

guest speakers, the organization enables young women to reach their full potential.

YWCA Glendale and Pasadena is one of 194 associations that make up a larger nationwide network. Having served thousands of women and girls, the majority being from marginalized backgrounds, it continues its mission of advancing social justice and providing survivors with the resources needed to recover and succeed. These discussions are vital, and YWCA Glendale and Pasadena ensures that these critical issues are elevated nationwide.

The 100th anniversary of YWCA Glendale and Pasadena is an incredible milestone, and I am proud to honor the legacy of this organization and its impact in Glendale, Pasadena, and beyond. Because of its services, members of our community have been given the tools they need to heal, grow, and thrive.

RECOGNIZING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF RIVER BEND STATION IN ST. FRANCISVILLE, LOUISIANA

HON. JULIA LETLOW

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Ms. LETLOW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize the 40th anniversary of Entergy's River Bend Station, proudly located in St. Francisville, Louisiana. Since commencing commercial operations in 1986, River Bend Station has proudly served the residents of West Feliciana Parish, the State of Louisiana, and the Gulf Coast region for four decades, providing safe, reliable electricity.

River Bend Station stands as a cornerstone of energy resilience in Southeast Louisiana, playing a vital role in meeting the power needs of nearly half a million customers. With a maximum dependable capacity of 978 megawatts, River Bend contributes to grid stability during periods of peak demand and extreme weather events.

River Bend Station employs more than 800 employees and contractors who demonstrate an unwavering commitment to operational excellence, nuclear safety, emergency preparedness, and the highest professional standards. Their work exemplifies the spirit of public service and technical leadership that strengthens Louisiana's energy infrastructure.

Beyond providing critical energy, River Bend Station maintains strong and ongoing partnerships throughout West Feliciana, East Feliciana, Pointe Coupee, and East Baton Rouge Parishes. The facility supports local jobs, contributes to charitable organizations, invests in STEM education, and prepares future generations through workforce development initiatives that help secure Louisiana's economic and energy future.

This year marks the 40th anniversary of River Bend Station's operation—a milestone that honors the dedication and accomplishments of its employees and underscores the plant's significant role in Louisiana's energy future.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Entergy's River Bend Station, its leadership, and its employees, on this important anniversary.

RECOGNIZING OFFICER RICHARD WEBER

HON. BETH VAN DUYNE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Ms. VAN DUYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Officer Richard Weber of the Grapevine Police Department on the occasion of his retirement after more than 29 years of dedicated service in law enforcement. Throughout his distinguished career, Officer Weber has demonstrated professionalism, compassion, and an unwavering commitment to protecting the citizens of North Texas.

Officer Weber began his law enforcement career in 1991 and joined the Grapevine Police Department in 1996. Much of his career was dedicated to the Criminal Investigations Unit, where he focused on Crimes Against Children, reflecting his deep commitment to protecting the most vulnerable members of the community.

In addition to serving as a patrol officer and investigator, Officer Weber was a member of the Grapevine Emergency Response Team, serving as a Sniper/Marksman and later as Sniper Team Leader. He also specialized in computer forensics and cell phone investigations, earning certification as a Forensic Computer Examiner.

After obtaining his Master Peace Officer License in 2005, Officer Weber later transitioned into the role of School Resource Officer, where he continued serving and mentoring students and families in the Grapevine community. His dedication to youth earned him the Friend of the Children Award in 2024 and the Texas PTA Honorary Life Membership Award in 2025.

Officer Richard Weber's commitment to public service has left a lasting impact on the Grapevine community. I extend my sincere gratitude and best wishes to him as he begins his well-earned retirement.

CELEBRATING MR. JAMES A. BUSSEY, SR.'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Mr. BISHOP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a full heart to honor a man who has walked this earth for one hundred years—one hundred years of faith, family, perseverance, and love—my dear friend, Mr. James A. Bussey, Sr. On Saturday, May 30, 2026, family, friends, and a grateful community will gather at the Columbus Museum in Columbus, Georgia, to celebrate a century of a life well lived. There are few honors in this chamber greater than the privilege of paying tribute to such a man.

David Viscott once wrote, "The purpose of life is to discover your gift. The work of life is to develop it. The meaning of life is to give your gift away." For one hundred years, James Bussey has been giving his gift away—quietly, faithfully, and with a joy that has touched everyone fortunate enough to cross his path.

James Andrew Bussey was born in the red clay of Harris County, Georgia in 1926, into a

world that too often refused to see him for the remarkable man he would become. He graduated from Spencer High School in 1944 and earned his way to Morehouse College in Atlanta, where he studied for a year before marrying Ms. Marguerite Lindsey in 1947. Together they made their home in Columbus, Georgia, and together they built a life on faith and hard work.

To support his young family, James worked two jobs week after week, refusing to let his children inherit anything less than the best of him. But in those years, the cruelty of racism shadowed every effort he made. In 1957, hoping to find dignity for his labor, he packed his hopes and headed north to Washington, D.C., where he took a position at the Washington Hotel. There he discovered, with a quiet and aching grief, that his weekly paycheck was less than that of his White co-workers. He returned home to Georgia—not defeated, but determined.

What followed is the story of a man who refused to let bitterness take root where faith had been planted. James Bussey found work as a Mail Handler with the United States Postal Service, and he carried the mail of his neighbors with a pride that turned an ordinary job into a daily ministry. He sang as he walked the East Highland route—a route he loved because it carried him past the homes of his mother and grandmother. He stopped for those who could not read their own mail and read it aloud to them. He wrote letters back for those whose hands could no longer hold a pen. Each Christmas, his city honored him by inviting him to drive the postal vehicle in the Columbus Christmas parade, where children waved and neighbors smiled at the sight of a man they all knew and loved.

He retired from the Postal Service in 1976—but James Bussey was not finished. At an age when most men rest, he enrolled in college. In 1988, he walked across the stage at Columbus College to receive his Bachelor of Arts degree, fulfilling a dream that decades and circumstances had once placed out of reach. He became a proud brother of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, and to this day he lives by its call to brotherhood and service to all mankind.

Since the late 1940s, the pews of St. James AME Church have known the warmth of his voice. He serves as an officer, a faithful Son of Allen, and a soloist whose songs have lifted countless Sunday mornings toward heaven. He has welcomed visitors to his city as an Ambassador of the Columbus Visitors Bureau. He has graced the stages of the Liberty Theater, the Three Arts Theater, and the Columbus RiverCenter. And at one hundred years old, Mr. Speaker, James Bussey can still be found on the dance floor at the local senior center, ballroom dancing with a grace that puts younger men to shame.

With his late wife Marguerite, who preceded him in death, James was blessed with four children. He has known the particular sorrow that no parent should have to bear, having laid to rest his beloved son James Jr. and his cherished daughter Margaret—names he still speaks with tenderness, lives he still carries within his own. His daughter Janet and his son Michael remain to carry his name and his witness into another generation. He has been a grandfather and a great-grandfather, a brother in Christ, a neighbor, and a friend.

I have known James Bussey and his family for more than sixty years. In all that time,

through every season of my own life, I have never once known him to speak an unkind word, to turn away a soul in need, or to lose his faith in the goodness of God. He is, without exaggeration, one of the finest human beings I have ever had the privilege to know. Whatever I have learned in this life about quiet dignity, about endurance, about loving one's neighbor—I have learned in no small part from watching him live.

Our Lord said, "He that is great among you shall be a servant, and he that is greatest among you shall be a servant unto all." For one hundred years, James Bussey has shown us what that scripture looks like when it puts on shoes and walks among us.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join my wife Vivian and me, along with the more than 765,000 people of Georgia's 2nd Congressional District, in extending our deepest love and warmest wishes to Mr. James A. Bussey, Sr., as he celebrates a full century of grace this Saturday at the Columbus Museum. May the God he has served so faithfully continue to bless him, to keep him, and to make His face shine upon him today, tomorrow, and for every precious day still to come.

Happy 100th Birthday, my dear friend. The world is a kinder place because you walked through it.

HONORING ASHLEY ROBINSON

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker I rise today to recognize Ashley Robinson and his lasting impact on collegiate education and athletics.

Mr. Robinson currently serves as Vice President and Director of Athletics at Jackson State University. I honor his exceptional vision, unwavering commitment, and dedication to advancing athletic excellence at Historically Black Colleges and Universities. His leadership continues to elevate both athletic performance and the overall student-athlete experience.

A native of Bolton and Jackson, Mississippi, Mr. Robinson's journey began at Munah High School, where he was a standout point guard and a member of a championship basketball team. He continued his academic and athletic career at Mississippi Valley State University, where he was a four-year letterman in basketball, became the program's all-time leader in assists, and earned honors as Athlete of the Year and President's Scholar-Athlete.

Throughout his distinguished career, Mr. Robinson has received numerous accolades, including HBCU Athletic Director of the Year, Black Student-Athlete Summit Athletic Director of the Year, and recognition from the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics. In addition, Mr. Robinson will be enshrined in the Southwestern Athletic Conference Hall of Fame Class 2025, further cementing his legacy of excellence in collegiate athletics.

Under his leadership, Jackson State University (JSU) has experienced remarkable success, including more than 20 championships and the prestigious C.D. Henry Award for the top men's athletic program in the South-

western Athletic Conference. His tenure has been defined by strategic growth, facility improvement and a commitment to building a culture of excellence that has elevated the university's national profile.

Prior to his tenure at JSU, Mr. Robinson served in key leadership roles at Delaware State University, Prairie View A&M University, and Mississippi Valley State University, as well as in the Southwestern Conference office. These experiences helped shape the visionary leadership he continues to demonstrate today.

During his time at JSU, Mr. Robinson has made impactful leadership decisions, including the hiring of notable figures such as Deion Sanders, Mo Williams, and Coach T.C. Taylor, further strengthening the University's athletics prominence and visibility.

A member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc., Mr. Robinson attributes his success to the people he surrounds himself with, emphasizing teamwork, strong leadership, and a shared commitment to the success of student-athletes.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Ashley Robinson whose leadership, vision, and dedication have brought honor not only to Jackson State University, but to the State of Mississippi of and the Nation.

RECOGNIZING OLI HINOJOS

HON. BRITTANY PETERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Ms. PETERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Oli Hinojos for earning one of this year's JeffCo Prosperity Partners Graduate Awards.

The Graduate Awards are granted to recognize individuals of the JeffCo Prosperity Partners (JPP) Program and Head Start families who reach significant milestones in education, employment, and economic opportunity. The recipients must successfully complete the JPP Program and develop skills in career development, academics, and financial literacy.

This year's Graduate Award honorees are recognized for their outstanding determination and hard work during the JPP Program. Receiving this award demonstrates dedication to personal growth, distinguishing their drive for professional development and improving their lives on a multigenerational level.

On behalf of the people of Colorado's 7th Congressional District, it is my honor to congratulate Oli Hinojos on their incredible accomplishments and for receiving the 2026 JeffCo Prosperity Partners Graduate Award.

HONORING JOSÉ ISMAEL BOSQUE HERNÁNDEZ

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor José Ismael Bosque Hernández as a distinguished leader in Central Florida's for Military Appreciation Month. José Ismael Bosque Hernández began shaping his life's mission

the moment he entered the United States Coast Guard. Serving as a port security specialist in San Juan, Puerto Rico, he protected the base, supported rescue operations, and assisted in federal enforcement missions. The Coast Guard's uncompromising standards—discipline, precision, and seriousness—became the blueprint for how he would confront every challenge that followed.

Through rigorous leadership training, José developed the organizational, communication, and decision-making skills that would define his career. Military law and regulation introduced him to the world of justice, guiding him toward earning his Juris Doctor from Barry University School of Law and later serving as a legislative aide in the Florida Senate, where he contributed to the creation and passage of state laws.

His Coast Guard-honed communication skills propelled him into journalism, where he became known as "El Reportero de la Comunidad" for El Nuevo Día Orlando. His impact earned him the Casa de Puerto Rico Award as Central Florida's Communications Guru.

José's commitment to service extended to national emergencies. As a FEMA communications specialist, he coordinated and reported rescue operations for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security during Hurricane María in Puerto Rico, and Hurricanes Irene and Michael in Florida. In state service, José continued protecting the vulnerable. As a paralegal, child and elderly abuse investigator, and disability specialist for the state of Florida, he applied his investigative training to safeguard families and support those in crisis. Across every role, José Ismael Bosque Hernández carries the same Coast Guard ethos: serve with discipline, lead with integrity, and uplift the community with unwavering purpose.

HONORING DR. TAI-HENG CHENG

HON. MARK TAKANO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today during AANHPI Heritage Month to honor the contributions of Dr. Tai-Heng Cheng, particularly his work with the National Museum of Asian Art. In 2022, a gift from Dr. Cheng established the museum's first paid graduate internship program.

Since its inception, twenty-two energetic students have benefited from Dr. Cheng's generosity, working on museum exhibitions, research, and public programs. These young people come from diverse backgrounds, each bringing a unique perspective not only to the National Museum of Asian Art, but also to the cultural institutions they will shape throughout their careers. This pipeline of diverse, intelligent, and passionate talent in the museum and curatorial field is essential and will undoubtedly lead to collections that present a more complete history for all to enjoy and learn from. Dr. Cheng's contributions have helped ensure that AANHPI history is preserved, curated, and presented with humanity and dignity. During this AANHPI Heritage Month, I congratulate him, the National Museum of Asian Art, and all the students who have benefited from this program.