EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING TY ROSALES

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 5, 2026

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ty Rosales for earning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

Ty has overcome many challenges along his journey to success, demonstrating perseverance at every step. Students who strive to make the most of their education, like Ty, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Ty's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Jefferson Jr/Sr High School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

It is my honor to congratulate Ty Rosales on achieving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

RECOGNIZING SENIOR CHIEF PETTY OFFICER TERRY D. GREEN

HON. JAKE ELLZEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 5, 2026

Mr. ELLZEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize retired Navy veteran, Senior Chief Petty Officer Terry D. Green of Waxahachie, Texas, with a Congressional Veteran Commendation. His unwavering commitment to our country and community is a shining example of honor and duty.

HMCS (FMF) Green served 27 years in the U.S. Navy as a Hospital Corpsman, including 20 years supporting the U.S. Marine Corps in infantry and training commands. He completed multiple deployments in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom and served 15 years as an Independent Duty Corpsman. Throughout his career, HMCS (FMF) Green held many positions including a Fleet Marine Force Warfare Specialist and Curriculum Developer for the 1st Marine Division Combat Trauma Management Course. He also served as a Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC) and Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC) instructor and subject matter expert, contributing to the initial adoption of TCCC as the standard of care across Marine Corps operational forces.

HMCS (FMF) Green received numerous ribbons, awards and commendations including the Meritorious Service Medal and Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals.

He continues his commitment to service through mentorship, education, and support for veterans and first responders. As the sole Navy Corpsman member of the Waxahachie Marine Corps League, HMCS (FMF) Green helps lead the annual Marine Corps Ball, preserving Marine Corps and Naval traditions. As a founding volunteer mentor with the Ellis County Veterans Treatment Court, he now serves as Mentor Coordinator, strengthening the program's mentorship efforts. HMCS (FMF) Green also serves on the Ellis County Sheriff's Office Citizens Training Advisory Council and volunteers as a Stop the Bleed, Tactical Combat Casualty Care, and Tactical Emergency Casualty Care instructor, providing free lifesaving trauma training to local law enforcement and first responders.

HMCS (FMF) Green's unwavering dedication to serving his Nation and community exemplifies the highest traditions of military service and civic leadership. His continued dedication to veterans, first responders, and the broader community reflects a lasting commitment to service and leadership.

HONORING THOMAS RANTA FOR HIS SERVICE TO VETERANS AND HIS COMMUNITY

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 5, 2026

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Thomas Ranta for being named the 2026 Marquette County Veteran of the Year. I thank him for his decades of dedicated service to our Nation, our Veterans, and the Marquette County community.

Tom learned the importance of helping Veterans from his father, a man who proudly wore the uniform during World War II. After spending 13 years in the United States Army and National Guard, Tom continued his commitment to Veterans through his work with the American Legion and other Veterans organizations.

Tom's involvement in his community began with his own experience as a 1967 American Legion Boys State delegate. He later became the Boys State Chairman for ten years, helping send 56 young men to the Boys State program and preparing them for the experience.

Tom has dedicated countless hours to honoring our Nation's Veterans. Since 2010, he has spearheaded the ''Flags Over School Program,'' coordinating Veterans Day programs at nine schools and two nursing homes. Each year, he leads efforts to display 143 American flags at Harlow Park and coordinates the placement of approximately 1,400 flags at Veterans' graves in Park and Holy Cross Cemeteries. For nearly a decade, Tom has coordinated Memorial Day ceremonies at both cemeteries. After learning that some residents at the Jacobetti Home for Veterans could not attend, Tom established a separate Memorial Day ceremony there so Veterans and their families could participate in honoring those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Tom has held numerous leadership positions with American Legion Post 44, including Post Commander and Boys State Chairman, and is also a member of VFW Post 6 and the Marquette County Veterans Alliance. He also served as a Lieutenant with the Michigan State Police for 33 years.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Thomas Ranta. I thank him for a lifetime of dedication to our Nation, our Veterans, and the State of Michigan.

RECOGNIZING JORGE ALVAREZ

HON. BRITTANY PETTERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 5, 2026

Ms. PETTERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jorge Alvarez for earning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

Jorge has overcome many challenges along his journey to success, demonstrating perseverance at every step. Students who strive to make the most of their education, like Jorge, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Jorge's hard work, determination, and perseverance at Mandalay Middle School and is clearly just the beginning of a bright and promising future.

It is my honor to congratulate Jorge Alvarez on achieving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ALTADENA LIBRARY DISTRICT

HON. JUDY CHU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 5, 2026

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize and commend the distinguished Altadena Library District on its 100th Anniversary.

Established in 1926 as an independent library district, the Altadena Libraries were founded on the principle that residents deserve a locally governed library that understands and responds to their needs. For a century, it has grown into a cherished institution, serving more than 41,000 of our neighbors to help them stay informed and access quality resources and services.

Beyond their collection of more than 60,000 books, the Altadena Libraries offer far more than access to reading materials. They also provide free services to help residents gain independence and participate more fully in community life. Through its adult literacy program and English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, the libraries help residents build their reading and writing skills providing better opportunities in pursuing their education and employment.

As a vital resource for Altadenans, the Libraries are also committed to serving our neighbors of all ages. For our youth, the Altadena Libraries lay the foundation for lifelong

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