

Spanning four generations of family ownership, Oleson's Food Stores has become a cornerstone of the communities they serve. Their success is not a story of luck, but one of hard work, perseverance, and an unwavering commitment to customers. In 1926, Gerald and Frances Oleson opened a small grocery store in Traverse City, Michigan. Over the next century, the Oleson family transformed that modest storefront into a trusted regional business, growing to four stores across three counties while remaining true to their founding values.

Beyond their success as grocers, Oleson's Food Stores have demonstrated a steadfast commitment to giving back. Through partnerships such as Food Rescue and the company's Community Share Program, Oleson's has provided more than 1.1 million pounds of food to those in need and contributed nearly \$1.9 million to local organizations and community initiatives. They have also worked closely with Grand Traverse Area Genealogical Society to provide nearly \$2500 in contributions to support the society's mission of genealogical education. These efforts reflect an understanding that strong businesses help build strong communities.

Mr. Speaker, let us all join in recognizing Oleson's Food Stores as they celebrate a century of service, the dedication of four generations of family leadership, and the hard work of the employees who have contributed to their lasting success. The Oleson family's enduring commitment to service, community, and excellence embodies the entrepreneurial spirit and hometown values that define Michigan's 1st Congressional District.

HONORING TIM MATTOS

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 8, 2026

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Chief Tim Mattos as he retires after an impressive career in law enforcement and public service and to recognize his many contributions to our community.

Chief Mattos was born in Oroville, California, and spent the first fifteen years of his life with his parents, Tony and Pat Mattos, and his three younger sisters, Corina, Julie, and Tonya, on their family's dairy farm. Chief Mattos attended Biggs High School where he earned varsity letters in football, wrestling, baseball, and track and field. He attended Butte Community College where he continued his wrestling career and earned a wrestling scholarship to the California State University, Long Beach. Chief Mattos is a graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) National Academy and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice Management.

Chief Tim Mattos graduated from the Butte College Police Academy in June of 1990 and began his law enforcement career with the City of Woodland on July 9th, 1990. In the Woodland Police Department, Chief Mattos was a Field Training Officer, a Detective, and a member of the Gang Task Force. Chief Mattos was promoted to the rank of Corporal in 1997, and then to the rank of Sergeant in 1998. As a Sergeant he supervised the Problem Oriented Policing Team. He later moved into the role of Administrative Sergeant where

he was responsible for recruiting and hiring, internal affairs, and the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program. Chief Mattos left the Woodland Police Department in August of 2006 and began working for the Marin County District Attorney's Office as a District Attorney Investigator. Chief Mattos left the District Attorney's Office in May of 2008 after accepting the position of Police Commander with the Suisun City Police Department where he oversaw both operations and support services. Chief Mattos was promoted to Chief of Police in January 2015. In July 2018, Chief Mattos became the Interim City Manager for Suisun City. In December of 2018, Chief Mattos accepted the position of Director of Public Safety with the City of Rohnert Park.

Chief Mattos's leadership tenure is credited with oversight reform, restoration of accountability, and the stabilization of Rohnert Park's public safety department. Chief Mattos implemented community-oriented policing and public outreach and engagement programs in our Rohnert Park community. Chief Mattos led safety campaigns for cyclists and pedestrians, DUI awareness education, and accountability measures. Under Chief Mattos's leadership, the Fire Division earned a strong fire protection score, and traffic safety operations and the SAFE Team secured increased funding.

Chief Mattos is a current member and past President of the Sonoma County Law Enforcement Chiefs Association, a member of the California Police Chiefs Association, and a member of the International Police Chiefs Association. He is also a member and past Vocational Service Director of the Rohnert Park/Cotati Rotary Club.

Chief Mattos is the father of two sons, Garrett and Dustin, and a daughter, Madaya. Chief Mattos is the proud grandfather of seven.

Mr. Speaker, Chief Mattos continues to encourage continued community policing to build trust and change how local law enforcement is viewed during these difficult times. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

HONORING THE NATIONAL KIDNEY FOUNDATION'S FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND KIDNEY WALK

HON. MIKE HARIDOPOLOS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 8, 2026

Mr. HARIDOPOLOS. Mr. Speaker. I rise today to recognize the National Kidney Foundation of Florida and the participants of the 15th Annual Footprints in the Sand Kidney Walk, which will be held on May 9, 2026, in Cocoa Beach, Florida.

This treasured tradition brings together families, advocates, healthcare professionals, and community members to raise awareness about kidney disease, support those affected by it, and advance lifesaving research and treatment efforts. Across Florida, kidney disease impacts thousands of individuals and families, making the work of the National Kidney Foundation more important than ever.

This year's event also honored thirty-two donor families whose generosity and commitment have helped save lives through organ

and tissue donation. Their selflessness serves as a powerful reminder of the impression one person can have on the life of another.

I would also like to recognize and include in the RECORD the following honorees and donor families for their contributions and the lasting impact they have made on their communities:

Anand Persaud, Anaya Bayona-Davis, Andrew Kyle Dorsey, Aryia Grace Seitz, Blake Eden, Brenton Harrington, Brianna Angelica, Brooke Elizabeth Dawkins, Chadale Jordan Michael Grey, Charles Connelly, Chase Alexander Agudelo, Christopher Scott Bell, Decobe Esters, Deja Thompson, Destiney Menke, Donald Walker, Dylan Rowe, Elienisse Diaz-Rodriguez, Elijael Martinez Reyes, Geoffrey Wasden, Jacob Monroe, Joey Scuderi, Jose Collins, Kory Humphrey, Linda Marie Couch, Maximus Robinson, Melissa Gail Houser, Michael Covello, Patrick Gorman, Seth Anthony Beyrooti, Shawn Carpenter, and Solomon Proftitt.

I commend the National Kidney Foundation of Florida for its dedication to improving lives and promoting organ donation awareness throughout our communities. On behalf of Florida's 8th Congressional District, I congratulate everyone involved in the continued success of the Footprints in the Sand Kidney Walk and thank them for their service to others.

INTRODUCTION OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION TO COMBAT WORKPLACE SEXUAL HARASSMENT ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 8, 2026

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the National Commission to Combat Workplace Sexual Harassment Act, which would establish a national commission to combat sexual harassment in the workplace. This bill is modeled on bills Congress has passed to establish commissions to address other national problems. Specifically, this bill would establish a commission to carry out a comprehensive investigation and study of sexual harassment in the workplace, including recommending changes in laws and best practices to prevent, investigate, respond to and penalize sexual harassment.

Our constituents expect Congress to address the problem of sexual harassment in the workplace. The commission would hear from a cross section of workers—from office and factory workers to retail and food service workers. A national commission could help reduce sexual harassment in the workplace.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SHRI THANEDAR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 8, 2026

Mr. THANEDAR. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 207.

HONORING THE WORK OF ALLAN
MELLIS

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 8, 2026

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and achievements of Allan Mellis. Allan passed away peacefully at 81 years-old at Illinois Masonic Hospital on Sunday, April 26, 2026. After joining the Wrightwood Neighbors Association board in 1974, he remained there for over 50 years, serving a two-year stint as president.

Allan was brought to Chicago through his work for IBM where he was responsible for, and the first employee of, IBM's desktop publishing department. Allan quickly became an integral part of the community and served Wrightwood Neighbors, Lincoln Park, and Chicago for decades. Even after suffering a stroke in 2021, Allan, a master negotiator, fiercely advocated for one of the most densely populated neighborhoods in the city.

Allan spearheaded a yearslong campaign to transform Lincoln Park library, including designing plans and securing funding. Today, it's one of the busiest library branches in Chicago. He was a firm supporter of disabled rights and helped make Fullerton Station accessible to disabled riders in 2008. He helped to start the Taste of Lincoln Avenue street festival, which has been replicated in similar events around the city. He was affectionately known as "the mayor of Lincoln Park" and that is reflected by the 93 boxes of his community papers housed at DePaul university. Allan also collected over 30,000 items of ice cream memorabilia throughout his life, a portion of which has been on display at the Museum of Science and Industry for fifty years, earning him the nickname "Mr. Ice Cream."

Allan's legacy will be one of caring for the community, being a good neighbor, and consistently performing small selfless acts to create a lasting impact on those around you. Evidence of his decadeslong commitment to his community will endure for years to come throughout Lincoln Park.

Mr. Speaker, I ask everyone to join me in recognizing Allan's five decades of service and his commitment to, and success in, improving every community he was a part of.

HONORING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE LICK OBSERVATORY

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 8, 2026

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the 150th Anniversary of the Lick Observatory.

In 1876, the United States Congress granted public land to the University of California for the purpose of establishing an observatory. California's wealthiest citizen of the time, real estate entrepreneur James Lick bestowed \$700,000 to the University of California's astronomy department. With an investment equivalent to \$1.2 billion in contemporary value, James Lick created a legacy of scientific research and advancement.

The Lick Observatory has been a bastion of groundbreaking discoveries in astronomy since its completion in 1888. The Great Refractor, the site's famous 36-inch diameter telescope, was instrumental to E.E. Barnard's discovery of Jupiter's fifth moon, Amalthea. Another instrument, the 20-inch Double Astrograph, was used to chart skies and count distant galaxies. The Lick Northern Proper Motion program measure systematic patterns in the Milky Way Galaxy.

Through the decades, the Lick Observatory has freely shared its research with international academic institutions and the surrounding Bay Area community. It serves as an experimentation site for technical instrument improvement. They organize programs like the Scientific Teaching through Astronomy Research (STARs) and Institute for Scientist and Engineer Educators (ISEE) that advance STEM education and careers. Its summer visitor's program hosts lectures and viewings for thousands of visitors to observe the universe through cutting edge technology.

In its 150-year history, the Lick Observatory has survived challenges to its instruments' longevity and the observatory's ability to offer hands-on programs. The site survived a plane crash, earthquake damage, and wildfire destruction. On Christmas morning, a rainstorm destroyed half of the Great Refractor's shutter dome. Time and time again, the Observatory has rebuilt. I want to recognize the 29 dedicated individuals who spent their holidays working on recovery efforts for the site. Their hard work represents how beloved the Lick Observatory is to the community.

I wish to congratulate the Lick Observatory for 150 years of outstanding scientific contributions and meaningful community building in the Bay Area. Spanning generations of Californians, the Lick Observatory inspires exploration in astronomy and engages the innovative curiosity of the community.

HONORING LUCIA G. McDONALD

HON. JAMES C. MOYLAN

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 8, 2026

Mr. MOYLAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate a remarkable woman whose life reflects the resilience, faith, and strength that have helped shape our island of Guam for generations—Ms. Lucia G. McDonald—as she reaches the extraordinary milestone of her 100th birthday.

Born on November 29, 1926, Lucia has witnessed a century of history and has lived a life marked by perseverance, devotion, and unwavering commitment to family. Reaching one hundred years of age is an incredible accomplishment. Yet what makes this occasion truly special is not simply the number of years she has lived, but the legacy she has built throughout those years.

Ms. McDonald's story is also a story of Guam. As a young girl growing up in pre-war Hagåtña, she enjoyed a childhood filled with family, friends, and the simple joys of island life. She fondly remembered walking through the streets of Hagåtña with her friends, enjoying the close-knit community that defined Guam before World War II. Her family was preparing for a major move to California,

where her stepfather, a member of the United States Navy, had gone ahead to establish a home for them. But history had other plans.

The outbreak of World War II and the Japanese occupation forever altered the course of her life. Like many members of Guam's Greatest Generation, Lucia endured years of hardship, uncertainty, and fear. Her family was forced from their home and sought refuge with relatives in rural areas of the island. They experienced food shortages, violence, and the daily realities of living under occupation. They witnessed the devastation of war and the destruction of the community they once knew. Through it all, Lucia survived. Her experiences stand as a powerful reminder of the sacrifices and suffering endured by the people of Guam during one of the darkest chapters in our island's history.

Following the war, she helped build a new life. In 1948, Lucia married Charles Henry Mariano McDonald, and together they built a home and family in Agana Heights. Their marriage would span nearly five decades and be blessed with twelve children. Through the years, their family continued to grow, eventually including 37 grandchildren, 58 great-grandchildren, and seven great-great-grandchildren. Few accomplishments speak more powerfully to a life well lived than generations of family gathered together because of the love and foundation established by a mother and grandmother.

While raising twelve children, Lucia embraced her role as a homemaker. She managed a busy household while helping care for a large farm filled with livestock, crops, and the countless responsibilities that came with supporting a growing family. Yet despite the demands of raising children and maintaining a home, she always found time for family gatherings, community events, and helping others. Friends and relatives knew her as someone who enjoyed bringing people together and celebrating life's special moments.

Faith has always been at the center of Lucia's life. She devoted countless hours to her church and parish community. Whether preparing food for church functions, participating in Christian Mothers activities, leading rosaries, or attending daily Mass, she lived her faith through service. Her family describes her as someone who would carefully prepare herself each day before heading to church, eager to participate and contribute. Even today, despite the challenges that naturally come with age, her love for prayer and worship remains strong. Her family notes that while age may have affected certain abilities, her prayers and church hymns continue to ring out clearly and proudly.

Another remarkable part of Lucia's story is her connection to one of Guam's historic family businesses. Her family traces its roots to the pre-war "Home Bakery," established through the efforts of her parents and relatives, a venture that helped serve the community and would become part of Guam's broader business history. That entrepreneurial spirit, commitment to family, and dedication to community service have continued throughout the generations that followed.

Today, as we recognize Lucia McDonald on her 100th birthday, we celebrate far more than a centennial milestone. We celebrate a World War II survivor, devoted wife, loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great-grandmother, whose life has touched countless people across our island.