

I thank Mr. Turner for his 35 years of selfless service to Clayton County. His commitment has left an indelible mark on our community, and it is my hope that this moment of recognition serves as a reminder that his contributions will not be forgotten.

With my deepest appreciation.

CLARIFYING CHANGES TO H.R. 1

HON. DUSTY JOHNSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Mr. Speaker, I rise to clarify the changes to depreciation rules in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act as they pertain to energy property installed by the geothermal heating and cooling industry. Section 70509 of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act will exclude certain energy property from qualifying as "5-year property" under section 168(e)(3)(B) of the tax code. It is my understanding that after this change, geothermal heat pump systems (i.e., energy equipment of the type described in section 48(a)(3)(A)(vii) of the tax code) will qualify as "7-year property." This is because geothermal heat pump systems do not have a class life, and it is my understanding that they are not considered residential rental or nonresidential property for purposes of the tax code. Accordingly, such systems are 7-year property (which is one of the asset classes eligible for bonus depreciation).

CELEBRATING THE REMARKABLE CAREER OF PAUL MARZELLO

HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Mr. KENNEDY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Mr. Paul Marzello and his remarkable career of service as President and CEO to the Buffalo and Erie County Naval & Military Park, as he enters into retirement after many years of dedicated work. Mr. Marzello's impactful leadership with the Park has strengthened the legacy of the Nation's largest inland naval park, through strategic partnerships and innovative outreach programs.

Mr. Marzello has inspired civic engagement and preserved crucial American history by way of his visionary leadership and commitment to our Nation's history. His work directly focused on making connections with local and national institutions to bolster STEM education, as well as strengthening relationships with veterans' organizations and civic leaders. Mr. Marzello's experience and dedication to fostering relationships between local and national organizations deepened his unwavering commitment to the Western New York community.

Mr. Marzello's innovative guidance and commitment to honoring United States veterans and preserving our Nation's military history was instrumental in spearheading the pre-restoration of the U.S.S. *The Sullivans*, a retired United States Navy Fletcher-class destroyer that previously faced partial sinking from extreme weather conditions. Mr.

Marzello's 'Master Plan' restoration project garnered financial support from local, state, and federal leaders, along with national media attention.

Today, as Mr. Marzello retires from his dedicated service, and innumerable medal presentations, we celebrate not only his professional accomplishments but also his unwavering commitment to Western New York and the United States of America. His continued outreach, insight, and loyal devotion to the Buffalo and Erie County Naval & Military Park has forged a strong path for the preservation of our Nation's history for generations to come, and we are all the better for it.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I regret that I was unable to make the following votes. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 191; YEA on Roll Call No. 192; and YEA on Roll Call No. 193.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DELIA C. RAMIREZ

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Mrs. RAMIREZ. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 194; NAY on Roll Call No. 195; and YEA on Roll Call No. 196.

RECOGNIZING DR. HAGIR ELSHEIKH

HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Dr. Hagir Elsheimh, a distinguished resident of the 10th Congressional District, for her exemplary public service, charitable leadership, and extraordinary contributions to healthcare and autism advocacy within the Commonwealth and the Nation. Dr. Elsheimh is the Chairwoman and CEO of Hagir Network and the founder of multiple mission-driven organizations, including Kareem's Mission Autism Support Center, Tomorrow's Smile Inc., HSE Staffing Agency LLC, Autism Care Solutions LLC, and KMission TV LLC.

A serial entrepreneur, nurse, educator, and a former Sudanese refugee who survived political torture and violence, Dr. Elsheimh came to Pennsylvania in 2001, where she rebuilt her life and impacted thousands through programs that serve children with autism, train and employ caregivers, and create educational media. She also mentors women and youth throughout Pennsylvania in leadership, business, and civic engagement.

Dr. Elsheimh has earned awards such as the 2025 Globe St. Humanitarian Woman of Influence Honoree, Honorary Doctor of Humane

Letters from Central Penn College, 2024 YWCA Carolyn L. Smith Legacy Award Recipient, 2024 Harambee Award, Life Esteem Inc., Pennsylvania Senate Citation Honoree, and her work was featured on France 24, BBC, WITF, ABC, AlhurraTV, and VOA. Her memoir, *Through Tragedy and Triumph: A Life Well Traveled*, supports survivor scholarships and peacebuilding initiatives.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 10th Congressional District, I am honored to recognize Dr. Hagir Elsheimh as a courageous leader, international diplomat, and philanthropist for her exceptional service to the Citizens of Pennsylvania, and for her tireless efforts to build love and compassion into every sector she touches, from healthcare to charity. Her life stands as a model of resilience, passion, and public service.

RECOGNIZING EMILY HALE

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

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

A Louisville, Kentucky native, Emily graduated with a Bachelors of Arts in Political Science from the University of Kentucky in 2024. During her time in college, Emily volunteered her time as a Court Appointed Special Advocate in Lexington and served as an intern in my Washington, D.C. office. Upon graduation, Emily began her career in Washington, D.C. and joined my team to serve the constituents of Kentucky's 2nd District as my Staff Assistant in the summer of 2024, where she gave phenomenal tours, treated my constituents with kindness, and navigated the unpredictable 2025 Presidential Inauguration with grace. After I became Chairman of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, I knew I wanted Emily's optimism and readiness to serve on my new team. She transitioned to become the Staff Assistant for the Energy and Commerce Committee in January of this year and was a critical farce in making sure committee markups and hearings went smoothly, including a nearly 27 hour long markup to help pass our portion of President Trump's One Big Beautiful Bill.

Soon, Emily Hale will depart the House Committee on Energy and Commerce to serve another member of the Kentucky delegation, Dean of the House HAL ROGERS (KY-05), as his Legislative Correspondent—a role I know she will excel in. I wish her the best in all her bright future and thank her for service to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and to the constituents of Kentucky's 2nd Congressional District.

RECOGNIZING MS. AGNES BAIN

HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Mr. KENNEDY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and remember the life of Ms. Agnes Bain, a beloved Western New York

community member whose love and devotion to African American arts has shaped the way that future generations understand, celebrate, and preserve Black cultural expression.

Ms. Bain spent nearly five decades at the African American Cultural Center in Buffalo, New York, including two decades holding the role of Executive Director, helping to ensure that African American arts of all variations were celebrated and kept alive for Black culture and storytelling. Throughout her career, Ms. Bain, as a multimedia producer, created over one hundred African American centered works across film, television, music, and dance.

Appointed by former Buffalo, New York Mayor Anthony Masiello to the New York State Council on the Special Arts Service Program, she focused her attention on expanding the rich and diverse cultural resources that are and will become the heritage of community members throughout New York State. Alongside her work with the African American Cultural Center, Ms. Bain held the position of board member on the East Side Coalition of the Arts and the Niagara Frontier Folk Art Council.

Mr. Speaker, Ms. Agnes Bain lived a life of devotion to community, and her love of the fine arts. Her unwavering commitment to what she loved and her compassion towards others made a profound impact on all who knew her. Ms. Bain was a woman who believed in the power and significance of African American arts and culture above all else, and worked tirelessly to uplift, protect, and share with future generations. Her kindness, loyalty, and warmth will forever be remembered. Let us continue to honor her legacy by carrying forward the values she lived by: respect, preservation, and above all, love.

RECOGNIZING WYATT DICKINSON, EAGLE SCOUT

HON. W. GREGORY STEUBE

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Mr. STEUBE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Wyatt Dickinson. Wyatt is a member of Boy Scout Troop 776 and has exemplified extraordinary leadership, innovative problem-solving, and a demonstrated commitment to making a lasting, positive impact, by earning the most prestigious rank in Scouting—the Eagle Scout.

Eagle Scouts are recognized as trailblazers who are willing to tackle the most pressing challenges facing their communities and the world with measurable, sustainable, and far-reaching results. To earn the Eagle Scout rank, a Scout must identify and investigate an issue they care about, devise a plan, and then lead a team of experts and community members to implement a project that produces lasting change. Eagle Scouts demonstrate significant initiative, commitment, and leadership, distinguishing them from their peers. Through their resourcefulness and perseverance, they embody the Scout's Oath to 'help other people at all times.'

Wyatt's project, "Blessing Bags", was an excellent endeavor to address homelessness in our community. Wyatt acted by collecting snacks, stuffing bags, and distributing them to

the homeless and less fortunate teens. His compassion and dedication will have a positive impact on our community for years to come.

On behalf of the 17th Congressional District of Florida, I congratulate Wyatt Dickinson for achieving the highest distinction in Scouting, the rank of Eagle Scout. We thank Wyatt for his leadership and making such a positive, lasting change in our community.

CELEBRATING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF ANNA DALESIO FRETZ

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Anna Dalesio Fretz, a remarkable constituent from my district who just celebrated her 100th birthday. Anna was born on July 11, 1925, in her home in Lansdale, Pennsylvania, to Antonio and Rose Dalesio.

Anna met Arthur (Art) Fretz at the Rainco Factory, Lansdale, when she was 17 years old. They were married on March 6, 1943. Art joined the U.S. Air Force and served as an airplane mechanic during World War II.

After Art's discharge in 1950 from the Air Force, they settled at their home on Spur Road in Souderton, Bucks County, where they raised their two children, Annamae and Arthur Jr. (Artie). Anna also helped raise her two grandchildren, Tom and Lisa Fretz, while Artie served two tours for the U.S. Army in the Vietnam War.

Anna was an excellent host to her family and friends until her move to Hidden Meadows on the Ridge, Sellersville, Bucks County in January 2024. She is well known for her Italian cooking, Sunday spaghetti dinners, savvy pinocchio and Rummikub skills and incredible sense of humor. Anna sang in her church choir and ran the shut-in ministry for many years at Faith Baptist of Sellersville. She continues to live a full life surrounded by her 7 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my esteemed colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to please join me in extending our heartfelt congratulations, sincere well-wishes, and all of God's Blessings to Anna Dalesio Fretz on the celebration of her 100th birthday.

HONORING THE KENNEDY FIRE DEPARTMENT ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. NICHOLAS A. LANGWORTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate a proud rural fire department in my district, the Kennedy Fire Department, which is proudly marking its 100th year of service to its community and surrounding areas.

Since 1925, the Kennedy Fire Department has stood as a symbol of courage, commitment, and community. For a full century, generations of volunteers have answered the call,

not for accolades or attention, but out of a deep and abiding duty to protect their neighbors.

This is a department that doesn't just show up, they step up. Whether it is a fire within their own town or a neighboring community in need, Kennedy's volunteers have never hesitated to offer support through mutual aid. When disaster strikes and the stakes are high, these men and women grab their gear and get moving, facing flames, chaos, and the unknown with unshakable resolve.

Their station, nestled on Dailey Hill Road, is home to a well-equipped fleet that reflects their forward-looking mindset. From modern engines and tankers to EMS response vehicles, Kennedy has made the investments needed to stay ready, and it shows.

They are more than just emergency responders. They are leaders, mentors, and hometown heroes. The department is deeply woven into the fabric of the Kennedy community—organizing events, hosting parades, educating the public, and building the kind of trust that only comes from a hundred years of walking the walk.

As the Representative for New York's 23rd District, it is my honor to recognize this incredible milestone and to thank every past and present member of the Kennedy Fire Department for their service. Their legacy is not only one of bravery, but one of relentless dedication to the people they serve.

RECOGNIZING THE NATION'S COMMUNITY SUPERVISION PROFESSIONALS

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Nation's community supervision professionals, who are dedicated public servants and perform many vital roles in their work with justice-involved adults and juveniles. They identify opportunities and services to help justice-involved individuals contribute to society, while holding them accountable for their actions. They remain mindful of their role in protecting public safety.

In honor of Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week 2025, whose theme is "Heroes Behind the Mission: Transforming Lives, Enhancing Public Safety," we salute all those who have chosen this important career. In the District of Columbia, we especially thank the employees of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia (CSOSA) and the Pretrial Services Agency for the District of Columbia (PSA) for their service. CSOSA and PSA are models of excellence in community supervision.

Community supervision agencies are valuable partners of other government agencies, nonprofits, neighborhood-based groups and all who strive to make our Nation safer and stronger. We extend our gratitude to community supervision professionals and recognize their many achievements as we proclaim July 20 through July 26, 2025, as Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week 2025.