EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CONGRATULATING SHEILA DACEY

HON. JOHN A. YARMUTH

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 21, 2022

Mr. YARMUTH. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the distinguished career and retirement of Sheila Dacey after 26 years of service at the Congressional Budget Office. Sheila has been Chief of the Income Security and Education Cost Estimates Unit in CBO's Budget Analysis Division since 2015, following two decades as an analyst in that unit. Sheila served in numerous capacities as an analyst, including long stints analyzing welfare programs and Social Security.

It is hard to overstate Sheila's role in analyzing the budgetary impacts of income security legislation over the past two decades. Sheila was instrumental in providing insightful and objective estimates of the effects of much of the important income security legislation that the Congress has considered, debated, and enacted since 1995. Notable examples include the Welfare Reform Act of 1996, subsequent changes to the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program, numerous bills to improve child support enforcement, and legislation affecting Social Security benefits. As a unit chief, she was instrumental in managing CBO's work related to unemployment insurance benefits provided during the COVID pandemic.

Sheila has worked tirelessly with Members of Congress and staff on both sides of the aisle throughout the years. During many hours of discussion and patient explanation, she was always methodically forthright and fair, embodying CBO's commitment to nonpartisan analysis. She helped us understand the key levers to move an estimate and the need to focus on making the language match the intent.

Sheila has been a mentor and guide to numerous analysts at CBO. Thanks to her efforts, those analysts have learned to dig deeper and consider all the possible outcomes of a bill. The high standards that she set for herself and for other analysts will continue to be a benchmark for CBO's analysis going forward.

On behalf of the House Budget Committee, I thank Sheila for her years of dedicated service to the Congress and extend to her our best wishes for a well-earned retirement.

HONORING THE CAREER OF BERTHA HENRY

HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 21, 2022

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise to recognize the tremendous career and meaningful work of Bertha Henry, Broward County Administrator.

Broward County is a sprawling and culturally diverse metropolitan coastal community in the heart of South Florida, spanning from the ocean to the Everglades, with 1.8 million residents in 31 municipalities. Ms. Henry's commitment to Broward County's families and businesses has been extensive, impressive, and inspiring.

Bertha Henry graduated from Florida State University with a bachelor's degree in Government and Business Management, and a master's degree in Public Administration. One of her fondest memories was watching her parents smile with pride to see their daughter graduate with a master's degree, particularly since neither of her parents were able to complete their education. Ms. Henry's can-do attitude has guided her and served her well, both personally and professionally.

Her professional career in public service includes her native City of Miami, Florida, Dayton (Montgomery County), Ohio, and Broward County, where she was named County Administrator in 2008.

Under Ms. Henry's leadership, Broward County has received numerous awards and recognitions. Some highlights include Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport being ranked third on the list of best large airports in the country; receiving the Smart Growth Partnership Excellence Award for a safe, convenient, and sustainable transportation system; being awarded the Keep America Beautiful President's Circle Award for exemplary performance in building and sustaining vibrant communities; and Broward County's Port Everglades receiving the Port of the Year and Best Domestic Departure Port Award.

Bertha Henry is a selfless, compassionate, and devoted public servant whose commitment to our community is exemplary, and I am proud to call her my dear friend. I wish her a heartfelt congratulations on her retirement and am grateful for her invaluable work to improve the lives of those in Florida's 23rd Congressional District, Broward County, and beyond.

CONGRATULATING SIMONE THOMAS

HON. JOHN A. YARMUTH

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 21, 2022

Mr. YARMUTH. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the outstanding service and contributions of Simone Thomas, who is retiring after 37 years as a skilled and dedicated public servant at the Congressional Budget Office.

For many years at CBO, Simone has served as a trusted, expert adviser to senior management and staff on the most effective use of the agency's intra net and new communications tools. She has been the driving force spurring intranet enhancements and innovations that have made it easier for staff to collaborate on analytical work for the Congress, such as CBO's periodic volume of budget options.

She has made significant contributions to enhance internal communications as CBO's SharePoint Administrator, enabling CBO's staff to stay better connected and informed. She has distinguished herself with her hard work and resourcefulness during the pandemic. She came up with creative ways to instruct CBO's staff in the use of new communications tools to help them work more effectively on a remote basis.

Simone's expertise also extends to CBO's public website. She was responsible over the years for publishing time-sensitive, high-profile cost estimates as well as the agency's major recurring reports. That work sometimes required working during the evening or on weekends, which Simone always took in stride.

To her colleagues, Simone has been a constant source of knowledge, support, and kindness. She has received accolades over the years for her prompt customer service, patience, reliability, and ingenuity in troubleshooting complex SharePoint challenges.

She is a consummate professional, always seeking out opportunities to learn, grow, and share her expanded knowledge with others. She has also led by example in her philanthropic efforts, devoting significant time and energy to spearheading CBO's efforts each year to raise money for breast cancer research. She has helped raise thousands of dollars for that cause over the years. She will be missed by her colleagues, who have benefited greatly from the depth of her knowledge, as well as her generous spirit, warmth, and collegiality.

I know my colleagues will join me in extending our thanks and appreciation for Simone's service to our country. We wish her a relaxing, well-deserved retirement.

RECOGNIZING MARCH FOR LIFE 2022

HON. DARIN LaHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 21, 2022

Mr. LAHOOD. Madam Speaker, today, I recognize the thousands of faithful and devoted students from central and west-central Illinois and around the country who are participating in this year's March for Life celebrations. The March for Life began in Washington, DC, as a small demonstration and has since become the largest pro-life event in the world.

I am proud to represent Catholic schools in my district, like Peoria Notre Dame High School, Quincy Notre Dame High School, Routt Catholic High School in Jacksonville, Sacred Heart-Griffin High School in Springfield, and Bloomington Central Catholic, as they continue to show unending and unwavering support for the pro-life movement. I am honored to recognize the efforts of pro-life advocates across the 18th District who have

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