I rise tonight to speak on the memorial of Justice Stanley Mosk. Many of you know that as a fifth-generation Californian, born in San Francisco, where Stanley Mosk died, that he was a giant among supreme court Justices in the United States. He left a legacy of justice in California, having served on the supreme court in that State for 37 years.

I knew him as a lawyer. My father was in the State legislature and was very close to the Mosk family and to the late Governor Pat Brown, for Pat Brown appointed him to the bench.

The tragedy of his loss is that one of the greatest legal minds of this century served in all of that time when California was emerging as a State, growing to be the incredible nation-state that it is, and the California Supreme Court rose to, I think, in respect probably the highest among all State supreme courts in the United States.

Justice Mosk led that drive. It is a great tragedy that we could totally record all of his memories, but his legacy will live on in the history of California. He was one of the men that matched our mountains.

SPEcial orders
The Speaker pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2001, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

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The Speaker pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Mr. SCHIFF) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank my colleagues for their kind remarks.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay my deepest respects to the memory and legacy of the Supreme Court Justice Stanley Mosk, a long-standing champion of civil rights and free speech, who passed away in his home on June 19, 2001, at the age of 88.

Justice Mosk loved serving on the court and had very reluctantly decided to retire due to his advancing age. Sadly, Justice Mosk died on the day he was to submit his resignation to the Governor of California.

I first learned of Justice Mosk as a law student at UCLA. I studied his opinions as required reading at Harvard Law School, along with the opinions of Justices Tóbriner and Traynor. Tóbriner, Traynor and Mosk were the giants of the California courts. They were the three gentlemen who made the California court, in many people's view, many scholars around the country, truly the highest court in the land.

Justice Mosk served 37 years on that court, the longest of any justice, and served with remarkable productivity, authoring 1,688 rulings. Smart, eloquent and principled, he had a magnificent record of upholding and expanding the rights of individuals.