

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF BOY
SCOUT TROOP 21, ROCHESTER, MN

HON. TIMOTHY J. WALZ

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2012

Mr. WALZ of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I ask the House to join me today in honoring the 100th anniversary of Boy Scout Troop 21 in Rochester, Minnesota. Troop 21 is one of the oldest and hardest working Boy Scout troops in Minnesota.

Over the years, thousands of young men have passed through their program, learning valuable leadership and life skills while also enjoying outdoor activities and performing service projects. Over 160 of Troop 21's scouts have reached Eagle Scout—the highest achievement level possible in Boy Scouts.

The Boy Scouts of America reached its centennial in 1910 with a renewed call for greater community service. In 2010, Troop 21 answered this call and performed 494 hours of community service ranging from trash collection, food drives, and projects to improve local churches and parks.

With the people of Minnesota, I ask this Chamber to join in celebrating Boy Scout Troop 21's 100-year anniversary.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE YAR-
MOUTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2012

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce upon its fiftieth anniversary. The Chamber of Commerce plays an essential role in the Yarmouth community, connecting local businesses and offering visitors an insider's perspective on much of what this beautiful coastal town has to offer.

Founded in 1962, the Chamber of Commerce has grown to be comprised of nearly 400 members. From museums and charities to banks, churches, and seaside restaurants, the Chamber represents a diverse array of the organizations that help to give Yarmouth its unique character. Every day, these businesses provide vital services to Yarmouth's year-round residents and to its countless visitors. The many years of hard work by the Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce have been essential in developing Yarmouth's vitality, a characteristic that draws so many to this beachside town every year.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in thanking the Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce, its leaders, and the hundreds of businesses and organizations for their years of service to the town of Yarmouth. I am certain that the Chamber's and its member organizations' futures will be bright.

HONORING THE FAYETTE
SPIRITUAL AIRES

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2012

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a Gospel Singers' Group, The Fayette Spiritual Aires.

In 1975, God gave Jimmy Jackson a vision to organize a gospel quartet group, which he named "The Fayette Spiritual Aires". Throughout the years, this group has touched many lives and led many to Christ through its singing ministry.

The Fayette Spiritual Aires has been blessed to do three professional recordings: In 1986, 1992 and their latest album in 2009. Jimmy Jackson, the founder of this group, served as manager and lead singer until his sudden death in 2002.

The group is currently managed by James E. Oliver and the supporting members are: Erma Clark, Carlton Brown, Ellison Brown, Freddie Blanton, Adrick Hunter, Kendrick Hunter, Derrick Varnado, Dwayne Thompson and James Jones. Fred Hunter is a former member of this group and one of the first promoters of professional gospel quartet groups in Southwest Mississippi.

Other members of the group that have departed life and left us with their memories are: the late Rev. David White, Moses Turner and Roosevelt Buie who were all dedicated to the Fayette Spiritual Aires.

This group has been inspired by personal performances with other professional gospel groups and has traveled to many cities throughout the United States performing their ministry through gospel singing.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring The Fayette Spiritual Aires, a Mississippi Gospel Singing Group.

THE PASSING OF SENATOR ARLEN
SPECTER

HON. LAURA RICHARDSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2012

Ms. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the life and achievements of Senator Arlen Specter. On October 14, 2012, Senator Arlen Specter passed on due to complications of non-Hodgkins lymphoma; he was 82.

Mr. Speaker, Senator Arlen Specter was a dedicated public servant who served as a senator for the state of Pennsylvania. He made tremendous and long-lived contributions to Pennsylvania and to our nation.

Senator Arlen Specter was a leader on criminal justice issues and foreign affairs. He also worked on stem cell research legislation with Democrats as part of his fight to advance health care research.

Mr. Speaker, Senator Arlen Specter will be remembered for the important bipartisan role he played.

I urge my colleagues to join me in the mourning and remembering Senator Arlen Specter.

IN RECOGNITION OF THOMAS
TIGHE

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2012

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mr. Thomas Tighe as he is recognized by the Kiddie Keep Well Camp on the occasion of their 10th Annual Fall Gala. Mr. Tighe is truly deserving of the Camp's 2012 Civic Leader of Distinction honor.

Currently serving as President of the Central Labor Council of Middlesex and Somerset Counties, Mr. Tighe touts an impressive resume of experience with organized labor. Since his 5 year apprenticeship in the United Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters in 1971, Mr. Tighe has steadily become a vital leader of the labor organization, having served as President of Local 9 of Central New Jersey; an Executive Board Member and Trustee of the Pension, Welfare and Surety Fund; and head of the Mega Base Organizing Committee, among others. In addition to his roles within the union, Mr. Tighe is an active member in his community and throughout Middlesex County. He serves as a member of the Boy Scouts of America Executive Board of Central New Jersey Council; as Vice Chair of Middlesex County College Board of Trustees; and as a member of the Board of the Middlesex County Board of Social Services.

Additionally, Mr. Tighe has served as a Board Member of Kiddie Keep Well Camp for 13 years. Kiddie Keep Well Camp has served underprivileged children in Middlesex County for over 80 years. It is a place where children, who may not otherwise have been able to attend summer camp, can participate in activities and learn valuable life skills and lessons. Mr. Tighe's commitment to his community is evident in his service to the Kiddie Keep Well Camp.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in congratulating Thomas Tighe on his 2012 Civic Leader of Distinction honor. Mr. Tighe's leadership roles and dedication to Middlesex County is truly deserving of this body's recognition.

HONORING THE KAISER SINGERS

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Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable group,

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