

Vienna Little League has played an essential role in shaping young lives both on and off the field. Through its commitment to teamwork, sportsmanship, and perseverance, the league has instilled values that extend far beyond the game itself. Thousands of players have come through its program, many of whom carry forward the lessons they learned into their schools, careers, and communities.

In addition to its longstanding tradition, Vienna Little League continues to achieve excellence at the highest levels of youth baseball. In 2022, its 9–11U All-Star team captured the Southeast Regional Title for the first time in over fifty years, and in 2023, its 8–11-Year-Old team once again brought home the Southeast Regional Title. These accomplishments reflect not only athletic talent, but also the strength of the league's coaching, mentorship, and community support.

Equally impressive is the continued vitality of the league itself. Even in an era where travel baseball has become increasingly prevalent, Vienna Little League remains a thriving and accessible program, with nearly 1,000 players registered for the 2026 spring season. This remarkable level of participation is a testament to the enduring value of community-based athletics and the strong sense of belonging that Vienna Little League fosters.

At the heart of Vienna Little League's success is its dedicated network of volunteers, including coaches, board members, umpires, and parents, who generously give their time and energy year after year. Their commitment ensures that each season provides a safe, inclusive, and enriching environment where every child has the opportunity to grow and succeed.

The 75th anniversary of Vienna Little League is not only a celebration of its history, but also a testament to its enduring impact on the community. It reflects decades of hard work, community investment, and a shared belief in the importance of youth engagement through athletics. Above all, it represents an extraordinary community that has been built around the game, one that continues to bring pride to the Town of Vienna.

The anniversary celebration brings together past and present players, families, and community members to honor the league's legacy and look ahead to its continued success. It is an opportunity to reflect on the countless memories made on the fields of Vienna and to recognize the individuals who have contributed to the league's lasting success.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Vienna Little League on its 75th anniversary, and in wishing the league success this season. Its legacy of service, achievement, and community building has left an indelible mark on Northern Virginia, and its continued success will no doubt inspire generations to come.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH AGENCIES CLARIFICATION ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. ED CASE

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 8, 2026

Mr. CASE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the Legislative Branch Agencies Clari-

fication Act, which was introduced by my colleague, Representative Griffith.

As the independence of the legislative branch continues to be challenged and eroded, we must take the necessary steps to ensure our ability to function as an unimpeded co-equal branch of government. This important legislation is part of an overall effort to strengthen and protect Congressional independence.

Similar to my bill, the Legislative Branch Independence Act (H.R. 6517), the House is seeking in this legislation to provide the necessary clarity regarding the governance of agencies that uniquely serve the Legislative Branch and reaffirm Congress' constitutional authority over its own institutions.

By shifting the appointment authority away from the executive branch for the Librarian of Congress and the Director of the Government Publishing Office, both bills further align the responsibilities of these agencies to the Legislative Branch.

While my bill differs in its addition of the Comptroller General of the Government Accountability Office, the shared effort to retain Congressional control over the appointment process for key legislative branch officials reflects our common intent to strengthen and protect the structure of these institutions that serve us.

I urge my colleagues to join me in working to secure the enactment of these bills to empower Congress to control all aspects of key legislative branch agencies.

CONGRATULATING SCOTT CLARK

HON. RICK W. ALLEN

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my heartfelt congratulations to Scott Clark on receiving the Skill, Integrity, and Responsibility (SIR) Award.

On June 6, 2026, I had the pleasure of joining Scott at the 2026 Annual Associated General Contractors of Georgia Convention and can confidently say no one is more deserving.

The SIR award is given to the individual who exemplifies the values embraced through outstanding service, industry leadership, and involvement in the community. Scott embodies each of these qualities.

Throughout his distinguished career, Scott has served in many different roles, eventually leading to his current role as Chief Executive Officer at RW Allen Construction.

His commitment to excellence and passion for developing future leaders will leave a long-lasting impact on the construction industry in Georgia and across the Nation.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Scott is also a devoted family man and man of faith. I congratulate my friend Scott, his wife Jennifer, and their two children on this well-deserved recognition and honor.

RECOGNIZING RYAN GALLE

HON. JOSEPH D. MORELLE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

Mr. MORELLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an outstanding young man from

Rochester, New York, whose dedication, work ethic, and passion for maritime service have earned him admission to the United States Merchant Marine Academy: Ryan Galle.

From an early age, Ryan developed a deep appreciation for maritime operations through his work with a local charter business along the historic Erie Canal. What began as an interest soon grew into a genuine passion, inspiring him to pursue a career in the maritime industry and seek opportunities that would challenge him both personally and professionally.

Ryan is highly regarded by his teachers, mentors, and peers as a motivated student, dependable leader, and positive influence within his community. Whether in the classroom, in athletics, or in his work experience, he has consistently demonstrated maturity, initiative, and a strong sense of responsibility. Drawn to the Academy's rigorous academic and leadership development programs, Ryan looks forward to strengthening his character, refining his leadership abilities, and expanding his knowledge of the maritime profession.

Mr. Speaker, I am confident that Ryan Galle will continue to make the Rochester community proud as he pursues his education and future career at the United States Merchant Marine Academy. I congratulate him on this remarkable achievement and extend my very best wishes for continued success in the years ahead.

RECOGNIZING THE AWARDEES OF THE 2026 ANNUAL PRIVILEGE AWARDS

HON. JAMES R. WALKINSHAW

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

Mr. WALKINSHAW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the recipients of the 2026 Annual Privilege Awards, presented by the Bernie L. Bates Foundation, an organization dedicated to strengthening communities across Fairfax County through education, mentorship, and service.

Now in its fifth year, the Annual Privilege Awards honor outstanding residents whose time, leadership, and generosity have significantly supported nonprofit organizations and uplifted communities throughout Northern Virginia.

This award is given to those who embody the spirit of the late Colonel Marion "Barney" Barnwell, United States Army, Retired, and Lord Fairfax, 2018. He was a community leader and advocate known for his longstanding commitment to civic engagement and public service in Northern Virginia. He was actively involved with the Bernie L. Bates Foundation, supporting efforts that promote education, mentorship, and opportunities for young people. Through his leadership and volunteer work, Barnwell helped strengthen community partnerships and advance initiatives that encourage service and leadership among local residents.

This year's honorees exemplify the spirit of service and the "pay it forward" mentality that the program was created to celebrate. I include in the Record the following names of the 2026 Annual Privilege Awards recipients:

Dawnielle Feucht, INOVA Mount Vernon Hospital. Dawnielle Feucht is recognized for

her commitment to compassionate healthcare and community service through her work at INOVA Mount Vernon Hospital. Her dedication to improving patient care and supporting the wellbeing of Fairfax County residents reflects the highest ideals of service in the healthcare profession.

Kim-Thoa Faxon, Fort Belvoir Chapel. Kim-Thoa Faxon is honored for her leadership and service through the Fort Belvoir Chapel, where she has worked to strengthen spiritual support and community engagement for military families and residents in the region. Her efforts help foster connection, compassion, and resilience within the community.

Alicia Washington, National Pan-Hellenic Council of Northern Virginia. Alicia Washington is recognized for her leadership within the National Pan-Hellenic Council of Northern Virginia, where she has advanced civic engagement, service initiatives, and opportunities for collaboration among historically Black Greek-letter organizations. Her work has strengthened community partnerships and expanded service efforts across the region.

Scott E. Brideau, Rebuilding Together Arlington/Fairfax/Falls Church, Inc. Scott Brideau is honored for his dedication to improving the lives of local residents through Rebuilding Together Arlington/Fairfax/Falls Church. Through volunteer leadership and community collaboration, he has helped advance critical home repair and revitalization projects that ensure safe and stable housing for vulnerable families.

Meg Turkson, Riverside Elementary School. Meg Turkson is recognized for her outstanding service to students and families at Riverside Elementary School. Through her commitment to education and mentorship, she has helped create opportunities for young people to succeed academically and grow as engaged members of their community.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the recipients of the 2026 Annual Privilege Awards for their extraordinary commitment to service in Fairfax County. Their leadership, generosity, and dedication strengthen our communities and embody the very best of Northern Virginia.

CONGRATULATING THE 2026 CONGRESSIONAL AWARD GOLD MEDALISTS

HON. BRYAN STEIL

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

Mr. STEIL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate this year's winners of the Congressional Award.

The Congressional Award honors those who strive to be part of something bigger than themselves. With this award, Congress recognizes young Americans who devote their free time to an important activity. It could be taking on a public service project, pursuing a hobby or new skill, starting a physical fitness program, or going on an outdoor expedition.

Participants set goals in these areas, and how they do in meeting them determines the level of award they receive. Just as important, they receive the sense of pride that comes with fulfilling a mission. The program, established in 1979, is a great way to motivate young people to develop the building blocks of good citizenship.

I congratulate each of the award's winners. I include in the RECORD a list of this year's Congressional Award Gold Medalists from around the country, including two recipients from the great state of Wisconsin:

2026 CONGRESSIONAL AWARD GOLD MEDALISTS

AK: Rachel C. Anderson
 AL: William Crocker, Joshua Macri
 AP: Chloe Lee
 AR: Brianna Moore
 AZ: Gulfinaz Atceken, Johnathan Barbeau II, Anastasia Bradley, Renae Brown, Amanda Grace Burlington, Esther Cui, Furkan Dorum, Jessica Finnie, Hazel Hurlbut, Pariyat Jain, Cooper Johnson, Hiyun Lee, Chloe Mayfield, Kalyan McLeod, Ella Meaker, William Steenken, Sadiya Uddin, Eric Wang
 CA: Romeo Ahn, Timothy Ahn, Selim Aksu, Dila Alkan, Marah Alomari, Claire An, David An, Stephan Moses An, Ismail Alp Arslan, Madison Bae, Daniel Baek, Seoah Back, Eugene Ban, Ethan Bedetti, Connor Benin, Logan Benin, Bhuvana Bhamidipati, Aron Bhavsar, Diya Bhootra, Freya Bikel, Grayson Bloes, Lilly Boman, Ellie Byun, Lila Callaway, Katharine Campbell, William Candela, Joshua Chae, Aiden Chang, Elizabeth Chang, Sailee Charlu, Chloe Chen, Elise Chen, Isabella Chen, Justin Chen, Beckett Cheng, Ian Chhek, Elliott Adam Chi, Gohith Chittajallu, Daniel Cho, Isabel Cho, Junmin Cho, Mikel Cho, Allen Choi, Gavin Choi, Peter Choi, Soen Choi, Timothy Choi, Yejoon Choi, Elizabeth Christensen, Michael Christensen, Brianna Chu, Ian Chu, Chloe Chun, Isaac Chun, Andrew Chung, Daye Chung, Andrew Chyu, Camryn Cooper, Joseph Curtis, Phoebe Dang, Rohan Dhameja, Derek Di, Ocean Du, Yusuf Durmaz, Selma Emekci, Kerem Eren, Ali Forbush, Caroline Rose Foster, Ethan Fu, Vivienne Fullerton, Neha Ganesan, Sanaa Garach, Rishabh Garg, Mekan Geldiyev, Ian Gopen, Anusha Grewal, Niveta Sree Gunda, Adya Gupta, Anshika Gupta, Rajvansh Gupta, Shreya Gupta, Suhani Gupta, Jaden Ham, Sophia Han, James Hart, Hajra Hasan, Avery Hexun, Conway Ho, Paige Hoffmann, Reagan Hoffmann, Ann Hong, Ashley Yoonsuh Hong, Ethan Hong, Grace Hong, Kayden Hong, Kushi Hosahalli, Thomas Houston, Grace Huang, Hayden Hughes, Andrew Jaehoon Hwang, Ellen Hwang, Jake Hwang, Sol Hwang, Isaac Jang, Junue Jang, Peter Jang, Phillip Jang, Rachele Jang, Seowng Jang, Milla Jans, Daniel Jin, Andrew Jo, Saanvi Juneja, Elizabeth Jung, Sydney Kim, Nikhil Kalburgi, Alex Kang, Andrew Kang, Ashley Kang, Jake Kang, Taeui Kang, Andrew Kao, Neel Karur-Parekh, Ishaan Kendale, Berra Keskin, Kamil Keskin, Burak Keskindurk, Rayhan Khan, Aaron Kim, Aiden Kim, Aiden Kim, Alice Kim, Andrew Kim, Angela Kim, Benjamin Kim, Bethany Kim, Cameron Kim, Chaeun Kim, Chloe Kim, Claire Kim, Danielle Kim, Elaine Kim, Elliot Kim, Euna Kim, Hailey Kim, Hyunjun Kim, Jason Kim, Jayden Kim, Jayden Kim, Jiwon Kim, Joshua Kim, Matthew Kim, Nicole Kim, Ryan Kim, Seohyun Kim, Susan Kim, Yena Kim, Yulyi Kim, Zachary Kim, Alison Ko, Claire Ko, Yegeon Ko, Rithik Kompelli, Noah Hamin Koo, Anya Kothari, Joanna Kruglick, Jane Kwak, Wing-Hong Lam, Aaron Lee, Alvin Lee, Asher Lee, Brandon Lee, Brian Lee, Caleb Lee, Chris Lee, Christian Lee, Daniel Lee, Daniel Lee, Denise Lee, Dongha Lee, Emily Lee, Eunhyeok Lee, Eunsang Lee, Geonhee Lee, Hajin Lee, Hea Lee, Hwanyun Lee, Isaac Lee, James Lee, Jamie Taeun Lee, Joel Lee, Jooha Lee, Joshua Lee, Katelyn Lee, Matthew Lee, Mike Lee, Nicole Lee, Noah Lee, Riley Lee, Sean Lee, Seohoo Lee, Soeun Lee, Lorin Leung, Calli Levine, Jinghan Li, Zihan Li, Ethan Liang, JingJing Liang, Katie Libby, Brandon Lim,

Joseph Lim, Kayla Lim, Lynzie Lim, Theo Lim, Brandon Lin, Grishm Lingaredy, Toby Litman, Caltong Liu, Kevin Liu, Joshua Lo, Dhruva Madhan, Anya Malhotra, Erika Marasas, Richelle Maruya-Cho, Benjamin Blue McDonald, Katie Meggers, Luke Meggers, Nick Meggers, Hailey Mellot, Georgia Merriam, Chris Min, Sophie Min, Chloe Moon, Michael Moon, Leah Mordehai, Evan Myung, Kate Nagareda, Jacob Nahm, Shriram Naidu, Jathan, Nandi, Tejas Nandi, Hyunjoon Noh, Mirela Novak Tamellini, Azra Odabasoglu, Andrew Oh, Andrew Oh, Harold Oh, Hyunjung Oh, Jonathan Oh, Yeonwoo Oh, Yashwanth Oruganti, Caden Ouh, Keisha Pai, Jihan Pak, Paige Pak, Saisha Pak, Sonya Paleja, Riya Pallikonda, Anuj Parikh, Aiden Park, Aileen Jihye Park, Celine Park, Jaeyun Park, Jason Park, Jubin Joshua Park, Kailyn Park, Kihwan Park, Lawrence Park, Sharon Park, Siwoo Park, So Hee Park, So Yeon Park, Soyan Park, Kavin Patel, Krishna Patel, Vihaan Patel, Zahra Patel, Agasthya Pattipati, Aaron Peter, Casey Peters, Colin Phan, Catherine Pi, Soham Pinapala, Lucas Pipkins, Virika Podichetty, Rishabh Prabhat, Nysha Prasad, Roland Pratt, Arif Prince, Giovanna Quevedo, Aadya Rai, Arjun Raj, Meghna Rangarajan, Saanj Rao, Ayaan Raza, Taara Reddy, Naina Rewal, Neil Rewal, Zachary Reynolds, Annette Rhee, Dahee Ryu, Jehoon Ryu, Taina Saenz, Gabriel Sanchez, Neha Shaik, Armand Shaken, Stefan Shaken, Nimishii Sharma, Hugo Shek, Riya Shelar, Makela Shen, Chenpeng Sheng, Nisha Shenoy, Aryav Sheth, Suri Sheth-Shelat, Ethan Shi, Andrew Shin, Hayden Shin, Abhinav Shivalli, Mourya Sibala, Niyant Sithamraju, Xinqing Situ, Olivia Skeete, Chloe Son, Daniel Son, Younga Son, Emma Song, Isabel Song, Akash Sriram, Carolyn Suh, Jiyun Suk, Miju Suk, Zihan Sun, Miu Takahashi, Tanvi Thallapalle, Amber Thornal, Claire Thrasher, Ananya Tirumala, Vaani Tiwari, Kiyan Torabi Parizi, Natthakun Towashiraporn, Thomas Tran, Nerissa Tsai, Ritvik Urkude, Eashan Wahi, Noelle Wan, Brandon Wang, Melody Wang, Christa Wong, Logan Wong, Daniel Wu, Erin Wu, Evan Wu, Sarah Xiang, Kaitlyn Yamanaka, Vera Yang, Bowen Yao, Evelyn Yao, Matthew Yap, Samantha Yee, Sriaditi Yellamraju, Felix Yin, Alexander Yoon, Cecilia Yoon, Chloe Yoon, Emily Yoon, Matthew Yoon, Yeowon Yoon, Allison Yu, Joshua Yu, Kathy Yu, Miles Yu, Jolin Zeng, Angelina Zha, Andrew Zhang, Matthew Zhang, Tiana Zhang, Xiruo Zhang, Aaron Zheng, Iris Zheng, Oscar Zhong, David Zhou, Patrick Zhou, Vanessa Zhou, Zihan Zhou, Zifan Zhou

CO: Ellory Anne Bauersfeld, Zachary Gao, Owen Tribbett, Michael Zhang

CT: Emma Frisbie, Shaoheng He, Henry Jin, Anushka Khubchandani, Cole Kim, Grace Lee, Jai Patel, Allison Phelan, Daksh Suryadevara, Carina Weidmann

DC: Ayonlah Mckia Carter, Arin Tucker, Luke Paul Kannankeril Voss

DE: Joseph Zogheib

FL: Christy Banker, Matthew Bartel, Sam Crimaldi, Grace Diez, Noor El-Helw, Lilly Freese, Suma Gadde, Anusha Gupta, Cameron Hamilton, Tristan Hoon, Noah Howes, Yash Jhala, Eric Mathemeier, Evangeline Mathemeier, Enzo Paesano, Yuthika Panigrahi, Joseph Penkala, Andrew Polhemus, Ashleigh Polhemus, Kaya Price, Adeline Roach, Carina Rocco, Alana Rodante, Zanele Sanchez, Selena Shen, Arav Shintre, Andrew Slentz, Michael Wagner, Michelle Wagner, Yuelu Wang, Evan Warford, Bo Warnken, Xiaowen Zheng

GA: Veeksha Annapureddy, Rhythm Bazari, Kessler Bibb, McFerrin Bibb, Read Elizabeth Blanco, Cailin Bohm, Jatin Bottu, Lia Heard, Elizabeth Hong, Nyla Hopkins,