

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.

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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.

COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GILES-LUCE AMERICAN LEGION POST 364 IN WINNECONNE, WISCONSIN

HON. GLENN GROTHMAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commend and congratulate Giles-Luce American Legion Post 364 in Winneconne on its upcoming 100th Anniversary, which will be celebrated on June 14th. This milestone reflects a century of unwavering commitment to the community, and is a testament to the enduring spirit of service demonstrated by its members.

As we reflect on the past 100 years, it is clear that the Giles-Luce American Legion Post 364 has been a cornerstone of the Winneconne community. Through countless local charitable events, outreach programs, and ongoing dedication, the members have enriched the lives of veterans and their families, fostering a sense of unity and belonging. Their efforts have preserved important traditions and instilled a spirit of service that continues to inspire new generations.

The legacy of Giles-Luce American Legion is not measured solely by its accomplishments, but also by the deep respect and gratitude it has earned from those it has helped. Their dedication sets a high standard for what it means to serve with honor, compassion, and integrity. I am proud to recognize their outstanding contributions and wish them continued success in the years to come. May their commitment to service and community continue to inspire future generations, and may their impact be felt for many years to come.

Once again, I congratulate the Giles-Luce American Legion Post 364 on its 100th Anniversary.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JAMES WOOD

HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of James Wood, of Oceanside, California, who passed away on May 16, 2026, at the age of 78. In honor of his passing, I pay tribute to and reflect on the life he led and the impact he had on our community in the 49th District.

James Wood, or Jim, as he was known by all his friends, served the Oceanside community for more than four decades as a police officer, city councilmember, and mayor.

Jim came to Oceanside as a young boy in 1955 and never left. He attended North Terrace Elementary School and Jefferson Junior High School and went on to graduate from Oceanside High School and MiraCosta College.

Jim joined the Oceanside Police Department in 1971, serving more than 31 years as an investigator in some of the department's most demanding assignments, including homicide, narcotics, and crimes against children and seniors. He collaborated with the FBI, U.S.

Secret Service, and Naval Criminal Investigative Services.

Jim was elected to the Oceanside City Council in 2002 and became Mayor in 2004, a position he held for more than 13 years, and served one of the longest mayoral tenures in the city's history. Under his leadership, Oceanside's crime rates fell to their lowest levels in 30 years, and the city earned recognition as one of the safest and most livable beach communities in San Diego County.

Jim was recognized for his lifetime of service when the City of Oceanside renamed Rancho Del Oro Park, as Jim Wood Community Park in 2022 in a wonderful ceremony attended by Jim, his wife Pam of 48 years, and his entire loving family.

Jim is remembered as a dedicated public servant and a wonderful friend who has left behind a lasting legacy of prioritizing public safety, fighting crime, and protecting seniors.

Jim Wood exhibited a deep love for the City of Oceanside and forged a legacy of service, commitment, and lasting bonds with the greater Oceanside community. He was a light to all who knew him and I share in the celebration of his life.

CELEBRATING THE ESTEEMED CAREERS OF RABBI STEWART VOGEL AND RABBI RICHARD CAMRAS

HON. BRAD SHERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the esteemed careers of Rabbi Stewart Vogel and Rabbi Richard Camras, cornerstones of Los Angeles' Jewish community for more than 30 years. Rabbis Vogel and Camras have exemplified the values of faith, scholarship, and service to community. And as they now become Rabbis Emeriti, our community will continue to benefit from their spiritual guidance and their decades of published and recorded teachings.

Rabbi Vogel previously served as Senior Rabbi at Temple Aliyah, while Rabbi Camras served as Senior Rabbi at Shomrei Torah Synagogue, ably leading their respective congregations before ultimately bringing them together under the banner of Hamakom.

Notably, Rabbi Vogel co-founded the West Valley Rabbinic Task Force, which coordinates wide-scale initiatives that bring together the vast and diverse Jewish communities of the San Fernando Valley. Later, Rabbi Camras would himself chair this task force in further pursuit of these goals.

Throughout his distinguished career, Rabbi Vogel also served as the President of the Board of Rabbis of Southern California and as International President of the Rabbinical Assembly.

Rabbi Camras founded the Conejo/West Valley Branch of the Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning and also served as President of the Pacific Southwest Regional Rabbinical Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Rabbi Stewart Vogel and Rabbi Richard Camras as faith leaders who have exemplified the very best of spiritual and civic leadership. I extend my warmest congratula-

tions on their retirement and my deepest gratitude to them and their families on behalf of a grateful community.

RECOGNIZING CLAUDIA IBARRA

HON. BRITTANY PETERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

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

RECOGNIZING THE SACRAMENTO AREA SEWER DISTRICT

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 29, 2026

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, for decades, the Sacramento Area Sewer District has played a vital role in safeguarding the health and well-being of our communities by maintaining and operating one of the Nation's most extensive wastewater collection systems. Serving more than 1.6 million residents across the Sacramento region, the District manages over 5,000 miles of sewer pipelines and 112 pump stations, ensuring reliable wastewater service throughout the region.

The District's Septic-to-Sewer Conversion Projects have become especially important in rural and underserved communities where aging and failing septic systems pose significant risks to groundwater, waterways, and public health. With support from federal funding, alongside critical state and local investments, the Sacramento Area Sewer District successfully connected 57 households in Hood and 28 households in Franklin to reliable public sewer service. These projects reduce the threat of septic leakage and contamination to nearby drinking wells and sensitive waterways, including Franklin Creek, Stone Lake Slough, and the Sacramento River.

Beyond infrastructure improvements, these conversion projects represent an investment in environmental justice and quality of life for Sacramento County residents. By replacing outdated septic systems with modern sewer connections, the District is helping to protect