

Middle School; Michelle Bailey, Lisa McLeod and Carol Ricks, Myakka City Elementary School; Mary Cardarelle-Hermans, Robert Greer and Carl Auckerman, Nolan Middle School; Aaron Depaola, Antonio Da Silva and Kathy Price, Willis Elementary School; Tania Vidal, Laura Sanchez and Greg Sander, Prine Elementary School; Roxie Blackwelder and Richard Greene, Sugg Middle School; Deanna Sabatino, German Pena-Garcia and James Mennes, Mills Elementary School.

Relief After the Storm Award: Hillsborough Education Foundation; Manatee Education Foundation.

Support Staff Award: Eric Cooke, Williams Elementary School; Emanuel Harris, Braden River Middle School; Kelly Taillefer, Braden River Middle School; Steven Vance, Braden River Middle School; Brooke Whalen, Dorothy C. York Innovation Academy; Fay Pollock Servoss, Rogers Garden-Bullock Elementary School; Angela Nowakowski, Gene Witt Elementary School; Sherriann Johnson, Gibsonton Elementary School; Lora Sevarino, McNeal Elementary School; Nicole Yancey, Myakka City Elementary School; Kimberly Thomas, Willis Elementary School; Suzanne Theiss, Southeast High School; Dilcia Navarro, State College of Florida Collegiate school.

Teacher Award: Laura Redeker, Anna Maria Elementary School; Susan Nova, Harvey Elementary School; Katharine Kimbrell, Braden River Middle School; Jessica Mynatt, Braden River Middle School; Tasheta Riley, Braden River Middle School; Joseph Gibson, Haile Middle School; Kim Wilder, Gene Witt Elementary School; Stacy Freeman, McNeal Elementary School; Julie Read, McNeal Elementary School; Sarah Tateosian, McNeal Elementary School; Stephanie Tretolo, McNeal Elementary School; Natalie Hutchings, Newsome High School; Christiana Miller, Newsome High School; Montine Vona-Pergola, Newsome High School; Kathleen Yates, Newsome High School; Leslie Windeuser, Sumner High School; Felicia Chasey, Lakewood Ranch High School; McKenzie Gorskey, Lakewood Ranch High School; Jennifer Grant, Lakewood Ranch High School; John Wilkerson, Lakewood Ranch High School; Linda Chamberlain, Manatee Technical College; Hannah Hunter, Willis Elementary School; Noelle Kourakos, Willis Elementary School; Kathleen Bayliss, Sea Breeze Elementary School; Andrew Angelo, St. Stephen's Episcopal School; Geoff Revard, St. Stephen's Episcopal School; Emily Vargas, State College of Florida Collegiate School.

Administrator Award: Rudy Keezer, Ballard Elementary School; Marcos Rodriguez, Bloomingdale High School; Kimberlain Zenon, Braden River Middle School; Samantha Webb, Able Elementary School; Sheila Waid, McNeal Elementary School; Marla Massi-Blackmore, Tillman Elementary School; Jeannie Galindo, Lakewood Ranch High School; Jennifer Canady, River-view High School; Craig Page, Southeast High School.

On behalf of the people of Florida's 16th District, I congratulate each of these outstanding educators and offer my sincere appreciation for their service and dedication.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. ANDREW S. CLYDE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 1, 2025

Mr. CLYDE. Mr. Speaker, I missed Roll Call No. 105, On Ordering the Previous Question

for H. Res. 354. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 105.

#### HONORING DICK KING

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 1, 2025

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to honor the life of a special constituent.

Dick Elmer King, of Saint Catherine, Missouri, passed away on March 25, 2025. He was born on March 9, 1938, the son of Gird Lester and Josephine Marie (Groetcke) King in Copemish, Michigan. He married Dorothy Joann Gaston on May 19, 1969, in Miami, Oklahoma. She preceded him in death on October 28, 2021.

Dick dedicated his life to service. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and served from 1956 to 1964, and served in Morocco, Tripoli, North Africa, Zaragoza, Spain, and Oklahoma. From 1993 to 1997, he was the Eastern District Commissioner in Linn County, Missouri. Then, he served as the Presiding Commissioner of Linn County from 2008 to the present.

He was a member of the Brookfield VFW Post No. 4557, Brookfield American Legion Post No. 182, and Marceline Masonic Lodge Post No. 481. Dick was active in the Ararat Shriners Hospital and the Macon Flywheel Association.

Dick is survived by his seven children, sixteen grandchildren, thirty-five great-grandchildren, and one great-great-granddaughter.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing a life well-lived, and in thanking Mr. Dick King for his service to his country and community. I am proud to represent Mr. King in the United States House of Representatives.

#### RECOGNIZING GRACE ANDERSON ON HER OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY

### HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 1, 2025

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Grace Anderson of Norwalk, Ohio, has been offered an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland.

Grace's offer of appointment permits her to attend the United States Naval Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2029. Attending one of our Nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of their lives.

Grace brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2029. While attending Edison High School, she participated in Spanish Honor Society, dance, and was on the honor roll. Throughout high school, Grace was involved

in track and field and cross country, earning her varsity letter in both. I am confident that she will carry the lessons of her student and athletic leadership to the Naval Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Grace Anderson on her offer of appointment to the United States Naval Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available, and I am positive that Grace will excel during her career at the Naval Academy. I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to her as she begins her service to our Nation.

#### HONORING PROVIDENCE PLACE'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY IN CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

### HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 1, 2025

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Providence Place Senior Living, of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, on its 25th anniversary.

A family-owned company founded by former Pennsylvania governor George M. Leader in 1998, Providence Place serves nearly 1,000 seniors across seven communities in central and eastern Pennsylvania.

As Providence Place has grown over the years, the company has maintained an emphasis on three core values—caring service, authentic relationships, and a commitment to providing value.

While serving residents with differing levels of need, Providence Place strives to create a culture and environment where all seniors control their lives, have a sense of purpose, and make meaningful contributions to their community and those around them.

On behalf of everyone in the 13th Congressional District, I congratulate Executive Director Holly Townsend and her entire team at Providence Place's Chambersburg location on this significant milestone and offer best wishes for continued success.

#### HONORING CAPTAIN SCOTT LEATHAM

### HON. GREG STANTON

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 1, 2025

Mr. STANTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Captain Scott Leatham of the City of Tempe's Fire Medical Rescue Department. Captain Leatham lost his battle with a rare form of cancer, which was caused by the carcinogens he was exposed to over his career as a firefighter, on December 19, 2024, at the age of 39.

Our community, along with his wife, Ashley, his 15-year-old son, Kaden, and his 12-year-old daughter, Kali, grieve his loss still. Captain Leatham radiated positivity and goodwill. When he decided to commit his life to public service, everyone knew that it was a perfect fit.

From a young age, Captain Leatham dreamed of becoming a firefighter, and in

2013, he started an over-a-decade-long career at the Tempe Fire Medical Rescue Department. He went to work every day with a positive attitude, a passion for his profession, and unwavering selflessness. He took on a number of roles, serving as a firefighter, technical rescue technician, SWAT medic and member of the dive team. His former supervisors remember him as a standout—the epitome of what a firefighter should be. As a reward for his years of excellence, Scott was promoted to captain paramedic in 2022.

Beloved by his department and his wider community, Captain Leatham was living the life he had always dreamed of—a life committed to public service, family, and faith—when he received the devastating news of his diagnosis. Yet even in his final days, Captain Leatham remained positive, and certain he made the right decision in choosing a profession he found so meaningful and rewarding. Hundreds of fellow service members, friends, family, and community members attended Captain Leatham's funeral in January of this year to pay their respects.

Firefighters face an increased risk of cancer diagnosis and cancer-related death as a result of their service, and Captain Leatham's story is a powerful reminder of the sacrifices shouldered by our firefighters as they dedicated their lives to ensuring public safety. Despite the risks of this profession that this loss so painfully illustrated, Captain Leatham's fellow crew members at Tempe Fire Medical Rescue Department feel inspired by his legacy and are continuing to serve the people of Tempe with pride.

Ahead of National Firefighters Day, I stand to honor Captain Scott Leatham and all our Nation's firefighters. We are forever indebted to them for their courage and their service.

Godspeed, Captain.

#### RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF SERVICE OF DICK YOUNG

**HON. NICHOLAS A. LANGWORTHY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 1, 2025*

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the remarkable life and service of Richard "Dick" Young, a lifelong member of the Lancaster, New York community, who recently passed away at the age of 94.

Dick was a proud graduate of Lancaster High School, Class of 1948, where he served as class president and remained dedicated to keeping his classmates connected for decades. In fact, those remaining from his class gathered in 2023 to celebrate their 75th reunion—an extraordinary milestone.

Following graduation, Dick answered the call to serve his country by joining the United States Navy. From 1948 to 1949, he served aboard the USS *Buck* 761 Destroyer, supporting efforts during the Chinese Revolution. After his initial service, he enrolled at Marietta College, but when the Korean War broke out, he was called back to duty—this time serving as a ship-fitter on the USS *Marsh* DE699 from 1950 to 1952. In recognition of his dedicated service, Dick was honored in 2019 through the Honor Flight to Washington.

Dick returned home to join the family business. His father, Lester Young, had founded

the Young Fire Equipment Corporation in 1944, and by the time Dick completed his military service, he was destined to lead the company. As President, he relocated it to 204 Cemetery Road in Lancaster, where his Navy-honed skills and forward-thinking mindset revolutionized the fire apparatus industry. He designed firetrucks that were decades ahead of their time—earning a reputation for building the "Cadillac of Firetrucks."

Though Young Fire closed in 1991, Dick's passion for innovation never waned. In 1993, he launched the Performance Advantage Company in Lancaster, which continues to design and distribute tool and equipment mounting solutions for the fire service, military, and other industries in over 38 countries.

In 2007, Dick established the Greater Lancaster Museum of Firefighting, located next to his business. The museum showcases historic firefighting artifacts, including those from local departments and even pieces from the 9/11 Towers. It stands as a tribute to volunteerism, which Dick regarded as the backbone of strong communities. He often said, "Communities cannot function without the selfless sacrifices that volunteers contribute. We've got to encourage more volunteers."

Dick also served his community as an elected member of the Lancaster Village Board, where he played a key role in uniting the Village and Town to address critical infrastructure needs, including improvements to the sewer system.

Mr. Speaker, Dick Young leaves behind a legacy of service, innovation, and unwavering dedication to his community and country. His accomplishments, generosity, and leadership set a gold standard that will continue to inspire generations to come. May he rest in peace.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. GLENN THOMPSON**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 1, 2025*

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to attend the vote due to an unforeseen conflict. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 112.

#### RECOGNIZING SARAH CONNOR ON HER OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY

**HON. ROBERT E. LATTA**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 1, 2025*

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Sarah Connor of Avon, Ohio, has been offered an appointment to the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York.

Sarah's offer of appointment permits her to attend the United States Military Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2029. Attending one of our Nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country but also guarantees a world-class education

while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of their lives.

Sarah brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2029. While attending Avon High School, she participated in Sign Language Club, Model UN, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and was on the honor roll. Throughout high school, Sarah was involved in track and field and tennis, earning her varsity letter in both. I am confident that she will carry the lessons of her student and athletic leadership to the Military Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Sarah Connor on her offer of appointment to the United States Military Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available, and I am positive that Sarah will excel during her career at the Military Academy. I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to her as she begins her service to our Nation.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. SCOTT H. PETERS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 1, 2025*

Mr. PETERS. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 112.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. WARREN DAVIDSON**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 1, 2025*

Mr. DAVIDSON. Mr. Speaker, I missed the first Roll Call Vote in the vote series due to an important meeting with constituents. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 108.

#### COMMEMORATING THE BOROUGH OF EBENSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA'S 200TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. JOHN JOYCE**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 1, 2025*

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join with residents of the Borough of Ebensburg in Cambria County, Pennsylvania, in commemorating the borough's 200th anniversary.

Founded in the 1790's and incorporated decades later, Ebensburg conducted its first borough council meeting on April 27, 1825.

Ebensburg was the first permanent settlement on the Allegheny Front. The town was built on lands purchased in 1796 from Dr. Benjamin Rush, who was a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Within a decade, Ebensburg became the county seat.

Three log houses remain from Ebensburg's pioneer period, including the Hugh Roberts Homestead, which was built in 1797. The homestead is the oldest structure in Cambria County.