

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING CARLA PALUMBO

HON. JOSEPH D. MORELLE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 27, 2026

Mr. MORELLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today during Women's History Month to honor an exceptional and influential leader from Rochester, New York: Carla Palumbo.

Carla has built a distinguished career as an advocate for justice, a champion for survivors of domestic violence, and a dedicated public servant. She has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Legal Aid Society of Rochester, where she has strengthened the organization's mission to provide high-quality legal representation to low-income individuals and families, ensuring that justice is accessible to all.

Her impact is especially profound in her work supporting survivors of domestic violence. In 1990, she founded the Legal Aid Society's Domestic Violence Program, creating a critical resource for individuals seeking safety, protection, and a path forward. Through her leadership, countless individuals have found support, advocacy, and a voice during times of crisis.

In addition to her legal career, Carla has served the Rochester community in public office, including in the Monroe County Legislature, where she served as Minority Leader, and on the Rochester City Council.

Mr. Speaker, Carla Palumbo's career reflects a deep and enduring commitment to justice, service, and community. During Women's History Month, it is especially fitting that we honor extraordinary women who have gone above and beyond to strengthen our communities. I am proud to recognize her and extend my deepest gratitude for her continued service.

RECOGNIZING TEMPLE BETH
SHOLOM'S 80 YEARS OF SERVICE

HON. SUSIE LEE

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 27, 2026

Ms. LEE of Nevada. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate a milestone for the Jewish community in southern Nevada—Temple Beth Sholom marking 80 years of service, to be celebrated at their "A Night in Jerusalem" event taking place on April 26, 2026.

Temple Beth Sholom was the first Jewish congregation to be established in southern Nevada, and its members and programs continue to play an integral part in the development of Las Vegas.

Founded in the era of the Boulder Dam, the Temple's story mirrors Las Vegas' evolution. From its humble beginnings to the present, it has blossomed into a vibrant community, fos-

tering deep roots and an unyielding commitment to Jewish heritage.

As Temple Beth Shalom celebrates 80 years, this milestone carries deeper meaning in Hebrew tradition, where the number 80 corresponds to the letter Peh, symbolizing the "mouth" and the power of voice. This anniversary reflects not only a legacy of faith, tradition, and community, but also the enduring voice of a congregation that has uplifted generations, shared stories, and strengthened connection across time.

"A Night in Jerusalem" honors this legacy, bringing together culture, history, and community in a celebration that reflects both the richness of the past and the promise of the future. Just as Peh represents expression and continuity, this moment marks Temple Beth Shalom's ongoing commitment to being a voice of unity, faith, and inspiration for years to come.

Under the current leadership of Rabbi Felipe Goodman, Temple Beth Shalom promotes the role of the synagogue in Jewish life, encourages members to perform acts of kindness and charitable assistance, observe rituals, and be involved in the community.

On this historic occasion, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Temple Beth Shalom and its dedicated members who contribute to its enduring legacy in southern Nevada.

RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF
DANIEL T. IGLESIAS

HON. CARLOS A. GIMENEZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GIMENEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an outstanding young man from Florida's 28th District, Daniel "Danny" T. Iglesias, an Eagle Scout Candidate from Boy Scout Troop 334, for his leadership, service, and commitment to honoring a fallen hero in our community.

Danny began his scouting journey at just eight years old with Cub Scouts Pack 425 in Miami Springs and has since demonstrated the values of dedication, integrity, and service that define the very best of our next generation. In addition to his achievements in scouting, Danny is a junior at Christopher Columbus High School, a member of the school's football team, Founder and President of the Explorers for Heroes Club, an active participant in campus ministry, and currently holds the rank of Lieutenant in the City of Coral Gables Police Explorer Program.

As part of his path of community service, Daniel has undertaken a meaningful and impactful service project to honor Miami Springs Police Officer Charles "Bubba" Brian Stafford, who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty on June 11, 1991. Danny is making the effort to create a police memorial which will serve as a lasting tribute to Officer

Stafford's courage and dedication, while also providing a place for reflection and remembrance.

Daniel's initiative reflects not only his passion for public service and his aspiration to pursue a career in law enforcement, but also his deep respect for those who put their lives on the line to protect others. His project embodies the very spirit of scouting—leadership, perseverance, and a commitment to making a positive difference.

I invite my colleagues to commend Daniel Iglesias for his exemplary service, leadership, and continued dedication to strengthening our community.

HONORING ROBERT "BOB"
STEINHAEUER

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 27, 2026

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and contributions of Robert "Bob" Steinhauer in recognition of his extraordinary contributions to Napa Valley viticulture and our greater wine community.

Bob Steinhauer was widely regarded as one of the most influential viticulturists of his generation. Intellectually rigorous and deeply curious, he challenged conventional thinking and helped shape the direction of viticultural research statewide, often being the first to apply new science in the field.

Bob earned his Bachelor of Science in Viticulture in 1965 and his Masters in Plant Science in 1969 from California State University, Fresno. He was among the first students to complete the newly created viticulture degree, developed by Professor Vince Petrucci. Bob was instrumental in raising funds for the establishment of Fresno State's Vincent E. Petrucci Library.

A gifted storyteller and "force of nature," Bob possessed an encyclopedic knowledge of Napa Valley vineyards and elevated viticulture into the modern profession of winegrowing. Bob served as Vice President of Viticulture and Grower Relations at Beringer Vineyards, where he worked for 25 years. His decades of leadership, mentorship, and service to organizations in our wine community left a lasting impact on generations of growers and winemakers including the Napa Valley Grapegrowers, the Napa County Farm Bureau, the Winegrowers of Napa County, the Napa Valley Vintners, and the American Vineyard Foundation. Statewide, he was engaged with American Society for Enology and Viticulture, California Association of Winegrape Growers, and the Wine Institute. Nicknamed "Tasmanian Devil" for his energetic style, he paired intensity with genuine respect for people, advocating for fair wages, health insurance, and pension benefits for vineyard workers he viewed as essential partners in crafting great wines.

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Bob is survived by his wife of 57 years, Verna Grimm Steinhauer, his children, Erik John Steinhauer (Audrey) and Anne Christine Steinhauer; his granddaughter, Parker Gayle Steinhauer; and his cousin, Leonard Hoskins.

Mr. Speaker, we thank Bob Steinhauer for his dedicated service to our community. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT
OF MICHAEL TOMOR

HON. KATHY CASTOR

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 27, 2026

Ms. CASTOR of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Michael Tomor and his contributions to the arts, especially as executive director of the Tampa Museum of Art.

Throughout his distinguished career, Mr. Tomor demonstrated unwavering dedication to the preservation, interpretation, and promotion of art and culture. His visionary leadership has advanced the mission of the institutions he has served and inspired colleagues, emerging museum professionals, and communities nationwide. From curating landmark exhibitions to fostering educational initiatives and advocating for accessibility in the arts, Tomor's impact is profound and enduring.

Tomor completed his undergraduate and doctoral studies at Pennsylvania State University. After finishing his education, he returned to his hometown of El Paso, where he began his early professional work. Tomor's leadership eventually led him to Tampa where he has served as the executive director of the Tampa Museum of Art for over a decade. At TMA, Tomor led a period of significant growth and transformation. TMA acquired more than 1,500 works of art, enriching its collection and broadening the cultural resources available to the public. He also ushered the museum through a major expansion, adding approximately 32,000 square feet to the museum.

Tomor is a passionate advocate for the role of art in children's education. His commitment to showcasing how museums foster learning opportunities that extend beyond the traditional classroom is a hallmark of his legacy. Tomor led initiatives to significantly expand the presence of artists in underserved school districts, tripling the number of artists working directly with students. By integrating artistic activities into preschool programs, he helped develop methods that used creative expression to strengthen literacy for young students in the community. Tomor welcomed high school art students to display their work at TMA during the annual congressional art competition—providing budding artists with a point of pride for their work. Building on these successes, Tomor later expanded them to serve military veterans coping with post-traumatic stress.

Beyond his professional accomplishments in the arts, Tomor is a steadfast advocate for civic and cultural engagement including the importance of representation and authenticity, stating, "art is a reflection of so many things that make us human and encourages us to look beyond the surface."

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing and honoring Michael Tomor for his exceptional contributions to the Tampa Bay area

and the greater arts community, and wishing him the very best in his well-earned retirement. He is a shining example of how the tremendous impact of hard work and service to the community can encourage others to reach their highest potential.

RECOGNIZING MYRA HENRY

HON. JOSEPH D. MORELLE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 27, 2026

Mr. MORELLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today during Women's History Month to honor an exceptional and influential leader from Rochester, New York: Myra Henry.

As the first Black President and Chief Executive Officer of the YWCA of Rochester and Monroe County, Myra Henry has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to empowering women and strengthening families. Under her leadership, the YWCA provides critical support and resources to children and families across Monroe County, advancing access to essential services and creating pathways to stability and opportunity.

The YWCA plays a vital role in the Rochester community by helping women and families secure safe and affordable housing, supporting survivors of domestic violence, and assisting those experiencing homelessness. Myra's vision centers on equipping individuals with the tools and resources needed to build brighter futures. In 2025, she and her team helped bring this vision to life through the completion of Persimmon Place, an emergency shelter designed to provide critical support to families in need.

Mr. Speaker, Myra Henry's leadership reflects a deep and enduring commitment to service, equity, and community. During Women's History Month, it is especially fitting that we honor extraordinary women who have gone above and beyond to strengthen our communities. I am proud to recognize her and extend my deepest gratitude for her continued service.

RECOGNIZING OFFICER BRAD
MITCHELL

HON. BETH VAN DUYNE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 27, 2026

Ms. VAN DUYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Officer Brad Mitchell of the Grapevine Police Department on the occasion of his retirement after 30 years of distinguished service in law enforcement. Officer Mitchell's career has been defined by dedication, professionalism, integrity, and an unwavering commitment to our North Texas communities.

Officer Mitchell began his law enforcement career in September 1993 with the Colleyville Police Department, where he served until April 1996. He then joined the Grapevine Police Department, where he dedicated the remainder of his career to protecting and serving the residents of Grapevine and the surrounding North Texas community.

Throughout his tenure with the Grapevine Police Department, Officer Mitchell served in

numerous assignments, including Patrol, Traffic, the Mall Substation, and the Criminal Investigations Division (CID). He also served as a Field Training Officer, mentoring and guiding new officers entering the profession. His work in Traffic as a DWI/DRE Traffic Investigator and in CID as a Traffic Investigator and Fraud Investigator reflects the breadth of his experience and his steadfast commitment to public safety.

His career exemplifies the very best of public service, and his contributions have left a lasting impact on the Grapevine Police Department and the community he has served for three decades. I extend my sincere gratitude and best wishes to him as he begins this well-deserved retirement.

HONORING VETERAN RUDY
ARMSTRONG

HON. LANCE GOODEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 27, 2026

Mr. GOODEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the historic life and accomplishments of veteran Rudy Armstrong of Maypearl, Texas and to congratulate him and his wife, Joyce, on 60 years of marriage. Mr. Armstrong graduated from Maypearl High School in 1963 and received his associate's degree from Navarro Junior College in Corsicana before enrolling at Arlington State University.

Soon after marrying Miss Joyce Owens in 1966, Mr. Armstrong was drafted into the United States Army to serve his Nation during the Vietnam War. There, he served in the First Infantry Division, colloquially known as "Big Red One." His unit was the only one of its kind, equipped with a mortar launcher to protect infantry soldiers on foot. After his return to the United States, Mr. Armstrong was stationed at Fort Hood, where he completed his service commitment.

Since honorably serving in the Army, Mr. Armstrong has worked as a carpenter in the construction industry. He retired in 2006 after 30 years of dedication to his profession and settled in his home in Gun Barrel City, Texas. He is a proud father of two sons, Lance Walker Armstrong and Travis Wade Armstrong, and has six grandchildren, Taylor and Josh Cogburn, and Trent, Carlie, Victoria, and Jack Armstrong. Jack is following in his grandfather's footsteps and is currently serving in the U.S. Army. I thank Mr. Armstrong for his service to our country and wish him the best in the coming years.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF PASTOR WILLIAM O'NEILL
MCCURDY, SR.

HON. STEVEN HORSFORD

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 27, 2026

Mr. HORSFORD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of a remarkable community leader, devoted public servant, and proud son of Nevada, Pastor William O'Neill McCurdy, Sr.