

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JEFF FORTENBERRY

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mr. FORTENBERRY. Madam Speaker, on Monday, June 14, 2010, I was absent and thus I missed rollcall votes Nos. 355–357. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye” on all three votes.

CELEBRATING THE 90TH BIRTHDAY OF NICHOLAS V. MARTINO

HON. TIMOTHY H. BISHOP

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BISHOP of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to express heartfelt best wishes on the occasion of the 90th birthday of Nicholas V. Martino, a man who exemplifies a life of hard work, service to his country, and close family ties. Mr. Martino worked for 40 years as a master mechanic for American Construction in Hartford, Connecticut. Now retired, he lives in Westhampton, New York with his daughter Anne Marie Spinner, his son-in-law Guy Spinner and their two children, Adam and Nicole. He enjoys spending time with them as well as with his daughter Janet Tyler, son-in-law Lee Tyler and their daughter Meredith.

Born in Hartford on June 8, 1920, Mr. Martino served from 1942 to 1946 in the Army Air Corps as a Tech Sergeant working on B–25's and B–26's, both medium-sized bombers. The B–25 first gained fame as the bomber used in the 18 April 1942 raid in which sixteen B–25Bs attacked mainland Japan four months after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. The mission gave a much-needed lift in spirits to the Americans, and alarmed the Japanese who had believed their home islands were inviolable by enemy troops.

On September 30, 1950, he married Marie Candela who passed away in 1989. The couple had two daughters, Janet and Anne Marie. After his discharge from the Army, Mr. Martino continued a life-long interest in mechanics both at his job at American Construction and in his spare time. For years, he maintained a garage and truck filled with all kinds of tools for his many projects, and he still enjoys tinkering with hands-on projects with his son-in-law Guy.

I would like to extend my congratulations to Mr. Martino and wish him a happy 90th birthday as he celebrates with his family and friends.

A TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM C. JUSINO

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of William C. Jusino for his commitment to leadership in education and dedication to his community.

William C. Jusino was born to migrant parents from the beautiful island of Puerto Rico.

He and his three sisters and three brothers were raised in the community of Bedford Stuyvesant in Brooklyn, New York. His father, William Sr., was a humble factory worker and his mother, Ana, worked as a school aide in Williamsburg School District #14. Her work in elementary public schools would serve as an early influence to young William. William and all of his siblings heeded their parents' advice and have achieved significant success in varying careers that include naval officer, firefighter, food commerce, and William's work as a school administrator.

He was educated in Brooklyn Elementary Schools P.S. 54 & 157, J.H.S. 117, and East New York Vocational Technical High School. During his high school years, Mr. Jusino obtained his initial work experience in the city's Summer Youth Employment Program in Bedford Stuyvesant. Subsequently, William was successful in gaining entrance to SUNY Cortland where he attained his Bachelor's Degree in Education.

Mr. Jusino enthusiastically returned to his community to serve as an elementary school teacher in School District 13's P.S. 46 and P.S. 270. He continued to work as a public school teacher for six years. Continuing his passion for serving his community, Mr. Jusino accepted the position of Executive Director of Progress Inc. In spring of 1996, he was offered an exceptional opportunity to lead a high school for professional careers. William Jusino has been Principal of Progress High School since September 1996, playing a key role in one of the most successful school reform efforts in New York City history.

Mr. Jusino has a well established record of service to his community. His love and caring for young people has been consistently evident throughout his professional life. Friend and colleague alike know that he is dedicated to giving back to his community that has blessed him so much. William strongly believes that he must constantly prepare himself to more effectively serve the community and the children that he is committed to. On the eve of completing his Doctorate in Educational Administration, Mr. Jusino continues to practice what he preaches and more importantly, what he was taught by his parents.

Mr. Jusino is married to Mrs. Marta Colon-Jusino. He has two wonderful children. His son, William, graduated from Harvard University and his daughter, Amanda, is in her junior year at the University of Massachusetts and is currently studying abroad in Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Ecuador.

He enjoys spending his free time with family and friends.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the achievements of William C. Jusino.

HONORING THE LIFE AND WORK OF LT. COL. RICHARD CASTILLO

HON. SOLOMON P. ORTIZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mr. ORTIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Lt. Col. Richard Castillo of Corpus Christi, Texas, who was shot down in Laos in 1972 while on a mission. The 14-man crew flew aboard an AC–130, REFNO 1807.

About six weeks ago, the family of Lt. Col. Castillo was contacted by the Air Force and informed that the last unidentified remains from his plane will be buried tomorrow, June 17, 2010, at Arlington National Cemetery along with the remains of the 13 men who accompanied Lt. Col. Castillo on the mission.

In 1986 after negotiations with the Laotian government, the United States was finally able to send a team to the crash site. After much work and many hours spent sifting through debris, bone fragments and personal belongings, the men's remains were found. Two teeth were positively identified as Lt. Col. Castillo's and were buried in a ceremony later that year at Randolph Air Force Base, with interment at Ft. Sam Houston in San Antonio.

In the November 1986 edition of National Geographic, a picture of Lt. Col. Castillo's dog tags was published alongside an article telling the story of the search and recovery effort of the crew by the United States government and military.

A few years ago, the Air Force informed Lt. Col. Castillo's wife, Elizabeth May Castillo, that they were beginning DNA testing on the bone fragments found among the wreckage.

With the advances made in DNA testing, they believed all 14 men would finally be accounted for. The Air Force obtained a cheek swab from Lt. Col. Castillo's mother and performed mitochondrial DNA testing. On November 21, 2008, the Air Force held a small private service for the Castillo family at Lt. Col. Castillo's grave site at Ft. Sam Houston. An urn containing the fragments positively identified as Lt. Col. Castillo was buried on top of his casket. This day was especially meaningful to the family because it would have been his 70th birthday.

Lt. Col. Castillo is survived by his wife, Elizabeth May Castillo and their children, Mary Edith Castillo Hamilton, Mary Elizabeth Castillo Tierce, Mary Esther Castillo Harper, Mary Elaine Castillo Colmenero and Richard Lee Castillo. His youngest son, Ronald Ronnie Castillo, died on February 16, 2005.

I would like to take this time to thank Lt. Col. Castillo for his service and dedication to this country. It is because of him that today you and I enjoy the freedoms and rights he so bravely fought for. He served this country diligently and paid the ultimate sacrifice for us.

I ask my colleagues to please join me in commemorating the work and honor of Lt. Col. Castillo whose remains will be buried tomorrow at Arlington National Cemetery.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SUE WILKINS MYRICK

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mrs. MYRICK. Madam Speaker, due to a family medical situation, I was unable to participate in the following votes. If I had been present, I would have voted as follows:

JUNE 14, 2010

Rollcall vote 355, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree—H. Res. 1368, Supporting the goals of National Dairy Month—I would have voted “aye.”

Rollcall vote 356, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree—H. Res. 1409, Expressing support for designation of June 20, 2010, as

"American Eagle Day", and celebrating the recovery and restoration of the bald eagle, the national symbol of the United States—I would have voted "aye."

Rollcall vote 357, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass—H.R. 5502, To amend the effective date of the gift card provisions of the Credit Card Accountability Responsibility and Disclosure Act of 2009—I would have voted "aye."

JUNE 15, 2010

Rollcall vote 358, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree—H. Res. 1383, Honoring Dr. Larry Case on his retirement as National FFA Advisor—I would have voted "aye."

Rollcall vote 359, On Agreeing to the Resolution—H. Res. 1436, Providing for consideration of H.R. 5486, the Small Business Jobs Tax Relief Act; and providing for consideration of H.R. 5297, the Small Business Lending Fund Act—I would have voted "no."

Rollcall vote 360, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended—H.R. 4855, Work-Life Balance Award Act—I would have voted "no."

Rollcall vote 361, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree—H. Res. 1389, Recognizing the immeasurable contributions of fathers in the healthy development of children, supporting responsible fatherhood, and encouraging greater involvement of fathers in the lives of their children, especially on Father's Day—I would have voted "aye."

Rollcall vote 362, On Motion to Recommit with Instructions—H.R. 5486, Small Business Jobs Tax Relief Act of 2010—I would have voted "aye."

Rollcall vote 363, On Passage—H.R. 5486, Small Business Jobs Tax Relief Act of 2010—I would have voted "no."

Rollcall vote 364, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree—H. Res. 1322, Celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship Program and recognizing the significant contributions of Albert Einstein Fellows—I would have voted "aye."

IN RECOGNITION OF SENATOR GEORGIA POWERS' SERVICE TO KENTUCKY AND THE UNITED STATES

HON. JOHN A. YARMUTH

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mr. YARMUTH. Madam Speaker, I rise in recognition of a woman whose legacy and work has forever changed the character of both the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the United States of America. Today, in Louisville, a major thoroughfare will be named in honor of Senator Georgia Davis Powers. This is a commemoration bestowed only to the most legendary leaders in our Commonwealth—and Senator Powers is nothing short of legendary.

I am honored to join the chorus of voices praising her tireless and lifelong fight to ensure equality and justice are persevering principles in our Commonwealth. As the first woman and first African-American to be elected to Kentucky's State Senate, Georgia Powers is a trailblazer who has dedicated her life and career to the cause of civil rights. Though she has retired from politics, her service has

left an enduring mark in Louisville and across this country.

In fact, her life's work is and continues to be a true example of how one individual can make a difference not just for her own generation, but every one that follows.

When the story of the struggle for civil rights and women's rights in Kentucky is told, Georgia Powers stands as a central figure—a legend who continually sought to make life better for all of our citizens. Today, as we ensure that her legacy will be recognized by the people of Louisville for decades to come, all Kentuckians and all Americans should be proud of her dedicated service in pursuit of our defining national goals.

Therefore, I ask my colleagues to join me today in further recognizing the extraordinary work and dedication of Senator Georgia Powers of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

A TRIBUTE TO REVEREND DR. MARVIN J. BENTLEY

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Reverend Dr. Marvin J. Bentley for his contributions to his community and commitment to his faith.

The Reverend Dr. Marvin J. Bentley was born in Brooklyn, New York. He received his basic religious training at the Cornerstone Baptist Church, and under the tutelage of the late Dr. Sandy F. Ray he became licensed to preach the gospel by the Cornerstone Baptist Church.

Dr. Bentley was educated within the New York public school system; he attained his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of New York at Stony Brook with majors in Health Science and Social Welfare. He obtained his seminary education at Union Theological Seminary in New York City, securing a Master's in Divinity degree. At Drew University, in Madison, NJ he earned his Doctor of Ministry degree, and he recently received an Associate's Degree from Nassau Community College, L.I., N.Y., in Applied Science.

Dr. Bentley was ordained at the Abyssinian Baptist Church, where he served as the assistant minister under the mentorship of Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, and Dr. Calvin Butts III. Dr. Bentley is active in many civic and community activities. He serves on numerous boards and committees and is the former President of American Baptist Churches of Metro New York. He is a former Naval Chaplain in the United States Naval Reserve. He has served as President and Vice-President of Community School Board 30, former member of Community Board 3, and past President of the Corona East Elmhurst Clergy Association. He is the recipient of many civic and religious awards and honors.

As pastor, Dr. Bentley has been serving the Antioch Baptist Church of Corona for 30 years, enjoying a blessed ministry. During his tenure at the church, it has relocated into a beautiful, gothic style new church home in Corona, Queens, New York. It has grown to numerous ministries that include male and female "Right of Passage" ministries, the Antioch Bible Institute, Christian Bookstore, Video Ministry, Credit Union and Athletic Ministry.

In addition, under Pastor Bentley's leadership, the Antioch Baptist Church of Corona has embarked upon a ministry to liquidate the credit card debt of their congregation. The model for the vision was given to Pastor Bentley by Bishop C. Vernie Russell Jr, Pastor MT. Carmel Baptist Church, and Norfolk, VA. This ministry has caused the congregation to look at their finances, spending, and saving habits. The Antioch church is embracing the biblical motif that as Christians, they are not to be indebted to anyone but God, and they are to help others according to their needs. The idea to get out of debt is embraced so that they can remain free of fiscal difficulties.

Pastor Bentley is married to his high school sweetheart, Carla and they are the proud parents of three lovely children.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the work of Reverend Dr. Marvin J. Bentley.

MAYOR'S PROFESSIONAL MARINERS AWARDS AWARDED ON JUNE 9, 2010

HON. BARNEY FRANK

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Madam Speaker, the Mayor's Professional Mariners Award is sponsored by the City of New Bedford, Professional Mariner Magazine and Commercial Marine Expo. This award honors an individual or organization who has made a significant contribution to the marine industry. This year's award recipients are Harriet Didriksen, Martin S. Manley and Howard W. Nickerson.

MAYOR'S PROFESSIONAL MARINERS AWARDS HARRIET DIDRIKSEN

Harriet Didriksen is constantly fighting for fishing families, the fishing way of life, and the American dream. She steadfastly attends New England Fisheries Management Council meetings from Connecticut to Maine, and never misses a gathering where she can help fishermen oppose government bureaucrats' undue interference. She is a regular at hearings in Washington—which she attends at her own expense—and is a tireless advocate.

Harriet owns the F/V Settler. She owned the F/V Bagatell, which is now an educational vessel at Stony Brook University. She is owner and operator of New Bedford Ship Supply, one of the oldest ship chandleries on the East Coast.

Mrs. Didriksen's father dragged in the winter and scalloped in the summer. He emigrated from Norway to Brooklyn and moved to New Bedford to be closer to George's Bank. Her uncles were also fishermen. Her brother is a shore-side business and vessel owner. She is the mother of two.

New England fishermen are fortunate to have her on their side.

MARTIN S. MANLEY

The late Capt. Martin "Marty" Manley was a commercial fisherman for 38 years, and at the age of just 19, was one of the youngest skippers out of the Port of New Bedford.

Captain Manley was a tireless advocate for the commercial scallop fishing industry. He was recognized as an industry leader and received numerous awards and accolades, including Helmsman of the Year from the Port of Gloucester. He was a member and former