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Early Day Motions tabled on Friday 17 May 2024

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New EDMs

767 ILGA-Europe Rainbow Map

Tabled: 17/05/24 Signatories: 1

Angela Crawley

That this House regrets that the UK has received its lowest-ever rank on the ILGA-Europe's Rainbow Map; recognises the 2024 Rainbow Map is the organisation's 13th annual review of the human rights situation of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex people in 49 countries in Europe and Central Asia; further regrets the UK's 51% rating, noting the decline from last year's rating of 53.9%; acknowledges this ranking is a result of the UK Government's decision to block the Scottish Parliament's Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill, delays to the banning of conversion practices and the UK Government's treatment of LGBTI migrants, including fears that the Illegal Migration Act may be used to expel LGBTQ+ asylum seekers to their home or a third country; condemns this government's record of failing to protect and support LGBTQ+ communities; and calls for an urgent reflection on the direction this Government is taking on human rights.

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.

736 McClure solicitorsTabled: **8/05/24** Signatories: **6**

Kate Osborne
Dr Philippa Whitford
John McDonnell
Chris Stephens
Jon Trickett
Richard Burgon

That this House notes with concern the impact from the collapse of W.W & J McClure Solicitors Law Firm in 2021; understands that the firm had around 100,000 clients across Britain, many of whom held wills or family trusts managed by the law firm; further notes with concern that many former clients have encountered difficulties in dealing with their property and investments within their Trusts; is alarmed by reports that families have been unable to sell properties as former solicitors of McClure were placed on the deeds of their properties; also notes reports that people suffering from bereavement are finding unknown names on deeds and trusts when dealing with their estate; notes that people are incurring new legal costs to remove these names; further notes that thousands of McClures clients are still unaware the firm went bust; and urges the Government to do all they can to identify and assist those former clients who have been impacted by this scandal.

742 Funding to restore the historic Mavisbank buildingTabled: **13/05/24** Signatories: **6**

Owen Thompson
Marion Fellows
Jim Shannon
Anne McLaughlin
Chris Stephens
Allan Dorans

This this House welcomes the £5.3 million from the National Heritage Memorial Fund to restore the historic building of Mavisbank in Loanhead, Midlothian; congratulates the campaigners who have strived for more than 50 years to save this 18th century building, the Landmark Trust has worked with Midlothian Council, Historic Environment Scotland, the Mavisbank bank Trust and other to identify a viable solution for this property; and notes Mavisbank was built in 1723, in a pioneering neo-Classical style which William Adam's son Robert Adam and others would develop for Edinburgh's New Town a generation later, set in 70 acres with a walled garden, canal and Palladian influences, it would become a blueprint for countless other country villas across the country, in the 19th century Mavisbank became a ground-breaking hospital where reforming Doctor John Batty Tuke developed compassionate approaches to mental illness, including through exercise and gardening, Mavisbank House is a building of outstanding importance to Scottish and UK national heritage and this funding will enable the Landmark Trust to acquire Mavisbank House and safeguard the historic fabric of the Category A building, laying the foundations for a sustainable and brighter future.

744 19th Joint Israeli-Palestinian Memorial Day ceremony

Tabled: 13/05/24 Signatories: 12

Wera Hobhouse
Jonathan Edwards
Christine Jardine
Nadia Whittome
Sir Peter Bottomley
Stephen Farry

Sarah Dyke

That this House joins in commemorating the 19th annual Joint Israeli-Palestinian Memorial Day ceremony, held on Yom HaZikaron—Memorial Day—in Israel, beginning on the evening of 12 May 2024; pays tribute to all Israelis and Palestinians who grieve together and stand united in their demand for an end to bloodshed between both peoples; recognises that the lives of everyone connected to Israel and Palestine will never be the same as a result of the devastating events of 7 October 2023 in Israel and what has followed afterwards in Gaza; supports the work of Combatants for Peace and the Parents Circle-Families Forum in bringing Israelis and Palestinians together; believes that their mission of transforming despair into hope and building compassion around ideals of shared humanity, justice and equality provides a pathway to resolving the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; further supports all grassroots efforts to build a shared future and a political solution that brings freedom, justice and safety for all; agrees that occupation, oppression, and conflict are not inevitable; and calls on the Government to fully support, through all relevant financial and political means, all such joint Israeli-Palestinian initiatives that promote peace, justice and a shared future for Israelis and Palestinians.

751 Diagnosing Coeliac disease

Tabled: 13/05/24 Signatories: 19

Mrs Sharon Hodgson
Mr Kevan Jones
Ben Lake
John McDonnell
Daisy Cooper
George Galloway

Richard Thomson

That this House recognises that coeliac disease is a serious autoimmune disease affecting 1 in 100 people; expresses concern that almost two-thirds of people with the condition, equating to almost half a million people in the UK remain undiagnosed, running the risk of long term complications; notes that the average time from the onset of symptoms to diagnosis of 13 years is unacceptable and highlights that it is essential that efforts are made to improve awareness of the condition amongst healthcare professionals and the public to recognise the symptoms of the disease and ensure faster diagnosis; notes that there is no national leadership and accountability for coeliac disease within NHS England and calls on the Government to take steps towards reducing the time to diagnosis by installing national accountability and leadership within NHS England for coeliac disease.

754 World Hypertension Day 2024

Tabled: 14/05/24 Signatories: 6

Jim Shannon
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
George Galloway
Chris Stephens
Sir Mike Penning

That this House notes that World Hypertension Day 2024 takes place on 17 May 2024, with May Measurement Month, which was established in 2017 by the International Society of Hypertension, running from 1 May to 31 July 2024; further notes that both initiatives aim to highlight the importance of better prevention, detection and treatment of high blood pressure and that the theme of World Hypertension Day is to measure your blood pressure accurately, control it and live longer; also notes that World Hypertension Day is focused on combatting low awareness rates worldwide, especially in low-to-middle income areas; highlights that, in addition, Salt Awareness Week takes place between 13 and 19 May 2024, reminding us that reducing the amount of salt in our diet is a quick and easy way to reduce our blood pressure and improve our health; thanks the international society of hypertension for the work they do in marking this occasion; and urges all those across the UK to get involved in recognising World Hypertension Day.

755 80th anniversary of the Catalina crash on Vatersay

Tabled: 14/05/24 Signatories: 4

Angus Brendan MacNeil
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Stephens
Sir Mike Penning

That this House notes the 80th anniversary of the crash of the the Catalina aircraft on 12 May 1944; further notes that the aircraft was on a training exercise from Oban to Barra Head but sadly crashed near Heiseaval Beag on the Island of Vatersay; marks the anniversary of the deaths of Flight Sergeant David Clyne, Sergeant Fred Basset and rigger Sergeant Patrick Hines; remembers the bravery of the six other surviving crew members who had suffered the loss of their colleagues as well as remembering their families; also notes the sacrifice and courage of the Catalina crews who hunted U-boats to save the lives of merchant seamen bringing food to nations which were rationing supplies; and recognises that, prior to joining the military, Flight Sergeant David Clyne had a successful football career by playing for Queens Park FC and was twice capped for Scotland at amateur level.

757 Ross Cowie, Point of Light Award

Tabled: 14/05/24 Signatories: 5

Ian Blackford
Anne McLaughlin
Marion Fellows
Chris Stephens
Allan Dorans

That this House recognises the achievements and hard work of Ross Cowie who is a recipient of the Point of Light Reward for his work with the Lucky2BHere charity that he founded on the Isle of Skye in 2009; congratulates him and all of the others involved in Lucky2BHere for working so hard to install publicly accessible defibrillators across Scotland; further recognises his continuing work with the app providers GoodSAM and Crowdsav which help members of the public locate the nearest

defibrillator in case of emergency; acknowledges his additional work on a database which allows him to check the status of each defibrillator across Scotland, ensuring that batteries and pads are always up to date; further acknowledges and recognises the intensive training that Lucky2BHere has provided to over 50,000 people and in schools across Scotland in how to use these defibrillators; and wishes him every success in the future.

758 Take Another Look campaign

Tabled: **14/05/24** Signatories: **7**

Chris Law
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
Jon Trickett
Anne McLaughlin
Chris Stephens

Allan Dorans

That this House acknowledges the inherent vulnerability of motorcyclists on UK roads and the tragedy that road traffic collisions bring to motorcycle riders' loved ones; extends condolences to Tracey Marsh, Maureen Rutherford and Jacqueline Dickson, who all tragically lost their husbands in road traffic collisions; supports the launch of their Take Another Look campaign, which aims to educate motorists on their role and responsibility towards vulnerable road users; notes the importance of increasing motorists' awareness of motorcycles and reducing accidents; and agrees that all drivers should take another look to save lives.

760 Saltire Patisserie, Midlothian and Scottish Baker of the Year Awards

Tabled: **15/05/24** Signatories: **3**

Owen Thompson
Chris Stephens
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates Saltire Patisserie Ltd bakery in Loanhead, Midlothian, for their recent successes at the prestigious Scottish Baker of the Year Awards; recognises their Best in Scotland Gold Award for their steak pie, Best in Region Gold Award for their steak pie and Best in Region Gold Award for their corn bread; acknowledges that this is an incredible accomplishment and a testament to the dedication, creativity and hard work put into the bakery; applauds the bakery's commitment to greatness, combined with an innovative approach and attention to detail; further acknowledges that this award is a well-deserved recognition of the Saltire Patisserie Ltd team's efforts and the quality of products and experiences they provide to customers; and wishes Saltire Patisserie Ltd continued success and acclaim in the future.

761 Penicuik Athletic youth football club and Colin Campbell Sports Cup

Tabled: **15/05/24** Signatories: **3**

Owen Thompson
Chris Stephens
Allan Dorans

That this House congratulates the Penicuik Athletic YFC under-17s team for their recent success at the Colin Campbell Sports Cup; acknowledges their award for first place; recognises that this is a wonderful achievement and a testament to the dedication and hard work that the team

put into their training and football games; applauds their sportsmanship during the game; further acknowledges that this award is a well-deserved recognition of the players' and coaches' outstanding teamwork and efforts; and wishes Penicuik Athletic YFC under-17s continued success and acclaim in the future.

762 Imperial War Museums and union derecognition

Tabled: 15/05/24 Signatories: 19

Chris Stephens
John McDonnell
Grahame Morris
Ian Lavery
Richard Burgon
Ian Byrne

Allan Dorans

That this House is alarmed by reports that Imperial War Museums plans to derecognise the Public and Commercial Services union and the First Division Association for the purposes of collective representation and bargaining; is concerned that derecognising these trade unions would undermine the collective bargaining power of staff, leaving them vulnerable to arbitrary decisions by management, with limited recourse for addressing grievances or negotiating fair terms of employment; warns that derecognising any union undermines the principles of democracy and representation in the workplace, and could have significant negative effects on equality by exacerbating wage disparities, reducing job security and access to benefits, worsening working conditions, diminishing workers' voice and representation, limiting training and advancement opportunities, and weakening legal protections for workers; and calls on the Government to intervene to help resolve this dispute by ensuring that these unions remain recognised by Imperial War Museums.

765 Lauren Price, World Champion title

Tabled: 16/05/24 Signatories: 2

Liz Saville Roberts
Jonathan Edwards

That this House commends Lauren Price for becoming Wales' first female World Champion boxer and 14th world title holder; notes that she now holds the World Boxing Association, International Boxing Organization and Ring Magazine welterweight world titles after her victory over Jessica McCaskill in Cardiff on Saturday 11 May; further notes that Lauren was competing in only her seventh professional fight, after previously winning gold in the women's middleweight final at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics; highlights that she is already a world champion in kickboxing, has won 52 caps for the Welsh National Football Team, and has previously competed in taekwondo; and wishes Lauren the very best with her career going forwards.

766 30th anniversary of the Maritime Volunteer ServiceTabled: **16/05/24** Signatories: **3**

Kelly Tolhurst
Julian Knight
Sir Mike Penning

That this House notes the 30th anniversary of the Maritime Volunteer Service (MVS); commends the important national role that the charity plays in ensuring that all aspect of maritime skills remain available to future generations and highlights the importance of the MVS in supporting community resilience; expresses gratitude for the tireless service of MVS volunteers, who give up their time and knowledge to serve local communities across the UK, especially in times of need or emergency; acknowledges the fundamental role that the MVS fulfils in maintaining the proud maritime traditions of the UK and calls on the Government to continue its long-standing recognition of the Maritime Volunteer Service.