INTRODUCTION OF THE RECOVER PII ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, August 3, 2026

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the Reducing the Effects of the Cyberattack on OPM Victims Enduring Response and Protecting Identifiable Information Act, or the RECOVER PII Act. This bill would require the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to make permanent the free identity protection coverage that Congress required OPM to provide to individuals whose Social Security numbers were potentially compromised during the OPM data breaches. This bill would also allow federal agencies to provide privacy-enhancing services to their employees and contractors. Senator MARK WARNER is sponsoring the companion bill.

In 2015, OPM reported that the personally identifiable information of as many as 25.7 million current, former, and prospective federal employees and contractors was stolen in two data breaches. After OPM announced that it would offer identity protection coverage of limited duration and value to affected individuals, I introduced a bill to provide such individuals lifetime identity protection coverage and at least $5 million in identity theft insurance. Congress subsequently passed a version of that bill as part of an appropriations bill, but limited the duration of the protection. Under current law, OPM is required to provide identity protection coverage only through fiscal year 2026. Under the bill Senator Warner and I are introducing today, OPM would be required to provide lifetime coverage. The current coverage duration is inadequate, given that there is no limit to when the stolen data might be exploited. Therefore, there should be no limit on the duration of the coverage.

This bill would also authorize federal agencies to provide services to federal employees and contractors to mitigate privacy risks arising from data processing. These services would help federal employees and contractors protect their personal information.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

HONORING OSCEOLA MACARTHY ADAMS AND THE DEDICATION OF HER HISTORICAL MARKER IN ALBANY, GEORGIA

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, August 3, 2026

Mr. BISHOP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life, the artistry, and the abiding legacy of Osceola Marie Macarthy Adams, a daughter of Albany, Georgia, and to recognize the dedication of a Georgia historical marker placed in her honor in Albany, Georgia on August 1, 2026, through the devoted labor of the Albany Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.

Mr. Speaker, she was born on June 13, 1890, in Albany, Georgia, to Charles Hannibal Macarthy and Julia Ann Johnson Macarthy. She was raised at the corner of South Jackson Street and West Highland Avenue, in the neighborhood our people have always called the Harlem District of Albany. Her father was a life insurance executive who believed that a child's mind was the only inheritance a Black family in South Georgia could not be dispossessed of, and he raised his daughter accordingly.

She was schooled here at home, at Albany Normal School, the institution that would grow into Albany State University. She went on to the preparatory school at Fisk University, and then to Howard University, where she studied ancient Greek and philosophy and took her place in the Class of 1913.

Mr. Speaker, 1913 was no ordinary year in the life of this woman, and it was no ordinary year in the life of this Nation. On January 13, 1913, on the campus of Howard University, Osceola Macarthy and twenty-one other young women founded Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated—an organization that today numbers more than a thousand chapters on four continents and has poured more than a century of scholarship, service, and public witness into the life of this Republic. And barely seven weeks later, on March 3, 1913, she and her sisters took their place in the Woman Suffrage Procession down Pennsylvania Avenue, on the eve of a Presidential inauguration, in a city that would have preferred they march at the rear or not at all. That march was the first public act of the sorority she helped to found. It was also, Mr. Speaker, the act of a twenty-two-year-old Black woman from Albany, Georgia, demanding a ballot that her own hometown would not honestly hand her for another fifty-two years.

She married Dr. Numa P. G. Adams, who would become the first African-American dean of the Howard University College of Medicine. She taught at Bennett College. And then she went north to New York and became, under the stage name Osceola Archer, one of the first Black actresses to appear on a Broadway stage, in the 1934 production of ''Between Two Worlds.''

But her greatest work, Mr. Speaker, was not the applause she received. It was the applause she made possible for others. As director of the Studio Theatre School at the American Negro Theatre, she trained a generation that would change the face of the American stage and screen—among them Sidney Poitier, Harry Belafonte, and Ruby Dee. She directed some three dozen productions at the Putnam County Playhouse and is believed to have been the first African-American director in American summer stock. She directed ''The Glass Menagerie.'' She directed ''A Streetcar Named Desire.'' She directed ''The Diary of Anne Frank.'' In 1978, her sorority created ''The Osceola,'' an award bearing her name and given for distinguished achievement in the arts, and the AUDELCO awards recognized her as an outstanding pioneer. She died on November 11, 1983, at ninety-three years of age.

Mr. Speaker, permit me a personal word. There is something almost unbearably tender about the geography of this woman's life.

She was born in the Harlem District of Albany, Georgia—and she made her name in Harlem, New York. She carried the name of her neighborhood a thousand miles and gave it back to the world as art.

She never got to see this day. She never got to see her name in iron on a Georgia roadside. When she was a girl on South Jackson Street, there was no marker in Albany with a Black woman's name on it, and no reason for a child to imagine there ever would be. When the Albany Movement filled the jails of my hometown in 1961 and 1962, she was seventy-one years old and far away, watching her city on the evening news, and no one thought to put her name on anything. She died with the marker unmade. But her sorors did not forget. The daughters of Delta remembered what Georgia had not yet recorded. And so a marker now stands where the house once stood.

Mr. Speaker, I want this Chamber to see what I see. I see a little girl in Albany, Georgia—maybe eight years old, maybe nine—walking past that corner on a Saturday morning with her grandmother's hand in hers. She stops. She sounds out the letters. And she learns, on the very ground where she is standing, that a Black girl from her city, from her neighborhood, from her streets, once helped found a sisterhood that circled the globe, once marched for a vote she could not cast, once stood on a Broadway stage where no one like her had stood, and once taught Sidney Poitier how to say a line.

That little girl will walk away from that marker taller than she came. And that, Mr. Speaker, is what a marker is for. We do not set these stones for the dead. The dead are past our praise. We set them for the living, and for the ones not yet born, so that no child of Albany ever again has to be told what she can become—she can go read it for herself, on the corner of South Jackson and West Highland.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join my wife Vivian and me along the more than 765,000 people of Georgia's 2nd Congressional District in honoring the memory of Osceola Marie Macarthy Adams; in commending the Albany Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, and all who labored to see this marker raised; and in celebrating a daughter of Georgia's 2nd Congressional District whose life reminds us that greatness has a birthplace, and that it is our solemn and joyful duty to mark it.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1976 GRADUATING CLASS OF TALLADEGA HIGH SCHOOL

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, August 3, 2026

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 50th anniversary of the 1976 graduating class of Talladega High School in Talladega, Alabama.

Members from the 1976 class, including many of their former teachers and coaches, will gather for a reunion banquet on Saturday, August 15th in Talladega. Fifty years ago, 200 members of this class proudly walked across the stage, marking the culmination of years of dedication, learning and friendship. This 50th reunion is a moment to reflect on cherished memories, honor those who have passed away and celebrate the remarkable journeys of each class member.

The members of this distinguished class have, over the past five decades, contributed greatly to their families, communities, professions and to the betterment of society; and the

bonds formed within the halls of Talladega High School have endured the test of time, serving as a testament to the strength of shared experiences, mutual respect and lifelong friendship.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in wishing the 1976 graduates of Talladega High School congratulations on this milestone and a wonderful celebration in August.

COMMENDING THE LATE MR. CLARANCE ''PAT'' PATTERSON

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, August 3, 2026

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, from the 24th District of the great state of Florida, I rise today to recognize and honor the late Mr. Clarance Patterson, a devoted public servant, union representative, husband, father and friend. I include in the RECORD the following proclamation:

Whereas, Mr. Patterson's career as a Waste Management expert, City Manager and Union Representative spanned sixty years;

Whereas, Mr. Patterson held the position of Superintendent of the Department of Solid Waste for Metropolitan Dade County, was appointed the first Black director for the City of Miami's Solid Waste Department and held the position of Assistant Manager for the city of Miami;

Whereas, Mr. Patterson also served as City Manager for the cities of North Miami and Opa Locka; Assistant City Manager of Miami Springs, Director of Solid Waste and Public Works; and Director of Public Works for the city of South Miami;

Whereas, Mr. Patterson was an advocate for city, county and state employees and served as an international staff representative for the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFL–CIO) for seven years;

Whereas, Mr. Patterson was a faithful and active member of the King of Hearts and the Kiwanis Club, Greater Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church and Universal Truth Center; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that I, Frederica S. Wilson, a Member of the United States House of Representatives, representing the 24th Congressional District of Florida, commend the late Mr. Clarance ''Pat'' Patterson for his unwavering commitment and dedication to his family, his church, and our community.

HONORING JIM JONES

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, August 3, 2026

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today alongside the Kiwanis Club of Napa to honor James ''Jim'' Jones on Jim Jones Appreciation Day in recognition of his years of dedicated community service.

After graduating from Napa High School in 1957, Mr. Jones went on to earn an Associate of Arts degree from Napa Valley College, a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Califonria, Berkeley, and a Juris Doctor from the University of California College of the Law, San Francisco, then returned home to begin a distinguished legal career serving Napa for more than five decades.

Mr. Jones is a retired attorncy who served on the Napa City Council from 1972 to 1976. Throughout his legal career, Mr. Jones displayed a passion for serving others as he provided trusted counsel to countless individuals, families, and organizations. Even after concluding his private practice, Jim has continued to offer his expertise to nonprofit organizations and community groups throughout Napa.

Since joining the Kiwanis Club of Napa in 1985, Mr. Jones had dedicated himself to the organization's mission of improving the lives of children and strengthening our community through hands-on service and exemplary leadership. Mr. Jones led major fundraising events, volunteered at service projects, mentored young people, supported children with special needs, rang bells for the Salvation Army, organized community celebrations, and inspired generations of Kiwanians through his positive attitude and collaborative spirit.

As President of the Kiwanis Club of Napa in 1998, Jim helped lead the construction of the Club's first community playground—a legacy that has since grown to more than 75 playground projects. As Lieutenant Governor of Kiwanis Division 8, Mr. Jones led remarkable membership growth, expanding the number of clubs throughout the region. Mr. Jones helped the Kiwanis Club of Napa earn statewide recognition from the California-Nevada-Hawaii District with the Harold Heimbaugh Award for outstanding membership growth.

Mr. Jones has continued to serve Kiwanis beyond the local level through leadership roles with the California-Nevada-Hawaii District Foundation, the Kiwanis International Membership Committee, and the Board of Trustees. Mr. Jones earned the Distinguished Service Award from The Children's Fund in recognition of his extraordinary contributions. He also cochaired a countywide humanitarian fundraiser that united our Napa community and raised more than $100,000 in just three weeks to provide relief for the people of Ukraine.

In 2024, Mr. Jones was honored with the Salvation Army Lifetime Advisory Board Award in recognition of his enduring commitment to the organization, including his instrumental role in establishing the Salvation Army Culinary Academy and expanding housing opportunities for its students and graduates.

Mr. Speaker, we owe our thanks and appreciation to Jim Jones for his integrity, generosity, humility, and unwavering dedication to service. He is an enduring example of what it means to put ''service above self.'' Jim Jones is my friend, and I consider him a mentor. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

RECOGNIZING ROGER CASTER FOR 60 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE NORTH OAKLAND COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

HON. LISA C. McCLAIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, August 3, 2026

Mrs. McCLAIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Roger Caster on the remarkable occasion of his 60 years of dedicated service to the North Oakland County Fire Authority. His extraordinary commitment to public safety and selfless service exemplifies the core values of firefighters.

Throughout six decades of service, Roger has demonstrated leadership and dedication as a firefighter and Fire Chief. His career has left an enduring mark and earned the respect of his fellow firefighters and the citizens he faithfully protected.

Roger's legacy is part of a proud family tradition that began with his father, Ward Caster. That commitment continued through his brother, who followed him into the fire service, and his daughter, who proudly served the department. Roger's career has contributed to a family legacy that has proudly and continuously served the community.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Roger Caster as we celebrate a lifetime devoted to protecting others and answering the call to serve. We recognize this remarkable milestone and thank him for 60 years of dedication to the people of northern Oakland County.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, August 4, 2026 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

AUGUST 5

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to markup S. 737, to require certain interactive computer services to adopt and operate technology verification measures to ensure that users of the platform are not minors, S. 1748, to protect the safety of children on the internet, S. 4199, to require entities that make artificial intelligence chatbots available to minors to implement certain safe design features, S. 4407, to require the creation of family accounts for children to be able to use artificial intelligence chatbots, to require verifiable parental consent for teens using artificial intelligence chatbots, S. 5171, to require a study of AI-enabled toys and development of a joint action plan regarding the marketing and sale of AI-enabled toys, and a promotion list in the Coast Guard.

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