

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CLIFF AND LINDA DAVIS

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 10, 2025

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate a love story that has spanned half a century—a story rooted in youthful hope that matured into a legacy of devotion and family. It is my honor to recognize Cliff and Linda Davis on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Cliff and Linda were high school sweethearts, drawn together in the bright promise of youth. While many young romances fade with time, theirs grew deeper, steadier, and more resilient. On October 19, 1975, they pledged their lives to each other, and for 50 years they have lived out that promise with grace and unwavering devotion.

Together they built not only a marriage but a home. A home where the laughter of children rang through the years, where values of honesty, sacrifice, and kindness were instilled. Their children, and now their grandchildren, carry forward that legacy. They are living reminders that the most powerful inheritance parents can give is not wealth or possessions, but a model of what love, commitment, and family truly means.

Yet their love story is not confined to their family alone. Cliff and Linda have been pillars in their community, quietly shaping the lives of those around them. Neighbors and friends know their door is always open, their table always ready to welcome another chair, their hearts always eager to serve. In times of joy, they have celebrated with others; in times of hardship, they have lifted burdens and offered strength. Their names have become synonymous with generosity, loyalty, and integrity.

Mr. Speaker, when we celebrate 50 years of marriage, we celebrate more than the passage of time. We celebrate thousands of small acts of love such as the morning smiles, the late-night reassurances, and the steady presence through every storm. We celebrate a golden thread that has bound two lives together and, in doing so, bound a family and a community closer as well.

On this golden anniversary, we honor Cliff and Linda Davis not only for the years they have shared, but for the example they have set. Their love reminds us that promises kept matter, that devotion is beautiful, and that strong families are the very foundation of strong communities.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in extending our deepest congratulations to Cliff and Linda Davis. May their days ahead be as joyful as the fifty years behind them, and may their story of love continue to shine as a beacon of hope for generations to come.

CELEBRATING THE 130TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARIEL CLUB OF ASBURY PARK

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 10, 2025

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join The Ariel Club, the oldest women's club in the State of New Jersey, as it celebrates its 130th anniversary this year. Since its incorporation in 1895, The Ariel Club has provided a supportive social environment for women of Asbury Park to connect, share experiences, and foster friendships.

Together, 10 women chartered and founded the first Asbury Park ariel cycles club to pair bicycle riding throughout the city with the community. Social clubs create a space for people to connect with their interests, hobbies, and businesses, and foster purposeful and influential partnerships. The Ariel Club's earliest rewarding community endeavors have transpired into a meaningful practice for several generations of women to follow.

In 1896, members began a collective effort to raise funds, volunteer their time, and donate supplies to the Asbury Park Library. This renowned group of women raised \$4,000 for the library of Asbury Park. Over the years, they have donated a beautiful large mahogany mantle clock, sponsored a beloved reading room, and continued to finance the clock's repairs today. It is a significant achievement that the Asbury Park Library could undergo several refurbishment projects and remain a fine resource for residents of Asbury Park after all these years. With forty current members, The Ariel Club remains a vibrant tight-knit group whose positive impact on the greater community stands as a special reminder of the value of neighborly connection.

It is my privilege to honor The Ariel Club as its members mark this historic 130th anniversary, and I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating this milestone. The Ariel Club truly deserves this body's recognition.

HONORING THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF CRANFORD UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL CHAPEL

HON. DONALD S. BEYER, JR.

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 10, 2025

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I seek to recognize the 125th anniversary of Cranford United Methodist Memorial Chapel, a spiritual home deeply rooted in the history of Fairfax County and the American story itself.

The site predates Fairfax County, which was found in 1742, starting and still serving as a place of worship and gathering. Originally home to Pohick Church, established in 1730, it counted among its vestry members George

Washington and George Mason. The surrounding cemetery, the oldest in the county, dates back to the same year and has been researched and preserved for centuries. Over 200 unmarked graves have been discovered and marked. This historic grave is where soldiers from the Revolutionary War and the Civil War lie to rest.

The site's spiritual legacy continued through the Methodist movement, with John Lewis and early circuit riders holding meetings here as far back as the early 1800's. By 1830, a formal Methodist congregation had been established, leading to the construction of Lewis Chapel in 1857, a humble building that served as a chapel, schoolhouse, and even a Civil War hospital. Its walls still bear visible traces of that history.

In 1900, local craftsman James Cranford built the present-day church, consecrated as Cranford United Methodist Memorial Chapel. 125 years later, it remains a sacred house of worship in Northern Virginia, interweaving community, service, history, and faith.

HONORING THE GENESIS GROUP

HON. NATHANIEL MORAN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 10, 2025

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a remarkable milestone: the 35th anniversary of the Genesis Group.

Founded in 1990 by Phil and Bobbie Burks, Genesis has always stood out—not just for its innovation in public safety technology, but for the heart behind the mission. For 35 years, they've grown a business that's as committed to people and community as it is to excellence in its field.

Under Phil's leadership, Genesis has become more than a technology firm. Through their Genesis Gives Back program, they've supported local schools, churches, and hunger relief efforts—while also becoming a global leader in protecting first responders and public safety professionals around the world.

Phil often says, "This is God's company, I just work there." And while not everyone may put it the same way, there's something powerful about using success as a means to give back and serve others.

Today, we honor Genesis—not only for three and a half decades of business growth—but for the impact they've had on lives here in East Texas and beyond.

I congratulate the Burks family and the entire Genesis team on 35 wonderful years.

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HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF SERGEANT MATTHEW TYLER
YOUNG

HON. ZACHARY NUNN

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 10, 2025

Mr. NUNN of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Sergeant Matthew Tyler Young, a devoted husband, father, son, brother, marine, and friend. A man of uncommon strength and deep compassion, Sergeant Young lived a life defined by service, sacrifice, and love for his country and community.

Matt answered the call to duty as a United States marine and served honorably in Iraq from 2004 to 2005 with 2nd Battalion, 24th Marines, Fox Company, where he earned the rank of Sergeant. To those who served beside him, he was more than a fellow marine. He was a brother, remembered for his quiet leadership and unwavering loyalty.

Following his military service, Matt remained committed to serving others. Whether coordinating evacuations of American and Afghan allies or standing beside a veteran in crisis, he showed up—consistently and without hesitation.

He did not seek attention or accolades. He believed that the measure of a life was found not in recognition, but in how faithfully we lift others up and how steadfastly we keep our promises. Matt's greatest pride was his family. He is survived by his beloved wife, Rachael, and their children, Owen, Trystan, David, and Mekenzie, as well as his trusted service dog, Trooper.

Matt's Marine Corps family remembers him as strong, loyal, quick to smile, and always ready to offer a helping hand. His character, shaped by discipline and compassion, left a lasting impact on all who knew him.

Matt's legacy lives on in the veterans he stood by, the families he comforted, and the community he helped strengthen. We carry his name forward in the way we serve, the way we show up for others, and the values we live by.

Mr. Speaker, this stands as a tribute to Sergeant Matthew Tyler Young's enduring impact. May it remind us that even in grief, there is gratitude—for the joy he gave, the lives he touched, and the example he set. And may it call each of us to live as he did, with honor, with heart, and with unwavering devotion. *Semper Fidelis, Sergeant Young. Never Forgotten.*

COMMEMORATING THE 125TH ANNI-
VERSARY OF THE UNITED METH-
ODIST FAMILY SERVICES OF
VIRGINIA

HON. JENNIFER L. McCLELLAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 10, 2025

Ms. McCLELLAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Shineforth, formerly known as UMFS, on the occasion of its 125th anniversary of service to children, families, and communities across Virginia.

Founded in 1900 as the Virginia Conference Orphanage, the organization has evolved over

the past century to meet the changing needs of vulnerable children and families. From its earliest days, providing care and shelter for orphans, to its transformation into United Methodist Family Services, and now as Shineforth, the organization has remained steadfast in its mission: to create a world where all children can belong and thrive.

Over the past 125 years, Shineforth has pioneered innovative services for children in foster care, those with special education needs, and youth facing behavioral health challenges. Its programs, including foster care and adoption services, residential treatment, community-based support, and the Charterhouse School, have become a model of compassion, resilience, and evidence-based care.

What has not changed is Shineforth's unwavering belief in the worth and dignity of every child. Generations of families in Virginia have been strengthened because of the care, advocacy, and vision provided by this organization and its dedicated staff, volunteers, and supporters.

As Shineforth celebrates this remarkable milestone, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring 125 years of transformative service. May the next century of Shineforth's work continue to light the way forward for children and families in Virginia and beyond.

RECOGNIZING DR. BRUCE SIEGEL

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 10, 2025

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Dr. Bruce Siegel on his retirement after an extraordinary career as a leader in public health, hospital administration, and health policy. Bruce has spent his entire career advocating on behalf of our Nation's most at-risk populations and the providers that care for them. For the past 14 years he has led America's Essential Hospitals, formerly the National Association of Public Hospitals, championing the cause of mission-driven safety net hospitals that serve communities facing the greatest social and financial barriers to care.

During Dr. Siegel's tenure, he led efforts to preserve the 340B Drug Pricing Program, secured targeted safety-net hospital funding during the COVID-19 pandemic, and fought to close Medicaid payment gaps. He was instrumental in stopping harmful cuts to Medicaid DSH funding. Perhaps most notably, Dr. Siegel spearheaded a national campaign to incorporate social risk factors into federal value-based purchasing programs—an important step toward recognizing and addressing health disparities in policy and practice.

Dr. Siegel's medical career began after graduating from the Joan & Sanford I. Weill Medical College of Cornell University and reflects a deep commitment to public service and health equity. From his early days as New Jersey's Commissioner of Health to his leadership of NYC Health+Hospitals and Tampa General Hospital, and later as a professor and director at The George Washington University, Dr. Siegel has consistently worked to improve care for the most vulnerable among us, performing pioneering research into health care quality, health care disparities, and the safety

net. He has had a significant and positive impact on our health care system, and his contributions will be sorely missed.

Mr. Speaker, my staff and I thank Dr. Siegel for his tireless dedication and leadership. His legacy will continue to inspire future generations of health care advocates and public servants.

RECOGNIZING 25NEWS CHIEF ME-
TEOROLOGIST CHUCK COLLINS
ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER 46
YEARS OF SERVICE

HON. ERIC SORENSEN

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 10, 2025

Mr. SORENSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Chuck Collins, a broadcaster who has kept our district safe from storms for nearly a half century.

Next week, 25News Chief Meteorologist Chuck Collins, will be walking away from the green screen. Chuck is a legend in the heart of Illinois, offering a calm voice that is trusted in the best weather and the worst storms.

He grew up in Central Illinois and, I may know something about doing weather in your hometown, there's almost nothing more rewarding. Chuck's recognition will now live in the official Congressional Record for inspiring weather watchers, storm chasers, and other meteorologists. We will all be watching his final broadcast on October 15, 2025.

Today, I thank Chuck Collins for his decades of commitment to Central Illinois, and I extend my best wishes to him in retirement.

CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNI-
VERSARY OF THE BANK OF
EDMONSON COUNTY

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 10, 2025

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Bank of Edmonson County for 100 years of service to its local community.

Founded on October 5, 1925, by brothers Jesse, Luther, and David Alexander alongside business partners George Woodcock and N.E. (Ed) Vincent, this local financial institution has served the residents of Edmonson County well for a century. Their foresight during the 1920's, followed quickly by the trials of the Great Depression, laid the foundation for a community-focused institution that has not only endured but thrived. The Bank of Edmonson County has guided its customers through economic shifts, new technologies, and changing conditions with one main mission in mind: ensuring customers are its highest priority.

Established with the goal of building a local bank to serve as a pillar of trust and local investment, 100 years later, they continue to focus on supporting Edmonson County and the surrounding area faithfully.

From its humble beginnings with just \$15,000 in capital, the bank has grown into a \$200 million enterprise, with locations in multiple counties in Kentucky. I congratulate the