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New EDMs

None

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.

488 **Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership**

Tabled: 11/03/24 Signatories: 5

John McDonnell
Jonathan Edwards
Kenny MacAskill
Rebecca Long Bailey
Zarah Sultana

That the Protocol, done at Auckland and Bandar Seri Begawan on 16 July 2023, on the Accession of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CP 1107), a copy of which was laid before Parliament on 19 February 2024, should not be ratified.

491 World Water Day 2024

Tabled: 11/03/24 Signatories: 16

Mr Virendra Sharma
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon
Dr Philippa Whitford
Mohammad Yasin
Rachael Maskell

Martyn Day

That this House recognises that 22 March is World Water Day; acknowledges that 2.2 billion people in the world do not have safe water and 3.5 billion people in the world do not have a decent toilet of their own; notes that two-thirds of healthcare facilities in the 46 least developed countries do not have access to basic handwashing facilities; further recognises that women and girls are disproportionately affected by inadequate water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH); further notes that that WASH is an essential component in work on addressing global challenges such as antimicrobial resistance; further acknowledges that the climate crisis is a water crisis and that investment in WASH provides a cost-effective adaptation measure to support communities on the front lines of climate change; notes that the UK's budget for WASH has been cut by approximately 77% since 2018, damaging the UK's ability to reach communities with life-saving clean water; is concerned that with just six years to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) deadline, progress on SDG6 is alarmingly off-track, and so and calls on the Government to increase investment in WASH and champion WASH on a global stage.

492 Ordination of the Bishop of Galloway

Tabled: 11/03/24 Signatories: 6

Patricia Gibson
Jim Shannon
Dr Philippa Whitford
Martin Docherty-Hughes
Chris Law
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates the Right Reverend Francis Dougan as Bishop of Galloway on his ordination to the Episcopate in a very moving and joyful ceremony at the Church of Saint Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan, on 9 March 2024; is aware that Bishop Dougan, originally from Lanark, received his priestly ordination on 27 June 2001 and was incardinated in the diocese of Motherwell; understands that Bishop Dougan will succeed Archbishop William Nolan who served as the Bishop of Galloway from 2015 to 2022 before assuming the position of Archbishop of Glasgow; recognises that Bishop Dougan was ordained by the Most Reverend Leo Cushley, Metropolitan Archbishop of Saint Andrews & Edinburgh; notes that the role will see Bishop Dougan become the ecclesiastical head of the Diocese of Galloway which covers the local authority areas of Dumfries and Galloway, South Ayrshire, East Ayrshire and mainland North Ayrshire and Cumbrae; acknowledges that upon his ordination Bishop Dougan proclaimed the need for a Church where everyone can feel at home and welcomed and expressed his commitment to continue to build on the solid foundations left by those who have come before us, stretching back to St Ninian who first planted the seeds of the Christian faith in Galloway; and wishes Bishop Dougan all the best in his endeavours in his new role which he will tackle with gusto and good humour.

493 The Radhuni and Best Eatery in Midlothian 2024 award

Tabled: 11/03/24 Signatories: 5

Owen Thompson
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates the Radhuni restaurant in Loanhead, Midlothian, for their recent success at the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards; recognises their award for Best Eatery 2024; acknowledges how this is a wonderful accomplishment and a testament to the dedication and hard work put into their restaurant; further acknowledges how this award is a well-deserved recognition of the Radhuni's team's efforts and the extraordinary experiences they provide to customers; and wishes the Radhuni continued success and acclaim in the future.

499 Rosslyn Chapel and the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards

Tabled: 12/03/24 Signatories: 4

Owen Thompson
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Rosslyn Chapel of Roslin, Midlothian, for their recent success at the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards; recognises their award for Best Tourism Business 2024; acknowledges how this is a wonderful accomplishment and a testament to the dedication and hard work put into the upkeep and preservation of Rosslyn Chapel; further acknowledges how this award is a well-deserved recognition of the Rosslyn Chapel's team's efforts and the wonderful experiences they provide to visitors; and wishes Rosslyn Chapel Trust continued success and acclaim in the future.

500 Flowcopter

Tabled: 12/03/24 Signatories: 4

Owen Thompson
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Flowcopter of Loanhead, Midlothian, for their recent success at the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards; recognises their award for High Growth Business of the Year 2024; acknowledges how this is a wonderful accomplishment and a testament to the dedication and hard work put into the business; further acknowledges how this award is a well-deserved recognition of the Flowcopters team's efforts and the growth the business has made in the past year; and wishes Flowcopter continued success and acclaim in the future.

502 Stewart Brewing

Tabled: 13/03/24 Signatories: 3

Owen Thompson
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Stewart Brewing brewery in Loanhead, Midlothian, for their recent success at the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards; recognises their award for Food and Drink Producer of the Year 2024; acknowledges how this is a wonderful accomplishment and a testament to the dedication and hard work put into their brewery; further acknowledges how this award is a well-deserved recognition of the Stewart Brewing's team's efforts and the innovative products that they create for their customers; and wishes Stewart Brewing continued success and acclaim in the future.

503 Melville Golf Centre and the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards

Tabled: 13/03/24 Signatories: 3

Owen Thompson
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Melville Golf Centre in Lasswade, Midlothian, for their recent success at the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards; recognises their award for Best Innovation in Business 2024; acknowledges how this is a wonderful accomplishment and a testament to the dedication and hard work put into the business; further acknowledges how this award is a well-deserved recognition of the Melville Golf Centre's team's efforts and the forward thinking that they use to enhance their customers experiences; and wishes Melville Golf Centre continued success and acclaim in the future.

504 Detention of Palestinian human rights lawyer Diala Nader Ibrahim Eideh

Tabled: 13/03/24 Signatories: 4

Martyn Day
Allan Dorans
Dr Philippa Whitford
Jonathan Edwards

That this House notes that, on 24 January 2024, the Israeli military issued an administrative detention order against Palestinian lawyer Diala Nader Ibrahim Eideh for a period of four months; condemns the degrading and humiliating treatment of Ms Eideh by Israeli soldiers throughout her initial ordeal; expresses grave concern at Israel's ongoing practice of administrative detention; believes that this practice is in breach of a number of international agreements and conventions, including the fourth Geneva Convention; further notes that Israel's use of administrative detention effectively circumvents due process and the principles of natural justice, using it as a tool of systematic persecution against Palestinians; also notes Israel's practice of deporting Palestinian prisoners from the Occupied Palestinian Territories to Israel and the subsequent isolation of detainees with denial of family visits and access to lawyers; expresses its view that extensive detention without charge or trial amounts to inhumane, degrading and punitive punishment of prisoners; acknowledges that the detention of Ms Eideh is solely because she is a human rights lawyer and an advocate for human rights; highlights that the frequency of administrative detentions has escalated recently, with the current number of administrative detainees reaching 3,558, the highest since the beginning of the occupation; regrets the Government's lack of any

meaningful or substantive action against administrative detention; and calls on the Government to make urgent representations to the Israeli government to cancel this policy, restore rights to all Palestinian prisoners and to release all Palestinians being held without charge or trial.

505 **Palestinians and the Researchers at Risk scheme**

Tabled: **13/03/24** Signatories: **3**

Caroline Lucas
Dr Philippa Whitford
Jonathan Edwards

This House commends the Researchers at Risk scheme instituted by the British Academy in partnership with the Council for At-Risk Academics and with support from the Academy of Medical Sciences, the Royal Academy of Engineering and the Royal Society; notes that the scheme was funded primarily by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and is currently restricted to Ukrainian academics and their families; observes that every higher education institution in Gaza has been destroyed or severely damaged during the war waged by the Israeli government in the wake of the horrific terror attacks of 7 October 2023; deplores that an estimated 30,000 civilians have been killed in Gaza in this time, including historians, economists, scholars of English literature and language, poets, physicists, gynaecologists, political scientists, psychologists, surgeons and lawyers; believes the academic community in Gaza is currently one of the most at risk in the world; and therefore calls on the UK Government to provide specific protection by renewing the funding for the Researchers at Risk scheme and opening it to Palestinian academics immediately and without delay.

506 **CSY Architects**

Tabled: **13/03/24** Signatories: **3**

Owen Thompson
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates CSY Architects in Dalkeith, Midlothian, for their recent success at the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards; recognises their award for Best Commitment to Youth Development 2024; acknowledges how this is a wonderful accomplishment and a testament to the dedication and hard work put into providing opportunities for young people by the business; further acknowledges how this award is a well-deserved recognition of the CSY Architects team's efforts; and wishes CSY Architects continued success and acclaim in the future.

507 Economic impact of cancer research in the West of Scotland

Tabled: 13/03/24 Signatories: 5

Amy Callaghan
Christine Jardine
Stuart C McDonald
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans

That this House welcomes a report by London Economics which shows the total economic impact on the UK economy associated with the Cancer Research UK (CRUK) Scotland Institute and the University of Glasgow's School of Cancer Sciences' activities in 2021-22 was estimated at approximately £503 million; notes that for every £1 million of research income received, Glasgow's research activities generate a total of £10.2 million in economic impact across the UK; recognises that the University of Glasgow's Garscube Campus in East Dunbartonshire is home to the CRUK Scotland Institute (formerly Beatson Institute) and the University's School of Cancer Sciences which support jobs and promote economic growth throughout the Scottish and UK economies, contributing to the growth of the region's burgeoning life sciences sector; notes the report outlines how the size and composition of the 2.8 million patient base in the West of Scotland has influenced Glasgow's approach to cancer research and commends the close collaboration between the core cancer research institutions, local hospitals, clinicians, academics, funders and patients in the region; congratulates the University of Glasgow and all its partners on their success so far; and wishes them well as they continue to co-create innovative new approaches to cancer research for the benefit of patients.

508 Penicuik Storehouse and Best Community Impact in Midlothian 2024 Award

Tabled: 13/03/24 Signatories: 4

Owen Thompson
Stuart C McDonald
Jim Shannon
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Penicuik Storehouse in Penicuik, Midlothian, for their recent success at the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards; recognises their award for Best Community Impact 2024; acknowledges how this is a wonderful accomplishment and a testament to the dedication and hard work put into helping the community; further acknowledges how this award is a well-deserved recognition of the Penicuik Storehouse's team's efforts in helping to train and encourage local volunteers to help support others; and wishes Penicuik Storehouse continued success and acclaim in the future.

510 Saltire Hospitality and Family Business of the Year in Midlothian 2024 Award

Tabled: 14/03/24 Signatories: 2

Owen Thompson
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Saltire Hospitality in Loanhead, Midlothian, for their recent success at the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards; recognises their award for Family Business of the Year 2024; acknowledges that this is a wonderful accomplishment and a testament to the dedication and hard work put into the business; further acknowledges that this award is a well-deserved recognition of the Saltire Hospitality team's efforts and the wide range of food that

they provide for events while staying committed to being green; and wishes Saltire Hospitality continued success and acclaim in the future.

511 Audio Light Systems and SME of the Year in Midlothian 2024 Award

Tabled: 14/03/24 Signatories: 2

Owen Thompson
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Audio Light Systems in Dalkeith, Midlothian, for their recent success at the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards; recognises their award for SME of the Year 2024; acknowledges that this is a wonderful accomplishment and a testament to the dedication and hard work put into the business; further acknowledges that this award is a well-deserved recognition of the Audio Light Systems team's efforts and the continued use of technology that they use to enhance and grow the business; and wishes Audio Light Systems continued success and acclaim in the future.

512 Clydebank Blitz 83rd anniversary

Tabled: 14/03/24 Signatories: 2

Martin Docherty-Hughes
Allan Dorans

That this House commemorates the 83rd anniversary of the Clydebank Blitz, which commenced on 13 March 1941 for two nights; notes that it was proportionally the heaviest aerial bombardment inflicted on any civilian population in the UK during World War II; recognises the official record of deaths caused by the two nights of bombing and those who died as a result of their injuries in the days, weeks and months that followed; further recognises the profound mental trauma inflicted on the population which remained untreated; salutes the courage of those in the fire, ambulance, military and civilian services who acted so bravely, including the miners of Scotland who travelled from far and wide to dig for survivors; and acknowledges the work of the people of Clydebank who through 83 yearly acts of remembrance have sought to remind the world of the horrors of war, the devastation of aerial bombardment and the need for peace and reconciliation between all nations.

513 St Patrick's Day 2024

Tabled: 14/03/24 Signatories: 3

Martin Docherty-Hughes
Allan Dorans
Jonathan Edwards

That this House notes that 17 March each year marks St Patrick's Day; recognises that 17 March is an opportunity to celebrate the diverse cultures and heritage of the island of Ireland, as well as celebrating the contribution that Ireland and its diaspora has made in shaping nations across the globe; understands that the people of Scotland, England and Wales, and in particular those within the village of Old Kilpatrick, West Dunbartonshire, have a strong connection to St Patrick as Old Kilpatrick, the most westerly fort of the Roman Antonine Wall, is believed to be Patrick's birthplace as denoted by the county and subsequent local authorities' use of the St Patrick's Saltire emblem, and that this represents just one of the many bonds that unite the people of these islands in friendship; and wishes all those in the isle of Ireland and the diaspora across the world health, happiness and peace as they celebrate St Patrick's Day.

514 Award of the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of MaltaTabled: **14/03/24** Signatories: **2****Steven Bonnar**
Allan Dorans

That this House commends five volunteers of the Friends Together Club of St Patrick's RC Church in Coatbridge, who were recognised for their outstanding charity work by the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta on 5 February 2024 at their headquarters in Rome; congratulates Liam Hackett on receiving the Cross of Merit, Ena Marie Hamill on receiving a Silver Medal of Merit, as well as Elaine McDermott, Patrick Allen, Yvonne Crowley and Elizabeth Locke on their Bronze Medals of Merit; thanks them for their devotion and dedication to community service and also their work in organising celebrations and outings for people with additional support needs who would not otherwise have the opportunity to do so; and encourages them to not only continue their fantastic work, but to act as role models for others to do so as well.

515 St Ninian's Parish Church fundraisingTabled: **14/03/24** Signatories: **2****Christine Jardine**
Allan Dorans

That this House commends the congregation at St Ninian's Parish Church, Corstorphine, for their fundraising for St Columba's Hospice, Edinburgh; further commends the work of the Church in raising £3,703 this year, including at their most recent coffee morning on 9 March; notes that the Church has been running coffee mornings in support of the Hospice since 2000; congratulates them on raising over £50,000 for the Hospice since then; and wishes the congregation success with future fundraising efforts.