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## HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

#### OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### Tuesday, March 16, 2004

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway's Foundation as they honor two outstanding members of my district. I would like to add my praises to theirs as we celebrate the work of Dr. John and Mrs. Christine Kline, who have dedicated their personal and professional lives to serving the members of our community.

Dr. Kline has been a member of Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway's Medical/Dental staff since 1972, serving as the organization's President from 1995 to 1996. He has been a member of the Credentials and Executive Committees, served as Chairman of the Department of Surgery, and is currently Chairman of the Department of Orthopaedics. He is a founding member of the Rahway Independent Physicians Association and has served as their President for over 8 years. Dr. Kline has long been a trustee of the RWJUH Rahway Foundation, serving as Second Vice-chairman and Chairman, and is a member of RWJUH Rahwav's Board of Governors, The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgery, New Jersey Orthopaedic Society, New Jersey Medical Society, the Arthroscopy Associates of North America, and the Union County Medical Society.

Christine Kline has been a member of the RWJUH Auxiliary for over 20 years, serving as past Vice President and current President, and is a trustee of RWJUH Rahway Foundation, presently serving as Vice-Chairman. She is a member of the Foundation's Fashion Show Committee, and has been the Chairman of the Foundations' Rose Ball Committee for the past 6 years.

She has served as Vice President of the Union County Unit of the American Cancer Society, Chairman of their Tobacco Task Force, and in 1997, was the recipient of their Volunteer of the Year Award. She has served as the President. Finance Officer. Washington Legislation Officer, and Parliamentarian of the Medical Society of New Jersey Alliance. Currently, she sits on the Board of Directors of New Jersev Breathes and is President of the Union County Medical Society Alliance. She was instrumental in the formation of a national program on domestic violence through the American Medical Association Alliance, has served on the Fund Raising Committee of the YMCA of Eastern Union County's battered women and children's shelter, and chairs a statewide Annual Teen Health Seminar that teaches high school students about real life choices.

I salute these two caring individuals who have served our community so well, and I am proud to call them my neighbors.

TRIBUTE TO JOHN AND CHRISTINE A TRIBUTE TO SHIREEN CHANG. 29TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR-2004

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 16, 2004

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Women's History Month. During the month of March, we pay special tribute to the accomplishments of our Nation's most distinguished women. It is my great privilege to recognize outstanding women who are making a difference in my district.

I stand today to recognize an extraordinary woman of California's 29th Congressional District, Mrs. Shireen Chang of South Pasadena. Mrs. Chang has been pivotal in the social and cultural vitality of our community, and I wish to salute her efforts today.

Born and raised in Malaysia, Shireen came to the United States in 1978 as a court reporting student. When she achieved her American citizenship shortly after, it was, in her words, one of the proudest moments of her life. Shireen married her husband. John Chang, in 1983; and they moved to South Pasadena in 1984. They have three children: Leonard. Samantha, and Arthur.

As a young mother, Mrs. Chang began volunteering at her son's school, Monterey Hills Elementary School. She assisted with sports activities, art classes, dance classes, classroom projects, and field trips. She was the den leader for her son's Boy Scout troop for 4 years and was very active in the local PTA, serving as president, vice president, and as chair of various committees. She was awarded an Honorary Service Award from both the Monterey Hills School PTA and the South Pasadena Council PTA. In addition, as a member of the South Pasadena Educational Foundation, Mrs. Chang raised thousands of dollars for the fine arts and language programs for South Pasadena schools.

Shireen is currently a member and past president of the South Pasadena Public Library Board of Trustees, where she has been instrumental in fund-raising to benefit the restoration of South Pasadena's library. She is also extremely active in the South Pasadena Chinese-American Club, having served as vice president, secretary, chair of various fund-raising events, and chair of the education committee, providing translations, grants and scholarships to South Pasadena Unified School District schools. Mrs. Chang is also active in her church, Chinatown Church of Christ, where she organizes retreats and teaches Bible study.

In addition to her service to the community, Shireen works for her husband's law firm in San Marino. Some of her future plans include forming a Neighborhood Watch, organizing workshops to educate new immigrants about services available to them and the importance of voting, and continuing to advocate for South Pasadena's schools and library.

I ask all Members of Congress to join me today in honoring a remarkable woman of California's 29th Congressional District, Shireen Chang. The entire community joins me in thanking Shireen Chang for her continued efforts to make the 29th Congressional District a better place in which to live.

HONORING JOHN E. PEPPER AS HE IS INDUCTED INTO THE ADVER-TISING HALL OF FAME

### HON. ROB PORTMAN OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, March 16, 2004

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a friend and distinguished constituent, John E. Pepper, retired Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Procter & Gamble Company, who will have the honor of being inducted into the American Advertising Federation's Advertising Hall of Fame in New York City today.

The Advertising Hall of Fame is the most prestigious honor bestowed in the advertising industry. It is awarded to individuals who have set the standard for lifetime advertising excellence, and who have made volunteer efforts outside the workplace. With this honor, John joins a notable group of industry luminaries, including William S. Paley, David Ogilvy, Leo Burnett, Ray Kroc, William Bernbach, and David Sarnoff

An influential leader throughout his career with Procter & Gamble, one of the world's leading advertisers, John was selected for the honor because he led some of the company's most powerful advertising initiatives. His expertise led to revolutionary advertising campaigns for Dash detergent and а groundbreaking new advertising agency compensation system. John had a profound effect on Procter & Gamble and on advertising.

John served as the ninth chairman of the board and chief executive officer at Procter & Gamble, retiring in 2002 after 38 years of service. After joining Procter & Gamble in 1963, he served as a brand manager for Cascade detergent, where his leadership built an entire category. He developed landmark advertising that contributed to Procter & Gamble's dominance.

In 1974, John became general manager of Procter & Gamble Italia, returned in 1978, and was elected a group vice president in 1980. In 1984, he was elected to the board of directors and was named president in 1986. That year, he implemented P&G's Advertising Awards (now called Global Brand Building Awards), to showcase brands that grew primarily due to advertising. John was also an early advocate of Procter & Gambles's global expansion, and led the company's entry into Central and Eastern Europe, especially Russia and China. He serves on many company boards, including Xerox Corporation, Motorola Inc., and the Boston Scientific Corporation.

John is deeply committed to his community. In 1978, in response to an escalating public high school dropout rate, he founded the Cincinnati Youth Collaborative, a non-profit organization that assists graduating high school students with mentoring and tutoring and employment. John is a member of the boards of the Partnership for a Drug Free America and the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy. I have been privileged to work with John on the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, where he serves as co-chairman of the development campaign and a member of its executive committee. I also served with him as a fellow founding board member of the Coalition for a Drug Free Greater Cincinnati. In this capacity, his expertise was helpful in launching what is now a

successful local organization committed to reducing substance abuse among our young people through prevention and education.

John is a graduate of Yale University. He has recently taken on a new challenge as Yale's vice president of finance and administration. His wife, Francie, is also a dedicated and effective community volunteer. They have four children.

All of us in the Cincinnati area congratulate John on this prestigious honor.

REMARKS ON THE DEMOCRATIC REFERENDA IN TAIWAN

## HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, March 16, 2004

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak about an important and timely issue: the right of the people of Taiwan to hold a democratic referendum.

Only 20 years ago, Taiwan was ruled by an authoritarian dictatorship under martial law. Today, it is a flourishing, multiparty democracy that holds competitive elections, respects human rights and upholds the rule of law. It is also our close friend and ally.

On March 20, Taiwan will hold its third Presidential election. That same day, the Taiwanese people will vote on two referenda related to Taiwan's self-defense.

Some argue the U.S. should oppose these votes because they will needlessly antagonize China. I disagree.

While it is important for the U.S. to have China's cooperation on a number of issues, our foreign policy should not be based on trying to avoid making China angry—that would be tantamount to giving them veto power over our actions.

Rather, our policy should be guided by U.S. national interests, which undeniably include the promotion and support of democracy in every corner of the globe.

What kind of message would it send to those courageous individuals struggling for democracy in Asia, Africa, the Middle East and other parts of the world if we tell the people of Taiwan that they should refrain from exercising their hard-won right to cast a ballot on key issues of the day?

With all due respect to China, this is not about Taiwanese independence. This is not a "provocation." This is about the peaceful exercise of the purest form of democracy.

I strongly support Taiwan's right to hold these referenda, free from intimidation, and I urge all my colleagues to do the same.

IN HONOR OF REVEREND PANDURANG SHASTRI ATHAVALE

## HON. XAVIER BECERRA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 16, 2004

Mr. BECERRA. Mr. Speaker, it is with utmost pleasure and privilege that Mr. HONDA and I rise today to recognize and pay tribute to Reverend Pandurang Shastri Athavale and the Devotional Associates of Yogeshwar (DAY) in California. On Saturday, March 13, 2004, the Devotional Associates of Yogeshwar paid homage to a spiritual leader, and friend to all, Reverend Pandurang Shastri Athavale, better known as Dadaji.

Reverend Dadaji passed away on October 25, 2003, leaving behind a message that has changed the lives of millions of people around the globe. Reverend Dadaji spent 50 years giving new meaning to Bhakti, or devotion, by emphasizing the concept of an "Indwelling God." Reverend Dadaji believed that having an awareness of the nearness of God and a reverence for that power, created reverence for self, others, nature, and a reverence for all of creation. He believed that devotion, as an expression of gratitude to God, could become a powerful social force that could transform all aspects of human life at all levels of society and ultimately solve all the problems of mankind.

The Swadhyaya Process, the way of living taught by Reverend Dadaji, is inclusive of all religions, and does not define a Deity, but allows the choice of a Deity to be defined by the worshipers. According to the Swadhyaya Process, this way of living creates a sense of family and belonging within the community, where no one person is more or less important than the other, and all members work in efficiency and coordination.

In 1997, Reverend Dadaji was the recipient of the Templeton Prize for Progress in Religion for his innovative and influential religious teachings. The Templeton Prize for Progress in Religion is one of the largest financial annual awards in the world, and is awarded only to living individuals who, through outstanding originality, have advanced the world's understanding of God or spirituality.

The work of Reverend Dadaji in rural India exemplifies these qualities. The teachings of Swadhyaya have transformed 100,000 villages of rural India prompting the United Nations to name this movement as one of the most significant developments in the world. Through principles taught by Reverend Dadaji, the villagers dedicate a few days of labor per year as demonstrations of their devotion to God. Through joint efforts by the villagers, people from all religions, castes, and economic strata build temples, community farms, orchards, and centers. The products of their efforts are then given to the needy and to the community as a whole, thereby creating a society where no one is marginalized or forgotten. Worldwide the Swadhyaya Process has millions of followers, including approximately 15,000 in the United States alone.

Mr. Speaker, in light of the Devotional Associates of Yogeshwar's recent gathering to pay tribute to Reverend Pandurang Shastri Athavale and his many accomplishments, it is with great admiration and pride that we ask our colleagues to join us today in saluting this exceptional leader.

A TRIBUTE TO DORIS BLACKSTOCK, 29TH CONGRES-SIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR—2004

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I stand today, to recognize an extraordinary woman of California's 29th Congressional District, Mrs. Doris Blackstock. Mrs. Blackstock's passion for community service, especially her immense contribution to the American Red Cross, has made our community a better place in which to live.

Born and raised in Winfield, Kansas, Doris attended Winfield High School, continuing her journey into higher education at Southwestern College and Methodist College.

During World War II, Mrs. Blackstock moved to Los Angeles, California, where she got a job at Foster Kleiser Outdoor Advertising Company, now Clear Channel. She met her husband, Joseph Blackstock, the company's Director of Research and Public Relations and they married in 1946, enjoying 53 years of marriage until his death in 1989. While staying at home and raising their two sons, Joseph Jr. and Forrest, Doris was an active member of the Parent Teacher Association and is currently a Life Member.

In 1966, she began her extensive volunteer career with the American Red Cross in Alhambra, working an average of 8 hours a day for many years. Her duties included assisting the military families program, presenting programs on Earthquake Preparedness, and responding to local disasters. The National Headquarters of the American Red Cross often sent Mrs. Blackstock to other locations in the United States to assist with major disasters. In addition, she served for 6 years on the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross.

A natural leader and "professional volunteer," Doris currently volunteers at the Alhambra Chamber of Commerce, the Wholly Grounds Coffee House at Alhambra's Atherton Baptist Home and the Alhambra American Red Cross. She is a long-time member of many organizations, including the Alhambra Women's Club, and the Order of Eastern Star #193 Alhambra-Granada Chapter. Additionally, Doris is active at her church, First United Methodist Church in Alhambra.

I ask all Members to join me today in honoring an extraordinary woman of California's 29th Congressional District, Doris Blackstock. The entire community joins me in thanking Doris Blackstock for her continued efforts to make the 29th Congressional District a better place in which to live.

### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

# HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Tuesday, March 16, 2004

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to correct a vote which I cast erroneously last week in support of H.R. 3717. I did not mean to vote for this legislation, and I would like that fact to be noted in the RECORD.

It goes without saying that no one likes to vote against a bill that purportedly is designed to reduce the coarseness and crudity of public discourse. We are all aware that the limits of