

Arizona or Colorado. But that was not the end of the story of this community. When the war finally ended on V-J Day in 1945, Japantown burned down in a suspicious fire. Due to this hostility, less than 15 percent of the pre-war Japanese residents returned to Winters.

This legacy of hostility and distrust of these people led to the stories of this integral Winters community being largely lost to history. But the Historical Society of Winters, along with the work of Japanese community members, has worked tirelessly to restore these memories and commemorate this essential part of our community's history.

To do this, the Historical Society took their advocacy to the local level. In the summer of 2023, they urged the Winters City Council to approve a monument which would commemorate the existence and history of the pre-war Japanese community and Japantown. In a unanimous vote, the city council approved the placement of the monument in Rotary Park, where the community once existed.

Without the dedicated and tireless advocacy by the Historical Society, as well as members of Winters' Japanese community, our community would likely have never learned about the existence and history of the pre-war community that shaped so much of this town.

Mr. Speaker, the Historical Society of Winters is deeply appreciated for their work to preserve and commemorate the pre-war Japanese community. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor them here today.

RECOGNIZING ANTHONY MUÑOS-HINTON

HON. BRITTANY PETERSEN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 6, 2024

Ms. PETERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Anthony Muños-Hinton for earning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

Anthony 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 Anthony, develop crucial skills and a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives. This award is a testament to Anthony'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 Anthony Muños-Hinton on achieving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award.

RECOGNIZING AGEWAYS

HON. RASHIDA TLAI

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 6, 2024

Ms. TLAI. Mr. Speaker, today I want to recognize AgeWays, a human services agency, as they celebrate fifty years of service to our seasoned residents of Southeast Michigan.

Formerly known as Area Agency on Aging 1-B, AgeWays has been a resource for sen-

iors and their caregivers since 1974. They take an active role in helping older adults access services and assistance they need to live independently. They serve over 700,000 people in their six-county service areas, providing comprehensive services such as direct care, meals on wheels, transportation, and health and wellness programs. They have been a steadfast partner for the communities of the 12th Congressional District who rely on their work.

The 12th District is proud to recognize their incredible and dedicated leadership to serving our seasoned residents and we offer our congratulations as they celebrate their 50th anniversary. Please join me in recognizing AgeWays in celebration of fifty years of commitment to our community.

HONORING PFC JOSEPH F. MOORE

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 6, 2024

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor United States World War II Army veteran Joseph F. Moore.

Joseph Moore was born in Benton Harbor, Michigan on March 4, 1910. He was raised in Benton Harbor until 1922 when his family moved to Prospect Heights in North Greenbush, New York. Joseph enlisted in the U.S. Army on April 7, 1944, where he served as a Rifleman in the 71st Infantry Regiment. He spent 11 months overseas in Northern France, the Rhineland, and Central Europe, participating in three major European campaigns.

Moore remained in the Army until his honorable discharge on October 26, 1945, at the rank of Private First Class. For his brave service, he was awarded the European-African-Middle Eastern Medal with three bronze service stars, the Combat Infantry Badge, and the Good Conduct Medal. The 71st Infantry Regiment's Second Battalion is cited for its outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy in Eastern France in December 1944 and January 1945.

After his honorable discharge, Joseph returned to New York to pursue a career and start a family. He obtained a job as manager at B.F. Goodrich Store in Albany, New York. Joseph married his beloved wife, Ethel McGeough-Moore and together they had four children, Elizabeth, Lela, Francis, and Ethel. He retired from B.F. Goodrich Store in 1972 after 42 years of employment.

When he was not working, Joseph maintained a fulfilling personal life and enjoyed hobbies such as traveling and smoking cigars. He was an active communicant of St. Mary's Church in Clinton Heights, New York, and a dedicated member of the Melvin Roads American Legion Post 1231, a veteran organization devoted to their community.

Joseph's dedication and service to the United States is truly remarkable. On behalf of New York's 21st District, I am honored to recognize his extraordinary life.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARIO DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 6, 2024

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to vote during the week of April 29th through May 1st, as I was in the district recovering from a medical procedure.

Had I been present, I would have voted: YEA on H.R. 4866, Roll Call No. 153;

YEA on H.R. 4755, Roll Call No. 154;

YEA on H. Res. Roll Call No. 1173, Roll Call No. 163;

YEA on H.R. 529, Roll Call No. 155;

YEA on H.R. 4824, Roll Call No. 156;

YEA on H.R. 4877, Roll Call No. 157;

YEA on H.R. 6093, Roll Call No. 158;

YEA ON H.R. 3738, Roll Call No. 159,

YEA on H.R. 4016, Roll Call No. 160;

YEA on H.R. 1767, Roll Call 161;

YEA on H.R. 3195, Roll Call No. 171;

YEA on H.R. 764, Roll Call No. 169;

YEA on H.R. 615, Roll Call No. 167;

YEA on H.R. 3397, Roll Call No. 165;

YEA on H. Res. 1112, Roll Call No. 176;

YEA on H.R. 6090, Roll Call No. 172; and

YEA on H.R. 6285, Roll Call No. 174.

RECOGNIZING AARON DONTEZ YATES, TECH N9NE, FOR HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE MUSIC INDUSTRY

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 6, 2024

Mr. CLEAVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the extraordinary actions and success of an accomplished individual in Missouri's Fifth Congressional District, Aaron Donte Yates, better known as his stage name Tech N9ne. Today, we join in recognition of the milestones he has achieved throughout his career in the music industry.

Born and raised in Kansas City, Missouri, Tech N9ne embarked on a journey looking for ways in which he could express himself. From an early age, he began to rap, first using it as a method to learn and remember how to spell his name and later to release his inner thoughts and emotions. Before taking a leap of faith in seeking success on his own, he was part of the groups Black Mafia, 57th Street Rogue Dog Villains, and the Regime, where he began to get acquainted with the industry and would lead him to move forward in opening his own record label. Strange Music, with his business partner Travis O-Guin.

With releases such as "Anghellic" and "Everready (The Religion)," his discography stands as a testament to his unparalleled talent and unwavering dedication to his craft. His talent and ability to create new rhythms and rhymes have not been overlooked and have instead garnered the attention of other acclaimed artists as well as solidified his status as a true pioneer in the world of hip-hop and rap. His success and unique approach have led to collaborations with artists Machine Gun Kelly, Lil Wayne, and Eminem among others. His love for his hometown is apparent through a now football season classic. "Red Kingdom", a love song to the Kansas City Chiefs