

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING ARBOR CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HON. BETH VAN DUYNÉ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 16, 2026

Ms. VAN DUYNÉ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the students and faculty of Arbor Creek Elementary School in Euless, Texas for their participation in our 2026 Valentines for Veterans program.

Through this initiative, students created more than 50 Valentine's Day cards for veterans in our North Texas community, sharing encouragement, appreciation, and heartfelt support with those who have served. Their commitment to honoring our heroes helped make this project a tremendous success, contributing to over 1,800 Valentine's Day cards received by our office.

This outpouring of kindness reflects the deep gratitude for our veterans that remains strong throughout North Texas.

The creativity and compassion demonstrated by these students are a testament to the caring spirit present throughout their school. I commend them for their generosity and community involvement and thank them for helping make this year's Valentines for Veterans program so meaningful. It is an honor to represent them in Texas' 24th District.

HONORING BARBARA FEINGOLD

HON. LISA C. McCLAIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. McCLAIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Barbara Feingold for her steadfast leadership, devoted public service, and unwavering commitment to the Jewish community and the enduring alliance between the United States and the State of Israel.

Barbara Feingold currently serves as a Presidential Appointee to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council, having been appointed in May 2025. In this role, she contributes to the mission of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum to preserve the memory of the Holocaust and ensure that future generations remember the lessons of history so that such atrocities are never repeated.

A respected national leader, Barbara serves as a National Board Member and Florida Chair of the Republican Jewish Coalition, where she works tirelessly to strengthen the voice of Jewish conservatives and advance the values of faith, freedom, and democratic partnership. She is also a National Board Member of the Combat Antisemitism Movement, where she actively works alongside elected officials and community leaders to combat antisemitism and promote unwavering support for Israel and Jewish causes. In

March 2026, she was awarded the highest honor from the Zionist Organization of America, the Justice Louis D. Brandeis Exemplary Defender of Israel Award.

Barbara has long been a passionate advocate for the principle of "Never Again." In 2025, she participated in the March of the Living, commemorating the 80th anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi concentration camps. Following this solemn journey of remembrance, she traveled to Israel on a fact-finding mission to further deepen her understanding and strengthen her advocacy for the Jewish state and its people.

An engaging public speaker and dedicated philanthropist, Barbara has spent decades advancing causes that strengthen the Jewish community both in the United States and abroad. Her philanthropic work includes longstanding involvement with Friends of the Israel Defense Forces, where she and her family sponsor an Israel Defense Forces battalion and built the Feingold Family Synagogue on an IDF base in the Negev, an enduring symbol of faith and support for those who defend Israel's security.

Barbara's commitment to public service extends to education. She served on the Florida State Board of Education, helping guide education policy for the state, and later served as Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees at Florida Atlantic University, contributing to the advancement of higher education and academic opportunity.

Her professional journey began in the field of education as a speech and language pathologist. Alongside her late husband, Jeffrey, Barbara co-founded MCNA Dental, building it into the largest privately held dental insurance company in the United States before its sale in 2020. Through hard work, vision, and dedication, she helped create a company that served millions of families across our Nation.

Above all, Barbara Feingold is a devoted mother and grandmother. She takes her greatest pride in her three children and seven grandchildren, all of whom live near her in South Florida and remain the center of her life and inspiration for her continued service.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Barbara Feingold for her distinguished service, her tireless advocacy against antisemitism, and her enduring commitment to the security of Israel, the strength of the Jewish community, and the preservation of freedom and memory for generations to come.

HONORING MARY CAMPBELL-CRUZ

HON. DONALD NORCROSS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 16, 2026

Mr. NORCROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Mary Campbell-Cruz for her outstanding service to the 1st Congressional District of New Jersey. On Friday, March 6, 2026, friends and colleagues gath-

ered in Cherry Hill, New Jersey, to reflect on the distinguished public service of Mary Campbell-Cruz and celebrated her appointment to serve in Governor Mikie Sherrill's Cabinet as Chair and Chief Executive Officer of the Civil Service Commission. Today, we recognize her years of dedication to public service and her commitment to strengthening communities across our state.

Mary Campbell-Cruz has built a career defined by leadership, service, and a steadfast commitment to improving the lives of residents throughout New Jersey. She has held numerous roles in public service such as Political Director for the largest healthcare union in the country, Director of the New Jersey Healthcare Workers Alliance for Quality in Long-Term Care, and early in her career, District Director for Congressman John Adler and Campaign Manager for Shelley Adler. At a young age Mary worked to ensure that residents received representation and support. Throughout these roles, she has worked to strengthen community engagement, develop policy initiatives, and support elected officials in advancing initiatives that benefit working families and local communities.

Mary Campbell-Cruz earned her bachelor's degree in international relations and affairs, and economics from Washington College. Throughout her career she has applied her knowledge and expertise in government relations and strategic planning to support public institutions and strengthen the connection between government and the communities it serves.

Today, Mary continues her distinguished career in public service through her leadership in New Jersey government, where she brings years of experience working alongside community leaders and elected officials, including her service as District Director and Chief of Staff to Congressman Donald Norcross. She now steps into a new role within the Governor's Cabinet, where she will continue advancing policies that support opportunity, strengthen communities, and improve the quality of life for residents throughout the Garden State. Alongside her professional achievements, she is also a devoted mother to her two children, Maddie and Braden, demonstrating her exceptional commitment to both public service and family.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me to honor and commend, Mary Campbell-Cruz, a citizen dedicated to both her state and community, and who has thoroughly served them to the best of her ability.

HONORING JUDGE JAIME E. CARRILLO

HON. VICENTE GONZALEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor

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the distinguished career and dedicated public service of the Honorable Jaime E. Carrillo, Kleberg County Court at Law Judge in Texas.

A graduate of Southwest Texas State University (now Texas State University), where he earned his Bachelor of Political Science, he later received his Juris Doctor from Texas Southern University's Thurgood Marshall School of Law. His academic achievements laid the foundation for a career rooted in integrity and professionalism.

Judge Carrillo has devoted more than three decades to the legal profession, including over twenty years in private practice and nearly a decade serving on the bench since his election in 2016.

In addition to his judicial and legal service, Judge Carrillo is a published author of legal articles, training materials and has served as an instructor and lecturer on a variety of legal topics.

Beyond the courtroom, Judge Carrillo has remained deeply engaged in his community. He has served as President of the Kleberg County Bar Association, held leadership roles within the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association and the Texas Defense Lawyers Project. Judge Carrillo also participated in organizations including the Kingsville Noon Lions Club and the Knights of Columbus. His commitment to membership, legal education and community outreach reflects his dedication not only to the profession, but also to the people he serves.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of Texas's 34th Congressional District, I commend Judge Jaime E. Carrillo for his years of service, his leadership in the legal community, and his commitment to justice.

RECOGNIZING THE U.S. FIGURE
SKATING COMMUNITY AND
AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 5342

HON. JEFF CRANK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 16, 2026

Mr. CRANK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 67 lives that were lost on the tragic flight last year on American Airlines Flight 5342. Amongst the 67 lives lost, 28 of them were members of the U.S. Figure skating community, many of them calling my district of Colorado Springs their training ground. These skaters were some of the brightest in their sport, returning from the U.S. Championships and National Development Team Camp in Wichita, Kansas.

They had spent nearly a week with their training mates on the National Development Team, training mates who had built a bond, many over several years, a bond that was extremely close due to the nature of their training. When they said goodbye, they said goodbye knowing that they would soon all meet again in Colorado Springs for another training opportunity.

The United States and the international skating community had suffered a great loss, and the surviving members of the United States skating community had suffered a great trauma.

When the news of Flight 5342 broke, the skaters on the National Development Team knew exactly who was on that flight. They sent

countless group messages begging for responses, but all their responses went unanswered. A tertiary trauma to that of the incident and the survivor's guilt many of them hold.

On that flight were Alydia Livingston, Olivia Eve Ter, Everly Livingston, Brielle Beyer, Jinna Han, Cory Haynos, Edward Zhou, Angela Yang, Lily Li, Sean Kay, Spencer Lane, Alexandr Kirsanov, Vadim Naumov, Evgenia Shiskova, Inna Volyanskaya, Peter and Donna Livingston, Luciano Aparicio, Franco Aparicio, Justyna Magdalena Beyer, Jin Hee Han, Roger Haynos, Stephanie Haynos, Julia Kay, Christine Lane, Olesya Taylor, Kaiyan Mao, and Yu Zhou, all members of the U.S. Figure Skating community.

They were the United States' world-class coaches, dedicated loving parents, and the next generation of elite Olympian athletes, who we will never forget. I thank Candence Floyd for being a shining light in a moment of tragedy and for helping honor her lost teammates.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me in praying for the families and friends of all these lives lost during this tragic flight.

RECOGNIZING BERKNER HIGH
SCHOOL

HON. BETH VAN DUYN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 16, 2026

Ms. VAN DUYN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the students and faculty of Berkner High School and STEM Academy in Richardson, Texas for their participation in our 2026 Valentines for Veterans Program.

Through this initiative, students created more than 20 Valentine's Day cards for veterans in our North Texas community, sharing encouragement, appreciation, and heartfelt support with those who have served. Their commitment to honoring our heroes helped make this project a tremendous success, contributing to over 1,800 Valentine's Day cards received by our office.

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RECOGNIZING RAFAEL CABRERA
AND THE LATIN BUILDERS AS-
SOCIATION

HON. CARLOS A. GIMENEZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 16, 2026

Mr. GIMENEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Latin Builders Association and to congratulate Rafael Cabrera on his installation as the 26th President of the LBA.

For more than five decades, the Latin Builders Association has played a critical role in shaping the construction and development industry across South Florida, promoting high standards of professionalism while helping drive economic growth and opportunity throughout the region.

The LBA has been instrumental in empowering local and minority-owned businesses, strengthening the construction workforce, and fostering productive partnerships among industry professionals, community leaders, and government at every level. These efforts have helped expand economic opportunities and strengthen South Florida's diverse business community.

As President of the Latin Builders Association, Rafael Cabrera brings a strong commitment to collaboration, innovation, and responsible development. His leadership reflects the organization's longstanding mission of advancing the construction industry while supporting the communities it serves.

I commend the Latin Builders Association for its enduring contributions to South Florida and congratulate President Cabrera on this important milestone. I wish him and the entire organization continued success in their efforts to build opportunities and strengthen our community for years to come.

HONORING THE LIFE, LEGACY,
AND BRIGHT LIGHT OF MR.
ALGER B. BIZOR

HON. JASMINE CROCKETT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 16, 2026

Ms. CROCKETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life, legacy, and bright light of Mr. Alger B. Bizor—a man whose faith was steady, whose heart was generous, and whose presence left a lasting mark on his family, his community, and all who were blessed to know him.

Mr. Bizor was born on June 27, 1944, in Crockett, Texas, to the late Terry Bizor, Sr., and Annie B. Bizor. He was raised in Tyler, the Rose Capital of Texas, in the Jones Valley community, where his foundation of faith and family first took root. At an early age, he accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior after his family joined Sandflat Baptist Church, later baptized at Liberty Baptist Church in Tyler. His faith remained a steady guide throughout his life, and he was a devoted member of Denley Drive Baptist Church in Dallas.

Mr. Bizor attended T.J. Austin Elementary School and Emmett Scott Junior High before graduating from Emmett Scott High School with the Class of 1964. He built a life defined by honest work and quiet determination, working for companies including Sterling Faucet, General Electric, and Piggly Wiggly, later known as Minyard's Grocery Stores. Even after retirement, service remained part of who he was. As a school crossing guard, he watched over the children of his community with pride and care, greeting them day after day with a steady presence that parents trusted and children adored.

More than anything, Mr. Bizor was a family man. A devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, he poured his love into