

with him every step of the way to this special honor. The Tony Awards are presented annually to Broadway productions for exceptional performances and include special honors beyond the boundaries of Broadway.

Mr. Speaker, Michael has been an asset for the theatre community locally in Connecticut, nationally, and internationally. He spent his entire life dedicating himself to the preservation of the arts, and this award is a representation of that devotion. As a friend of Michael's for over twenty years, I can attest to his endless passion for advancing the benefits of live theatre, and for his wonderful, down to earth sense of humor. He is a caring person, always ready to help his community and people in need. He is an inspiration to all who have the opportunity to know him.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in this chamber join me in adding a layer to his already permanent case, by recognizing the astonishing career of Michael Price.

RECOGNIZING MAJOR GENERAL
MELISSA COBURN FOR HER
SERVICE TO THE 22ND AIR
FORCE

HON. BARRY LOUDERMILK

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. LOUDERMILK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Major General Melissa Coburn for her service to the 22nd Air Force at Dobbins Air Reserve Base in Marietta, Georgia.

Major General Coburn commissioned through the United States Air Force Academy in 1992 and served eleven years on active duty, before transitioning to the Air Force Reserve in February 2003. During her service, Major General Coburn has more than 6,000 flight hours in the T-37, T-38, C-141B, C-123, KC-135, C-17A, C-40, C-130H/J, including 279 combat hours in support of operations in Hungary, Iraq, and Afghanistan.

Major General Coburn has been a close partner in improving our Nation's tactical air mobility operations capability through recapitalization of the Air Force Reserve's C-130 inventory. She has heavily invested in servicemember quality of life improvements throughout her command, especially at Dobbins Air Reserve Base. With more than 12,000 Reserve Airmen and 59 unit-equipped aircraft, her leadership of the 22nd Air Force has directly contributed to our Nation's security through aerial spray, fire suppression, weather reconnaissance, tactical airlift and airdrop and aeromedical evacuation.

As Major General Coburn continues her service to the United States upon her departure from Dobbins Air Reserve Base and the 22nd Air Force, it has been a pleasure working closely with her to benefit our servicemembers. I congratulate Major General Coburn on her Change of Command and look forward to working with her again soon in the years to come.

HONORING BREANNA GRACE
EHRlich, EAGLE SCOUT

HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. VAN DREW. Mr. Speaker, today, I honor Eagle Scout Breanna Grace Ehrlich after her years of service to the Scouts of America including being a founding member of the first female Scouts Troop in South Jersey. Throughout the years, she held several leadership positions starting with Patrol Leader before climbing her way to Senior Patrol Leader, the highest youth leadership rank. Breanna showed her dedication to the scouts by achieving 36 merit badges and putting together a two-fold for the Hamilton Township Rescue Squad for her Eagle Scout project. She has been awarded a high-level scholarship to Juniata College, where she has continued her dedication to success focusing in the challenging major of Biochemistry. Breanna has also continued her passion for singing by auditioning and being chosen for the Select Choir, and she also participates in theater programs as the Stage Manager. I congratulate Breanna on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout, and I look forward to hearing what great things she will accomplish in college. God bless Breanna and God bless our United States of America. The greatest country in the world.

RECOGNIZING LAURA JEFFRIES

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

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

Laura has overcome many challenges along her journey to success, demonstrating perseverance at every step. Students who strive to make the most of their education, like Laura, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Laura's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Three Creeks K-8 and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

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

RECOGNIZING RUTH GAVISH

HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding contributions that Ms. Ruth Gavish has made to our community in the aftermath of Hurricane Milton. In addition to providing countless hours of direct support to neighbors and flood victims, she helped coordinate the collection and distribution of emergency supplies, meals and donated services to help those who needed help.

A truly selfless leader, Ms. Gavish was a strong advocate for bringing in government and non-profit resources to aid in the recovery process.

It is clear that Ruth Gavish has made a profoundly positive impact on our community, and I am grateful for her service. May we all strive to serve our communities with the same dedication and humility.

HONORING VINTAGE 1945 PREMIUM
CIGARS AND IRENE "THE
DREAM" LOYDE

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 honor and celebrate a remarkable entrepreneur and her inspired business, Vintage 1945 Premium Cigars, founded and led by the truly exceptional Irene "The Dream" Loyde.

Vintage 1945 Premium Cigars is more than just a business; it is a heartfelt tribute, thoughtfully named after her mother. Faye Anderson's birth year. This deeply personal connection speaks volumes about the passion and dedication that Ms. Loyde pours into every aspect of her venture. As the Owner and CEO, Irene "The Dream" Loyde has cultivated a brand that offers premium cigars, embodying quality, heritage, and a unique personal touch. She has been a national cigar industry entrepreneur since 2010, a testament to her resilience and perseverance in a male dominant industry.

In an industry often dominated by large corporations, Ms. Loyde stands out as a visionary and successful independent business owner. Her leadership exemplifies the strength and resilience of entrepreneurs who bring their unique stories and craftsmanship to the marketplace. Vintage 1945 Premium Cigars not only provides a high-quality product but also contributes to the rich tapestry of small businesses that are the backbone of our economy and the heart of our communities.

Irene "The Dream" Loyde's journey with Vintage 1945 Premium Cigars is an inspiration, showcasing how personal heritage can be transformed into a thriving enterprise. Her commitment to excellence and her ability to create a brand with such significant meaning are truly commendable.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in celebrating Irene "The Dream" Loyde on the success of Vintage 1945 Premium Cigars, for her entrepreneurial spirit, and her dedication to quality. I also ask that my colleagues congratulate her in building a business that continues her family legacy.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BILL HUIZENGA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise in regard to missed votes. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 146, and YEA on Roll Call No. 147.

RECOGNIZING BEAUTY MOOD'S
ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an outstanding constituent from my district, Jenya Rahazhynskaya. Jenya is the founder and owner of Beauty Mood, a hair and beauty salon located in Warminster, Pennsylvania. With her business' mission to enhance people's natural beauty and provide opportunities to indulge in self-care, Beauty Mood offers a wide range of services in a relaxing environment, delivered by skilled professionals. On June 24, 2025, Beauty Mood will be celebrating its first anniversary, commemorating a year of giving clients a place to unwind, pamper themselves, and receive hairdos of perfection.

With Jenya's commitment to her mission, Beauty Mood provides a vast array of hair and beauty services, including haircuts, styling, coloring, makeup, brow lamination with tint and shape, as well as eyelash extensions, lifts, and tints. Her team of highly skilled and experienced stylists and beauticians deliver exceptional services, ensuring every client leaves feeling refreshed and renewed.

Beyond exceptional expertise, Jenya's salon offers impeccable customer service and attention to detail. The staff is friendly, professional, and always willing to go the extra mile to meet their clients' needs. Whether you're looking for a quick trim or a complete makeover, Beauty Mood has you covered.

In essence, Jenya's story embodies the American Dream. Hailing from Minsk, Belarus, she came to the United States with the dream of opening her own salon. In 2019, she earned her cosmetology license from the Jean Madeline Aveda Institute. By combining her new certification with skills cultivated during her upbringing in Eastern Europe, Jenya brought a unique professional expertise to the Greater Philadelphia area. After obtaining her United States Citizenship, Jenya fulfilled her dream through opening her very own small business. Today, Beauty Mood's popularity and success makes a difference in the lives of many Bucks County individuals—an area I proudly serve and represent.

Ultimately, Jenya Rahazhynskaya's story serves as a shining example of how dedication and ambition lead to success. Through earning her cosmetology license and owning a successful small business, Jenya sets a powerful example for others in the beauty industry—especially through her professionalism, attention to detail, and passion for her craft. Her salon attracts clients from diverse backgrounds, notably the large Eastern European community in Bucks County. Through her ability to blend American and Eastern European techniques with ever-changing trends, her business serves as a true asset to the salon industry in the United States.

We are incredibly grateful for the impact Jenya Rahazhynskaya has had throughout her career and we happily celebrate the first anniversary of her salon. We wish for her continued success as she continues to serve and uplift our community.

HONORING LIEUTENANT COLONEL
DEAN MATHIS

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to present this citation to Lieutenant Colonel Dean Mathis, on the occasion of his retirement with twenty years of honorable service in the United States Army, from May 28, 2005, through May 31, 2025.

Born in 1983 at Andrews Air Force Base, Dean was raised in a family with a long history of military service to the country. Dean's great-grandfather, Corporal James T. Plummer, served a distinction in the U.S. Army field artillery during WWI. His grandfather, Commander Raymond J. Plummer, served 23 years in the U.S. Navy Reserves from 1952 through 1975. Dean's mother, Julia Plummer, was commissioned at Penn State University by her father, Commander Plummer, in May 1979 and served 6 years active duty in the U.S. Army Signal Corps.

In 2001, Dean graduated from Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School, Altoona, Pennsylvania, where he was a member of the National Honor Society and played varsity football. Dean's military career started in June 2001 when he was accepted as a cadet into the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Class of 2005.

On May 28, 2005, Dean's grandfather, Commander Raymond Plummer (USNR ret.), commissioned 2nd Lieutenant Dean A. Mathis into the U.S. Army Infantry. Dean served with distinction and courage through three combat tours in Iraq in 2006, 2008, and 2011, rising to the rank of Captain. On his third combat tour, Captain Mathis commanded Apache Troop, 6–9 CAV, 1 Cavalry Division. Captain Mathis was awarded the Bronze Star medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Air Assault Badge, Global War on Terrorism medal, the Iraq campaign medal with four campaign stars, and the Overseas Service ribbon.

From 2012 through 2014, he earned a Master's Degree in Nuclear Engineering at Texas A&M University as part of his transition from the Infantry Branch to Functional Area 52, or the Army's nuclear counterproliferation branch. Following graduation, Major Mathis was assigned to teach Physics and Nuclear Engineering at West Point. From there, he served in both the Defense Intelligence and Defense Threat Reduction agencies from 2017 through 2025 with a focus on assessing and reducing the threat of weapons of mass destruction (WMD) to the United States.

In addition to the medals previously listed, Lieutenant Colonel Dean A. Mathis was awarded the following medals during his distinguished career: Defense Meritorious Service medal, the Army Commendation medal, Joint Service Achievement medal, the Army Achievement medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, National Defense Service medal, and the Army Service ribbon.

The United States of America and the 119th Congress of the United States thank him for his honorable and dedicated military service in the United States Army from 2005 through 2025.

On behalf of the 13th Congressional District of Pennsylvania, I commend Lieutenant Colo-

nel Dean A. Mathis and thank him for his distinguished service.

HONORING NATHANIEL MIGNANO,
EAGLE SCOUT

HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Mr. VAN DREW. Mr. Speaker, today, I want to honor new Eagle Scout Nathaniel Mignano, who during his time with the scouts, earned an impressive 30 Merit badges, achieved a high number of awards, and completed an outstanding Eagle Scout project. Nathan started eleven years ago as a Cub Scout and now has accumulated merit badges across a multitude of categories, including Citizenship in the Nation and the Community showing just how patriotic Nathan is. He also earned badges in personal fitness and hiking, and earned the National Outdoor Achievement Award by obtaining the Camping Award and two gold pins by completing additional tasks. Throughout his time as a Scout, Nathan hiked over 250 miles, kayaked 13 miles, and spent 70 nights camping in the wild. For his Eagle Scout project, he made major improvements to the Elephant Swamp Trail by installing a larger flower bed, and adding plants to the entrance sign as well as put in new mile markers and birdhouses every quarter mile. Nathan is homeschooled, so he is exercising his high school option as a student at Rowan College of South Jersey, where he is on the President's List and a member of the Honor Society. He has expressed interest in following in his family's footsteps and becoming an attorney, or possibly a National Park Ranger. I have no doubt Nathan will be successful in any endeavor he decides to pursue. God bless Nathan and God bless our United States of America. The greatest country in the world.

RECOGNIZING LUCAS STEISKAL

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

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

Lucas 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 Lucas, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Lucas's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Three Creeks K–8 and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

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