, Firefighter Christopher Mundell, Firefighter Isaiah Cress, Lieutenant Lionel Harrison, Firefighter Jordan DeSear, Firefighter Brendan Lewellen, and Firefighter Aaron Wright of the Bradenton Fire Department, Firefighter Jacob Dillard (2), Lieutenant Daniel Dunkum (2), Battalion Chief Craig Madsen, Captain Steven Baker, Engineer Ben Stasurak, Engineer Bret Kanapaux, Fire-

fighter Chad Strauser (2), Firefighter Maciej Borawski, Deputy Chief Paul Wren, Battalion Chief Casey Lambert, Lieutenant Mike Hamilton, Engineer Derek Parker, Firefighter Jared Hoopingarner, Lieutenant Timothy Bedell, Firefighter Tony Mroz, Firefighter Nicholas Miller, Lieutenant Steve Ryckman, Firefighter Kyle Lamson (2), Firefighter Jason Burnside, and Engineer Jesse Reasoner of East Manatee Fire Rescue, District Chief Beth Tucciarone, Paramedic James Bryant, EMT Rachel Swim (2), Charge Paramedic Michael Gorman, EMT Zachary Tocco, District Chief William Thayer, Specialty Charge Paramedic Sasha DeAngelis, Charge Paramedic Caitlyn Roskovich, EMT Simon Klimov, Specialty Charge Paramedic Kevin Guido, Charge Paramedic Anthony Tino, EMT Germaine Bolanos, EMT Robert Anderson, District Chief Troy Dufrane, and District Chief Keith Lock of Manatee County EMS, Lieutenant Casey Schue, Engineer Wade Hoopingarner, Engineer Joe Jago, and Firefighter Anzozoni Hause of Parrish Fire Rescue, Captain Andrew Clark, Firefighter Charlie Childress, and Engineer Justin White of North River Fire District, Telecommunicator Derek Turner, Telecommunicator Adam Bruner, ECC Supervisor Tracey Haas, and Telecommunicator Brady Trott of Manatee County Emergency Communication Center, Pilot Stu O'Shannon, Flight Nurse Alisha Burnett, Flight Paramedic Chuck Nelson, Flight Paramedic Oriente Luis Vazquez, Pilot Mark Boudreau, Flight Nurse Rob Freas and Flight Paramedic Kelly Curren of Tampa General Hospital Aeromed, Firefighter Jerrod Apple, Firefighter Tyler Snyder, Captain James Leigh, Firefighter Dane Miller, Firefighter Christopher O'Kelly, Fire Marshall Rodney Kwiatkowski, Training Chief Mark Tuttle, Battalion Chief Ryan Moore, Battalion Chief Derek Bill, Captain Tyler MacDonald, Firefighter William Bowen, Firefighter Clayton Lease, Firefighter David Miller, Firefighter Zack Misiura, Firefighter Aaron Reese, Lieutenant Inspector Keith Miller, Inspector Josh Adkins, Inspector Lisa Brooks, and Inspector Nicholas Riffe of West Manatee Fire Rescue District, Captain Marshall Greene, Lieutenant David Snyder, Lieutenant Luke Hitchins, Lieutenant JC Rapier, Lieutenant Jose Garcia Santos, Lieutenant Michael Patterson, Lifeguard Jack Bratcher, Lifeguard Josh McCarthy, Lifeguard Nate Hilbrands, Lifeguard Shannon Cielinski, Lifeguard Marek Drastich, Lifeguard Mark Mol, Lifeguard Patrick Curran, Lifeguard Kaylin Weiskopf, Lifeguard Allie Updike, Lifeguard Owen Munday, Lifeguard AJ Nelson, and Lifeguard Isabelle Pellegrin of Manatee County Beach Patrol.

Career Service Award: Battalion Chief Jeff Martin of Hillsborough County Fire Rescue.

RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE
OF LIBYA'S RETURN TO STABILITY

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to include in the RECORD the following article titled *Libya Has a Deal for Trump That Could Reshape Africa and Europe* by Tom O'Connor of Newsweek on how important it is for Libya to return to stability:

As a divided Libya lies between two deepening crises in Africa and the porous southern flank of Europe, representatives of the