

Mr. Adegboye studied accountancy in England in 1979, and qualified as a chartered accountant in 1981. For the love of his native land he turned down offers to work in England and went back to his native Nigeria to contribute to the development of the accounting profession in his country, at a time when the Government of Nigeria was clamoring for indigenous participation in the Nigerian economy. He worked in various firms to include Colgate Palmolive, Smurfit Cases, Associated Breweries, and West African Breweries as accountant and later as financial controller. These are companies that are either American firms or are affiliated with American firms. In 1988 he joined Hull Blyth Nigerian Limited, the parent company for Elder Dempster Shipping Agencies, African Steamship Company, and Blue Funnel Nigerian Limited. During his sojourn at the company, he developed the company's IT capabilities and facilities through the computerization of the invoicing processes, introduction of secured and efficient e-mail and container tracking applications. He also raised the company's staff pension funds. James Adegboye also served on the boards of various philanthropic organizations, and he provided scholarships for children of poor families.

Mr. Adegboye was an extremely successful businessman and with his family, operated a family business named Jimland Investments Limited, with corporate headquarters in Lagos, Nigeria. Jimland Investments is a general trading company and business house offering substantial trading opportunities to local, regional, national, and international organizations on partnerships, consultancy, and joint ventures.

James Adegboye will be missed not only by members of his family, but by many in the Nigerian community. He was a great humanitarian, and a role model for business and political leaders throughout the African continent. Mr. Adegboye is survived by his brother in the United States, Adekunle Sogbesan; two wives, Simisola Adegboye and Oluwatoyin Adegboye, as well as six children; Olajide, Mayaowa, Adekunle, Olawole, Yetunde, and Enitan Adegboye.

A TRIBUTE TO COMMANDER CHRIS MAY

HON. MIKE MCINTYRE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

Mr. MCINTYRE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Commander Chris May of the United States Coast Guard. As Commander May prepares to retire from the United States Coast Guard Reserve after 36 years of service, I ask that you join me in recognizing his long and honorable career.

Commander May's service to our Nation has been extensive. He entered the USCGR as a Seaman Recruit in 1972. Since then, he has served in many capacities: he has been a crewman on Search and Rescue boats at small boat stations from the Outerbanks of North Carolina to the Plumb Island CG Station in Lake Michigan, led a Boating Safety Team on inland lakes and rivers in North Carolina, performed Port State Control Boardings, conducted harbor patrols and facility inspections, supervised explosive loading operations, in-

vestigated oil spills, participated in 12 major MOBEXs, and been recalled for extended duty for both the Gulf War 1990 and OIF in 2003. In 1991, Commander May was honored to receive the USCGR Junior Officer of the Year Award for North Carolina.

Additionally, he has served as a Training, Planning, Medical, and Administrative Officer, been an Executive Officer of RU Oak Island, RU Greensboro, and Commanding Officer reserve unit Greensboro, and has served as a Senior Reserve Officer for Marine Safety Office Wilmington and Sector North Carolina. He is a graduate of the USCG Port Security A School, CG Small Boat Operations School, CG Explosive Loading Supervisor School, CG Senior Contingency Planning, and holds National Incident Management certification in ICS 100, 200, 300, 700, and 800.

For the last 36 years, Commander May has honorably dedicated himself to our Nation through his commitment to the United States Coast Guard Reserve. And even beyond retirement, Commander May will continue to serve his community in his role as Executive Director of the Cape Fear Council of Governments in Wilmington, NC.

I have personally witnessed his superior leadership and extraordinary public relations skills in seminars, meetings and special occasions that he has moderated in the community, and he has always conducted himself in a praiseworthy, professional manner with a positive, personal touch. His Christian character and humble demeanor speaks volumes about his ethics and moral values.

Madam Speaker, Commander Chris May has served our country with distinction. I wish Commander May and his family God's richest blessings as his time in the United States Coast Guard Reserve comes to a close. I ask that you join me today in recognition of his impressive career of unwavering duty and enduring public service.

A TRIBUTE TO DR. GREGORY PAGE

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute and to honor Dr. Gregory Page. A native of Philadelphia, Dr. Page earned his undergraduate degree in zoology at Howard University and received his doctorate degree in dentistry from the University of Pennsylvania. Foregoing a lucrative career in Philadelphia's high class dentistry circles, Dr. Page packed his bags and began his professional career in Harlem, NY.

Dr. Page, after 31 years, has achieved extraordinary accomplishments in improving dental hygiene in New York and abroad. He served as the director of dental services for an Aid to Dependent Children's (ADC) program in the South Bronx administered through the Health Insurance Plan of New York. He also has volunteered as a dental missionary in an underserved region of Saint Lucia, in the Caribbean. Additionally, he is also a past president of the Harlem Unit of the American Cancer Society.

Dr. Page, as an adjunct associate professor in the Dental Hygiene Unit at Hostos Commu-

nity College, has been directly or indirectly involved in the training of over six hundred dental hygienists, many of whom provide direct care to inner city communities like Harlem and the South Bronx. The program has consistently boasted a better than 90 percent passing rate on all national, regional and State board examinations.

Dr. Page also serves as a police surgeon with the New York State Police Investigators Association, as a charter member of the Honorary Deputy/Police Commissioners Foundation of New York City, and has been inducted as an honorary member of the Honor Legion of the New York City Police Department. He also maintained a full time dental practice in Harlem for over twenty-five years.

Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize Dr. Gregory Page for his extraordinary accomplishments in elevating the level of quality dental care in Harlem and the South Bronx.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Dr. Gregory Page.

HONORING THE LIFE OF LEGENDARY RESTAURANTEUR JAMES PASCHAL

HON. JOHN LEWIS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my friend James Paschal, one of the founders of Paschal's Restaurant. James Paschal was an extraordinary man. He was more than a business leader, more than an involved citizen: he was a gifted American who gave so much to Atlanta and the Nation. Paschal's Restaurant was an unofficial headquarters for the Civil Rights Movement in Atlanta. Many of the organizing meetings to plan how historic civil rights actions, like the March on Washington, were held at Paschal's. At a time when public accommodations were racially segregated by law throughout the South, Paschal's was considered an oasis where civil rights activists could congregate, relax, nourish themselves, and in the comfort of that environment fuel their minds to plan major movement actions.

The first meal I had in Atlanta, when I moved to the city in June of 1963, was at Paschal's Restaurant. Then it was located on old West Hunter Street, now Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue. At one time the headquarters of SNCC was right across the street from Paschal's. We used to refer to the restaurant as Paschal's Precinct. If you wanted to get a reading on what was happening in the community, you had to check in at Paschal's to get the pulse of Atlanta and a line on what was happening throughout the South.

During the Civil Rights Movement, everyone—Hosea Williams, Martin Luther King Jr., Ralph Abernathy, A. Phillip Randolph, and many of the famous black entertainers—ate and visited at Paschal's. At one time you could buy two pieces of chicken, potato salad, "early peas," as we called them, two rolls and some peach cobbler for 99 cents plus tax at Paschal's. The food, the comfortable surroundings, and the welcoming environment helped to fortify us to go out and do battle. The last time I saw Martin Luther King Jr. alive, I was in Paschal's Restaurant. He had

called a coalition of activists together to plan the Poor People's campaign, and he held that meeting at Paschal's. The restaurant James and his brother founded played a major role in the Civil Rights Movement.

James Paschal was a wonderful man, a very quiet man. He was very businesslike. He was always concerned that we were comfortable and checked often to make sure the food and service were to our liking. He would ask, "Is everything all right, sir? How are you doing, sir?" He was very polite and spoke to us with dignity and respect. He was a true gentleman.

There was something so stable, so dependable, so real about James Paschal. His very personality, his very being was as solid as a rock. He was very supportive of the Movement in his own quiet, deliberate way. Sometimes, when we were having a major crisis, James Paschal might decide to host the meeting—give us our meals on the house—to help facilitate our planning and action. After Martin Luther King Jr.'s funeral, many of us went to eat at Paschal's. It was like a home away from home.

We were more than lucky and very blessed that a man named James Paschal came our way. He made a lasting contribution to the free exercise of civil rights in America, not just for African Americans, but all Americans. He will be deeply missed.

TRIBUTE TO GOV. LAWTON MAINO

HON. KENDRICK B. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

Mr. MEEK of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute and honor the life and legacy of Governor Lawton Mainor Chiles, Jr., on the 10th anniversary of his death. Throughout his 40 years of public service, Governor Chiles was committed to the betterment of Florida's children and families, as well as healthcare for all. As he stated in his 1997 State of the State Address, "To be a successful State, we must nurture successful children."

Governor Chiles' political career, which began in 1958 with his election to the Florida House of Representatives, was proven to be successful when he would continue to have the distinction of never losing an election. Governor Chiles was elected to the United States Senate in 1970 for the term commencing January 3, 1971, and was reelected in 1976 and again in 1982. He served as chairman of the Senate Budget Committee during the Reagan years, as well as chairman of the Special Committee on Aging and the Committee on the Budget. During his 1970 U.S. Senate campaign, Chiles became known as "Walkin' Lawton" after a 91-day walk across Florida from Pensacola to Key West.

His 1,003 mile walk across Florida not only displayed his utmost devotion to his home State, but his dedication to Medicaid reform initiatives such as the Women, Infants and Children, WIC, food program and increased funding for prenatal care and childhood immunizations while serving his three terms in the U.S. Senate proved that he was truly a man of the people.

In 1990, Governor Chiles was elected the 41st Governor of Florida. He was the first

Democratic governor in State history to have a Republican-controlled legislature. A fourth generation Floridian, Chiles continued to advocate health coverage for the uninsured in Florida, the promotion of adoption, raising standards for education, and fighting back against big tobacco. Additionally, he fought for the creation of regional healthcare alliances throughout the State. The alliances allowed small businesses to pool their healthcare dollars and broaden coverage while saving money. He also created the Florida Department of Elder Affairs and the Florida Healthy Start program.

The Governor and First Lady Rhea Chiles have four children: Tandy Chiles Barrett, Lawton (Bud) Chiles III, Ed Chiles and Rhea Chiles.

On this 10th anniversary of Governor Chiles' passing, let us remember him for his outstanding public service, his commitment to children and families, his dedication to his State and country, and his contributions to our Nation's history. Governor Chiles once said, "I didn't come to stay. I came to make a difference." He truly made a difference, and this proves to be remarkably consistent and in tune with his original vision.

A TRIBUTE TO MAURICE WRIGHT, M.D.

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute and to honor Dr. Maurice Wright. Dr. Wright is the chief of the Emergency Department and president of the Medical Board at the Woodhull Medical and Mental Health Center. A graduate of Fordham University and the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, he did his medical training at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital from 1987 to 1990, after which he continued to work in the Emergency Department as an attending and later as the assistant director until 1997.

Dr. Wright joined the Woodhull Staff on April 1997 as the associate director of the Emergency Department and was promoted to chief of the Emergency Department in 1998. In addition, he has held several academic appointments, including assistant clinical professor of medicine at Columbia University and Medical Director of the Harlem CUNY Physician Assistant Program at the Sophie Davis School of Biomedical Sciences. He is also a member of several professional organizations, including the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP), The American College of Physicians (ACP), the National Association of Public Hospitals Health System (NAPHHS), and is also a graduate of the Physician Leadership Institute of the NAPHHS '03.

As a visionary leader, he strives to foster teamwork and inspire excellence. While managing a high volume emergency department, he has achieved a high standard of care that is responsive to community needs and concerns. Among his accomplishments at Woodhull, Dr. Wright embarked on a continuous clinical performance improvement program with outstanding results in cardiac, asthma and abdominal pain care among others. This vigorous program is supported by evidence-based practice guidelines and frequent

emergency medicine conferences. He was recently honored by the New York State Physician Assistant Society as its Physician of the Year for his clinical teaching and leadership.

Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize Dr. Maurice Wright for his extraordinary accomplishments at the Woodhull Medical and Mental Health Center.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Dr. Maurice Wright.

60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and to urge all governments to uphold the principles established in the declaration. Although 48 countries committed to promoting and protecting the rights of all human beings, human rights violations continue to occur around the world, especially in Vietnam.

As a co-chair of the Congressional Caucus on Vietnam, I am extremely concerned that despite Vietnam's many pledges to respect international norms, the Government of Vietnam continues to arrest and imprison individuals for peacefully exercising their freedom of speech and the right to assemble.

Today, I and several colleagues sent a letter to the Prime Minister of Vietnam advocating for the release of Pham Thanh Ngien and Nguyen Hoang Hai, two Vietnamese democracy activists who are currently being detained for peacefully exercising their freedom of speech and right to assemble. The letter also strongly urges the government to recommit itself to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and recognize that all persons are born with fundamental rights and that it is our collective responsibility to uphold those rights.

We all have a responsibility to not only stand up for freedom but to protect those who are denied freedoms and human rights. I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing today as Human Rights Day, and stand up for the rights of not only Pham Thanh Ngien and Nguyen Hoang Hai, but all those who are denied their rights as a human beings.

TRIBUTE TO FRANK NELSON

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an individual whose dedication and contributions to the community of Corona, California are exceptional. Corona has been fortunate to have dynamic and dedicated community leaders who willingly and unselfishly give their time and talent and make their communities a better place to live and work. Frank Nelson is one of these individuals.

Frank Nelson has been a Realtor in the Corona area for 17 years. He is the current