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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. PAUL TONKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to attend votes on September 8, 2025.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 240, and YEA on Roll Call No. 241.

CELEBRATING THE APPOINTMENT OF REVEREND DR. WILLIAM CROWDER

HON. RAJA KRISHNAMOORTHY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Reverend Dr. William Crowder on his appointment as the next Regional Minister and President of the Living Waters Region of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Born and raised in Memphis, Tennessee, Reverend Dr. Crowder was inspired by his mother, who instilled in him a deep sense of faith, discipline, and service. As a young man, he distinguished himself both as a student leader, serving as student government vice president and president at Central State University, and as an athlete, helping lead his football team to a championship.

Answering his call to ministry, Dr. Crowder entered United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio. He was licensed by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in 1994 and ordained the following year.

Since then, Dr. Crowder has devoted his life to ministry and service, impacting communities far beyond the pulpit. Working alongside lay leaders of Park Manor and the City of Chicago, he helped bring forward a \$34 million senior housing project, secured a \$1 million state grant to combat gun violence, and contributed his time and insight on numerous distinguished boards. Through these efforts, he has lived out his calling to serve others and to strengthen the communities around him.

Reverend Dr. William Crowder's appointment is a testament to his lifelong devotion to faith and service. His leadership has strengthened congregations, uplifted communities, and left a lasting impact on Chicago and beyond.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating Reverend Dr. Crowder for this new role and for the many ways he has guided others with wisdom, compassion, and faith.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I regret that I was unable to make the following vote.

Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 224.

RECOGNIZING KATE O'CONNOR HARPER

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Kate O'Connor Harper for her service to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

A native of Chicago, Illinois and a graduate of the University of Chicago, Kate began her career as a Staff Assistant for Senator Mark Kirk (IL) before becoming Legislative Assistant and Correspondent for Senator DAN SULLIVAN (AK). In 2018, Kate joined President Trump's administration serving as Deputy Director of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs for the National Telecommunications and Information Administration where she proved to be a valuable asset and became Chief of Staff in 2019. Later that year, Kate returned to Capitol Hill to become Chief Counsel of the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology for the House Committee on Energy and Commerce under Ranking Member Greg Walden. She continued to lead in this role under Chair Cathy McMorris Rodgers and when I became Chairman, I knew I wanted to have her at the helm of this subcommittee. Under her leadership, her team passed historic legislation including the Protecting Americans from Foreign Adversaries Act and the reauthorization of the FCC's spectrum auction authority.

After serving three Chairmen and two Subcommittee Chairmen, Kate will soon depart Capitol Hill to work in the private sector as a telecommunications expert. I wish her the best, congratulate her on her new role, and thank Kate O'Connor Harper for her service to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and the United States Congress.

RECOGNIZING COUNCILWOMAN PATRICIA "PAT" ANDALORO

HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Mr. VAN DREW. Mr. Speaker, it is truly an honor to recognize Councilwoman Patricia Andaloro for her many years of devoted service to the people of Buena Borough. She was recently celebrated at the Buena Boro Republican League dinner, a well-earned recognition of her dedication, integrity, and steadfast commitment to her community. Pat first served as the Borough Clerk, where she became the backbone of local government. In that role, she guided residents and colleagues alike with professionalism and care, ensuring that the daily functions of the borough ran smoothly. Her attention to detail and her deep knowledge of municipal operations earned her the respect and trust of everyone who worked alongside her.

Today, as Councilwoman, Pat continues to bring that same spirit of service and leader-

ship. She has shown an unwavering commitment to good governance, always keeping the needs of her neighbors at the forefront. The recognition she received at the Buena Boro Republican League dinner was not just a tribute to her past accomplishments, but a reminder of the lasting impact she continues to make. I congratulate Pat on a very well-deserved honor and I thank her for the great work she is doing in South Jersey. God bless Pat and God bless our United States of America. The greatest country on the face of the Earth.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ANDREW "ANDY" C. MACK

HON. CHRIS PAPPAS

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. Andrew "Andy" C. Mack of Londonderry, New Hampshire, a steadfast pillar for his community who will be remembered for his commitment to service and his great generosity.

Raised in Londonderry, New Hampshire, Andy was a Granite Stater through and through. Earlier in his life, he served his country honorably in the Army Chemical Corps before returning to Londonderry. Whether as a town moderator, volunteer firefighter, or Derry Rotarian, Andy spent his life working for the greater good of his neighbors and his town. He had a vibrant civic life and was known for his handmade, plywood road signs, which boldly shared his views on a variety of topics.

The passing on of Andy's property is just one of many remarkable examples of his dedication to the people around him. After being owned by his family for seven generations, Andy eventually sold his family farm to the town of Londonderry. In doing so, he made sure that the land would be used for local schools, civic organizations, and nature conservation.

Andy's passing is a profound loss to Londonderry, but I know that his legacy will live on through those who knew and loved him, including his sons, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. His life offers inspiration to Granite Staters across New Hampshire who care about and aspire to make change in their communities. I am grateful for his memory and for the lasting impact Andy has made on our state.

COMMENDING THE HISTORY AND SERVICE OF THE DELAWARE VALLEY FOOD PANTRY

HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Mr. KEAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the remarkable history and service of the Delaware Valley Food Pantry in Lambertville, Hunterdon County.

For 70 years, this pantry has been a lifeline for families experiencing food insecurity in the Lambertville and New Hope communities. Since 1955, its dedicated volunteers have ensured that everyone who walks through its

doors feels welcomed, supported, and part of a caring community. An entirely volunteer-run organization, the pantry serves more than 1,000 individuals each month, generously giving their time to meet the needs of their neighbors.

As we celebrate seven decades of service, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the volunteers and community members whose dedication has made the Delaware Valley Food Pantry a lasting success and will continue to keep families fed for many years to come.

RECOGNIZING JPS HEALTH NETWORK FOR THE OPENING OF A NEW PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY CENTER

HON. MARC A. VEASEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Leadership and Staff of JPS Health Network.

On the occasion of the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Psychiatric Emergency Center, I extend my deepest congratulations and recognition on behalf of the people of the 33rd Congressional District.

This remarkable facility represents more than bricks and mortar—it is a testament to vision, leadership, and an unwavering commit-

ment to meeting one of our community's most urgent needs. By tripling capacity and providing 24/7 specialized behavioral health services for both adults and adolescents, JPS is not only expanding access to care but also affirming the dignity, safety, and hope that every individual deserves.

As Tarrant County's only psychiatric emergency center—and one of the busiest in the Nation—the opening of this center is a milestone in advancing compassionate, high-quality care. It reflects the dedication of the JPS leadership team, the skill and perseverance of the staff, and the broad collaboration that made this achievement possible.

I commend them for their service to our community, and I look forward to the positive impact this facility will have on countless patients, families, and first responders in the years to come.