

start of the war. When gas goes up, so does the price of everything else. We saw that reflected in the Bureau of Labor Statistics' May report on inflation which showed prices increasing at the fastest rate in three years. The American people are paying every single day for a war that no one voted for and Congress has not authorized.

Now, President Trump is attempting to negotiate with Iran to reopen the Strait of Hormuz, which was not closed prior to the start of the war. I welcome the international community's support for securing and maintaining the security of the Strait. I also support the ongoing ceasefire with Iran. But this ceasefire extension must lead to a tangible resolution to the war that provides for peace and long-term stability in the Middle East. That includes insisting that Israel honor its ceasefire with Lebanon and cease and desist its use of U.S. munitions in that conflict. This is not what President Trump announced on June 14th. The President's new agreement with Iran is just a tenuous sixty-day extension of the existing ceasefire. It may result in an end to the U.S. naval blockade of Iran and a reopening of the Strait of Hormuz, but that remains to be seen.

Furthermore, the ceasefire extension announced by President Trump does nothing to resolve the most critical issues in this conflict, such as the status of the Iranian nuclear program, ballistic missile programs, frozen Iranian financial assets, or imposed U.S. sanctions. Without a resolution to these issues, long-term peace and stability in the region will remain out of reach.

Prior to the President's war of choice, Iran was an international pariah state. The Iranian regime was guilty of heinous crimes and human rights atrocities against its own people. But President Trump's war has allowed Iran to recast itself as a victim in the eyes of many around the world. Their regime is more hardline, emboldened to continue to disrupt security in the Middle East, and now have serious economic leverage over the United States and the world. The fault for this lies squarely with President Trump.

HONORING EDWARD THEODORE  
"TEDDY" RILEY

**HON. ANDRÉ CARSON**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 18, 2026*

Mr. CARSON. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor Edward Theodore "Teddy" Riley, a visionary musician, producer, songwriter, and innovator whose extraordinary contributions to American music have left an indelible mark on generations of artists and listeners around the world. Mr. Riley will be celebrated during this year's Juneteenth commemoration at Indianapolis' historic Madam C.J. Walker Legacy Center located in the 7th Congressional District, which I'm honored to represent here in Congress.

Teddy Riley began as a child prodigy and was playing instruments in church and working in recording studios as a teenager. Few artists can claim to have created an entirely new musical genre, launched the careers of future superstars, influenced generations of musicians around the world, and helped to redefine pop-

ular music. Teddy Riley has accomplished all four.

Widely recognized as the creator of New Jack Swing, Teddy Riley revolutionized popular music by blending the rhythmic energy of hip-hop with the soulful melodies of R&B. He helped define the sound of an era and transformed the landscape of contemporary music through his creativity and pioneering spirit. His influence can be heard in countless recordings and continues to shape artists across genres to this day.

Over a career spanning more than four decades, Mr. Riley produced, wrote, and performed some of the most iconic songs in modern music. His work with legendary artists helped launch chart-topping hits and platinum-selling albums, including collaborations with Michael Jackson ("Remember the Time" and "Dangerous"), Bobby Brown ("My Prerogative"), Keith Sweat, Stevie Wonder, Doug E. Fresh, Kool Moe Dee, and many others. As a founding member of the acclaimed groups Guy and Blackstreet, he further cemented his place in music history with timeless classics that remain beloved by audiences around the world, including his Grammy Award-winning hit "No Diggity".

Beyond his commercial success, Teddy Riley's legacy is one of innovation, mentorship, and artistic excellence. His groundbreaking production techniques helped bridge musical genres, expand creative possibilities for future generations, and elevate the cultural impact of Black music throughout the world. His contributions have earned him widespread acclaim, including two Grammy Awards, the Soul Train Award, the Hip-Hop Hall of Fame, and a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. He is recognized as one of the most influential producers in modern music history.

Mr. Speaker, Teddy Riley's remarkable career stands as a testament to the power of creativity, perseverance, and innovation. As he is celebrated during this Juneteenth in Indianapolis, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing his extraordinary achievements and enduring contributions today to American music and culture.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARY OF WALT AND  
RITA TUCHALSKI

**HON. JOHN JOYCE**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 18, 2026*

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to join with the family and friends of Walt and Rita Tuchalski in expressing congratulations to this remarkable couple on their 50th wedding anniversary.

Married on June 19, 1976, Walt and Rita have enjoyed notable professional success in their respective careers throughout their years as residents of southcentral Pennsylvania.

Walt has entered his 28th year as a radio and digital marketing consultant in Gettysburg. He is also a proud U.S. Army Veteran. Rita made her mark in sales, advertising, promotions, and special events.

On behalf of everyone in Adams County and the entire 13th Congressional District, I congratulate Walt and Rita on this significant milestone, and thank Walt for his military service to our country.

May their 50th wedding anniversary kindle fond memories of all the people, places, and experiences that are especially meaningful to them.

RECOGNIZING ADAM STOLL UPON  
HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE  
CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH  
SERVICE

**HON. TIM WALBERG**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 18, 2026*

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Adam Stoll, who is finishing 27 years of outstanding work at the Congressional Research Service. Members of Congress and their staff who are engaged with Federal education and labor policy have benefited from his wisdom and professionalism, as well as the work of the many CRS analysts, specialists, and research assistants that he has supported and developed throughout his career. He has been an exemplary analyst, mentor, manager, and thought leader in his different roles during his tenure at CRS and has contributed greatly to providing authoritative and nonpartisan analysis to assist Congress.

Adam earned a bachelor's degree in political science from American University, a master's degree in politics and education from Columbia University, and a doctorate in Social Policy from Brandeis University. Before joining CRS, Adam was an Evaluation Officer at the Lila and DeWitt Wallace-Reader's Digest Funds, designing evaluations for large national demonstration projects, and a Governmental and Professional Liaison Associate at the American Educational Research Association.

Since he began his service at CRS in 1999, Adam has been a nationally recognized expert on numerous postsecondary education issues, including student loans, college costs and prices, the federal needs analysis system used to determine student eligibility for various sources of financial aid, and the relationship between higher education tax credits and traditional student aid. After a distinguished and cherished career as a Specialist in Social Legislation, Adam began a lengthy career in management at CRS. From 2006 until 2023, Adam served as Section Research Manager for the Education and Labor Section in the Domestic Social Policy division at CRS, leading a group of analysts who support Congress on issues pertaining to education, workforce development, and labor standards. Since 2023, Adam has served as the DSP Deputy Assistant Director. Congress has indicated strong interest in CRS pursuing advanced data analytics, and Adam has played a key role in fostering the use of advanced analytic methods in CRS in its support to Congress. He has also served on numerous Service-wide strategic planning groups and committees, including chairing a two-year study group that examined the alignment between the work being done at CRS and its workforce composition. Throughout his management roles, Adam has focused on helping his colleagues excel as CRS analysts and research assistants, so that they could provide Congress with exemplary service. While Adam's dedication to CRS' mission has been steadfast, his commitment to supporting the analysts and research assistants

that he supervised has been even greater and has endured even as his roles at CRS have changed.

As Adam retires to spend more time with his growing family, I know that his colleagues at CRS will miss him, and so will we. I thank and congratulate Adam on an outstanding career. He has made a positive difference for students in postsecondary education and has served our Nation well in his capacity as a manager, which is a testament to his hard work and dedication. I wish him a long, healthy, and happy retirement.

RECOGNIZING GAVIN MINICH ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY

**HON. ROBERT E. LATTA**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 18, 2026*

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's 5th Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Gavin Minich of Bloomdale, Ohio, has been offered an appointment to the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York.

Gavin's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Military Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2030. Attending one of our Nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of his life. Gavin brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2030. While attending Elmwood High School, he participated in National Honor Society, Quiz Bowl, student government, debate club, and was on the honor role. Throughout high school, Gavin was involved in cross country, indoor track, and track and field, earning his varsity letter. I am confident that he will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Military Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Gavin Minich on his offer of appointment to the United States Military Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available, and I am positive that Gavin will excel during his career at the Military Academy. I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

HONORING LAWRENCE E. "LARRY" STONE LIFETIME OF SERVICE

**HON. SAM T. LICCARDO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 18, 2026*

Mr. LICCARDO. Mr. Speaker, I rise alongside my colleagues Congresswoman ZOE LOFGREN, Congressman JIMMY PANETTA, and Congressman RO KHANNA, to honor a widely-respected community leader, mentor, and friend. Lawrence E. "Larry" Stone served more than three decades as Santa Clara County Asses-

sor, among his 47 years in public office. As Santa Clara County's longest-serving elected official, we celebrate his contributions upon his recent retirement.

First elected to public office in 1975, Stone served on the Sunnyvale City Council for 16 years, including two terms as mayor. In 1994, voters elected him to the role of Santa Clara County Assessor. As Assessor, Stone supervised \$8 billion in property tax revenue and managed a roll of more than 500,000 properties, which incurred a 500 percent increase in value during his time in office. During his tenure, he returned \$35 million to the county's general fund while adding only one person to the payroll. For thirty years—through economic booms and downturns alike—he consistently delivered complete, on-time assessment rolls within budget, earning stellar audit results and strengthening confidence in the office's performance. His work ensured transformative funding for our region's schools and communities.

A tireless and deeply dedicated public servant, Stone was among the first to arrive at work and last to leave, often remarking that he preferred workdays to weekends. He instilled a strong sense of urgency within the office, pushing for efficiency, responsiveness, and customer service. In his final years in office, he modernized the Assessor's Office's outdated software and database, ensuring its ability to continue serving Santa Clara County into the future.

As a leader, Stone welcomed discussion on major decisions, but once resolved, he acted decisively and expected others to move with equal urgency. While relishing the independence of elected office and enjoying the political process—never losing an election in his decades of service—he remained grounded in results, believing that strong performance was the best campaign. He stood up publicly for good government and reliably spoke out when powerful figures misused resources or misled the public.

Among local elected officials, Stone is known as a political "godfather." Politicians routinely ask him for advice and for support, and he became the go-to leader on dozens of commissions, task forces, and nonprofit boards. In 1990, he convened Silicon Valley power brokers to help Bill Clinton learn about tech and the innovation economy, which transformed into support for Clinton's winning presidential campaign. Later, Vice President Al Gore drew inspiration for "reinventing government" from reforms that Stone helped implement in Sunnyvale.

Stone's forthrightness, quotable humor, and keen insights continue to attract reporters seeking someone who will say what nobody else has the courage to utter publicly. Stone and his gracious wife, Carmen, are sought-after guests at nonprofit events and generously support local causes, particularly the arts. Larry invests heavily in affordable housing projects throughout the region and repeatedly champions the region's efforts to build stadiums and land professional sports teams. Stone also continues to drive the Downtown San Jose Rotary Club, one of the largest and most actively philanthropic clubs in the Nation, where he served as a past president.

Larry Stone spent his career elevating public service, and local government. He leaves his own service to Santa Clara County knowing that he made his community stronger than

when he found it. His legacy of principled public service will benefit our community for generations.

RECOGNIZING MASTER SERGEANT RAYMOND STIER

**HON. LISA C. McCLAIN**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 18, 2026*

Mrs. McCLAIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Master Sergeant Raymond Stier for his dedication to public service and his continued commitment to serving our Nation.

Raymond Stier, a member of the Richmond Board of Education and a veteran with decades of military experience, has faithfully served both his community and his country. Beginning his term on the Board of Education in 2025, Raymond worked to fulfill his responsibilities while deployed overseas with the United States Air Force, participating in meetings remotely whenever possible.

Even while serving in a combat zone, Raymond remained committed to the students, families, and educators of his district. His willingness to answer the call of duty while continuing to support his community reflects the highest ideals of public service, sacrifice, and patriotism.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing and congratulating Raymond Stier for his dedication, sacrifice, and service to our Nation. We are grateful for his steadfast commitment and thank him for his contributions to our country.

RECOGNIZING GREG RISLOV'S 50 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

**HON. DUSTY JOHNSON**

OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 18, 2026*

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Greg Rislov for an exceptional 50 years of dedicated service to the people of South Dakota through his work at the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

Since joining the Public Utilities Commission in 1976, Greg has played a vital role in ensuring reliable and affordable utility service for South Dakotans. Throughout his career as an analyst, division director, and advisor to the Commission, he has provided expertise on countless energy, telecommunications, and infrastructure matters.

Having served as a Public Utilities Commissioner, I had the opportunity to witness firsthand Greg's professionalism, institutional knowledge, and unwavering commitment to public service. For five decades, he has been a trusted resource to commissioners, staff, and stakeholders across South Dakota.

Greg's contributions have helped guide our state through significant changes in the utility industry while always keeping the interests of South Dakota consumers at the forefront. I thank Greg for his remarkable career and his lasting service to the people of South Dakota.