

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

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RES. 537 IMPEACHMENT RESOLU-  
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SPEECH OF

**HON. BETTY McCOLLUM**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 24, 2025*

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, impeachment is the most consequential tool Congress has for upholding our duty to defend the Constitution and protect the American people from a president who has betrayed his oath and engaged in illegal conduct.

Bringing an impeachment resolution to the floor in the manner it was done by Congressman GREEN undermines the ability of Congress to make the serious and very real case for impeachment against this or any future president. Impeachment necessitates a deliberate process of investigation and thorough documentation of crimes committed against the American people.

President Trump was impeached twice during his first term because he proved himself to be unfit to serve in office, and I voted to impeach him both times. Before bringing those resolutions to the floor, the Democratic Majority in the House committed ourselves to building the case, as a prosecutor does for a trial. We conducted a formal inquiry during the first impeachment, where we subpoenaed witnesses and held public hearings. We produced the evidence to demonstrate that the President had abused his power and obstructed Congress.

When President Trump was impeached a second time for inciting an insurrection, the Democratic conference worked together to draft a factual and thoughtful impeachment resolution to reflect what Members of Congress and our entire nation witnessed on January 6, 2021. When the resolution was brought to the floor a week later, almost every House Democrat was a cosponsor. I presided over that vote in the House of Representatives, with full confidence in the case we were presenting to the American people.

By contrast, the impeachment resolution that I will vote to table on June 25th was drafted in isolation by one member, and Representative GREEN introduced it a mere two hours before he came to the floor to push it to a vote. It was rushed to the floor with no coordination with the larger body of us who are working to hold President Trump accountable. It was not a serious attempt to gather the evidence and convince the American people of the grave nature of the President's violations of the law and the Constitution.

Currently, the House of Representatives is controlled by the President's party, and it is clear that their majority is unwilling to take even the most basic step to hold President Trump accountable for his illegal and unconstitutional actions. To be clear, the House of Representatives has a duty under the Constitution to hold a president accountable for il-

legal conduct. This obligation begins with an open, transparent process of Congressional hearings, investigations, and subpoenas. The Republican majority controlling this Congress will not allow that work to move forward, but a premature and poorly reasoned resolution like this hurts our ability to progress on the path to accountability for President Trump.

My constituents can count on me to hold Mr. Trump accountable in a manner that is fully transparent and clearly documents his malfeasance as the President of the United States.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. DANIEL S. GOLDMAN**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 30, 2025*

Mr. GOLDMAN. Mr. Speaker, I missed votes because of an important family matter. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 185.

## CELEBRATING OUR 2025 SUMMER INTERN CLASS FOR THEIR SERV- ICE TO CALIFORNIA'S 20TH DIS- TRICT

**HON. VINCE FONG**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 30, 2025*

Mr. FONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the outstanding interns who have devoted their summer to serving the people of California's 20th District. From my offices in Washington, D.C., and Bakersfield, these students have demonstrated maturity beyond their years, contributing their time, intellect, and drive to support our work in meaningful ways. They brought fresh insight, a willingness to learn, and an admirable commitment to public service. Their presence has been a welcome reminder of the promise and potential of the next generation. At a time when many young Americans are navigating questions about their role in civic life, these interns chose to engage directly with purpose and passion.

As their summer internships come to a close, I want to express my deepest gratitude to Isaac Chipres, Luke Fernandes, and Margaret Woolf for their contributions to my Washington, D.C., office and to Gianna Gatson for her service in my Bakersfield, California office. Their hard work has been instrumental to my team's efforts, and I trust that the skills and educational experiences they have gained will guide them toward continued success in their future endeavors in public service. I look forward to seeing where their paths lead, and I hope those paths include a continued dedication to serving others.

## HONORING THE LIFE OF MICHAEL KRAMER

**HON. HALEY M. STEVENS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 30, 2025*

Ms. STEVENS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the honorable life of my dear friend, Michael Kramer, a passionate legal professional and a champion of access to education and healthcare. Mr. Kramer centered his life around service. Among his many contributions, his creation of scholarships for students at Oakland University and support of innovative research at the University of Michigan's Rogel Cancer Center will be remembered for their ongoing impact.

Mr. Kramer was a member of the Board of Trustees at Oakland University for over two decades, where he and his wife, Zina, created a namesake scholarship at Oakland University's School of Medicine. In its inaugural year, this scholarship provided an incoming medical student with \$50,000. This is just one example of the tremendous work Mr. Kramer did throughout his tenure on the board to make education more accessible.

Since his passing, his friends and loved ones have consistently described him as "a good man," and he truly was one of the best I have ever known. Through his work and general persona, Mr. Kramer always acted in the best interests of others and encouraged his peers to do the same. His remarkable humanitarian work contributed to his profile as a philanthropist through Oakland University and the University of Michigan. Michael Kramer passed away on March 28, 2025. He is survived by his remarkable wife, Zina, who has long been Michael's partner in his altruistic work, his two children David (Aneesa) and Lisa (Josh), his grandchildren, Samuel, Max, Sydney, and Madison, and his sister-in-law, Anita Zicherman (Ralph).

Mr. Speaker, I am deeply honored to recognize the life and service of my friend, Michael Kramer, who dedicated his time to uplifting his peers and strengthening community. Please join me in celebrating this wonderful individual and the lessons he shared with us.

## CONGRATULATING WMBD'S GREG AND DAN SHOW

**HON. DARIN LaHOOD**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 30, 2025*

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to congratulate Greg Batton and Dan Diorio as their morning radio show reaches an incredible milestone. For 20 years, they have been the voice of the Greg and Dan Show on WMBD Radio in my hometown of Peoria, Illinois. Both have dedicated themselves to providing residents of Central Illinois with relevant

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and reliable news to keep the public informed and entertained.

They have brought a personal and powerful form of communication to their audience. The Greg and Dan Show serves as a bridge between communities, providing a unique space where local stories, issues, and voices can be heard.

Greg and Dan have played a significant role in amplifying the voices of politicians, local leaders, and members of the community to ensure their listeners are informed on public events and both national and local issues.

WMBD is the oldest commercial radio Station in Peoria, and for 20 years of its rich history, Greg and Dan have been working together to better the lives of listeners and give back to communities and organizations across Central Illinois.

This is a monumental moment for the Greg and Dan Show. I congratulate them on their 20 years of success. I look forward to listening to their show for many more years to come.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOME RULE ACT

#### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Monday, June 30, 2025*

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the National Capital Planning Commission District of Columbia Home Rule Act. This bill would remove the authority of the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC), a federal agency, to review or approve the development of District of Columbia-owned real property. This bill would also remove the requirement that the D.C. Mayor get NCPC's approval before selling D.C.-owned real property and allow D.C. agencies to transfer jurisdiction over D.C.-owned real property among themselves without NCPC's approval.

Under federal law, NCPC has approval authority for the development of D.C.-owned buildings located in the "central area," including the location, height, bulk, number of stories and size of such buildings. D.C. is required to consult with NCPC on the development of D.C.-owned buildings outside the central area, but NCPC has only advisory authority in those areas. The central area is defined by the concurrent action of NCPC and the D.C. Council and currently consists of the Downtown and Shaw Urban Renewal Areas.

NCPC's authority over D.C.-owned real property violates D.C. home rule and is unnecessary, as demonstrated by the virtual absence of its use to disapprove sales or development. The federal government should not be able to slow, block or add to the cost of the development of D.C.-owned real property.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

#### REMEMBERING ROBERT "BOB" LECHTRECK, SR.

#### HON. VINCE FONG

OF CALIFORNIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Monday, June 30, 2025*

Mr. FONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life and legacy of Rob-

ert "Bob" Lehtreck, Sr., a decorated Navy veteran of World War II and the fifth Fire Chief of Kern County. Bob passed away recently, just months after celebrating his 100th birthday. His remarkable life reflects a century of service and deep devotion to both his country and his community.

Born on April 2, 1925, Bob Lehtreck joined the U.S. Navy at the age of 17. He served in the Pacific Theater during World War II and saw combat in some of the most pivotal battles of the war, including the Battle of Okinawa. Just three days before his death, we marked the 80th anniversary of that battle, which serves as a reminder of the high cost of freedom and the courage of those like Bob who helped secure it. His ship later guarded Tokyo Bay during the signing of Japan's formal surrender, helping to usher in the end of the war.

In 1948, Bob returned home and joined the Kern County Fire Department. Over the course of a 30-year career, he rose through the ranks to become the department's fifth fire chief. Having worked alongside Kern County's very first fire chief, Harold Boway, he was a bridge between generations and remains the only known person to have driven the department's first fire engine, a 1929 Moreland, on active calls.

In his later years, Bob remained an active and honored member of the community. He was part of the very first Kern County Honor Flight to Washington, D.C., where he visited the World War II Memorial and the U.S. Capitol in recognition of his service. On his 100th birthday, he was celebrated by friends, neighbors, veterans, and members of the Kern County Fire Department, who gave their former chief a ceremonial ride in a working fire engine—a fitting tribute for a life of courage and leadership.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Bob Lehtreck, Sr., who was a patriot and a pillar of Kern County. His memory will endure in the hearts of those he inspired and the institutions he helped build.

#### SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Wednesday, July 2, 2025 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

#### MEETINGS SCHEDULED

##### JULY 7

5:30 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Airland

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2026.

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##### JULY 8

9:15 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2026.

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9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Personnel

Business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2026.

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10 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2026.

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10:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Cybersecurity

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2026.

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11 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Strategic Forces

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2026.

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11:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Seapower

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2026.

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2:30 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2026.

SR-222

##### JULY 9

9 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Closed business meeting to continue to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2026.

SR-222