

HONORING MAYOR JIMMIE R. YEE  
OF SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA**HON. ROBERT T. MATSUI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 13, 2000*

Mr. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I pay tribute to Mayor Jimmie R. Yee of Sacramento, California. After Mayor Joe Serna, Jr. passed away, Jimmie Yee has filled in admirably as Mayor of Sacramento. A tribute dinner will be held in his honor on November 13, 2000. As his friends and family gather to celebrate, I ask all of my colleagues to join with me in saluting his outstanding career.

Over the years, Jimmie Yee has amassed a wealth of experience, both as a public servant and as an engineer. After obtaining a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley in 1956, he went on to work as a California Structural

and Civil Engineer. He proudly served his nation as a Captain in the U.S. Army Reserve Corps of Engineers from 1957–1965.

As an engineer, Jimmie Yee has been an active and influential member of our community. He has served as a Fellow on the American Society of Civil Engineers since 1954. In addition, he has been a Fellow, a member of the Board of Directors, Secretary-Treasurer, and President of the Structural Engineers Association of Central California. Furthermore, he has been affiliated with the Consulting Engineers Association of California and the National Council of Engineering Examiners, just to name a few.

Jimmie Yee first became involved in public service in 1973 as a member of the Sacramento Citizens Committee on Police Practices. Since then, he has served in numerous positions throughout local government. Most recently, he has served as a City Council member for the Fourth District of the City of Sacramento, a post he has held since 1992.

After the death of Mayor Joe Serna, Jr. in 1999, Jimmie Yee was an overwhelming choice to fill in as interim Mayor.

In his short term as Mayor, Jimmie Yee has further enhanced his reputation as an honest and trustworthy public servant. He now plans to resume his position with the Sacramento City Council where he remains one of Sacramento's most popular and well-respected elected officials.

Mr. Speaker, as the grateful citizens of Sacramento gather for Mayor Yee's tribute dinner, I am honored to have this opportunity to pay tribute to a truly remarkable citizen of Sacramento. Jimmie Yee's contributions to our community as an engineer, community servant, and elected official have indeed been commendable. Every resident of Sacramento owes him a debt of gratitude. I ask all of my colleagues to join with me in wishing him continued success in all his future endeavors.