

touched. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and legacy of Rebecca Nabors.

#### HONORING CHANS CHIV WITH THE CA-37 PUBLIC SERVICE HONOR AWARD

##### HON. SYDNEY KAMLAGER-DOVE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 4, 2025*

Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Chans Chiv with the CA-37 Public Service Honor Award for his exemplary service to the Los Angeles Passport Agency. His unwavering commitment to improving the accessibility and reliability of passport services has had a profound impact on the Agency and on residents across Southern California and Nevada, ensuring that communities of every neighborhood and background receive the support they deserve.

Mr. Chiv began his career with the Los Angeles Passport Agency in 2004 as a Passport Specialist. His talent, professionalism, and dedication quickly distinguished him, leading to his promotion in 2011 to Customer Service Manager.

Driven by a deep commitment to serving his community, Mr. Chiv has excelled in strengthening essential partnerships with Passport Acceptance Facilities, including post offices, public libraries, and municipalities. Through these collaborations, he has expanded access to passport services throughout the region, helping countless residents obtain the services they need with dignity and ease.

Mr. Chiv is widely respected for his ability to build strong relationships with stakeholders, often visiting sites personally to better understand community needs and enhance service delivery. He brings that same dedication to his family, making time each day to pick up his children from school—a testament to the care and commitment that define both his personal and professional life. Outside of work, he enjoys spending quality time with his wife and two children, sharing a love of sports and exploring their favorite local restaurants together.

I am proud to recognize Mr. Chans Chiv for his exemplary service, his unwavering dedication to the public, and the lasting, positive impact he has made on countless individuals throughout our region.

#### RECOGNIZING CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT'S 75TH ANNI- VERSARY

##### HON. JASON CROW

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 4, 2025*

Mr. CROW. Mr. Speaker, 75 years ago, a group of visionary educators, parents, and community members came together with a common dream: to create a district where every child would have the opportunity to learn, grow, and succeed. I rise today to congratulate the Cherry Creek School District on celebrating this important milestone.

Cherry Creek opened in 1950 with eight schools and grew to double their enrollment

by the 1970's. Today, the district serves 53,000 students over 67 K-12 schools across the Denver Metro Area. The district's students have excelled in state and national competitions in academics, athletics, and the arts.

Cherry Creek has prioritized meeting the needs of their students. In 2023, Traverse Academy became the first district-operated mental health facility and school of its kind across the Nation.

Today, the district's mission is to "inspire every student to think, to learn, to achieve, and to care." This mission has guided Cherry Creek in their work to support every child across all backgrounds and academic pathways.

As one of the districts in Colorado's most diverse congressional district, Cherry Creek serves students from all over the world. Currently, more than 150 languages are spoken throughout the school district.

Cherry Creek has continued its leadership and dedication to meeting the needs of today by opening the dynamic Cherry Creek Innovation Campus in 2019. The school offers multiple non-traditional academic pathways for students to excel, including Aerospace Manufacturing, Hospitality, and Infrastructure Engineering. In 2024, it was recognized as a top 100 school for educational innovation by HundredED. Since their opening in 2019, 776 students at the Cherry Creek Innovation Campus have earned their industry certificates.

I am honored to represent the Cherry Creek School District and I know I speak for many in Colorado when I congratulate all members of the Cherry Creek School District community on their dedication to our students and contributions to our state. With work grounded in innovation, excellence, and a commitment to their students, I know they will continue to focus on educating and lifting up their students for the next 75 years and beyond.

#### CELEBRATING THE 80TH BIRTH- DAY OF DR. HATEM HOSSINO

##### HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 4, 2025*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, today we celebrate the 80th birthday of Dr. Hatem Hossino of Charleston, West Virginia. Dr. Hossino was born on December 7, 1945 in Salamiyeh, Syria, later emigrating to the United States. Dr. Hossino has lived the American dream. He opened his vascular and general surgery practice in Charleston, West Virginia in 1978, where he continues to practice serving the community. In February 2023, former Governor Jim Justice recognized Dr. Hossino as a Distinguished Mountaineer, noting that "his commitment to his community and career has been an outstanding example for us all." I am grateful for Dr. Hossino's service to the community and for sharing his son, Omar Hossino, an invaluable contributor to our office. I wish Dr. Hossino a happy birthday, and prayers for many more.

#### HONORING MY PREEMIE AND ME OF GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

##### HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 4, 2025*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor My Premie and Me, an outstanding nonprofit organization in Greenville, Mississippi, for its unwavering commitment to supporting premature infants and their families throughout the Mississippi Delta.

Founded by Marketta "Nikki" Landrum after the premature birth of her daughter, My Premie and Me was created from a deeply personal journey. What began as a mother's desire to help other families facing the fear and uncertainty of prematurity has grown into a vital source of compassion, education, and community support.

My Premie and Me provides direct assistance to families with preemies and works tirelessly to raise awareness about prematurity. The organization has partnered with the City of Greenville to observe World Prematurity Day, including the Purple Lighting of Greenville City Hall, ensuring that families of NICU babies feel seen, supported, and embraced by their community. Through Prematurity Awareness Month activities and collaborations with local civic groups, My Premies and Me has strengthened public understanding of prematurity and highlighted the needs of families caring for medically fragile infants.

Beyond health advocacy, My Premie and Me plays a meaningful role in the civic life of Greenville. The organization helped host the city's First Annual Juneteenth Celebration, joining community partners to bring residents together in celebration of culture, history, and unity. Their work demonstrates a belief that strong families are built within strong, connected communities.

The organization's dedication has also been recognized beyond Greenville, including being listed among nonprofit beneficiaries of Entergy Corporation's charitable giving.

Mr. Speaker, I ask colleagues to join me in recognizing My Premie and Me and its founder, Marketta "Nikki" Landrum, for their profound service to preemie families and for the hope and strength they bring to the Mississippi Delta.

#### RECOGNIZING THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE AS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF AMERICAN LIFE AND HERITAGE

##### HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 4, 2025*

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the U.S. Post Office as one of the Nation's most enduring institutions and the role it has played in keeping our Nation states federal government responsible for providing postal service in the United States. It is one of the few agencies authorized by the United States Constitution.

Since its beginning, the U.S. Postal Service has gone through and will perhaps continue to

go through many change. However, its value of service to the American people will remain a vital part in the United States of America. Therefore, in recognizing December 4, 2025 as Postal Workers Recognition Day, we say thank you to the workers who make it happen.

#### COMMENDING THE ISLETA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

##### HON. GABE VASQUEZ

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 4, 2025

Mr. VASQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the Isleta Police Department and local law enforcement for their commitment to protecting New Mexico's communities. On November 17, 2025, the U.S. Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Indian Affairs reported a major drug bust on the Isleta Pueblo.

In coordination with the Bureau of Indian Affairs Division of Drug Enforcement and a Homeland Security Task Force, local officers from the Isleta Police Department seized over 37,000 fentanyl pills, which were valued at nearly 1.5 million dollars, and nearly \$38,000 dollars in cash.

Those deadly pills would have devastated countless lives in our community, but today the Isleta Pueblo and New Mexico's communities are safer because of our law enforcement's hard work and dedication. Thanks to our officers' intelligence and tireless work, more New Mexican families will remain intact.

On behalf of the people of New Mexico's 2nd Congressional District, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation to the Isleta Police Department and local law enforcement for their nonstop efforts to protect our communities. We appreciate their dedication to public service and pray for their continued safety. I look forward to our continued partnership as we work to keep drugs off our streets and hold bad actors seeking to prey on our communities accountable.

#### HONORING THE IMMIGRANT DEFENDERS LAW CENTER WITH THE CA-37 COMMUNITY CHAMPION AWARD

##### HON. SYDNEY KAMLAGER-DOVE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 4, 2025

Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Immigrant Defenders Law Center with the CA-37 Community Champion Award. Their steadfast commitment to justice has made them an essential voice for some of the most vulnerable individuals navigating our Nation's immigration system.

The Immigrant Defenders Law Center, widely known as "ImmDef," stands among our country's preeminent immigrant-rights organizations. Founded in 2015 by a team of dedicated immigration lawyers and advocates, including Co-Founder and Executive Director Lindsay Toczyłowski and Director of Legal Services Mickey Donovan-Kaloust, Immigrant Defenders Law Center has led with the belief that a more just and humane system is not

only possible, but necessary to protect the due-process rights of immigrants facing deportation.

Day after day, they work with unwavering dedication to defend the 5th Amendment rights of detained immigrants and asylum seekers, ensuring that due process is not merely a promise, but a lived reality.

Earlier this year, ImmDef played a crucial role in organizing a congressional oversight visit to Adelanto Detention Center. Their initiative allowed Members of Congress to witness firsthand the conditions detainees were forced to live in. That visit sparked renewed calls for reform and strengthened the resolve of lawmakers to pursue greater protections for immigrants across our Nation.

ImmDef is currently assisting my office with an extremely troubling case involving a constituent who has gone missing in ICE custody. Their legal expertise has been indispensable as we work to uncover what occurred, locate our missing constituent, and draw attention to the potential violations he may have endured while in federal custody.

The organization's record of service is both distinguished and deeply consequential. ImmDef helped halt the unlawful deportation of 76 Guatemalan children, unaccompanied minors, who were at imminent risk of being removed from the United States without regard for their safety or their rights. Because of ImmDef's swift action, these children were afforded the due process guaranteed to them under our Constitution.

Today, ImmDef continues to stand on the front lines, pushing back against harmful federal policies and practices. They have fought in the courts, in our communities, and through rapid-response efforts that address unlawful ICE raids in real time. Their work remains a beacon of justice, compassion, and constitutional integrity in the face of tremendous challenges.

ImmDef's work keeps families together and protects communities from discriminatory practices and legislation. Their dedication reminds us to continue standing up for those with no advocates.

I am honored to recognize the work of the Immigrant Defenders Law Center. Today, we recognize ImmDef not only for their work, but for the impact they continue to make in shaping a more just and humane immigration system. I thank them for their service and look forward to continuing our work together on behalf of our vulnerable communities.

#### HONORING THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OREGONIAN

##### HON. MAXINE DEXTER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 4, 2025

Ms. DEXTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a remarkable milestone in American journalism: the 175th anniversary of The Oregonian, the oldest continuously published newspaper on the West Coast.

Since 1850, The Oregonian has been a vital thread in the fabric of Oregon's civic life, serving as a trusted source of information, accountability, and community connection.

Over its long history, the paper has earned eight Pulitzer Prizes, beginning with its first in

1937. That includes the distinguished 2001 Pulitzer for Public Service, awarded for its "detailed and unflinching" reporting on abuses within the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.

This is a newsroom with deep roots and a wide reach. In 1922, The Oregonian launched Portland's first commercial radio station, what would eventually become KGW-TV, ushering in a new era of local broadcast journalism.

As a former student journalist, I know how powerful local reporting is. It informs. It connects. It holds the powerful accountable. And at a time when local journalism is under threat across this country, The Oregonian reminds us why it matters.

I thank the journalists, editors, photographers, and staff—past and present—for their service to our state and democracy.

I congratulate the Oregonian on 175 years, and here's to many more.

#### RECOGNIZING SYLVIA MARIE THORNTON ON HER 98TH BIRTHDAY

##### HON. DANIEL WEBSTER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 4, 2025

Mr. WEBSTER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to extend warm congratulations to Sylvia Marie Thornton on the occasion of her 98th birthday. Sylvia was born in Bainbridge, Georgia, on November 29, 1927, and this momentous milestone will be joyfully celebrated with her family and friends in Umatilla, Florida, on December 6, 2025.

It is my pleasure to join her loved ones in honoring Sylvia's long and admirable life and in reflecting on the profound impact she has made on all who know her. For Decades, Sylvia has exemplified steadfast dedication to her family, her community, and her church.

In 1945, Sylvia married the love of her life, Charles Howard Thornton, and embraced her calling as a pastor's wife. Together, she and Charles raised six children. She served faithfully in teaching, serving, and leading the women of the church with grace and devotion. Guided by an unwavering faith, she made it her mission to instill Godly values in her children and to encourage them to accept Christ at an early age. Her legacy continues through her son who now pastors his own church, carrying on the important work begun by his father. Today, her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren honor and love her deeply as she remains faithful to God.

I congratulate Sylvia on reaching this remarkable milestone. May God continue to pour out His abundant blessings upon her and her family. It is my honor to serve her in the United States House of Representatives.

#### CONGRATULATING THE AMERICAN POSTAL WORKERS UNION, CHICAGO CHAPTER 0001

##### HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 4, 2025

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, the American Postal Workers Union is a labor