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New EDMs

133 Mike Edwards OBE, Scotland's Army Reservist of the Year 2022

Tabled: 7/06/22 Signatories: 1

Brendan O'Hara

That this House congratulates Mike Edwards, Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Dunbartonshire on being awarded an OBE for public and charitable service in Scotland in the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Birthday Honours List, and also for being named Army Reservist of the Year at the Scottish Veterans Awards 2022; notes that in attaining the rank of Major in the Army Reserve, Mike has given nearly 30 years of dedicated service with the Royal Regiment of Scotland, service that has included two tours of duty in Iraq and in Afghanistan; sincerely thanks him for his tireless work promoting charitable causes including the Erskine veterans charity, the Royal Highland Fusiliers Trust, the Highlanders Regimental Museum at Fort George, the Loch Lomond Rescue Boat and the Glasgow Humane Society; further recognises the immense contribution Mike Edwards has made to Scottish broadcasting and journalist during his 40 year career working in newspapers, radio and television outlets across Scotland, most notably as Senior Reporter with STV for many years; and wishes him continued success in the future.

134 No confidence in the Prime Minister

Tabled: 7/06/22 Signatories: 11

Ed Davey

Wendy Chamberlain Daisy Cooper Layla Moran Mr Alistair Carmichael Tim Farron

Sarah Olney Christine Jardine Jamie Stone

Wera Hobhouse Helen Morgan

That this House has no confidence in the Prime Minister because he has broken the covid-19 lockdown laws that his Government introduced, has presided over a culture of serial rule-breaking in Downing Street, has undermined standards in public life, and has failed to take action to support millions of families in the midst of a cost of living emergency.

135 Gypsy, Roma, and Traveller History Month 2022

Tabled: 7/06/22 Signatories: 27

Mary Kelly Foy Martin Docherty-Hughes John McDonnell Kirsten Oswald Rachael Maskell Kate Green

Deidre Brock Cat Smith Kim Johnson Beth Winter Ian Byrne Jeremy Corbyn Bell Ribeiro-Addy Zarah Sultana Ian Lavery Ian Mearns Ms Diane Abbott Mick Whitley **Caroline Lucas** Lloyd Russell-Moyle Apsana Begum Claudia Webbe Nadia Whittome Tahir Ali Rebecca Long Bailey Richard Burgon Kate Osborne

That this House notes that during the month of June 2022 it is Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month; further notes that a key theme in 2022 is What Makes a Home?; recognises that what makes a home can mean different things to different peoples and cultures, with homes to be found on the roads and waterways, in fairgrounds, and within communities; believes that the rich culture and history of the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities is something that must be both celebrated and protected; and encourages everyone to positively engage with the communities.

136 Dr Sabir Zazai FRSE, Scottish Refugee Council

Tabled: 7/06/22 Signatories: 1

Margaret Ferrier

That this House congratulates Dr Sabir Zazai FRSE, Chief Executive of the Scottish Refugee Council, on his award of the Order of the British Empire; commends his tireless dedication to advocating for refugees, who have often been through very traumatic and difficult experiences; recognises the importance of this work, particularly the leadership he has shown both in the Scottish Refugee Council and the sector more broadly; further recognises the valuable work of his colleagues at the Scottish Refugee Council, particularly over the past year, which has seen the withdrawal from

Afghanistan and the outbreak of war in Ukraine, which has hugely increased demand for their services; and wishes Sabir and his colleagues the very best in their future endeavours.

137 Jane Reid, also known as Jean Holloway, BEM

Tabled: 7/06/22 Signatories: 1

Margaret Ferrier

That this House congratulates Jane Reid, also known as Jean Holloway, on her award of the Medal of Order of the British Empire for her extensive charitable work; commends her for raising over £34,000 in memory of her late husband, Walter Holloway, who sadly passed from prostate cancer in 2007; recognises her extensive efforts to raise funding and awareness for Prostate Cancer UK through numerous imaginative and enjoyable charitable events, including golfing tournaments at the club her late husband once captained; and wishes her all the best in her future charity work.

138 Ratification of the Istanbul Convention

Tabled: 7/06/22 Signatories: 44

Gavin Newlands Ian Blackford Kirsten Oswald Drew Hendry Alison Thewliss Stuart C McDonald

Hannah Bardell Mhairi Black **Bob Blackman** Steven Bonnar **Deidre Brock** Alan Brown Amy Callaghan Dr Lisa Cameron **Douglas Chapman** Ronnie Cowan Joanna Cherry Angela Crawley Martyn Day Martin Docherty-Hughes Dave Doogan Allan Dorans Stephen Flynn Marion Fellows Patricia Gibson Patrick Grady **Peter Grant** Stewart Hosie Chris Law David Linden

Anne McLaughlin John McNally Angus Brendan MacNeil

Carol MonaghanJohn NicolsonBrendan O'HaraMs Anum QaisarTommy SheppardAlyn SmithChris StephensRichard ThomsonOwen Thompson

Dr Philippa Whitford Pete Wishart

That this House notes that 8 June 2022 will mark ten years since the UK signed the Istanbul Convention on protecting women and girls from violence; commends the work by IC Change and other groups in campaigning for the UK's ratification of the treaty; welcomes the recent announcement by the Home Secretary that the bulk of the treaty will be ratified by 31 July 2022; acknowledges the work by the former hon. Member for Banff and Buchan, Eilidh Whiteford, in proposing and having passed by Parliament in 2017 the legislation enshrining the requirement to ratify the convention; recognises the imperative for national and international action to tackle violence against women and girls; further notes with concern that two reservations have been attached to ratification, including provisions aimed at protecting migrant women and children; believes that all women should mean all women and that migrant communities deserve equal protection under the Convention; and looks forward to the full ratification of the Convention with no reservations as quickly as possible.

139 Tote-ally Chill business established by Hamilton Grammar School

Tabled: 7/06/22 Signatories: 1

Angela Crawley

That this House congratulates the pupils and teachers of Hamilton Grammar School on their recent success in the Festival of Young Enterprise Scotland; commends the innovative and environmental approach used in the establishment of their business idea, Tote-ally Chill; understands the competitive nature of the business world and the difficulty for start-ups to become established; recognises the achievements of the pupils by winning the People's Choice Award for their customised tote bags; and further commends the pupils for establishing themselves in the business world and applauds the pupils for putting mental health and self-care at the heart of their ideas through their #WellbingWednesdays campaign on social media.

140 Midlothian Volunteer Awards 2022

Tabled: 7/06/22 Signatories: 1

Owen Thompson

That this House congratulates the nominees and winners of the Midlothian Volunteer Awards 2022; thanks the organisers at Volunteer Midlothian for the annual opportunity, held during Volunteers Week, to celebrate the amazing efforts of local volunteers who dedicate their time and skills to bring about positive change in Midlothian's communities across a wide range of inspirational projects; commends the people of Midlothian for their incredible efforts and strong sense of community spirit; and sends its individual congratulations to award winners Karyn McGrath of Anam Cara, Volunteer of the Year; Ageing Well, Volunteering Team of the Year; Margaret McMeekin of Transform, Outstanding New Volunteer; Alan Paterson of Thornton Rose Riding for the Disabled, Befriender/Mentor of the Year and Digital Volunteering; the Amazing Brains Committee at Art Club, winner of the Active Volunteering and Climate Change award; Juliette Paris, nominated by Rosewell and District Community Council, Service to the Community award; Margaret Canning of Hearing Link Scotland, Health and Wellbeing Award; John McVeigh of Health-in-Mind, Dedicated Service to Volunteering Award; Joanna Habba of Home Link Family Support, Equality and Diversity Award; Sam Ewens, Lucy White, Andrew Hogg, Caitlin Chambers, Kari Calder and Jaylynn King, Saltire Summit Award winners.

Added Names

Below are EDMs tabled in the last two weeks to which names have been added. Only the first 6 names and any new names are included.

62 Ukraine debt cancellation

Tabled: 17/05/22 Signatories: 31

Richard Burgon
Liz Saville Roberts
Caroline Lucas
Layla Moran
Chris Law
Hywel Williams

Claudia Webbe Angus Brendan MacNeil Tony Lloyd

That this House recognises the devastating impact of the Russian invasion on the economy of Ukraine; notes the need for all the country's resources to be mobilised to support the humanitarian

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response and military defence; notes that the total external debt of Ukraine is \$54 billion and that Ukraine is due to make debt payments of \$7.3 billion in 2022 alone; notes with concern that the IMF has assessed Ukraine will need \$5bn a month for the next three months to address the impact of the invasion on the country's finances; calls on the Government to use its influence with G7 partners, the IMF and World Bank to suspend all external debt payments for as long as the war lasts and make it clear that a restructuring of debts involving all creditors will take place after the war that will make the debt sustainable; and further calls on the Government to work with partners to establish a fund to provide grants for emergency support and subsequent reconstruction of the country.

69 Employment bill

Angela Crawley Jonathan Edwards Allan Dorans Wera Hobhouse Deidre Brock Patricia Gibson

Claudia Webbe

That this House expresses its disappointment that the Government has not introduced an Employment Bill in the 2022 Queen's Speech; notes that an Employment Bill was announced in the 2019 Queen's Speech but is yet to reach the statute books; deplores the Government's missed opportunity to bring forth policies on flexible working by default, carer's leave, paid leave for neonatal care, paid miscarriage leave, leave for menopause and fertility treatments, prevention of workplace sexual harassment, the right to keep gratuities in full, and to extend redundancy protections to prevent maternity and pregnancy discrimination; condemns the Government's tacit acceptance of rogue employers who abuse outdated employment regulations; recalls the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy's remarks in 2021 that an Employment Bill would be brought forward when the time is right; suggests the Government must act immediately to counter insecure work and exploitative practices such as fire and rehire and zero-hours contracts; recognises the coronavirus pandemic and the cost of living crisis has intensified the need for updated workplace protections; and urges the Government to make parliamentary time to bring forward an Employment Bill in order to keep its promises to protect and enhance workers' rights.

72 Specialist Huntington's Disease Services

Tabled: 17/05/22 Signatories: 46

Tabled: **17/05/22**

Hilary Benn
Jonathan Edwards
Wera Hobhouse
Hywel Williams
Liz Saville Roberts
Ben Lake

Patrick Grady Alan Brown

That this House notes that Huntington's Disease is a rare, hereditary and incurable neurological condition that slowly robs patients of their ability to walk, talk, eat, drink, make decisions and care for themselves; notes that a University of Aberdeen study, published in the Journal of Neurology, highlights that the number of Huntington's Disease cases in northern Scotland has increased by almost 50 per cent over the last 30 years and understands that there are likely to have been similar increases throughout the rest of the United Kingdom; further notes that the Scottish Huntington's

Association, the Huntington's Disease Association of Northern Ireland and the Huntington's Disease Association England and Wales have confirmed that Huntington's Disease specialist staff are stretched to the limit, having had to deal with a rising number of cases without a commensurate increase in resources, with some areas having no specialist services at all; notes the often intolerable burden placed upon those caring for loved ones with Huntington's Disease; and calls on health and social care providers throughout the UK to expand specialist Huntington's Disease services and access to mental health and other essential support in order to help those living with Huntington's Disease and their families in the community.

77 Killing of Palestinian-American reporter Shireen Abu Aqla

Tabled: 18/05/22 Signatories: 21

Mr Alistair Carmichael Caroline Lucas Jonathan Edwards Hywel Williams Ben Lake Liz Saville Roberts

Munira Wilson

That this House condemns unreservedly the killing of Palestinian-American Al Jazeera reporter Shireen Abu Aqla in the Jenin refugee camp while reporting on a raid by Israeli forces; notes that last year UNESCO recorded fifty-five deaths of journalists while working; recognises that Shireen was an experienced and popular journalist across the Middle East and in Palestine in particular and that her loss will be deeply felt by colleagues and others across the region; notes that Al Jazeera producer Ali Samoudi was also injured in the shooting; calls on the UK Government to make representations to the Government of Israel to allow an independent investigation into the shooting so that those responsible can be held to account; and condemns further the violence inflicted on mourners at the funeral of Shireen Abu Aqla, described by the leaders of fifteen Christian denominations as a violent intrusion by Israeli police.

81 Bonnyrigg Rose promotion to the SPFL

Tabled: 19/05/22 Signatories: 9

Owen Thompson
Allan Dorans
Chris Law
Chris Stephens
Stewart Malcolm McDonald
Jim Shannon

Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates Bonnyrigg Rose FC on their historic promotion to the Scottish Professional Football League (SPFL) following last week's victory over Cowdenbeath; notes that the 141 year-old, Midlothian-based club will now be playing SPFL League 2 football next season for the first time after a 1-0 win at Central Park sealed a 4-0 aggregate victory over Cowdenbeath in the pyramid play-off final; commends the club's players, management and supporters for this historic promotion; and wishes Bonnyrigg Rose the very best of luck in the games to come.

85 Iain MacNeil's global voyage

Tabled: 19/05/22 Signatories: 16

Angus Brendan MacNeil Ms Anum Qaisar Carol Monaghan Jamie Stone Drew Hendry Mark Menzies

Alison Thewliss

That this House notes that from the time of the great Magellan Expedition of 1518-1521, the first to circumnavigate the world, that mankind has always been fascinated with nautical circumnavigations of the world; warmly congratulates lain MacNeil from the Hebridean Island of Barra, following in those footsteps by completing the first circumnavigation in the world in a sub-24 metre motor yacht class vessel, MV Astra, with151 days at sea, crossing all 360 degrees of latitude and the equator twice, with a total covering 27,000 nautical miles; further notes that lain MacNeil, and his four crew, follow in the proud tradition of the Clan MacNeil who according to legendary repute among the Scottish Highland Clans, were the only other people, other than Noah, to have a Galley boat at the time of the biblical flood.

88 Detention of Tamil refugees in the British Indian Ocean Territory

Tabled: 23/05/22 Signatories: 16

Ed Davey
Sarah Olney
Munira Wilson
Christine Jardine
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon

Claudia Webbe

That this House acknowledges that at least 89 Eelam Tamils, including 20 children, are being detained indefinitely on the British Indian Ocean Territory Diego Garcia after their boat was intercepted by British military; recognises that these refugees cannot return to Sri Lanka, where they have faced persecution as Tamils and in some cases even torture; is aware that 42 of the refugees have gone on a hunger strike to protest their situation, which is having a catastrophic impact on their mental health; notes with concern that British authorities are not offering legal counsel or assessing asylum claims on Diego Garcia, despite reports the group has made clear they are seeking international protection; emphasises the UK's international legal commitments to allow anyone to apply for asylum; and calls on the Government to provide enabling support to allow the Tamil refugees on Diego Garcia to claim asylum in a safe country of their choosing.

90 Reducing levels of PM2.5 pollution

Tabled: 23/05/22 Signatories: 15

Dame Angela Eagle Rushanara Ali Rosie Duffield Neil Coyle Clive Lewis Grahame Morris

Claudia Webbe

That this House recognises the danger that high levels of air pollution pose to human health; acknowledges the importance of reducing air pollution as quickly as possible; and urges the Government to commit to reaching annual levels of fine particulate matter in line with the World Health Organization's interim target of 10ug/m3 by no later than 2030.

94 Baha'i community in Qatar

Tabled: 23/05/22 Signatories: 12

Jim Shannon Margaret Ferrier Neale Hanvey Alison Thewliss Kirsten Oswald John McDonnell

Brendan O'Hara

That this House notes the increasingly precarious situation of the Baha'i community in Qatar; expresses concern over reports that several Baha'is have been subject to administrative deportation and blacklisting from employment; notes the annex to the March 2022 report of the UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief and the alarming findings of the report as regards the treatment of the Baha'i community in Qatar; recalls the strong ties between the UK and Qatar, and the recent visit to this country of His Excellency, the Emir of Qatar; and calls on the Government to encourage the Qatari authorities to review Section D of the Special Rapporteur's Annex, containing recommendations, and urge the Qataris to resolve the legal status of both Baha'i citizens and residents living in the Emirate.

95 Christian woman stoned in Sokoto, northern Nigeria

Tabled: 23/05/22 Signatories: 12

Jim Shannon Jonathan Edwards Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson Paul Girvan Rachael Maskell Carla Lockhart

Patrick Grady Brendan O'Hara

That this House notes the horrific stoning of Deborah Yakubu, a young Christian woman in Sokoto, Northern Nigeria; further notes that the stoning took place after Ms Yakubu had expressed concern that a student What's App Group was being used inappropriately and she was subsequently accused of blasphemy; highlights that the body and school building were then torched in a further act of hatred and violence; and encourages the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office to

make contact with counterparts in Nigeria and urge them to ensure that justice is done and those responsible for her death are held accountable.

98 Storage of US nuclear weapons in the UK

Tabled: 24/05/22 Signatories: 27

Kirsten Oswald Caroline Lucas Douglas Chapman Jonathan Edwards Bell Ribeiro-Addy Allan Dorans

Ms Diane Abbott Steven Bonnar Alyn Smith

That this House is deeply concerned that the United Kingdom has been added to the United States' list of nuclear weapons storage site locations in Europe and that, according to information released by the United States' government, these storage sites are being upgraded; is concerned that this signals a change in the nuclear status of RAF Lakenheath, and that, having been removed in 2008, US nuclear weapons may have already been returned to the base or that the base will receive nuclear weapons in the future; condemns the refusal of the Ministry of Defence to comment on this information to members of this House; notes that RAF Lakenheath, whilst owned by the Ministry of Defence, is run by the United States Air Force; further notes that storage of another country's nuclear weapons on UK soil puts UK citizens at greater risk of nuclear attack; and calls on the Government to decline to host US nuclear weapons at RAF Lakenheath and to use all possible diplomatic efforts to de-escalate current nuclear tensions.

101 Effect of standing charges on vulnerable consumers

Tabled: 25/05/22 Signatories: 19

Patricia Gibson Alison Thewliss Jim Shannon Allan Dorans Hywel Williams Liz Saville Roberts

Patrick Grady Brendan O'Hara Alyn Smith

That this House acknowledges the increase in the energy price cap, has seen household energy costs rising exponentially from 1 April 2022; notes the standing charges applied daily to consumers is also rising, by at least 80 per cent in most cases; understands that this charge is applied regardless of the amount of power used, meaning that consumers have no control over this aspect of their increasing energy bills; believes that much of the increase in standing charges is as a result of the failure of 30 energy suppliers in 2020, with the cost of guaranteeing customers' balances being added to the bills of all households; condemns the negligent policymaking and bad practice within the industry which has resulted in many energy suppliers going out of business; recognises that these increases will impact the poorest and most vulnerable the most, with prepayment customers facing the biggest increases; further notes the discriminatory regional variations in standing charges, with consumers in Scotland paying among the highest charges despite being an exporter of energy to the rest of the UK; and urges the UK Government to either cap or scrap these charges to ensure the poorest customers are not paying the most for the mistakes made in regulating the energy market.

103 Access to cash

Tabled: 25/05/22 Signatories: 12

Jon Trickett
Jim Shannon
Hywel Williams
Liz Saville Roberts
Ben Lake
Kate Osborne

Jonathan Edwards

Dan Carden

That this House notes with concern the latest figures which show that the number of bank branches in the Wakefield District has declined by a third since 2015 and that the number of free ATM machines has been cut by 18 since 2018 to March this year; notes that recent research by Which? shows this problem is also increasing across the country with 4,685 high street branches having closed since 2015 and 12,178 free-to-use cash machines having closed since 2018; and calls on the Government to tackle this problem which makes life difficult for people across the country, especially those more isolated or vulnerable and to do more to support those who are becoming more socially excluded by such closures.

104 Protecting the Green Belt

Jon Trickett
Jim Shannon
Kate Osborne
John McDonnell
Rachael Maskell
Claudia Webbe

Tabled: 25/05/22 Signatories: 6

That this House notes with concern that the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill does not mention the safeguarding of Green Belt land; highlights the fact that many Local Plans contain proposals to build on Green Belt land by bringing it under the greenfield designation, including in two areas proposed in the Wakefield District; notes that access to green spaces not only enhances quality of life, but also helps with mental health, tackling obesity and improving general health; further notes with interest calls by charities and campaign organisations to make provision for a "wild belt" where wildlife can thrive and be protected; and calls on the Government to bring forward robust rules regarding the protection and extension of the green belt and, whilst acknowledging the need for housing, to invest in greener new builds by increasing insulation and energy efficiency in new homes.

107 Dr al-Singace's hunger strike and political prisoners in Bahrain

Tabled: 26/05/22 Signatories: 10

Wendy Chamberlain John McDonnell Rachael Maskell Liz Saville Roberts Ben Lake Hywel Williams

Claudia Webbe Wayne David Alison Thewliss

Brendan O'Hara

That this House is deeply concerned by the ongoing hunger strike of 60-year-old human rights defender and academic Dr Abduljalil al-Singace in Bahrain; notes EDM 578 and reiterates the alarm that his hunger strike began on 8 July 2021 and has exceeded 300 days; expresses concern that despite al-Singace being hospitalised since 18 July 2021 and losing well over 25kg, he has been subjected to deliberate denial of adequate medical care, has not been visited by his doctor for over three months and has not received results from an MRI taken in October 2021; notes that al-Singace is protesting the confiscation of four years' worth of his handwritten apolitical research; condemns the Bahraini government's justification of the confiscation of his research and failure to seek a timely resolution; decries al-Singace's life sentence for his peaceful leading role in Bahrain's 2011 pro-democracy uprising; unreservedly condemns al-Singace's torture in 2011 by Bahraini officials, as documented by the Bahrain Independent Commission of Inquiry; echoes the consensus of international calls from the human rights community, UN experts, global academics, and parliamentarians for al-Singace's release; calls upon the Government to urgently press for the return of al-Singace's research, impose Magnitsky Act Sanctions on those responsible for his unlawful imprisonment, including Interior Minister Rashid Al-Khalifa; and calls for his immediate and unconditional release, as well as that of the approximate 1,400 political prisoners in Bahrain, including Hassan Mushaima, Sheikh Ali Salman, Abdulhadi Al-Khawaja, Sheikh Mohamed Habib AlMuqdad, Abdulwahab Husain and Ali Al-Hajee.

108 Ehlers-Danlos syndrome Awareness Month 2022

Tabled: 26/05/22 Signatories: 12

David Linden
Hywel Williams
Liz Saville Roberts
Ben Lake
John McDonnell
Rachael Maskell

Claudia Webbe Patrick Grady Alison Thewliss

That this House supports Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (EDS) Awareness Month 2022 which takes place throughout May 2022; thanks all of the charities and organisations which work to support those living with EDS or hypermobility spectrum disorder (HSD), their families and those who raise awareness; recognises the hard work that is carried out by organisations including Ehlers-Danlos Support UK which endeavour to improve the quality of life for those with EDS or HSD and to educate the medical community; and calls on the Government to assist and support research to further understand EDS and HSD.

111 Recognition for NHS Lanarkshire

Tabled: 26/05/22 Signatories: 4

Dr Lisa Cameron John McDonnell Allan Dorans Steven Bonnar

That this House recognises the outstanding work of the staff of NHS Lanarkshire in overcoming the challenges of the covid-19 pandemic and continue to work tirelessly every day to address the backlog; notes the hard work of the back office staff who supplied PEE, ensured O2 supplies were available and rapidly mobilised remote working technology for GPs and other key health care staff; commends all those staff who responded to the fire at Hairmyres Hospital in the midst of the pandemic; applauds all those staff providing well-being and psychological support to their colleagues; thanks staff within NHS Lanarkshire for the passionate level of care provided to all patients and families within the communities they serve; and acknowledges the amazing spirit of partnership across the service.

112 Get me home safely campaign

Tabled: 26/05/22 Signatories: 25

Zarah Sultana Rebecca Long Bailey Apsana Begum Kate Hollern Charlotte Nichols Rachael Maskell

Claudia Webbe Mohammad Yasin Jon Trickett

Dan Carden

That this House notes that shift work is widespread in many industries, especially hospitality, and can often entail late-night working; further notes that many workers, especially women, are increasingly worried about their safety travelling to and from work at night; believes that while employers may feel their duty of care to staff ends when an employee finishes a shift, they also need to take into consideration journeys home, especially during unsocial hours; is appalled at the weakness of enforcement of the law against sexual assault, including up-skirting, on public transport; insists that more trained staff and stronger enforcement of the law against sexual assault and harassment on public transport is urgently needed; supports calls for the municipal ownership of buses in order to lower prices and improve service provision, especially for night-time and offpeak services; welcomes Unite the union's Get Me Home Safely campaign, which calls on employers to take all reasonable steps to ensure workers are able to get home safely from work at night; calls on local governments and licensing boards to change regulations to make free transport home for staff a prerequisite for new liquor licences; and calls on the Government to bring forward national minimum standards for taxis and private hire as per the recommendations of the Task and Finish group and to extend employers' duty of care to include safe transport home policies for all workers.

114 Whitehill Activity Group

Tabled: 6/06/22 Signatories: 2

Angela Crawley Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Whitehill Activity Group on securing an award of £490 in funding from the ASDA Foundation's Bringing Communities Back Together Fund; understands the group is

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made up of members of the Whitehill community whose aim is to make a positive difference in the lives and outcomes of those in the local area; recognises the work Whitehill Activity Group does to provide fun and inclusive activities for children, young people, families and adults to support learning and development; commends the group on their active engagement with other agencies to provide activities for the community; and wishes the Whitehill Activity Group well in their future projects.

115 **Hamilton Churches Drop In Centre**

Angela Crawley Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Hamilton Churches Drop In Centre on being awarded £1,000 in funding from the ASDA Foundation's Bringing Communities Back Together Fund; recognises the drop in centre's work in helping and supporting lonely, disadvantaged and vulnerable people within the community; understands the centre provides a three course meal every evening, offers washing and drying facilities for clothes, free clothing, shower and toilet facilities, access to healthcare and podiatry, help with housing and access to employment; applauds the work of the centre in providing better quality of life, improved wellbeing and social integration for members of the

community enduring hardship; and wishes the centre well in its future endeavours.

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116 Criccieth Memorial Hall

Liz Saville Roberts Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon **Ben Lake Hywel Williams**

That this House wishes Criccieth Memorial Hall well on their commemoration and centennial rededication service taking place on the 3 June 2022; notes that the listed building was built with public donations as a memorial to local residents who fought and perished during the First World War and now includes those who gave their lives in the Second World War; further notes that it was opened by former Prime Minister David Lloyd George in 1922; and thanks the trustees for all their work in taking care of the building and in preserving and promoting its history.

117 Human rights abuses against the Talai and Kipsigis people of Kenya

Bell Ribeiro-Addy Claudia Webbe Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon

Kate Osborne

That this House acknowledges and condemns the human rights abuses suffered by the Talai and Kipsigis people of Kenya when they were violently evicted from their ancestral land by British colonial forces between 1905 to 1963; requests that the Government makes a formal apology for these historic crimes including rape, torture, beatings, unlawful killing, and inhuman and degrading treatment as well as land appropriation; further acknowledges the physical and economic suffering that the Talai and Kipsigis people have endured since colonial times as a result of being relocated

to an uninhabitable part of Kenya, with now over 115,000 victims; recognises that the crimes perpetrated against the Talai and Kipsigis are entirely separate from those committed against the Mau Mau which were settled by reparations and an apology in 2013; and calls on the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office to respond to the official UN ruling that it must meet with the victims' representatives to begin a discussion about a new apology and reparations in order to restore justice and dignity to these people.

118 Aberdeen Residents Standing With Ukraine

Tabled: 6/06/22 Signatories: 6

Stephen Flynn Richard Thomson Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Steven Bonnar Patrick Grady

That this House recognises the hard work, compassion and dedication of Aberdeen residents Adrianna Sosnowska and Kacha Cwiklinska who have worked tirelessly in their efforts as part of the Polish Association and OWN Woman charity to get aid to Ukrainians who have been forced from their homes; acknowledges their continued efforts and praises them both for their commitment in getting much-needed supplies to hubs all over Poland; understands that, to date, 14 articulated lorries have travelled to Poland from Aberdeen with essential items; and commends all those that have volunteered or donated to the cause, and wishes them all the best in the future.

119 Volunteers' Week 2022

Tabled: 6/06/22 Signatories: 3

Patricia Gibson Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon

That this House acknowledges the invaluable work of volunteers across North Ayrshire and Arran constituency, Scotland and the UK as it marks Volunteers' Week 2022; notes that this is the 38th year of Volunteers' Week when thousands of charities and voluntary organisations recognise the contribution volunteers make across the UK and thank them for all they do; appreciates that the contribution of volunteers is often unseen and unrecognised by many, visible only through the incredible impact of their volunteering; believes volunteers improve society through their countless contributions each year and at time of crisis, making services more resilient; recognises that volunteering takes place formally, through the incredible work of organisations and groups but also informally through acts of kindness between individuals, and that the wide spectrum of volunteering must be acknowledged; and offers heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all volunteers for their tireless work in communities every day of the year.

120 **Carers Week 2022**

Tabled: 6/06/22 Signatories: 20

Ed Davey
Jonathan Edwards
Layla Moran
Jim Shannon
Wendy Chamberlain
Jamie Stone

Tim FarronDaisy CooperMunira WilsonSarah OlneyNeale HanveyMick WhitleyMohammad YasinTony LloydHelen MorganLiz Saville RobertsHywel WilliamsBen Lake

Christine Jardine Dan Carden

That this House supports Carers Week 2022, which is taking place from 6 to 12 June; recognises this year's theme of making caring visible, valued and supported; emphasises the invaluable contribution that millions of unpaid carers make across the UK on a daily basis, by providing care to their family and friends who are disabled, ill or older and need support; highlights that unpaid carers save the British taxpayer £400 billion each year; acknowledges that unpaid carers have been under additional pressure over the past two and a half years and are urgently in need of more support; and calls on the Government to develop a recovery and respite plan for unpaid carers that recognises the enormous impact the covid-19 pandemic has had on carers' lives and sets out practical steps to mitigate some of the negative impacts that caring can have on carers' own physical and mental health.

121 50 years of Pride in the UK

Tabled: 6/06/22 Signatories: 4

Angela Crawley Jonathan Edwards Christine Jardine Alison Thewliss

That this House welcomes Pride Month 2022, running from 1st to 30th June;

understands Pride is a month-long celebration of the establishment of the LGBTQIA+ rights movement that followed the Stonewall riots in New York in 1969; recognises this year marks 50 years of the Pride movement in the UK, following the first official UK Gay Pride Rally held in London on 1 July 1972; understands that Pride is a celebration of the successes of the diverse LGBTQIA+ community while raising awareness of continuing discrimination and issues affecting the members of the community; commends the progress that modern society has made in protecting the rights of those with LGBTQIA+ identities; further understands that this recent progress for the LGBTQIA+ community comes after decades of campaigning in civic society; celebrates the freedoms gained by LGBTQIA+ people including recognised rights to marriage, adoption and family life as well as acceptance in mainstream society; and recognises that although significant progress has been made, more can be done to make the UK a safer and fairer place for the LGBTQIA+ community and to spread that message of tolerance and acceptance throughout the world.

122 Stonewall findings on acceptance of LGBT identities

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That this House welcomes findings from recent research commissioned by LGBTQIA+ charity, Stonewall, which finds that levels of acceptance and respect of the LGBT community is now at an all-time high in the UK; celebrates that now anti-LGBT sentiments are restricted to a tiny minority of the public; welcomes that the most common feeling reported towards the LGBT population is respect; recognises that now the public are four times more likely to feel positively towards the LGBT community than they are negatively; is proud of the overwhelming progress that has been made in 35 years where two-thirds of the UK public previously felt that same-sex relationships were always wrong; further understands that even a small minority of the public holding negative feelings towards the LGBT community will have a significant negative impact on the safety of the group; recognises that homophobia, biphobia and transphobia are inextricably linked; and further implores everyone to do more to encourage active support for the LGBTQIA+ community to create a fairer, safer and more inclusive world for all.

123 Volunteers' Week, 1st to 7th June 2022

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Patrick Grady
Alison Thewliss

That this House welcomes Volunteers' Week which is scheduled to take place from 1st to 7th June; understands the campaign, which started in 1984, means to mark its 38th year by formally saying thank you to volunteers across the UK; also thanks the teams involved in each of the four nations for spearheading respective campaigns; notes the tremendous work of Volunteer Scotland and its partners to further develop and promote volunteering campaigns; understands that Scotland's Volunteering Action plan is scheduled to launch on 15 June following Volunteers' Week; looks forward to seeing what areas are identified in this road map for maximising the impact of volunteering; agrees that it is essential the efforts of volunteers across the UK at both national and local level must be recognised, especially for their work during the covid-19 pandemic; looks forward to continuing to work with organisations at both the local and national level to help promote the invaluable work done by volunteers across the UK; and wishes to extend a personal thank you to all volunteers.

124 East Kilbride Heritage Group

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Dr Lisa Cameron Jim Shannon Alison Thewliss

That this House recognises the work of the East Kilbride Heritage Group in preserving and sharing the history of East Kilbride; acknowledges their efforts in engaging the local community with their heritage through events; appreciates their work in creating permanent displays at the John Wright's Sport Centre and the Dollan Aqua Centre to celebrate and highlight achievements of the history

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of East Kilbride; and celebrates the publication of the book of recollections entitled Tales From Roundabout the Town which highlights the anecdotes and reminisces of people from East Kilbride who have been interviewed over the years.

125 Mr Stanley Morrice MBE

Richard Thomson
Jim Shannon
Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates Mr Stanley Morrice on his being awarded an MBE for his services to the food and drink sector; recognises his role at the forefront of driving sustainable food and drink production in North-east Scotland; notes his leading role in the delivery of Seedpod, a £21 million investment in the food and drink industry to create a centre of excellence for sustainable manufacturing and production at Scotland's Rural College campus at Craibstone, Aberdeen, scheduled to open in 2023; and thanks him for the huge amount of work he has done in mentoring and nurturing the next generation of business leaders and wishes him continued success.

126 Maggie's You Care, We Care Campaign

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Carolyn Harris John McNally Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon Mohammad Yasin Deidre Brock

Judith Cummins Christine Jardine Alison Thewliss

Neale Hanvey

That this House supports Maggie's campaign You Care, We Care highlighting the pressure felt by those closest to people living with cancer; notes research showing nearly 90 per cent of people looking after someone with cancer have experienced feelings of anger, guilt and helplessness; recognises the importance of providing support for people looking after someone with cancer; and commends the excellent work undertaken by Maggie's expert staff to provide free psychological and practical support to people undergoing treatment for cancer and those who care for them.

127 Dame Sally Mapstone, University of St Andrews

Tabled: 6/06/22 Signatories: 4

Chris Law Jim Shannon Patrick Grady Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates the Principal of the University of St Andrews, Sally Mapstone, on her award of a damehood in the Platinum Jubilee birthday honours; acknowledges that this reflects the exceptional leadership and commitment demonstrated by Professor Dame Sally Mapstone during one of the most difficult periods in the 600 year history of Scotland's oldest university; considers that this is also a reflection of the work of all staff and students at the University of St Andrews who have assisted the response to the pandemic, shown leadership in tackling the climate emergency

and the University's achievement in becoming Scotland's first institution to be ranked first in the United Kingdom in the Times Good University Guide 2022; and is grateful to both Principal Mapstone and everyone at the University of St Andrews for their hard work and service and welcomes this deserved recognition.

128 Kinghorn RNLI Lifeboat Station staff and volunteers

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Neale Hanvey Jonathan Edwards Jim Shannon

That this House pays tribute to the heroism, dedication and skill of Kinghorn RNLI Lifeboat Station staff and volunteers; notes that Kinghorn Lifeboat Station is located within the picturesque harbour of Kinghorn and houses a B class Atlantic 85 inshore lifeboat; further notes that the lifeboat covers the south Fife coastline, as well as parts of Edinburgh; recognises that at the heart of operations are ordinary people who do extraordinary and selfless things; further recognises the bravery of the lifeboat crews and lifeguards, who risk their own lives to save others, the generous supporters who make their lifesaving actions possible, and the selfless volunteers, who devote their time and energy to support the dedicated staff working tirelessly behind the scenes; acknowledges that RNLI lifeguards are equipped not only with the best training but the best equipment to deal with any eventuality; further acknowledges that RNLI lifeboat volunteers and search and rescue helicopter crews can respond to a situation within minutes as every second counts; gives thanks for the leadership of operations manager Joanne Wibberley, RNLI Lifeguards and all volunteers, support staff and crew; celebrates that since its establishment in 1965 there have been a 1,018 lifeboat launches and one hundred and ninety-nine lives saved and in 2021 alone there were 74 launches saving a further nine lives and aiding 55 people in distress; and recognises that the RNLI works in partnership with local authorities and beach owners to make our beaches safer for everyone.

129 Wales qualification for the 2022 Football World Cup

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Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon
Tim Farron
Steven Bonnar
Patrick Grady
Alison Thewliss

Hywel Williams Ben Lake Liz Saville Roberts

That this House congratulates the Welsh national football team on qualifying for the 2022 World Cup in Qatar; pays tribute to the players and coaching staff for being great ambassadors for the Wales and inspiring a whole nation; looks forward to the group games against the United States, Iran and England; recognises the contribution of the red wall to the success of the team; and acknowledges the clarion call of the team by the inspirational folk singer Dafydd Iwan of Er gwaetha pawb a phopeth – ry'n ni yma o hyd, despite everyone and everything – we are still here.

130 Killing of Christian worshippers at St Francis Catholic Church in Owo town, Ondo State, Nigeria

Tabled: 6/06/22 Signatories: 10

Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Sir Mike Penning
Mohammad Yasin
Steven Bonnar
Patrick Grady

Alison Thewliss Brendan O'Hara Alan Brown

John Cryer

That this House condemns the killing of Christian worshippers by terrorist gunmen at St Francis Catholic Church in Owo town, Ondo State, Nigeria on Sunday 5 June 2022; offers condolences and sympathies to the friends and family of the 40 worshippers killed during the attack; urges the Buhari Government to take effective action against the Jihadist ideology destroying lives in Nigeria; and calls on the Government to raise security concerns and threats to freedom of religion or belief with its Nigerian counterparts.

131 Treatment of Liverpool fans at the 2022 Champions League Final in Paris

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That this House condemns the deeply disturbing treatment by French police of Liverpool and Real Madrid fans outside Stade de France at the Champions League Final in Paris; notes catastrophic failures in stadium management by UEFA and French authorities which threatened the lives and wellbeing of supporters; further notes the grossly inadequate funnelling on approaching the stadium; notes the inadequate number of trained stewards on turnstiles and access through said turnstiles; condemns indiscriminate pepper-spraying and tear-gassing of supporters including children by French police; recognises Liverpool fans arrived at Stade de France up to three-and-ahalf hours before kick-off; notes Merseyside Police evidence that the vast majority of fans behaved in an exemplary manner, arriving early and queuing as directed; insists UEFA holds an independent investigation into matchday failures in co-ordination with Merseyside Police, LFC and Spirit of Shankly; demands a public apology from UEFA and French authorities for announcing on stadium boards and to a global TV audience that the delay to kick-off was caused by Liverpool fans arriving at the stadium late when this was categorically untrue; demands French Interior Minister Gerald Darmanin and French Sports Minister Amelie Oudea-Castera publicly retract and apologise for their appalling and unsubstantiated comments about Liverpool fans made since the match; condemns the life threatening bottleneck and crush Liverpool fans were forced into prior to kick-off; and insists that reports of French people entering the stadium without tickets and Liverpool and Real Madrid fans being pick-pocketed and mugged near to the stadium are fully investigated.

132 Welsh National Football Team World Cup qualification

Tabled: 6/06/22 Signatories: 9

Ben Lake Liz Saville Roberts Hywel Williams Tim Farron Jim Shannon Jonathan Edwards

Mohammad Yasin Steven Bonnar Alison Thewliss

That this House congratulates the Welsh National Football team on qualifying for the World Cup for the first time since 1958; celebrates the meteoric rise of Welsh football over the last 11 years which has seen the men's side climb from 117th to 18th in the Fifa world rankings; further celebrates the FAW's inclusive outlook which includes strong support for and use of the Welsh language; recognises the importance of maintaining free-to-air Welsh language coverage of Welsh international football matches for the health of both the language and the game; gives special acknowledgement to the fantastic Red Wall supporters who have played a major role in the team's success; and looks forward to Wales playing in a World Cup for the first time in 64 years.