

Washington University Law School. With an exceptional commitment to public service, Sang embarked on his professional career in the Intelligence Community. He then served as Professional Staff Member and Senior Policy Advisor on the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee under the leadership of Chairman DARRELL ISSA and Chairman Jason Chaffetz. Subsequently, he joined the House Committee on Natural Resources, where he served as Senior Counsel, Subcommittee Staff Director, and Chief Investigative Counsel under the leadership of Chairman Rob Bishop and Chairman BRUCE WESTERMAN. In 2023, Sang joined the House Committee on Homeland Security as Director of Investigations and Subcommittee Staff Director. Sang also served as an elected member of the City Council for Fairfax, Virginia for two terms, and as an officer in the United States Navy Reserve for more than 22 years.

Having worked with Sang since the beginning of the 118th Congress, I have seen firsthand how he exemplifies what it means to be a dedicated public servant. He possesses a wealth of knowledge in congressional oversight and investigations and the challenges facing our Nation every day. He has earned a reputation as a tenacious and thorough investigator and has mentored many staff throughout his years in Congress. He has served 3 committees faithfully under the leadership of 5 different chairmen or ranking members across 9 Congresses. As Director of Investigations, Sang led my Committee's oversight efforts related to the crisis at our Southwest border, the increasing threat of cyberattacks and government censorship, transportation and maritime security, counterterrorism efforts, and federal emergency management responses. Thanks to his leadership, our Nation is safer.

Sang's wise counsel to the Committee helped ensure that the Department of Homeland Security was held accountable to the American people. I am deeply grateful for Sang's invaluable service to the Committee and our Nation. Sang is a true patriot, and I am confident he will continue to distinguish himself as he serves in his next role as the Acting Administrator and Deputy Administrator of the United States Maritime Administration.

On behalf of the United States House of Representatives and the House Committee on Homeland Security, I commend Sang for his diligent service and wish him well in all his future endeavors.

#### RECOGNIZING BRAIN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

**HON. MARIA ELVIRA SALAZAR**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 29, 2025*

Ms. SALAZAR. Mr. Speaker, May is Brain Cancer Awareness month, and there are over 450,000 Americans living with primary malignant and non-malignant brain tumors in the United States. These range from primary brain tumors called Gliomas, including Glioblastomas, to secondary brain tumors that occur from metastases from other parts of the body.

Today, I want to recognize the work and efforts of a wonderful patient advocacy organization—Voices Against Brain Cancer (VABC).

The organization is based in South Florida but assists families all over our Nation. Founded by Mr. Mario Lichtenstein, VABC was started in memory of his son, Gary Lichtenstein. Gary lost his fight with brain cancer on October 1, 2003 at the age of 24, just as he was starting his career in Chicago. After three months of radiation, Gary slipped into a coma from which he did not recover. Soon after his passing, Gary's family started Voices Against Brain Cancer Foundation to raise money and awareness for the fight against the illness. As its founder so bravely states, "I couldn't save the life of my son, but perhaps I can save the life of others".

The mission of Voices Against Brain Cancer is to find a cure for brain cancer by financing scientific research and increasing awareness within the medical community, as well as supporting patients, their families, and caregivers afflicted with this devastating disease. Through the years, VABC has funded scientific research at over 50 institutions in the United States and across the globe including Johns Hopkins, Cornell, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, and the University of Miami.

Voices Against Brain Cancer also advocates for increased federal funding for brain tumor research at the National Institutes of Health and increased public awareness. The cure rate for most brain tumors is significantly lower than it is for many other types of cancers, a statistic VABC is driven to change. The organization champions specific patient-centered programs such as Survivor Reboot Groups, which supports brain cancer survivors, and the Caregiver Meet-Up, which brings caregivers together, meeting virtually or in person to share experiences. It also created the After the Storm Group, which is for those who have lost a loved one; the C3 program—Connect, Create, Collaborate which includes art, music, and yoga workshops, allowing people to collaborate with others going through similar situations; and finally Brain Cancer 101, an educational program.

Voices Against Brain Cancer has turned tragedy into purpose. As we close out Brain Cancer Awareness Month, let us remember Gary Lichtenstein and salute his family that has worked so hard to find more effective treatments and a cure for this terrible disease.

#### CELEBRATING JERRY SHEARD

**HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 29, 2025*

Mr. KEAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 90th birthday of Jerry Sheard, a man who has devoted his life to serving his country, family, and community. Jerry enlisted in the Navy Reserve in 1952, serving on the USS *Cabot*, USS *Saratoga*, and with the Commander Amphibious Forces Atlantic. Following his release from active duty, Jerry spent 12 years with the Naval Reserve and later transferred to the Coast Guard Reserve as a Chief Firefighter.

In 1962, Jerry was named Coast Guard Reservist of the Year and received a direct commission to Lieutenant Junior Grade in 1973. Jerry's commitment to his community cannot be overstated. He has been a member of the American Legion for close to 50 years—first

serving with Post 91 in Wharton and currently with Post 278 in Sussex County.

Jerry is a life member and past Chief of the Budd Lake, New Jersey Volunteer Fire Department and has served on the Mt. Olive Township Council, the Planning Board, and as President of the Mt. Olive Free Library.

I am proud and honored to wish Chief Jerry Sheard a happy 90th birthday. He is the embodiment of the values that New Jersey's 7th District represents.

#### HONORING JAYDEN DUNBAR

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 29, 2025*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable servant Jayden Dunbar.

Born and raised in Woodville, Mississippi, he was blessed to grow up with a supportive mother and a loving family who instilled in me the values of hard work, resilience, and compassion.

He has proudly achieved several notable accolades, including Salutatorian of 5th Grade Class (Class of 2018), Gifted 4th through 6th Grade, Academic-ACT Work Keys (Bronze Award), Beta Club (2015–2025, Honor Roll Awards, Principal Scholar Awards, Superintendent Scholar Awards, Advance & Proficiency for high scoring on State Test, National Career Readiness Certificate.

He has numerous Football and Basketball achievements which have served as milestones in his pursuit of knowledge and have further fueled his desire to excel. With a remarkable academic record, 24 on the ACT and a 3.36 GPA.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Jayden Dunbar for his actions and achievements in the Woodville, Mississippi community.

#### RECOGNIZING MAY 2025 AS GBS/CIDP AWARENESS MONTH

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 29, 2025*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the month of May as GBS/CIDP Awareness Month.

Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS) is an inflammatory disorder of the peripheral nerves outside the brain and spinal cord. GBS is characterized by the rapid onset of numbness, weakness, and often paralysis of the legs, arms, breathing muscles, and face. Paralysis is ascending, meaning that it travels up the limbs from fingers and toes towards the torso. Loss of reflexes, such as the knee jerk, are usually found. Usually, a new case of GBS is admitted to ICU (Intensive Care) to monitor breathing and other body functions until the disease is stabilized. Plasma exchange (a blood "cleansing" procedure) and high dose intravenous immune globulins are often helpful to shorten the course of GBS. The acute phase of GBS typically varies in length from a few days to months. Patient care involves the coordinated

efforts of a team such as a neurologist, physiatrist (rehabilitation physician), internist, family physician, physical therapist, occupational therapist, social worker, nurse, and psychologist or psychiatrist. Recovery may occur over six months to two years or longer. A particularly frustrating consequence of GBS is long-term recurrences of fatigue and/or exhaustion as well as abnormal sensations including pain and muscle aches.

Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP) is a rare disorder of the peripheral nerves characterized by gradually increasing weakness of the legs and, to a lesser extent, the arms. It is the gradual onset as well as the chronic nature of CIDP that differentiates it from GBS. Like GBS, CIDP is caused by damage to the covering of the nerves, called myelin. It can start at any age and in both genders. Weakness occurs over two or more months. Unlike GBS, CIDP is chronic, with symptoms constantly waxing and waning. Left untreated, 30 percent of CIDP patients will progress to wheelchair dependence. Early recognition and treatment can avoid a significant amount of disability. Post-treatment life depends on whether the disease was caught early enough to benefit from treatment options. The gradual onset of CIDP can delay diagnosis by several months or even years, resulting in significant nerve damage that may take several courses of treatment before benefits are seen. The chronic nature of CIDP differentiates long-term care from GBS patients. Adjustments inside the home may need to be made to facilitate a return to normal life.

I continue to champion key priorities of the GBS/CIDP community, including cosponsoring H.R. 1143, the Medicare IVIG Access Enhancement Act, that will facilitate home infusion for the treatment of CIDP and MMN.

I call on my colleagues to join me in recognizing May as GBS/CIDP Awareness Month and in supporting this important legislation by becoming a cosponsor of H.R. 1143 that will help promote therapy adherence, enhance quality of life, and promote positive health outcomes for beneficiaries with CIDP and MMN.

#### CONGRATULATING THE IDLEWILD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHESS TEAM CHAMPIONS

#### HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 29, 2025*

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Idlewild Elementary School Chess Team champions, and their coach Mark Beatty, on their impressive run of successes this year. The 15-member team won the 2025 Henry D. Sabine State Scholastic Team Chess Tournament in both the kindergarten through third grade and kindergarten through fifth grade categories. The wins qualified them for a trip to Orlando, Florida, earlier this month to compete in the National Elementary Championship hosted by the U.S. Chess Federation. Beatty founded the Idlewild team in 2013. He also coached chess teams at Grahamwood Elementary, White Station Middle School and White Station High School where his teams have won 45 state team titles. Idlewild, my elementary school alma mater and the only

school in Tennessee to receive the Top Magnet School of Excellence designation, also sent teams to the national chess tournaments in 2024 and 2023. This proud tradition puts Idlewild on a short list of the Nation's best elementary schools and its students deserve our encouragement and respect. They are certainly living up to their motto: "Children First, Excellence Always!"

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF MAJOR GENERAL JOHN C. HARRIS, JR. UPON HIS RETIREMENT AS AD- JUTANT GENERAL OF THE OHIO NATIONAL GUARD

#### HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 29, 2025*

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, I, along with members of the Ohio Delegation, would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Major General John C. Harris, Jr., on his retirement as Adjutant General of the Ohio National Guard. During General Harris's career in the Ohio National Guard, he held a wide range of leadership positions, culminating in service as a key member of Governor DeWine's cabinet. Governor DeWine announced General Harris's retirement and nomination to be the next director of the Ohio Department of Veterans Affairs.

General Harris began his military career in 1981 when he enlisted in the Ohio Army National Guard. He was assigned to the 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment located in Worthington, Ohio where he was part of their Attack Helicopter Troop. Through Officer Candidate School, he received his commission in 1984 and became the section leader for the Attack Helicopter Troop at his original station in Worthington. In 1988, General Harris became Aide-de-Camp to Major General Richard Alexander, Adjutant General of the Ohio National Guard.

Throughout the 1990's and 2000's, General Harris held multiple leadership positions for several National Guard posts including Executive Officer of the 2-107th Cavalry in Kettering, Ohio, Assistant Chief of Staff at Headquarters State Area Command, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel OHARNG Element, and Chief of Staff, Ohio Army National Guard in Columbus, Ohio. In 2011, General Harris was appointed Assistant Adjutant General for Army by Governor John Kasich. On December 12, 2014, he was promoted to his current rank of Major General.

In 2018, then Governor-elect Mike DeWine nominated General Harris to succeed General Mark Bartman as Ohio Adjutant General. On January 14, 2019, Major General Harris was sworn in as the 83rd Adjutant General of the Ohio National Guard. Since then, General Harris has been a steadfast and capable leader of the Ohio National Guard. He has been instrumental in the creation of the Ohio Cyber Reserve as well as the conversion of the Mansfield Air National Guard Wing to the 179th Cyberspace Wing. During the COVID-19 pandemic, his strong leadership allowed the National Guard to respond across the state and assist hospitals and Ohioans in need.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying special tribute to Major General John

Harris, on his retirement from the Ohio National Guard. On behalf of the citizens of Ohio, I wish General Harris all the best as he assumes his new position as Director of the Ohio Department of Veterans Affairs. I along with the entire Ohio Delegation thank him for his forty-four years of service to Ohio and our Nation.

#### HONORING HATTIE MAE LOVE PETTWAY INGE

#### HON. NORMA J. TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 29, 2025*

Mrs. TORRES of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Hattie Mae Love Pettway Inge and her service to our community. Mrs. Inge peacefully passed away in her sleep on April 28, 2025, at the age of 90.

Hattie Inge was born on June 22, 1934, in Vredenburgh, Alabama, and she was raised in Mobile, Alabama. Following her graduation from Alabama State University, she pursued a career in nursing, earning her diploma from Dixie Hospital's Nursing School in Hampton, Virginia in 1962.

In 1952, Hattie married Roy Inge, and together they raised six children. Their family embarked on numerous journeys as a military family—their destinations included Europe, Asia, and nearly every U.S. state.

While stationed in Tachikawa, Japan, Mrs. Inge furthered her education with a degree from the University of Maryland. Later in her life, she earned additional degrees and certifications from institutions including Riverside City College, Anthony Real Estate School, and the Redlands Regional Occupational Program in Commercial Floristry.

In 1972, Mrs. Inge settled in Rialto, California, where she quickly immersed herself in civic engagement. As a member of both The Rialto Baptist Church and later, the Loveland Church in Fontana, Mrs. Inge co-founded the Rialto Black History Committee in 1985. This organization became a 501(c)(3) nonprofit in 1986, with its mission set to promote cultural awareness and celebrate African American contributions in Rialto.

Under Hattie's leadership, the Rialto Black History Committee organized the Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Luncheon for 35 consecutive years. This event provided seven to ten scholarships each year to students in the community, advancing educational opportunities and honoring Dr. King's legacy of service and justice.

For over 30 years, Mrs. Inge was an active member of Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated. She held various leadership roles, including Chapter President, Soror of the Year, Assistant Western Regional Director, and Western Regional Director.

Mrs. Inge left a lasting impact throughout our state through her involvement in numerous organizations. She was a member of the Military Wives Club, Protestant Women of the Chapel, Girl Scouts of the USA, Boy Scouts of America, and Tachikawa Air Base Youth Program. Hattie also served as a Tour Chairperson and Family Services Volunteer.

Even in retirement, she continued her mission of helping others. Through the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, she taught classes