

Port, resulting in major investments, diversifying the economy, and transforming the region for generations to come. Throughout his tenure, he championed responsible stewardship and long-term investment in one of South Texas's most important economic engines.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of Texas' 34th Congressional District, I extend my deepest gratitude to Mr. John Wood and his decades of service. His leadership has strengthened the Brownsville community and expanded economic opportunity throughout the Rio Grande Valley. It is leaders like him that continue to define the spirit of integrity and service of South Texas, and for that, we are forever grateful.

RECOGNIZING FELICIA WEATHERSPOON

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2026

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and pay tribute to Felicia Weatherspoon, a breast cancer survivor and co-founder of the Tenaciously Pink Cancer Support Group at Trinity Church, in Miami Gardens, Florida.

Ms. Weatherspoon was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1996. After more than a decade of activism and advocacy for breast cancer awareness, Ms. Weatherspoon helped found the Tenaciously Pink Cancer Support Group, in May of 2012. The support group meets every fourth Sunday. Its mission is to provide spiritual one-on-one support to people undergoing treatment for cancer and comfort the patients, care givers, and their families. Tenaciously Pink also hopes to enable cancer patients/survivors and supporters to look beyond the diagnoses to cope with treatments and resume living life to its fullest.

Experts estimate that about one out of every eight women born today will be diagnosed with breast cancer at some time during her life. The strongest risk factor for breast cancer is age. A woman's risk of developing this disease increases as she gets older. However, thanks to the work Ms. Weatherspoon is doing and improvements in cancer treatment and early detection, millions of women and thousands of men are surviving breast cancer today.

Breast cancer is the most common cancer among women in the United States, other than skin cancer. It is the second leading cause of cancer death in women, after lung cancer. The disease occurs almost entirely in women, but men can get it, too. Today, there are more than 2.9 million breast cancer survivors in the United States.

I am honored to recognize Felicia Weatherspoon, a breast cancer survivor and co-founder of The Tenaciously Pink Support Groups, for her dedication and commitment to our community and the fight against breast cancer.

HONORING THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF VASA PARK

HON. THOMAS H. KEAN, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2026

Mr. KEAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 90th anniversary of Vasa Park in Mount Olive, New Jersey. In 1936 the Vasa Order of America established Vasa Park to serve as a retirement community for Scandinavian immigrants across the Morris County area. Today, the park has grown as a meeting place for descendants of the original founders to come with their families and vacation, experiencing the nature of Mount Olive.

The park includes 31 cabins for families to rent and stay, and a Cultural Center for social events and commemoration of Scandinavian ancestry. Families descending from Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, and Iceland make up the over 1,000 members who return to the park year after year.

For 90 years, Vasa Park has fostered the Scandinavian presence in Morris County, serving as a lasting symbol of culture and tradition. Throughout its history, the park has upheld the sense of community that is so important to the citizens of Mount Olive and Morris County as a whole.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in commemorating Vasa Park's 90th Anniversary, as they continue to uphold Scandinavian tradition in Mount Olive, New Jersey.

STOP INSIDER TRADING ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to H.R. 7008, the so-called Stop Insider Trading Act.

Let me be clear, this bill is not a stock trading ban. It does nothing to stop Members of Congress from profiting from their positions, and it says nothing about the President's own outrageous self-enrichment while in office.

I was elected to represent my constituents' interests in Congress, not to abuse my position for personal profit. That is why I do not own or trade individual stocks, securities, commodities, or futures. Unfortunately, not all of my colleagues share that view, which is why Congress must act now to ban stock trading for Members of Congress.

In 2012, I voted for the STOCK Act, which brought transparency to Members' stock trades. But transparency is not deterrence. The penalty for violating the STOCK Act is just \$200. That is why I have routinely cosponsored real solutions not just for Congress, but for the executive branch as well. I am a co-sponsor of H.R. 6731, the Restore Trust in Government Act. This bill would prohibit Presidents, Vice Presidents, Members of Congress, and their dependent children, spouses, and trustees from owning and trading individual stocks. This is the comprehensive reform that Congress should consider today to prohibit Members from profiting from their positions.

Instead, we are considering H.R. 7008, which will do something else entirely. H.R. 7008 makes it harder for Americans to vote due to Republican maneuvering that inserts the SAVE America Act in this bill. This provision will pile new burdens on voters and election officials, override even the strictest state voter ID laws by tossing out documents like student IDs and hunting licenses, and effectively ends voting by mail. The bill is timed to take effect 90 days after enactment, landing implementation squarely in the middle of the midterm election after voting has already begun.

Trust in Congress is at an all-time low. We will not rebuild it with a bill that dodges real stock trading reform while making it harder for Americans to vote. I urge my colleagues to oppose this bill and instead work to institute real accountability.

HONORING COLONEL K. "CHAD" MIXON FOR HIS SERVICE AS GARRISON COMMANDER OF FORT BRAGG AND FOR HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE U.S. ARMY

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2026

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Colonel K. "Chad" Mixon for his distinguished service as Garrison Commander of Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and to thank him for more than three decades of service to our Nation.

Colonel Mixon began his military career in 1993 as an enlisted infantryman at Fort Bragg and was commissioned as a transportation officer in 2000. Throughout his career, he served in numerous leadership positions within the 82nd Airborne Division, United States Army Special Operations Command, United States Army Forces Command, and Joint Special Operations Command. He completed seven operational deployments in support of the Global War on Terrorism.

Colonel Mixon assumed command of the Fort Bragg Garrison on June 27, 2024. During his tenure, he led one of the Army's largest and most complex installations through a period of significant transition while remaining focused on military readiness, responsible stewardship, and the well-being of the soldiers, families, civilians, and veterans who depend upon Fort Bragg.

Under his leadership, Fort Bragg advanced critical improvements to installation infrastructure, housing, transportation, childcare, dining, and community services. Colonel Mixon strengthened partnerships with the State of North Carolina, local communities, and private stakeholders to move key installation priorities forward. I was proud to work alongside him to secure funding for a new child development center and support other efforts aimed at improving readiness and quality of life across Fort Bragg. His leadership also helped return hundreds of homes to service, improve roads and transportation, and restore access to North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles services on the installation.

Colonel Mixon's tenure was defined by steady leadership, open communication, and a commitment to practical solutions. Through his

professionalism and dedication, he strengthened Fort Bragg's position as the Nation's premier power-projection platform while improving the quality of life for those who live, work, and serve there.

The people of Fort Bragg and the surrounding communities are grateful for Colonel Mixon's leadership and lasting contributions. Colonel Mixon, his wife, Charlotte, and their sons, Chase and Cole, will be deeply missed by the Fort Bragg community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in honoring Colonel K. "Chad" Mixon for his distinguished service as Garrison Commander of Fort Bragg and for his more than three decades with the United States Army and in wishing him and his family continued success in the years ahead.

RECOGNIZING PATRICIA JOHNSON

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2026

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and pay tribute to Patricia Johnson, a breast cancer survivor, and co-founder of the Tenaciously Pink Cancer Support Group at Trinity Church, in Miami Gardens, Florida.

Ms. Johnson was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2008. After many years of activism and an advocacy for breast cancer awareness, Ms. Johnson helped found the Tenaciously Pink Cancer Support Group in May of 2012. The support group meets every fourth Sunday. Its mission is to provide spiritual one-on-one support to people undergoing treatment for cancer and comfort the patients, care givers, and their families. Tenaciously Pink also hopes to enable cancer patients/survivors and supporters to look beyond the diagnoses, cope with treatments, and resume living life to its fullest.

Experts estimate that about one out of every eight women born today will be diagnosed with breast cancer at some time during her life. The strongest risk factor for breast cancer is age. A woman's risk of developing this disease increases as she gets older. However, thanks to the work Ms. Johnson is doing and improvements in cancer treatment and early detection, millions of women and thousands of men are surviving breast cancer today.

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I am honored to recognize Patricia Johnson, a breast cancer survivor and co-founder of the Tenaciously Pink Support Groups, for her dedication and commitment to our community and the fight against breast cancer.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF DAVID HARTMAN

HON. MICHAEL GUEST

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2026

Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank WAPT Chief Meteorologist David Hartman for his 40 years of service to Central Mississippi. David Hartman has been one of Mississippi's most trusted voices in weather. David joined 16 WAPT as Chief Meteorologist in 1986 and has helped viewers prepare for some of the state's most dangerous weather events.

Graduating from The Pennsylvania State University in 1983, David studied meteorology and three years after working in South Carolina, moved to Mississippi. He then began his career that made him synonymous with weather coverage across Central Mississippi.

David earned recognition for his commitment to public safety and excellence in forecasting. He has been honored numerous times as Mississippi's Best Television Meteorologist by the Mississippi Association of Broadcasters and the Associated Press. David's work with the 16 WAPT news team earned a Regional Emmy Award for coverage of Hurricane Katrina in 2005 and an Edward R. Murrow Award for coverage of the devastating Yazoo City tornado in 2010.

In 1995, David received an Emmy nomination for his half-hour severe weather special, *A Matter of Seconds*, which focused on improving public awareness and preparedness for tornadoes.

WeatherRate recognized David as the Most Accurate Television Weather Forecaster in the Jackson market from 2020 to 2026. His career achievements have also been recognized with induction into the Mississippi Broadcasters Hall of Fame and receiving the Mississippi Association of Broadcasters' Lifetime Achievement Award.

While forecasting the weather was David's primary responsibility, he spent many hours educating the community about weather safety. He spoke in classrooms across Mississippi, helped Scouts earn their merit badges, and served as official meteorologist for events across the state. In 2000, David helped bring the first television Doppler radar to Mississippi, giving 16 WAPT viewers additional minutes of warning during severe weather, helping to save lives.

As the WAPT Chief Meteorologist, David has guided Central Mississippi through hurricanes, tornado outbreaks, winter storms, floods, and countless severe weather events with the calm, steady presence that viewers have come to trust.

David and his wife, Diane, are the proud parents of three children—Allison, Andrew, and Audrey—all named after hurricanes—and grandparents to Sydney and Peyton.

After a distinguished career spanning more than 40 years in broadcasting, David Hartman leaves a legacy defined not only by forecasting accuracy, but by an unwavering commitment to serving and protecting the people of Mississippi. His impact on the community—and on generations of viewers who trusted him when it mattered most will endure for years to come.

I am honored for the opportunity to recognize David's service and celebrate his 40

years of dedication to keeping us informed on the weather across Central Mississippi.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JULIA McCAA

HON. JUAN CISCOMANI

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2026

Mr. CISCOMANI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the incredible life of Julia McCaa, who sadly passed away on July 4, 2026, reuniting with her beloved husband, Dr. Clea McCaa I.

Julia McCaa spent her life serving others—through ministry, counseling, prayer, support, and unwavering love. She devoted her life to advancing the Kingdom of God by doing everything for His glory.

After graduating from high school, Julia continued her love of learning through her time at Wenonah State Technical College, MTI Business School in Miami, Florida, and Cochise College.

Along with her gift of learning, Julia had the gift of music. As a teenager, she joined her sisters in a gospel singing group named The Three Sisters. Her love of singing continued throughout her life, allowing her to share the Gospel through song in countless settings.

On May 14, 1961, Julia married Dr. Clea McCaa I at Trinity Church of God in Christ in Ensley, Alabama. Their marriage was wholly built on their love of and faith in Christ. Julia faithfully supported her husband throughout his time in the military and ministry as a prayer warrior, unwavering partner, and trusted counselor.

Julia found great joy and fulfillment in her family, as she and her husband were blessed with two wonderful children, Michelle Denise McCaa and Mayor Clea Otis McCaa II. Together, they also shared three beautiful grandchildren, Diondra Julia Denise ("Jul"), Clea Otis III ("Trae"), and Marie Cene ("Reece").

Throughout her life, Julia demonstrated a servant's heart. She committed her time to helping others, serving in the Church of God in Christ, being a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), Sierra Vista West End Commissioner, and receptionist at Canyon Vista Medical Center, as well as volunteering with several local and national organizations.

Julia will be greatly missed. She was a light to those around her and all who knew her experienced genuine love, care, and counsel.

May Julia rest in peace.

RECOGNIZING EDITH MORGAN

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2026

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and pay tribute to Edith Morgan, founder of the Mom-2-Mom 58 Foundation, in Miami, Florida, a support group for mothers that focuses on issues such as breast cancer, child safety and empowerment, juvenile delinquency, domestic violence and many other topics.

The Mom-2-Mom 58 Foundation is a non-profit faith-based organization that was born