

NEWSLETTER FROM
CONGRESSMAN CHUCK EDWARDS

HON. CHUCK EDWARDS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following newsletter to give an update to my constituents on the SAVE Act, No Rogue Rulings Act, and reforming U.S. foreign assistance.

DEAR FRIEND, The right to vote in American elections is a right reserved for American citizens, not illegal immigrants.

I recently voted for the House-passed SAVE Act to ensure election integrity and safeguard our democratic process. The SAVE Act would:

Require in-person proof of U.S. citizenship when individuals register to vote in federal elections.

Allow more than six types of identification to prove U.S. citizenship.

Require states to remove non-citizens from existing voter rolls and give them the tools to do so.

Ensuring that only American citizens vote in our elections is common sense, yet 228 Members on the other side of the aisle voted to leave our elections vulnerable to fraud and abuse. Their excuse is that this bill prevents married women from voting, when the reality is that this bill gets ahead of any potential barriers to voting by providing six options of identification to prove U.S. citizenship.

To make it clear: This bill will not prevent married women from voting, but it will prevent illegal aliens and foreign influence from permeating our electoral system.

Thus, it's a fair question to ask—why are they opposed to securing our elections?

Upholding the Constitution's system of checks and balances:

Radical district judges are overstepping their authority and blocking President Trump's lawful executive powers by unilaterally imposing rulings that affect the entire nation.

This unchecked judicial overreach is a breach of our Constitution's system of checks and balances, and the House took action to restore balance to our judicial system by passing the No Rogue Rulings Act with my support.

This bill will stop judicial overreach, especially when individual district judges block executive policies. Activist federal judges are undermining the constitutional separation of powers and the will of the American people, and it's time to restore judicial integrity to our federal government.

U.S. foreign assistance should not be funding overseas abortions:

The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) is a program that has been successfully combating HIV/AIDS.

Yet, during President Biden's term in office, he chose to use tax dollars in a way that Congress had not authorized by redirecting funds that were meant for saving lives to instead perform abortions.

Congress must strengthen guardrails around program fundings to prevent such abuse of taxpayer money. As a member of the House Appropriations Committee, I will continue to call out and demand necessary reforms to stop the misuse of funds and make sure that our policies are standing up for, not destroying, innocent life.

Standing up for faith, family, and freedom: It was an honor to receive the Family Research Council Action's One Hundred Percent Award for my commitment to sup-

porting policies that protect the rights to faith, family, and freedom, I will continue to stand for the rights of the most vulnerable and the values that we hold dear and make our country great.

With my warmest regards,
CHUCK EDWARDS,
Member of Congress.

RECOGNIZING KRISTEN PINNOCK

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Kristen Pinnock for her service to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

A Gales Ferry, Connecticut native, Kristen graduated with a Bachelors of Arts in Secondary Science and Social Science Education from DePaul University in 2011. While completing her Masters of Art/Ph.D in Measurement, Evaluation, and Assessment from the University of Connecticut, Kristen began her career in Washington, D.C. as a Student Trainee for the U.S. Government Accountability Office before becoming an Analyst and Senior Analyst. In March 2023, she joined the House Committee on Energy and Commerce as a U.S. Government Accountability Office Detailee for the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations where she has been a critical team member in leading investigations into Anti-Semitism in medical schools and hospitals and supported the Committee's role in the bipartisan AI Task Force report that came out in the 118th Congress. Kristen was also essential in Committee efforts in writing letters pertaining to the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Most recently, Kristen completed another degree graduating with a Master of Arts in Defense and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College in 2024.

Kristen's time as detailee with the House Committee on Energy and Commerce is ending this week and she will return to the U.S. Government Accountability Office. I know Kristen will continue to be as valuable of an asset for the U.S. Government Accountability Office as she was for the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. I wish her the best and thank Kristen Pinnock for her service to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

CONGRATULATING THE MANHEIM
TOWNSHIP UNIFIED TRACK AND
FIELD TEAM CHAMPIONS

HON. LLOYD SMUCKER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SMUCKER. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to congratulate the Manheim Township Unified Track and Field team on their first-place victory at the PIAA Unified Track and Field championship on May 23 and 24.

The Manheim Township Blue Streaks excelled at the meet, collecting 59 points and earning the gold medal. Malakai Minguez nabbed gold in the 400-meter race with 58.01 seconds. Bronze medals in the 800-meter race, earned by Cole Richards with a time of

2:23.08, and in the 400-meter relay helped to spur the Blue Streaks to victory.

Manheim Township's championship in 2025 is their third consecutive team title since Unified Track and Field's introduction in 2023.

The Unified Track and Field program is organized by the Special Olympics. Each team has a proportional number of athletes who are eligible to participate in the Special Olympics and includes boys and girls from grades 9 to 12.

As Manheim Township celebrates another Unified Track and Field team championship, I sincerely congratulate the athletes and coaches that have made this accomplishment possible, and I look forward to seeing what these students accomplish next.

HONORING JORDYN STORCK,
EAGLE SCOUT

HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. VAN DREW. Mr. Speaker, today, I want to congratulate Jordyn Storck for passing her review board and attaining the coveted rank of Eagle Scout after years of hard work. Jordyn began her journey in Troop 452 five years ago and through the years, she has persevered through the struggles to achieve the required 22 merit badges to become an Eagle Scout. But she didn't stop there—she went above and beyond, earning five additional merit badges to receive the Bronze Palm award, an honor rarely given to Eagle Scouts. Her success extends far beyond scouting. Jordyn is a disciplined martial artist, earning her Black Belt at The Growth Dojo in South Jersey. She is also a talented singer, performing as a member of the All-Star Treble Choir, where she specializes in high-frequency vocal tones. Jordyn plans to continue her education at Rowan University to pursue a degree in Inclusive education, and I am certain that she will achieve anything she puts her mind to. God bless Jordyn and God bless our United States of America.

RECOGNIZING VINCENT MEDINA

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Vincent Medina for earning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

Vincent has overcome many challenges along his journey to success, demonstrating perseverance at every step. Students who strive to make the most of their education, like Vincent, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Vincent's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Oberon Middle School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

It is my honor to congratulate Vincent Medina on achieving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

RECOGNIZING ROBERT ROSS

HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding contributions that Robert Ross has made through his volunteerism with Paul R. Smith Middle School. Mr. Robert Ross exemplifies the spirit of dedication and community involvement at Paul R. Smith Middle School. His unwavering commitment to the school and its programs has made a significant impact on students, staff, and the broader community. Every Friday, Mr. Ross dedicates his time to the Eagle Eyes Program, a vital initiative that fosters a safe and supportive environment for students. His consistent presence and active participation in this program demonstrate his genuine care for the well-being and development of the students. His efforts ensure that the program runs smoothly and effectively, providing a positive influence on the school culture. In addition to his work with the Eagle Eyes Program, Mr. Ross is an invaluable member of the School Advisory Council. His contributions to the council are marked by thoughtful insights and a collaborative spirit. He brings a unique perspective as a parent, helping to bridge the gap between the school administration and the parent community. His input is instrumental in shaping policies and initiatives that benefit the entire school. Mr. Ross's dedication extends beyond regular school activities. He has presented at the Great American Teach-In, sharing his knowledge and experiences with students. This event is a highlight for many students, and Mr. Ross's engaging presentations inspire and educate, leaving a lasting impression on young minds. One of Mr. Ross's remarkable qualities is his ability to reach out to the community to garner support for the school. He tirelessly works to secure donations that benefit both students and staff, ensuring that the school has the resources it needs to thrive. His efforts in this area are a testament to his commitment to the school's success and his belief in the power of community support. Mr. Ross is known for his kindness, respect, and caring nature. Even on challenging days, he remains dedicated to the school and its mission. His positive attitude and unwavering support uplift those around him, creating a nurturing and encouraging environment. Furthermore, Mr. Ross is a strong advocate for parent involvement. He actively supports all parent involvement in evening events, encouraging other parents to participate and engage with the school community. His enthusiasm and dedication help to build a sense of unity and positivity within the school and its surrounding community. Mr. Robert Ross is a cornerstone of the Paul R. Smith Middle School community. His dedication to the Eagle Eyes Program, contributions to the School Advisory Council, presentations at the Great American Teach-In, efforts to secure community support, and advocacy for parent involvement make him an invaluable asset to the school. His kindness, respect, and caring nature inspire others and contribute to a positive and supportive school environment. Mr. Ross's unwavering commitment to the school and its community is truly commendable.

It is clear Mr. Robert Ross has made a profoundly positive impact on our community,

and I am grateful for his service. May we all strive to serve our communities with the same dedication and humility.

HONORING BOSS SHOE SHINE AND REPAIR: A CORNERSTONE OF THE 75TH STREET COMMUNITY**HON. JONATHAN L. JACKSON**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a cherished and enduring small business in our community: Boss Shoe Shine and Repair, located at 349 East 75th Street in Chicago.

For over three decades, Boss Shoe Shine and Repair has served as more than just a place to polish and repair footwear; it has been a true anchor on 75th Street, representing the dedication, craftsmanship, and entrepreneurial spirit that defines our local businesses. In an era where quick fixes often supersede quality.

Boss Shoe Shine and Repair stands as a testament to the enduring value of expert service and meticulous attention to detail.

This establishment provides an essential service to the community, helping residents preserve their favorite shoes and boots, ensuring they look their best, and contributing to sustainability by extending the life of cherished items. Beyond the practical services, Boss Shoe Shine and Repair also embodies the spirit of a traditional neighborhood business—a place where customers are known by name, and a sense of community is fostered with every interaction.

Businesses like Boss Shoe Shine and Repair are the backbone of our local economy and the heart of our neighborhoods. They provide vital services, create jobs, and contribute to the unique character of our urban landscape.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in celebrating Boss Shoe Shine and Repair for their unwavering commitment to quality, their dedication to serving the community, and for maintaining a business that has been a steady and reliable presence on 75th St.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO NELSON LINE AS HE RETIRES**HON. STENY H. HOYER**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Nelson Line as he prepares for retirement after more than 20 years of service to the U.S. House of Representatives.

Over his career, Nelson has been one of the House's most dedicated public servants, serving in multiple positions in the Office of Official Reporters within the Office of the Clerk.

Nelson was born in Hagerstown, Maryland. In 1976, he graduated from South Hagerstown High School. After high school, Nelson attended Hagerstown Junior College and in 1981, he earned a bachelor's degree in Recording Industry Management from Middle

Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

After college, Nelson relocated to the Washington, D.C. area and worked in retail management selling recorded music. He then went on to work for several court reporting firms, including Miller Reporting, Inc.; Susan Talarico and Associates; and Diversified Reporting Services, Inc.

In November 2004, Nelson joined the Office of Official Reporters' committee division as a Production Assistant. In June 2009, Nelson transitioned to the floor operational division of the Official Reporters' Office, working as a Legislative Data Specialist. Nelson was promoted in 2016 to the Systems Analyst position, the most senior position of the Official Reporters' Legislative Data Specialists' team.

Over long hours whenever the House is in session, Nelson's duties include processing Members' submissions for the *Congressional Record*, including Extensions of Remarks, General Leave Statements, and Personal Explanation statements. That includes, Mr. Speaker, more than just a few submissions from yours truly. Furthermore, Nelson is also responsible for the transmittal of the electronic *Congressional Record* to the Government Publishing Office.

Nelson has admirably dedicated 20 years of his professional career to the Office of the Clerk. He has worked under six Speakers of the House: the Honorables J. Dennis Hastert, NANCY PELOSI, John A. Boehner, Paul D. Ryan, Kevin McCarthy, and now, MIKE JOHN-SON.

In addition, Nelson has worked for five Clerks of the House: the Honorables Jeff Trandahl, Karen L. Haas, Lorraine C. Miller, Cheryl L. Johnson, and Kevin F. McCumber. Post retirement, Nelson is looking forward to his next chapter of adventures. He plans to travel, read, spend time with friends, pursue educational opportunities, and invest more time in personal interests.

Nelson is one of the countless hardworking, dedicated professionals who serve behind the scenes to make the People's House function For The People. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I want to thank Nelson Line for his wonderful service to his country and to wish him well as he begins this exciting new chapter.

RECOGNIZING DR. CHARLES SMITH

HON. BARRY MOORE

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. MOORE of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize the inauguration of the Sixth President of the University of Mobile, Dr. Charles Smith, who was unanimously elected to be inaugurated on May 1st and has taken charge of leading the university.

Dr. Smith was born and raised in Montgomery before he pursued his PhD at the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in North Carolina. He served for eleven years as Senior Vice President for Institutional Relations and an Assistant Professor of Christian Leadership at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and Spurgeon College in Kansas City, Missouri.

Dr. Smith also co-founded the "For the Church" resource platform, offering free online resources for churches across the Nation.