

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

A PROCLAMATION HONORING CODY CANNON FOR WINNING THE BOYS' DIVISION IV STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Cody Cannon showed hard work and dedication to the sport of basketball; and Whereas, Cody Cannon was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Cody Cannon always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the court; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Cody Cannon on winning the Boys' Division IV State Basketball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship he has demonstrated during the 2008–2009 basketball season.

COMMENDING CAPTAIN RICHARD PHILLIPS, U.S. NAVY SEALs, AND THE U.S. NAVY IN SOMALI PIRATE HIJACKING

SPEECH OF

HON. SUSAN A. DAVIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 22, 2009

Mrs. DAVIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H. Res. 339.

This resolution honors the incredible work of the United States Navy SEALs, and the crews of the USS *Bainbridge*, USS *Boxer*, USS *Halyburton* and Patrol Squadron (VP) 8. H. Res. 339 also recognizes the crew of the *Maersk Alabama* and the courage of Captain Richard Phillips.

The *Maersk Alabama* and her crew returned safely due to the remarkable service of the men and women of the U.S. Navy. In fact, this event has shown the importance of having a fleet capable of maintaining a global maritime presence that allows the Navy to respond to emergencies around the world.

We must also commend the actions of our remarkable Navy SEAL snipers. The special operations community rarely receives the recognition they deserve, nor do they seek it. While they do not look for notoriety, this resolution honors their service and recognizes their contributions to U.S. national security.

The success of the Navy SEAL snipers who saved Captain Phillips is a prime example of the superior training our SEALs receive; training that begins at Naval Amphibious Base Coronado and reinforced through multiple tours of duty in Iraq, Afghanistan, and now off the coast of Somalia.

Mr. Speaker, I know I join all Americans in welcoming this crew home with both great

pride and great relief and in honoring our brave service members for a job well done.

I hope all of my colleagues vote in favor of this important measure.

APRIL 29, 2009: MEDIA SHOW DOU- BLE STANDARD IN TEA PARTY COVERAGE

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Madam Speaker, recently, tens of thousands of Americans expressed their opposition to out-of-control government spending by participating in hundreds of TEA party protests around the country on Tax Day.

The national media responded by ignoring, dismissing, or blatantly ridiculing the protests.

There was no mention of the TEA parties the next day on the front pages of the Washington Post or New York Times, even though the Times found space on its front page for a story about protests in Afghanistan.

In contrast, the media covered liberal protests during President Bush's term frequently—and without criticism.

A Washington Times editorial argued that the media's handling of the TEA party protests went a step beyond bias. "Forget media bias," the Times wrote. "The liberal press judges stories before investigating them. That's prejudice."

Whether it's due to bias or prejudice, the national media failed to cover Americans' widespread resistance to big government. And that's the real story.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RON KLEIN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mr. KLEIN of Florida. Madam Speaker, Thursday, April 23, 2009 I was unavoidably detained. Had I voted, I would have voted "yes" on rollcall No. 200.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING MI- CHAEL EVANS FOR WINNING THE BOYS' DIVISION IV STATE BAS- KETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Michael Evans showed hard work and dedication to the sport of basketball; and

Whereas, Michael Evans was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Michael Evans always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the court: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Michael Evans on winning the Boys' Division IV State Basketball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship he has demonstrated during the 2008–2009 basketball season.

RECOGNIZING DOROTHY CULLEN OF VINELAND, NEW JERSEY

HON. FRANK A. LoBIONDO

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mr. LoBIONDO. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Dorothy (Dotty) Cullen of Vineland, New Jersey for being awarded the MetLife Foundation's 2009 Older Volunteers Enrich America Award. Dotty has been involved with the Vineland Boys and Girls club for over 15 years, served on the Vineland Development Center Board for almost two decades, and has been a leader for veterans care throughout her life.

Not one to slow down, Dotty currently serves as the President of the Residents Council at the Baker House, where she herself resides. The Baker House has become known for its patriotism and dedication to the community, participating in Toys for Tots, National Guard packages for soldiers serving abroad, and Read Across America. For her unwavering service to her community and to the country, she was selected for this prestigious national honor.

I have personally known Dotty for more than 40 years and I can attest to the invaluable contributions she has made to her community. Her focus on recognizing the sacrifices of our veterans and providing them with the assistance they need is an inspiration to us all.

I offer my sincere congratulations to my dear friend, Dotty Cullen, for receiving this honor and thank her for her continued dedication to the residents of Vineland, the State of New Jersey, and the United States of America.

RECOGNIZING DAN SALLET ON THE DAY OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE AYER SCHOOL COM- MITTEE

HON. NIKI TSONGAS

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Ms. TSONGAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Dan Sallet of Ayer, Massachusetts upon his retirement from the Ayer School Committee.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

Respected throughout the community for his commitment to public service, Mr. Sallet is leaving the School Committee after 14 years of dedicated service, including serving as Chairman for six years. Sallet was instrumental in leading the schools out of significant financial difficulties in 2006–2007 and was a prime mover in establishing the Ayer Tri-Board, a joint committee of Selectmen, School and Finance Committees, which works cooperatively to develop budgets and resolve financial issues for the town. Mr. Sallet's words are respected as the voice of reason at Ayer Town Meetings.

Mr. Sallet has also represented the community as a member of Devens Education Advisory Committee (DEAC) and on the finance subcommittee for the Devens Disposition Executive Board. Mr. Sallet has also been active in Ayer youth baseball, soccer and basketball programs.

Mr. Sallet and his wife Julie have lived in Ayer since 1994 with their three children, Connor, Patrick and Molly.

I thank Mr. Sallet for his commitment to our community and congratulate him on his many years of service to the Town of Ayer and its children.

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING
CHRIS FAIRCHILD FOR WINNING
THE BOYS' DIVISION IV STATE
BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP**

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Chris Fairchild showed hard work and dedication to the sport of basketball; and Whereas, Chris Fairchild was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Chris Fairchild always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the court; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Chris Fairchild on winning the Boys' Division IV State Basketball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship he has demonstrated during the 2008–2009 basketball season.

**HONORING CHIEF JUSTICE ALMA
L. LÓPEZ**

HON. CHARLES A. GONZALEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mr. GONZALEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Chief Justice Alma L. López, a public servant who has dedicated her professional and personal life to empowering Hispanics in the spheres of law, education and politics. Justice López has been a passionate advocate, a dedicated jurist and kind friend to the San Antonio community.

Born in Laredo, Texas, she moved to San Antonio, Texas, where she was raised and educated. Justice López began her higher education at San Antonio College and then

went on to graduate from St. Mary's University with a B.B.A. and from St. Mary's Law School with a J.D. She practiced law for 25 years, twenty of those as a solo practitioner prior to being appointed to the court. She credits her choice of the law as a career to her maternal grandmother, who noticed that even at the age of five she had the skills of a mediator and negotiator.

Justice López made history when she became the first Hispanic woman to serve on the Fourth Court of Appeals. She has been a true leader becoming the first Hispanic woman to serve as Chief Justice in the State of Texas, as well as the first Hispanic woman to serve as a Chief Justice in the United States.

Justice López has been a strong advocate for the Hispanic community serving on a number of local, state, and national boards of directors. She is committed to being a role model not just for Hispanic women, but for the entire community.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Chief Justice Alma López as we celebrate and honor her career and outstanding contributions to the community. Her dedication to justice and the City of San Antonio are remarkable and I wish her continued success in all her future endeavors.

**INTRODUCTION OF THE PRE-
SERVING THE AMERICAN HIS-
TORICAL RECORD (PAHR) ACT**

HON. JOHN M. McHUGH

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mr. McHUGH. Madam Speaker, I rise today as a proud cosponsor of the Preserving the American Historical Record (PAHR) Act. I appreciate the work my friend, the gentleman from New York (Mr. HINCHEY), has done to develop this important legislation, which would greatly enhance efforts to preserve and disseminate our Nation's rich historical records.

Americans have long recognized the importance of preserving history through the support of such institutions as the Library of Congress, National Archives, and the Smithsonian Institution. However, efforts to preserve records held by State and local historical societies, archives, and libraries are currently hindered due to a lack of resources necessary to ensure adequate preservation.

The PAHR Act, which I also cosponsored during the 110th Congress (H.R. 6056), would authorize \$50 million annually for grants to States, local governments, and other entities to preserve these important records. In addition to preservation assistance, the PAHR Act will enhance safe access to those records for public use. Of note, the Act could result in the expanded use of a wide variety of access tools, including archival finding aids, documentary editions, indexes and images of key records online.

This measure will also support initiatives to use records in ways that highlight the importance of state, territorial, and community history. For instance, in New York's 23rd Congressional District, which I am proud to represent, there are some 300 non-profit organizations and more than 650 local governments that hold numerous records documenting both the people and history of central and northern

New York. A few examples of these records include:

The Adirondack Museum Library has the largest collection documenting that unique region, with records ranging from architectural drawings of "Great Camps," catalogs for J.H. Rushton canoes, early maps of the Adirondack Park, and recordings of Adirondack folk musicians.

The Essex County Historical Society holds records from Republic Steel that document not only the mining industry but the employment of hundreds of miners from Peru who lived and worked in Port Henry, New York in the 1920s.

The Lewis County Historical Society is home to the papers of Dr. Franklin Hough, the father of American forestry.

The Sackets Harbor Battlefield Historic Site Library houses manuscripts, documents, maps, archeological reports, and records related to the Sackets Harbor Battlefield, the War of 1812, and the Sackets Harbor Naval Station.

St. Lawrence University retains manuscripts which document the economic, social, political, religious, and cultural activities of Adirondack communities; environmental issues; the Lake Placid Winter Olympics; and the development of the St. Lawrence Seaway.

These are just a few citations outlining the wealth of historical records that could benefit through the enactment of the PAHR. Many other worthy examples exist throughout the nation. Accordingly, I look forward to working with the gentleman from New York to enact this legislation and thereby preserve additional aspects of America's rich history.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. J. GRESHAM BARRETT

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, unfortunately I missed recorded votes on the House floor on Monday, April 27, 2009. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on rollcall vote No. 207 (Motion to suspend the rules and Agree to H. Res. 329), "nay" on rollcall vote No. 208 (Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree to H.R. 1746), and "aye" on rollcall vote No. 209 (Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree to H. Res. 335).

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING
WESTEN HALE FOR WINNING
THE BOYS' DIVISION IV STATE
BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP**

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Westen Hale showed hard work and dedication to the sport of basketball; and Whereas, Westen Hale was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Westen Hale always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the court: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional