

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO WOMEN'S CLUB—90 YEARS YOUNG AND STILL GOING STRONG

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 7, 2004

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, in 1914 the South San Francisco Women's Club was founded to promote the educational, civic, and social well-being of the community. Today, on the occasion of the club's 90th Anniversary, I am delighted to report that the South San Francisco Women's Club continues to deliver for the South City community.

Since its inception, the South San Francisco Women's Club has remained committed to its core goals. Their commitment to beautifying the town has never wavered. Whether hosting flower shows, sponsoring classes on floral arrangement, or planting trees and flowers throughout the city, the Women's Club continues to be one of the primary sources of beautification in South San Francisco. In addition to beautifying South San Francisco, the Club has also focused its efforts on conservation; both by adopting a recycling program and by purchasing many Penny Pines Plantations to help in the reforestation of our national forests.

Additionally, the club has continued to keep all aspects of children's well being a priority, a tradition dating back to the club's founding when members made layettes for babies of people who had fallen on hard times. Since then, the members of the club were instrumental in forming the first Parents Teachers Association (PTA) in South City, and for the past ten years have assisted the staff at the well baby clinic where club members help test pre-schoolers for amblyopia. Members of the club also continue to volunteer with the local Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program and with the Grandma Pen Pals program that fosters penmanship and communication skills with 5th graders.

Mr. Speaker, at the time of its founding, the Club lacked a permanent meeting place and was forced to hold meetings at various social halls or in member's homes. Although club dues were initially 10 cents a month, the ladies were determined to own their own clubhouse, and through hard work and a variety of fundraising activities including card parties, luncheons, dinners, auctions, rummage sales, musical shows, carnivals, and cook book sales, their dream became a reality when the clubhouse was completed and dedicated on October 15, 1940. Shortly after completion, the United States found herself at War, and the Club did its part, contributing to the USO and also allowing the Office of Price Administration to rent out the building. This partnership proved valuable as the rent greatly assisted the Club in paying down their mortgage as well as the fact that the OPA left a very large table behind that the club continues to use to this day in their main hall.

Over the course of the last 90 years the South San Francisco Women's Club has fully integrated itself into the South San Francisco community. Today under the stewardship of Club Chairman, Jean Altizio, the South San Francisco Women's Club continues to provide remarkable service to the Bay Area. Whether by providing refreshments and volunteers for the annual South San Francisco Scholarship Association Scholarship Tea or providing nursing homes with slippers and lap robes, or creating the Little Red Toy Box, which provides new toys for children undergoing chemotherapy, it is now impossible to think of valuable organizations in South San Francisco without the South San Francisco Women's Club coming to mind.

Mr. Speaker, although the industries of the "Industrial City" have changed during the 90 years of the Club's existence as companies such as Jupiter Steel and Shaw-Batcher Shipyard have been replaced by companies such as Genentech and other bio-tech firms, the South San Francisco Women's Club has remained steadfast to its original purpose of promoting the educations, civic and social well-being of the South City community. I urge all of my colleagues to join me in congratulating the organization on the occasion of its 90th Anniversary and to wish them continued success for the future.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO RENE WORKMAN

HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 7, 2004

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to pay tribute to Rene Workman, a dedicated fire chief from my district. Rene is a caring and capable firefighter who is committed to saving the lives of families in Fruita, and will step down after 17 years of service with the Lower Valley Fire Protection District, and I am proud to join my colleagues here today in recognizing her tremendous service to the Colorado community before this body of Congress and our Nation.

Rene's dedication to help those in need began with her own family tragedy; her father died of a heart attack when she was 8 years old. Rene joined the department as a volunteer when she was 26 and worked towards her certification as a paramedic. She was hired as the chief in 1992, and seventeen years later she is remembered for her compassion for both her volunteers and her patients. Rene's husband Matt remains a volunteer.

Rene often sacrifices sleep, and the few days she has off, to come into work with the Fire District, where she also responds to house calls for medical problems because of her emergency medical technician. She has been a fearless leader who transformed the department by improving the training and

standards within the Fire District. The people in Rene's district are safer as the result of her service and protection.

Mr. Speaker, Rene Workman is a dedicated individual who sacrifices her time to helping those in need. Her compassion and selfless service to our state definitely deserve the recognition of this body of Congress and this nation. Thanks for your service Rene, and I wish you all the best in your future nursing career.

EL SENADOR

HON. TOM UDALL

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 7, 2004

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the nation's longest serving Hispanic Senator, Dennis Chavez.

Yesterday, as part of Hispanic Heritage Month, which runs September 15th to October 15th, I hosted a screening of a documentary about Senator Chavez called *El Senador*, in conjunction with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus. I was privileged to be joined by Senator Chavez's daughters, Mrs. Gloria Tristani and Mrs. Ymelda Dixon, his granddaughter, Ms. Gloria Tristani, and Wayne Coy, the husband of Cissie Coy, who is Mrs. Dixon's daughter.

It was a pleasure to work with the family and the rest of the Dennis Chavez Foundation to bring that event together. And many thanks are due to Paige Martinez, the extraordinary filmmaker behind *El Senador*, who has correctly deemed the legacy of Senator Chavez as an important part not only of New Mexican history, but also of American and world history.

I have the privilege of representing the 3rd district of New Mexico, the state that Senator Dennis Chavez represented for 32 long years. My father, Stewart Udall, served in the U.S. Congress with Dennis Chavez in the late fifties and early sixties. He has always said that what he saw in Senator Chavez was a visionary and a man of courage.

In 1944, Senator Chavez cosponsored a bill to prohibit discrimination in employment. Such forward thinking was not well received by the Southern senators at the time. A legendary filibuster and eventual interference by President Truman forced him to withdraw his bill. Twenty years later, in 1964, these rights were finally secured with the passage of the 1964 Civil Rights Act. A true visionary, Senator Chavez was far ahead of his time in progressive thinking.

Dennis Chavez was also a man of courage. At the height of anti-Communist sentiment in the 1950s, he was one of the first to denounce the activities of Joseph McCarthy, and expose him for being a demagogue. Imagine the kind of courage it took speak out loudly against McCarthy's Committee on Un-American Activities during a time when spreading fear of Communist infiltration was rampant. The following is a quote by Senator Chavez from a

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speech he gave on the Senate floor about the McCarthy hearings in 1950:

"I should like to be remembered as the man who raised a voice and I devoutly hope not a voice in the wilderness at a time in the history of this body when we seem bent upon placing limitations on the freedom of the individual. I would consider all of the legislation which I have supported meaningless if I were to sit idly by, silent, during a period which may go down in history as an era when we permitted the curtailment of our liberties, a period when we quietly shackled the growth of men's minds."

Just outside the Old Senate Chamber in the Capitol stands New Mexico's only statue in the building. At the base, there is a quote in three languages: Spanish, English, and Navajo—a testament to New Mexico's diverse population. It reads, "He left a mark that will never be forgotten in the hopes that others would follow." It's a tall statue, imposing statue—one with mighty big shoes to fill.

I appreciate this opportunity to celebrate the legacy of Senator Dennis Chavez during the 2004 Hispanic Heritage Month.

CONGRATULATING LT BART
DOYLE ON HIS GRADUATION
FROM THE U.S. AIR FORCE
ACADEMY

HON. JOHN S. TANNER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 7, 2004

Mr. TANNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate LT Bart Doyle on his graduation from the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, on June 2. A history and philosophy major, LT Doyle finished his studies in the top 25 percent of his class.

LT Doyle graduated from Union City High School in 2000. Having wanted to be a pilot since he was in elementary school, LT Doyle entered the U.S. Air Force Academy, one in a class of only 1,250 other bright young men and women.

Having graduated in June, LT Doyle now is stationed at Hurlburt Field at Fort Walton Beach, Florida, where he serves in the Air Force Special Operations Command. He schedules training for crews of AC-130 Spectre gunships.

LT Doyle will begin his pilot training in the spring, with the goal of completing his studies in 2006. I congratulate him on what he has accomplished thus far and wish him continued success in the future. I know he is an inspiration for young people not only in Union City, but throughout the 8th District of Tennessee.

IN HONOR OF THE PUERTO RICAN
ASSOCIATION FOR HUMAN DE-
VELOPMENT, INC.

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 7, 2004

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Puerto Rican Association for Human Development, Inc. (PRAHD) for its remarkable service to the community throughout

the past three decades. On October 9, 2004, it will celebrate its 30th anniversary at the 18th annual Roberto Clemente Gala at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

This year's anniversary celebration will include community leaders from private, business, public, nonprofit, and community sectors throughout New Jersey. Since 1974, PRAHD has been serving the residents of Middlesex County in a variety of capacities and has established itself as an invaluable resource in the community.

In 1975, it opened the first bilingual day care center in New Jersey. Other educational programs it offers include tutoring and after-school latch key programs. PRAHD also hosts summer recreation and youth activities. Committed to serving all members of the community, PRAHD offers employment for senior citizens, as well as home care for developmentally disabled people. This exceptional organization strives to improve the lives of its Middlesex residents by developing programs that address child abuse, HIV/AIDS, emergency food and shelter care, and substance abuse prevention. It also provides the community with advocacy, transportation, and interpretation services.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the Puerto Rican Association for Human Development, Inc., an organization that has demonstrated 30 years of dedicated service and has contributed greatly to the success and stability of New Jersey's Puerto Rican community.

CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN LAND
HELD IN TRUST FOR THE PAI-
UTE INDIAN TRIBE OF UTAH TO
THE CITY OF RICHFIELD, UT

SPEECH OF

HON. CHRIS CANNON

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 4, 2004

Mr. CANNON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 3982.

Mr. Speaker, due to pressing family matters, I was unable to be present on the floor while this bill was being considered. I want to go on record today strongly supporting this bill and want to thank the house for unanimously supporting this legislation.

H.R. 3982 directs the Secretary of Interior to convey certain land held in trust for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah to the City of Richfield, Utah. This legislation is a win-win for all involved. The bill has three major sections. First the Paiute Indian Tribe would sell a three-acre parcel to the City of Richfield. The Paiute Tribe has owned this land since 1974 and it has not been utilized by the Paiute Tribe for more than 20 years. This parcel will be used by the City to expand their municipal airport.

Second, the Paiute Tribe will transfer two parcels of an acre or less to the Kanosh Band. These two parcels are surrounded by 279 acres of land either owned by the Kanosh Band or held by the United States in trust for the Kanosh Band. The sole use of one of the land parcels has been the Kanosh Band Community Center. The other parcel was originally intended to be taken by the United States in trust for the Kanosh Band of Paiute Indians in

1981, however, an administrative error mistakenly placed this land parcel in trust for the Paiute Tribe. The Kanosh Band has requested that this error be corrected in 1983, 1984 and 2002.

Finally, the Paiute Tribe would transfer a one-acre parcel that is held in trust by the United States for the Paiute Tribe to the Shivwits Band of Paiute Indians. This one-acre parcel is located at the Shivwits Indian Village, surrounded by several thousand acres of land held by the United States in trust for the Shivwits Band. The sole use of this land parcel for more than 20 years has been the Shivwits Band Community Center.

Mr. Speaker, I thank you and my other colleagues for supporting this important piece of legislation.

HONORING THE LATE GORDON
COOPER, JR., ASTRONAUT

HON. NICK LAMPSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 7, 2004

Mr. LAMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I salute Gordon Cooper, Jr. on behalf of the Ninth District of Texas and the Johnson Space Center community.

Gordon Cooper leaves in his legacy 225 hours and 15 minutes of human spaceflight; a 1965 endurance record aboard the first mission to spend 191 hours in space; even designation as the first astronaut to sleep in orbit. He is remembered as Air Force colonel, Astronaut, husband, father of four girls, and a man who at 71 years old said, "I get cranky if I don't fly at least three times a month."

Gordon Cooper's missions stretched the limits of human circumstance. He brought an aspiring spirit, determination, composure in tough circumstances and proven endurance to meet some of the loftiest challenges of his time.

Mr. Speaker, my constituents today carry on the mission begun by our space pioneers. I salute Gordon Cooper and hope his family may take comfort in the living merits of his achievements.

U.S. MILITARY STRATEGY IN
CENTRAL AMERICA

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 7, 2004

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to draw your attention to a shift in U.S. military strategy towards Latin America that has largely gone unnoticed. In the last few years the nation has been increasingly preoccupied with fighting terrorism, and defense and budgetary appropriations have overwhelmingly focused on the Middle East. Yet the U.S. Southern Command (SouthCom), encompassing the Caribbean Sea, the Gulf of Mexico, and parts of the Atlantic Ocean and monitoring 33 countries to our south, has quietly expanded its traditional counter-narcotics mission to that of counter-terrorism operations. All of this is occurring in a region more or less devoid of the fundamentalist Islamic terrorists currently