

House Resolution 1126

By: Representative Cannon of the 58th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and congratulating Ron Zirpoli; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ron Zirpoli will be celebrating his 75th birthday on January 24, 2026; and
- 3 WHEREAS, in the past 75 years, he has traveled to no fewer than 83 countries, including
- 4 New Guinea, Iran, North Korea, Mongolia, Myanmar, Uganda, Ethiopia, Bolivia, Fiji, Nepal,
- 5 China, Japan, Cuba, the USSR, India, Bangladesh, Jordan, Gaza, Egypt, Tanzania,
- 6 Venezuela, Chile, Nigeria, El Salvador, Tibet, Kenya, Turkey, Indonesia, Pakistan, and New
- 7 Zealand among many others; and
- 8 WHEREAS, through his travels Ron Zirpoli has had the privilege to obtain a vast cultural
- 9 understanding and global awareness as well as work as a travel photographer documenting
- 10 human rights violations, civil wars, and natural wonders of the world, including Everest Base
- 11 Camp; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he has steadfastly supported and advocated for numerous political campaigns,
- 13 lending his voice, resources, and remarkable leadership abilities to members of state and
- 14 national congress, mayors, city council members, and presidential candidates across the
- 15 United States; and

16 WHEREAS, in the state of Georgia Ron Zirpoli was involved in the campaigns of Atlanta
17 Mayor Shirley Franklin; the first black Mayor of Macon, Jack Ellis; Atlanta Mayor Andrew
18 Young; several Atlanta City Council Members; and Georgia Representative Park Cannon;
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20 WHEREAS, in addition to supporting political campaigns, Ron Zirpoli has tirelessly helped
21 to organize countless community events, built coalitions, participated in grassroots
22 organizations, protested, photographed, and strengthened community engagement across
23 Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cleveland, the state of Georgia, and abroad; and

24 WHEREAS, he has witnessed a dramatic change in the world over the course of his lifetime
25 and we salute his contribution to its progress by his own hard work and good citizenship.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body recognize and commend Ron Zirpoli, congratulate him on the
28 remarkable occasion of his 75th birthday, and extend their most sincere best wishes for
29 continued health and happiness.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ron
32 Zirpoli.