

**CELEBRATING 60TH ANNIVERSARY
OF CENTRO HISPANO**

(Ms. HOULAHAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. HOULAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the 60th anniversary of Centro Hispano, one of the longest-running Latino-serving organizations in Pennsylvania and a cornerstone of Reading and Berks County since 1966.

For six decades, Centro Hispano has supported generations of Latino families as they navigated education, healthcare, immigration, employment, and everyday life in our community.

Today, Reading is home to one of the most vibrant and diverse Latino populations in the Northeast, and Centro Hispano remains a trusted first stop for families seeking help, guidance, and opportunity.

Mr. Speaker, there would be no Centro Hispano without Mike Toledo. Mike has spent decades moving mountains for the people of Reading. When families needed food, he found it. When children needed nutrition, he connected local dairy farmers with Centro's meal programs. When the community needed COVID vaccines, he operated organized clinics. When tragedy struck at the R.M. Palmer factory, Mike was already mobilizing help. When people questioned whether their voices mattered, he organized voter registration drives and reminded the community why democracy does matter.

Mike greets people with two simple words: Hello, family. That spirit of compassion, dignity, and community defines both the man and the institution he helped build.

To Mike Toledo and everyone at Centro Hispano, congratulations on 60 extraordinary years of service.

Berks County is stronger because of them, and we are all grateful.

**HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF ROBERT L. BURTON**

(Mr. LAHOOD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Robert L. Burton, who passed away on May 1 at the age of 102.

Born in Georgia, Robert lived a remarkable life defined by patriotism, hard work, and devotion to his family and community. As a young man, he served in the Civilian Conservation Corps, answering the call to serve his country during the Great Depression.

At just 18 years old, Robert enlisted in the United States Army Air Forces as a gunner before transferring to the Army, 28th Infantry. He landed on Normandy Beach just 9 days after D-Day and went on to serve throughout the European theater. For his bravery and

sacrifice, he earned four battle stars, the Bronze Star, and the Combat Infantryman Badge.

After the war, Robert settled in Peoria, Illinois, in my district, where he built his life and contributed to one of the region's defining corporations, Caterpillar. He spent more than 32 years as a skilled trades welder in East Peoria. He was a proud member of UAW Local 974, serving his fellow workers in several leadership roles.

My heartfelt prayers are with his children, Patricia, Barbara, Pamela, Debra, Sheila, and Mike, and the entire Burton family. His legacy of service, courage, patriotism, and devotion to his community will endure for generations.

CHILDREN FALLING BEHIND

(Ms. BYNUM asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. BYNUM. Mr. Speaker, if you have kids, the Annie E. Casey Foundation's "2026 KIDS COUNT Data Book" should concern you. It showed that children across the country are falling behind. Fewer children today have insurance than before the pandemic, and that should shake the ground beneath your feet.

I am not talking just about physical health, Mr. Speaker. I am talking about an almost 10-percent increase in deaths among our young people between 2019 and 2024 related to mental health. I am talking about our children carrying the economic problems that we have yet to solve right on their shoulders into adulthood. I am talking about math and reading proficiency declining in 47 States. These are the consequences of our inaction.

Mr. Speaker, I stand before you today committed to action. Lower costs, strong schools, affordable housing, and good opportunities are how we start getting ahead.

Mr. Speaker, my K-30 agenda does exactly that, and supporting our kids means investing in the next generation of this country.

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**HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF ANTHONY HOLDAMPF**

(Mr. LAWLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAWLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Anthony Holdampf, a longtime firefighter, veteran, and public servant who passed away on May 30 at the age of 88.

Tony was a proud veteran of the 101st Airborne Division and dedicated decades of his life to serving others, first in uniform and then through a distinguished 37-year career with the FDNY.

During the FDNY's war years of the 1960s and 70s, Tony served on the front

lines with Engine 43 and Ladder 19 in the south Bronx. He later became a charter member of the Tactical Control Unit 712, an elite unit assigned to some of the city's most dangerous fires.

After retiring from the FDNY, Tony continued serving his community as a life member of the Volunteer Hose Company No. 2 in West Haverstraw and was honored with the Rockland County Fireman of the Year award.

His commitment to the fire service inspired future generations, including his son, David, and his son-in-law, Robert, both FDNY firefighters.

Whether helping a neighbor, supporting his fellow firefighters, or serving his community, Tony always answered the call. He embodied the very best of service, courage, and selflessness. My thoughts and prayers are with his beloved wife, Mary Ellen; his children; grandchildren; and all who had the privilege of knowing him.

**RECOGNIZING EDMONT
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

(Mr. LATIMER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LATIMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the exceptional energy and effort of the Edgemont Community Council, an organization of over 225 families in the Edgemont section of the town of Greenburgh. It brings together that community in ways that strengthen involvement and a host of different activities of interaction.

The council covers the area of 8,500 residents and is comprised of a 23-member board led by its president, Dylan Pyne, and ably assisted by other local leaders, including Paul Wooten, Eliana Weissman, Sharon Bench, Sharyn Lewis, and Anshu Kalhan, among many others.

The council has an extensive annual schedule of events with parades, things that people join together from Lunar New Year celebration, Halloween, holiday tree lighting and Menorah lighting, often activities around Crane's Pond in Edgemont.

The group makes use of the Greenburgh Nature Center, Edgemont High School, and other schools as sites for their ongoing programs.

Substantively, the council advocates for resident issues in the town and county government and has a close working relationship with elected officials and decisionmakers.

From the floor of the House of Representatives, I salute the Edgemont Community Council and the Edgemont neighborhood for their good work.

**MODERNIZING THE LABELING
REQUIREMENTS OF PET AND ANIMAL
FOOD**

(Mr. SCHMIDT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SCHMIDT. Mr. Speaker, I am grateful that the House last week approved the FY27 agriculture appropriations bill, the second FY27 appropriations bill brought to the floor under regular order.

The bill we passed contained the PURR Act, which is a bill I have championed to modernize the labeling requirements of pet and animal food.

The Kansas Second District is the pet and animal food capital of America, employing nearly 20,000 people in all aspects of the industry, from nutrition research and development to production.

Overall, the animal feed and pet food industries annually contribute nearly \$100 billion in value to the U.S. economy and more than 750,000 jobs.

Modernizing the labeling requirements on these products will improve efficiency and reduce compliance costs for pet food manufacturers. It will strengthen the industry. This will have a direct benefit for the affordability of pet food for consumers and animal feed for our farmers and ranchers.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the Appropriations Committee for including this important measure from my district in the bill. I look forward to the Senate advancing it and the President signing it into law.

CONGRATULATING DAVISON IGBINOSUN

(Mrs. McIVER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. McIVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Davison Igbinosun for being selected by the Buffalo Bills with the 62nd pick in the 2026 NFL draft.

Davison is a graduate of Union High School and was New Jersey's top recruit in the 2022 high school football class. Davison began his college football journey at Ole Miss before transferring to Ohio State. There he developed into one of the Big Ten's top defensive backs and a pivotal player on one of America's strongest college football defenses.

In his three seasons at Ohio State, Davison started 42 of 43 games. He was a First-Team All-Big Ten selection in 2025.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of New Jersey's 10th Congressional District, I congratulate Davison as he continues to represent Union High School and embarks on his professional football career.

HOUSE REPUBLICANS ARE ELIMINATING WASTEFUL SPENDING

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I am grateful that under the leadership of Speaker MIKE JOHNSON, House Republicans are eliminating

wasteful spending, exposing fraud, and keeping taxpayer dollars for the American families.

House Republicans are supporting President Donald Trump, passing the Rescissions Act of 2025, cutting wasteful spending, stopping the funding of radical agendas, holding agencies accountable, and implementing congressional oversight.

Being loyal to President Trump, I am here tonight and tomorrow and not present at the South Carolina Republican primary that I have always attended with voters who I so appreciate for their support.

I am here because I am loyal to President Donald Trump, and I request loyalty reciprocal. Attorney General Alan Wilson and the Wilson family, Roxanne and myself, have been loyal to Donald Trump since 2015, and we are urging that there be a coendorsement in the upcoming election, which will be the runoff of June 23 for Governor of South Carolina.

In conclusion, God bless our troops as the global war on terrorism continues. Trump is reinstating peace through strength, revealing war criminal Putin lies, insulting Trump, mocking Trump, with war criminal Putin murdering children with a tax on civilian population.

RECOGNIZING EASTMAN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

(Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, it is a proud history, a new beginning, and a brighter future for eastern North Carolina.

After closing in 2009, the historic Eastman School in Halifax County is reopening its doors as Eastman Leadership Academy. From its humble beginnings in 1894, serving generations of families, to closing due to consolidation, Eastman's story has always been about community.

Soon, students will fill these hallways again: learning, growing, and writing the next chapter of this incredible legacy.

With the dedicated vision of Superintendent Cunningham, the Halifax County Board of Education, and the Board of Commissioners, the school will serve students in kindergarten through eighth grade.

Eastman's reopening is a reminder that when communities invest in education, they are investing in new opportunities, leadership, and the future.

FIGHTING ISLAMOPHOBIA

(Mrs. McCLAIN DELANEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. McCLAIN DELANEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today as it was only 18 days ago when two gunmen opened fire

at the Islamic Center of San Diego, killing three, injuring one, and inflicting terror on not just a community but to Americans everywhere.

Since taking office, I have met with religious communities across my incredibly diverse Sixth District of Maryland, including many of our Islamic community centers. My Muslim neighbors not only fear this violence spreading to Maryland but are concerned they must prepare for it.

Today, I share their concerns and a request to fight Islamophobia in this body. Sadly, one of my Republican colleagues recently did tweet: Dogs were preferable to Muslims. It was very reprehensible.

I for one believe we must fight all targeted violence or hateful intimidation or religion or classification, be it Islamophobia, anti-Semitism, racist targeting, or anti-LGBTQ.

Curiously, the House GOP leadership has remained silent as some support the Sharia Free Caucus where 66 congressional Members advanced legislation that singles out Muslim communities saying they threaten the U.S. system in our country. It is not only untrue but counters our freedom of religion. Our Muslim communities must feel that they are treated with respect. Hate has no place in our Congress.

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HONORING CONGRESSMAN BILL POSEY

(Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2025, Mr. HARIDOPOLOS of Florida was recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.)

Mr. HARIDOPOLOS. Mr. Speaker, with a heavy heart today, we recognize our former colleague of 16 years here in the House of Representatives, Congressman Bill Posey.

Sadly, on May 9th he passed away surrounded by his lovely family, led by his fantastic wife, Katie; and their two children, Cathi and Pam.

We have many Members here tonight who would like to express their not only condolences to the family but, of course, talk about his success serving our country, State, and community.

I yield to the gentleman from Texas (Mr. BABIN), chairman of the Science Committee.

Mr. BABIN. The first thing I would like to say is I appreciate this Special Order for our good friend, sponsored by my good friend, MIKE HARIDOPOLOS, who is representing that great district on the Florida Space Coast.

Today, Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of our friend and former colleague, Congressman Bill Posey. For more than a decade in Congress, Bill faithfully served the people of Florida's Space Coast with integrity, humility, and a deep love of his country.

Before coming to Washington, he dedicated years to serving his community in local and State government, always guided by the belief that elected