

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CELEBRATING WITH LADY LIBERTY,
AMERICAN FREEDOM'S
250TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JENNIFER A. KIGGANS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 13, 2026

Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD remarks submitted at the request of a Virginia Beach constituent, Rabbi Dr. Israel Zoberman of Temple Lev Tikvah, and are a reflection of his views:

There they stood, God's assembled
Hosts from every corner known
In Ellis Island's Registry Room,
With eyes turned upward
Toward a majestic ceiling,
The pinnacle of a promising universe.
They brought their millennial prayers
And the crushing burden carried
To the doorstep of a new world.
If only they'd be allowed
To enter, to be free
Awaiting too is our loving
Mother Lady Liberty whose light
Saves at the sea of stormy life,
Triumphantly lifting high the torch
Of unquenched freedom—
Humanity's embedded inspiration—
That here human dignity—divinity
Would not surrender despite setbacks—
The alarming rise of appalling old
Antisemitism included—upheld by
The indispensable Angel of Responsibility,
A guarding-guiding presence that cannot
Be shaken, with towering Lady Liberty's
Tears of joy and sorrow spread in waters
Ever restless, Will her anxious children
Huddled with heartfelt universal prayer
Soon find out that they wouldn't be abandoned.

That the God of all the troubled accompanies
Them to the long beckoning Land of Promise,

Their Promised Land as well?
Don't let the grand American dream vanish,
It has already lasted 250 years, to ever be
matched

By a grand American reality blessed by
Shalom's

Eternal blessings of healing, hope and harmony!

Rabbi Dr. Israel Zoberman is founder of Temple Lev Tikvah and Honorary Senior Rabbi Scholar at Eastern Shore Chapel Episcopal Church, both in Virginia Beach. He is past National Interfaith Chair for JCPA (Jewish Counsel for Public Affairs). He is a member of the Holocaust's surviving remnant of European Jewry.

RECOGNIZING THE NATION'S COMMUNITY SUPERVISION PROFESSIONALS

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 13, 2026

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Nation's community supervision pro-

fessionals, who are dedicated public servants and perform many vital roles in their work with justice-involved adults and juveniles. They identify opportunities and services to help justice-involved individuals contribute to society, while holding them accountable for their actions. They remain mindful of their role in protecting public safety.

In honor of Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week 2026, whose theme is "Connected for Change: Building Bridges in Supervision," we salute all those who have chosen this important career. In the District of Columbia, we especially thank the employees of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia (CSOSA) and the Pretrial Services Agency for the District of Columbia (PSA) for their service. CSOSA and PSA are models of excellence in community supervision.

Community supervision agencies are valuable partners of other government agencies, nonprofits, neighborhood-based groups and all who strive to make our Nation safer and stronger. We extend our gratitude to community supervision professionals and recognize their many achievements as we proclaim July 19 through July 25, 2026, as Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week 2026.

HONORING REVEREND CANON
RICHARD LIVINGSTON MAR-
QUESS-BARRY

HON. FEDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 13, 2026

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Reverend Canon Richard Livingston Marquess-Barry for his distinguished service in Miami Dade County.

Reverend Canon Richard Livingston Marquess-Barry is the Rector of the historic Saint Agnes' Episcopal Church. He has served as a priest for over 40 years and has served as Saint Agnes' Episcopal Church's leader since 1977. Since taking leadership of the Church, Canon Marquess-Barry has piloted many community service initiatives. Reverend Canon Richard Livingston Marquess-Barry along with the Church formed the Saint Agnes' Rainbow Village Development Corporation, a non-profit organization that serves low-income families in the Overton community.

Canon Marquess-Barry is not only a community activist, he is a renowned scholar as well. Canon Marquess-Barry has served as a Visiting Fellow at both Oxford University and the University of Munich. He was also awarded a Doctor Humane Letters degree in 1995 by Barber-Scotia College.

Canon Marquess-Barry was born and raised in Miami Dade County. After graduating from Miami Northwestern Senior High School in 1958, Canon Marquess-Barry chose to pursue higher learning at Saint Augustine's College,

American University, Virginia Theological Seminary, and Emory University. Reverend Canon Richard Livingston Marquess-Barry is an ordained priest of the Episcopal Church and is invested as an Honorary Canon at the African Orthodox Church and Trinity Episcopal Cathedral. Together with his wife Virla Rolle, Canon Marquess-Barry is the parent of one daughter and grandparent of two grandsons.

Please join me in honoring Reverend Canon Richard Livingston Marquess-Barry for his commitment and many years of distinguished spiritual service to Miami Dade County.

CONGRATULATING UNITED STEELWORKERS DISTRICT 11 RAPID RESPONSE COORDINATOR ROBERT "BOB" RYAN ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. ANGIE CRAIG

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 13, 2026

Ms. CRAIG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my friend, United Steelworkers Rapid Response Coordinator Robert "Bob" Ryan, on his retirement after nearly two decades of leadership and advocacy with the United Steelworkers.

Bob began his career with United Steelworkers after previously working as a Machinist with Rock-Tenn. As the District 11 Rapid Response Coordinator, Bob advocated for Steelworkers in Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming. In Minnesota alone, Bob helped represent over 13,000 workers, including those at Pine Bend Refinery in Rosemount, Minnesota.

In his role as a Rapid Response Coordinator, he worked tirelessly to improve wages, strengthen benefits and create safer working conditions for workers across the country. Bob helped mobilize members to advocate for union priorities and has been a strong partner for my office in advocating for organized labor.

I am deeply inspired by Bob's commitment to his fellow Steelworkers. His leadership in the labor movement will have a lasting impact on our community, and I am grateful for all he has done to strengthen workers' rights throughout District 11. It has been an honor working with Bob over the years.

I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Bob and in wishing him all the best on his well-earned retirement.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF LOUISIANA STATE SEN. LARRY C. SELDERS

HON. CLEO FIELDS

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FIELDS. Mr. Speaker, Louisiana recently lost one of its brightest lights with the

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