

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING RONALD FRANK
MOORE

HON. BETH VAN DUYNÉ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Ms. VAN DUYNÉ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of a grateful Nation and the citizens of the 24th District of Texas. The 2025 Congressional Veteran Commendation is hereby presented to Corporal Ronald Frank Moore, United States Marine Corps, of Coppell, Texas, for his honorable service in the Armed Forces of the United States of America and for his continued service to his community.

Corporal Moore enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1973 and was assigned to the 3rd Marine Division Headquarters Company during the Vietnam era. While serving, he demonstrated outstanding leadership, character, and dedication to his fellow Marines, earning the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary service. During his time in uniform, he was frequently invited to organize and lead morale-building events for his unit, including speaking engagements and community programs across Okinawa and the Pacific.

Following his military service, Corporal Moore dedicated his life to communication, mentorship, and community service. For more than five decades, he has worked as a national broadcaster, speaker, and community leader hosting programs such as Higher Life and Morning Cup of Motivation, and serving as a voice for K-LOVE Radio. Through these platforms, he has inspired thousands with messages of resilience, leadership, and hope.

He is the Founder of Fields of Grace Church, an outreach-focused organization that provides encouragement and service to others, and continues to lead programs across Texas and beyond that uplift and strengthen communities.

Corporal Moore's lifelong commitment to service, both in uniform and as a civilian leader, reflects the highest traditions of the United States Marine Corps and brings great credit upon himself, the State of Texas, and the United States of America.

HONORING THE LIFE OF KAI KHAN
ZAFAR

HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the short but beautiful life of Kai Khan Zafar, of Durango, Colorado.

On August 30, 2025, Kai was born to Dani and Kamran Zafar. Though his time in this world was brief, his life was filled with love from the very first moment, leaving a lasting imprint on all who knew him. Kai entered the world surrounded by hope, tenderness, and

the unwavering love of his parents and family. In his short time, he was held by many, cherished, and known. His presence will forever change the lives of those who welcomed him and will continue to shape their hearts in the years to come.

While Kai did not have the opportunity to grow and leave behind accomplishments measured by years or titles, his legacy is no less meaningful. His life serves as a powerful reminder of the precious value of every child, the depth of parental love, and the profound impact a single life can have. In honor of that legacy, Dani and Kamran have chosen today—Kai's original due date—as the day of "Kai's Kindness." Through this day, they hope that at least one person will be inspired to show compassion, extend grace, or perform an act of kindness in Kai's memory. They hope that Kai's life will continue to bring people together in support, spread love, and inspire healing.

Today, we not only honor the life of Kai, but also recognize the remarkable strength, grace, and resilience of his family as they carry his memory forward. Their love for him did not end with his passing, and his place in their family remains permanent and unshakable. Through everything, Dani and Kamran have exemplified steadfast love and unity in the way they support one another, continue to nurture a loving home for their son, Zeke, and move forward with hope, purpose, and love.

It is my honor to recognize and remember the life of Kai Khan Zafar, and to ensure that his memory—along with the love that surrounds it—is carried forward and preserved in the permanent record of this chamber.

TRIBUTE TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA
STATE UNIVERSITY, 2025
HBCU NATIONAL CHAMPION
FOOTBALL TEAM

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the recent accomplishments of the South Carolina State University (SCSU) Bulldogs Football Program. Last month, SCSU—my alma mater—was victorious in the Cricket Celebration Bowl in Atlanta, Georgia, making them the 2025 HBCU (Historically Black College and University) National Champions. This accomplishment was history-making for the school, a great honor for the city and county of Orangeburg and the State of South Carolina, and it brought great pride to a plethora of us "loyal sons and daughters" of that storied institution.

This was the second consecutive year the Bulldogs have appeared in the Celebration Bowl, which features the winners of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference and the South-west Athletic Conference and is considered the HBCU National Championship game.

SCSU completed the 2025 season with an impressive 10–3 record and was undefeated in their conference. The Bulldogs have appeared in three of the last five Celebration Bowls and were victorious in two of them. They have captured the Nation's attention and reaffirmed their place among the elite programs in HBCU football.

Located in the heart of the City of Orangeburg, SCSU stands as a beacon of academic excellence and a molder of civic awareness and leadership. This proud legacy of tenaciousness was powerfully reinforced during the 2025 football season, as the Bulldog Football Program delivered one of the most memorable and inspiring campaigns in the school's storied history. Facing adversity on HBCU football's biggest stage, the Bulldogs mounted a remarkable comeback after trailing 21–0 at half-time. They tied the score in the third quarter and ultimately prevailed 40–38 in an unforgettable four-overtime thriller. That victory was more than a win—it was a testament to the resilience and unbreakable spirit of the team.

This historic achievement stands as a powerful reflection of the leadership of Head Coach Chennis Berry, who—in just his second season at the helm—guided the Bulldogs to a national championship. Coach Berry and his entire coaching staff are to be commended for their vision, discipline, and unwavering commitment to developing young men while building a championship-caliber program.

While this season was defined by collective effort and solid teamwork, special recognition is due to several outstanding student-athletes whose performances rose to the moment. Quarterback Ryan Stubblefield was named the 2025 Celebration Bowl Offensive MVP and led the second-half comeback with poise, determination, and leadership under pressure. Anchoring a unit that delivered when it mattered most was defensive back Brenyen Scott, who earned the Celebration Bowl Defensive MVP honor.

The success of the Bulldog Football Program elevated civic pride, strengthened community bonds, and contributed to the cultural and economic vitality of the community. The partnership between the city and county of Orangeburg and South Carolina State University reflects a shared commitment to excellence, opportunity, and the development of future generations.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in honoring the South Carolina State University Bulldogs for their exceptional season and victory in the 2025 HBCU National Championship. This championship will be remembered not only for the trophies earned, but also for the legendary "Bulldog tenacity" the team displayed. This achievement inspired Bulldogs everywhere and will be a memorable event in the proud legacy of South Carolina State University.

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HONORING ANTHONY "TONY" R.
PITTMAN, SR.

HON. DONALD NORCROSS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Mr. NORCROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Anthony "Tony" R. Pittman, Sr., who was born on May 8, 1948, in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. He was raised in Cranford, New Jersey, where he attended school and formed long lasting friendships, including the love of his life Brenda Brown. After graduating from high school, he answered the call to serve his country enlisting in the United States Air Force, where he was stationed in Korea.

Following his deployment, Anthony R. Pittman, Sr. married Brenda Brown and together built a life centered on love and family. Together, they welcomed three children while living in Landover, Maryland where he worked for NASA. Ultimately, the family relocated and settled in Willingboro, New Jersey, where Anthony worked for Lockheed Martin and retired after dedicating himself to the company for 36 years.

Anthony R. Pittman, Sr. will be remembered for his dedication to his family, his quiet strength, and his unwavering love for those closest to him. His legacy will continue through the generations he so deeply cherished.

Today, Anthony R. Pittman, Sr. is survived by his brothers, Cary Pittman, III and Charles Pittman, with whom he shared a life-long bond; his three adoring children, Anthony Pittman, Jr. (Tess), Leslie Pittman, and Michael Pittman (Meredith); and was a proud and loving grandfather to Nicole (Anthony), Ian (Alyssa), Cameron (Jesse), Julian, and Patrick; a cherished great-grandfather to Hayes and was predeceased by his beloved wife, Brenda Brown; his parents, Cary and Margaret Pittman; and his sisters, Gloria Brown and Gwendolyn "Mickey" Pittman.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me in honoring and commending Anthony R. Pittman, Sr., a man dedicated to both his family and country and who has thoroughly served them both to the best of his ability. I extend sincerest condolences for a life well lived.

RECOGNIZING JOHN DELGADO

HON. BETH VAN DUYNÉ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Ms. VAN DUYNÉ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of a grateful Nation and the citizens of the 24th District of Texas. The 2025 Congressional Veteran Commendation is hereby presented to Specialist Fifth Class John Delgado, United States Army, of Euless, Texas, for his honorable service in the Armed Forces of the United States of America and for his continued service to his community.

Specialist Delgado served honorably in the United States Army from 1968 to 1974 during the Vietnam War. As a combat medic, he provided lifesaving care to his fellow soldiers under some of the most difficult and dangerous conditions of the conflict. His courage, professionalism, and compassion on the bat-

tlefield earned him the Army Commendation Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal.

Following his military service, Specialist Delgado devoted his life to service and improving the lives of others. He served as Director of The Glory House, a home for juvenile boys who had been abused, abandoned, or neglected offering stability, mentorship, and guidance to young men in crisis. Under his leadership, The Glory House became a model of compassion and transformation, and he was honored by the Alabama Department of Youth Services with the "Child's Best Friend Award" for his extraordinary impact on youth and families.

After relocating to Texas, Specialist Delgado continued his lifelong mission to serve others through his ministry at Calvary Temple Church in Irving, where he has served for more than thirty years. He later co-founded Texas University of Theology in Hurst, which recently celebrated its 30th anniversary. Through this institution, he established a comprehensive chaplain training program that has certified more than 900 chaplains serving in hospitals, hospices, schools, prisons, and veteran programs nationwide including the Dallas VA hospital.

Specialist Delgado's legacy of service, compassion, and leadership has touched countless lives and continues to inspire others to live with purpose and faith. His devotion to his country and his community reflects the highest traditions of the United States Army and brings great credit upon himself, the State of Texas, and the United States of America.

CONGRATULATING LARRY KELLER
ON HIS SERVICE AS MAYOR OF
NEW HOPE, PENNSYLVANIA

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an outstanding constituent of my district, Larry Keller. Larry has faithfully served the residents of New Hope Borough, Pennsylvania, including as Mayor of New Hope, during his many years of dedication to public service.

Mayor Keller has long been a committed civic leader in New Hope, a historic river town known for its vibrant small businesses, tourism, and strong sense of community. Throughout his time in public service, Mayor Keller has worked diligently to preserve the character of the borough while supporting responsible growth, public safety, and economic vitality.

As Mayor, Larry Keller placed a strong emphasis on collaboration between borough council, local businesses, residents, and public safety officials. His leadership reflected a practical, community-first approach, focused on maintaining New Hope's unique identity while addressing the everyday needs of its residents and visitors alike.

Under his leadership, New Hope continued to strengthen its position as one of Bucks County's most recognizable destinations, balancing tourism with quality of life for those who call the borough home. Mayor Keller's service exemplified integrity, approachability,

and a deep respect for local government's role in serving the public.

After years of dedicated service, Mayor Keller leaves a lasting impact on the borough and the people he served. His commitment to community engagement and civic responsibility stands as an example of how local leadership plays a vital role in strengthening our Commonwealth.

I wish to congratulate Larry Keller on his service to the citizens of New Hope Borough and thank him for his dedication to public service and to the community he proudly represented.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MRS.
DORIS GRIFFIN

HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the life of Mrs. Doris Griffin, who passed away on December 25, 2025. A tireless advocate, she dedicated herself to serving San Antonio's and Texas' senior communities. She is survived by her three children, Joy Martinez, Jim Griffin, and John Griffin, her siblings June Harr and Ralph Money, and her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

As a child in Gobbler's Knob, Ohio, her parents Clyde and Beulah Money, instilled in Doris and her siblings the importance of caring for and serving those in need. As a teenager, she worked at the WLWT radio station in Cincinnati and performed with a band going by the stage name of Dixie West.

In 1949, she married George Griffin, a World War II veteran and retiree from the U.S. Air Force. George's career took Doris across the world, where at each duty station she volunteered with numerous community organizations. Following George's retirement, the family made San Antonio their home.

In 1991, Doris began a 27-year stint as the executive director of Jefferson Outreach for Seniors. Under her leadership, the organization, located in the neighborhood of my alma mater Thomas Jefferson High School, served mobile meals to seniors and offered transportation, grocery delivery, and home visits. Doris served as executive director until 2018.

During the 1990s, she co-hosted "Live Longer and Love it," a television show on Catholic Television of San Antonio. In this show, she brought attention to the concerns of San Antonio's senior community.

In 2000, Doris began the first of nine terms on the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature, an advocacy group that addresses senior issues in the state legislative process. In 2002, she joined a joint city-county commission on elderly affairs. In this commission, Doris advocated for the building of senior centers across the city. These centers have been a tremendous addition to the San Antonio community as they offer meals, access to medical services, recreational activities and exercise classes to seniors. And for her leadership and impact on the community, a center was named after her—the Doris Griffin Senior One Stop Center.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to celebrate the life and legacy of Mrs. Doris Griffin. She was a source of hope whose impact will continue to