

HONORING MARVIN TEER, SR.

HON. WM. LACY CLAY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mr. CLAY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Marvin Teer, Sr., a valued member of the St. Louis community. Mr. Teer passed away on May 27, 2010, at the age of 93. His efforts greatly enriched the city of St. Louis, and his legacy will continue to inspire his residents for years to come.

Mr. Teer grew up against a backdrop of adversity and racial tension. He was born in Meridian, Mississippi, and at the tender age of 5, his family suffered the tragic loss of Mr. Teer's uncle, who was lynched. Mr. Teer's parents moved the family to East St. Louis in search of new opportunities for themselves and their children. Mr. Teer took full advantage of those opportunities, graduating from Lincoln Senior High School and going on to earn his bachelor's degree in education and two master's degrees, one in education and another in administration.

In World War II, he fought courageously in the Army, which was at that time segregated. He rose to the rank of Staff Sergeant, where he worked to secure equal resources and equal respect for his fellow black soldiers.

Mr. Teer returned to St. Louis in 1946 to teach history and urban studies at Lincoln Senior High School and later Vashon High School. Being a dedicated teacher, he shared his knowledge and energy with students for a full 30 years.

Mr. Teer had a passion for working to improve St. Louis, and that commitment to his city extended far beyond his position as a teacher. Mr. Teer participated in a diverse array of city organizations, including the Metropolitan Youth Commission, the St. Louis Board of Equalization, the Board of Building Appeals, and the St. Louis Area Agency on Aging.

Upon his retirement, Mr. Teer directed his enthusiasm for serving his community toward the goal of providing transportation to the seniors of St. Louis. He co-founded Available Citywide Transportation, which grew from one van to a fleet of 43 under his watch.

Madam Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to Mr. Teer, a citizen whose commitment to his community was a testament to Missouri and to America. I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring Mr. Marvin Teer, Sr.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ANTHONY
"LITTLE BENNY" HARLEY

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, the District of Columbia gathered on June 11, 2010, in a great hall of the Walter E. Washington Convention Center to honor one of our own, out of S.E. and Ballou Senior High School, Anthony "Little Benny" Harley, for his distinctive contributions to our musical identity as a city. We gathered to celebrate our native son, whose magnificent trumpet brought joy to the world and acclaim to the District of Columbia.

Little Benny became the living proof that a godfather could have godsons, when Little Benny showed the world that go-go music was no one-man passing fad—from the time Little Benny listened and learned from the go-go Godfather himself, Chuck Brown, to the day Little Benny died after performing alongside the Godfather.

Few cities produce musical talent so deep that it comes to symbolize the town itself. Motown did that for Detroit. Go-go has done that for D.C. Little Benny's sound kept us from having "Government Town" plastered on our backs. His funk was the musical background for our fight for our vote and for statehood and against the autocrats in Congress who try to step on D.C. and on our rights. Little Benny's non-stop funk, his beat, and his chants said "Don't Mess with D.C." better than anything I could ever say on the floor of the House of Representatives. All too prematurely, Little Benny now joins our city's own hall of fame for musical geniuses, who have put D.C. on the musical map, from Duke Ellington to Sam Cook. Music comes and music goes, fast, but Little Benny has helped carve out a special brand of funk that distinguishes him and his hometown alike. We want Little Benny to rest in peace, but his sound will keep us all moving to his never ending beat.

PROTECTING CYBERSPACE AS A
NATIONAL ASSET ACT OF 2010

HON. JANE HARMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. HARMAN. Madam Speaker, the stark image on millions of television screens around the world is of a broken pipe one mile underwater, spewing tens of thousands of gallons of oil into the ocean each day.

This deadly and disturbing horror could be replicated should we have a major cyber attack—broken networks spewing tens of thousands of terabytes of information about critical infrastructure, national security, mission-critical data and personal financial records.

Indeed, damage caused by the worst environmental disaster in U.S. history could pale in comparison to the chaos that could ensue after a major cyber attack.

So today, Madam Speaker, I am pleased to introduce with Rep. PETER KING the companion bill to S. 3480, The Protecting Cyberspace as a National Asset Act of 2010. Authored by Senators LIEBERMAN, COLLINS and CARPER, S. 3480 was the subject of a legislative hearing yesterday in the Senate, and is moving there on a fast track.

In the words of former Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Policy Stewart Baker, "we are going to have a meltdown" if we fail to act to protect our cyber networks.

Right now we are chasing the problem. We need to get ahead of it. As described in the report released today by the Government Accountability Office—we face daunting challenges in tackling this problem, including: a lack of sustained leadership, insufficient resources, authority to enforce actions in the event of an imminent cyber attack, the need to partner with other federal agencies and private sector entities and insufficient education and training.

All of which this bill aims to correct.

First, the bill would establish a coordinating mechanism at the White House—an Office of Cyberspace Policy—to develop a national strategy for securing and improving the resiliency of cyberspace.

Second, it would create a National Center for Cybersecurity and Communications at the Department of Homeland Security to identify and mitigate cyber vulnerabilities. The Center would be charged with providing situational awareness, conducting risk-based assessments of threats, identifying vulnerabilities, managing external access points for federal networks, overseeing operations of US-CERT, and working with the private sector to establish security requirements to strengthen vital components of critical infrastructure like the electric grid and telecommunications networks.

Third, the key section of the bill provides the President with authority—in consultation with Congress—to impose emergency security measures on critical infrastructure networks in the event of a catastrophic cyber attack. Presently, this authority is ad hoc.

Fourth, this legislation requires development of a supply chain risk management strategy to address risks and threats to information technology products and services upon which the federal government relies.

Finally, the bill requires the new Department of Homeland Security Cybersecurity Office to consult with the Privacy & Civil Liberties Oversight Board mandated in the 2004 Intelligence Reform & Terrorism Prevention Act. Sadly, this Administration has yet to nominate individuals to serve on the Board. Additionally, the Director of the National Center for Cybersecurity and Communications is required to designate a privacy officer to review activities of the Center and conduct privacy impact assessments to ensure information is being collected in a manner that protects privacy and civil liberties of U.S. persons.

With strong leadership to implement it, this bill will plug the gaping hole in our cyber defenses—while we have the chance to do so—and, hopefully, prevent another potential devastating disaster.

I urge its prompt enactment.

A TRIBUTE TO EVA SMITH
MCQUILLAN

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 Eva Smith McQuillan for her valuable contributions to her community.

Eva Smith McQuillan was born in Currie, North Carolina on July 11, 1915 to Alice and Richard Smith. She is the fourth of six children; Sadie, Sealy, James, Eva, Margaret and Edward. She was raised and educated in Wilmington, North Carolina and there she met and married Dawson McQuillan. Together they have two sons, Deck and Dawson.

In 1956, Eva decided to migrate northeast to New York. She and her family settled in Brooklyn and she found employment at B. Altman's Department Store in Manhattan. She began as a Gift Wrapper, moving up the ladder to finally become an Accounting Clerk in the Accounts Receivable Department until her

retirement in 1981. Upon her retirement, Eva became a world traveler, visiting countries in Europe and the Far East including Japan and China. She has also been to the Caribbean, Canada, Mexico, and various sites within the United States of America including Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

In 1958, under the leadership of the late Reverend George W. Thomas, Eva became a member of the Brown Memorial Baptist Church and has been a faithful member ever since. The same year, she became a member of the Floral Club. She went on to become part of the Brown Memorial Baptist Church Pastor's Aid Chorus. For a number of years, she was a Den Mother for the Boy Scouts of America Troop 199. Currently, she is a team leader on the church's restoration project under the leadership of the Reverend Clinton M. Miller.

Mrs. McQuillan loves people and loves to help those in need. Her life's motto is "If I can help someone as I pass along this way—then my living will not be in vain."

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the contributions of Eva Smith McQuillan.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF LT. COL. MELANIE MCCLURE, PRINCIPAL OF ENTERPRISE ELEMENTARY IN DALE CITY, VA

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the service of LTC Melanie McClure, principal of Enterprise Elementary School in Dale City, Va.

Lieutenant Colonel McClure has served with distinction both in our local classrooms and our Nation's military. One year after graduating from James Madison University in 1984 with a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education, she joined the United States Army Reserves. In that same year, her first deployment took her to Germany as a platoon leader, operations officer and adjunct for the Battalion Commander. When she returned home, Lieutenant Colonel McClure began teaching in the Fairfax County Public Schools system. Her career as an educator was put on hold when she once again answered the call to serve on active duty after the devastating terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Lieutenant Colonel McClure served in Alexandria, Va., as a plans and operations officer for the Mortuary and Casualty Support Division until July 2003. She then returned to Kent Gardens Elementary School in Fairfax County as an assistant principal and principal. She took on her current role as principal of Enterprise Elementary School with Prince William County Schools in 2007.

Many of our Nation's reservists juggle leadership roles in both our military and our communities. Lieutenant Colonel McClure is no exception. Her most recent deployment required that she take a leave of absence from her position as the head administrator at Enterprise Elementary to serve on active duty in Iraq. Her students paid tribute to their principal with a send off in the spring of 2009 and on June 7, 2010, they welcomed her home with the rever-

ence and adoration she deserves. Lieutenant Colonel McClure has used this experience to teach her students responsibility and the importance of honoring commitments. These are qualities our veterans come to understand intimately as they sacrifice their safety for the protection of our nation.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the service of LTC Melanie McClure. Her service stands as an example to her students of the bravery of our military's men and women and will instill in future generations an appreciation for the needs of our Nation's veterans.

HONORING THE LIFE OF FRANCES M. BERCKMAN

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the life of Frances M. Berckman, better known as "Nanny Fran."

"Nanny Fran" passed from this life at the age of 96 on Tuesday, June 15th, 2010.

She is remembered fondly and lovingly as a mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and even great great grandmother. She was born and raised in Jersey City some 96 years ago, and lived the past 42 years in Keansburg, New Jersey. Her husband, Matthew passed away in 1990.

She is survived by three daughters and a son-in-law; Dolores Laabs of Pennsylvania, Roberta and Jack Waugh of Hazlet, and Kathleen Berckman of Brick. In addition, she has twelve grandchildren, twenty great grandchildren, and four great great grandchildren.

As if they were not enough to keep her life filled with happiness and love; she spent her time as a homemaker, bingo champion, reading and frequent trips to Atlantic City. She was also a member of St. Ann's Church where a funeral mass will occur to celebrate her life on Friday, June 18th at 11:00 am. Family and friends will gather at the Jacqueline M. Ryan Funeral Home in Keansburg, New Jersey on Thursday, June 17th to share their memories of this wonderful woman.

I was honored to know her through four of her grandchildren (Thomas, Matt, Deidre, and Greg Keelen), who now, along with the rest of her family, serve as her legacy. She is assured that it is in good and loving hands. God Bless "Nanny Fran."

RECOGNIZING CAPTAIN (RETIRED) STUART ALAN RICHARDS SCOTTSDALE HEALTHCARE'S "SALUTE TO MILITARY" HONOREE

HON. HARRY E. MITCHELL

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mr. MITCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a distinguished member of the Armed Forces residing in my home state. In Arizona, Scottsdale Healthcare honors service members who perform diligent service to this country every month; for the month of

May, they have recognized Captain (Retired) Stuart Alan Richards.

I commend Scottsdale Healthcare for paying tribute to this outstanding service member for his commitment, dedication and service to our country.

Captain Richards originally joined the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam era, but subsequently transferred to the Naval Reserve in order to attain a college degree as a Physician's Assistant. After receiving his degree, Captain Richards became a Warrant Officer in the Army National Guard, quickly rising to achieve the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 3 after returning to the Naval Reserve. Captain Richard's final career change occurred in 1988 with his transition into the United States Public Health Service. Once there, he worked at the Phoenix Indian Medical Center where he was deployed numerous times to support medical efforts during the shootings at Red Lakes Reservation in Minnesota and hurricanes in Florida. After 31 years of federal service, he retired in 2006.

Today, Captain Richards continues his life's work of caring for the injured and sick as a Physician's Assistant with Scottsdale Emergency Associates who staff Scottsdale Healthcare's three Emergency Departments.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing this exceptional Military Officer for serving our country and caring for fellow service men and women in and out of combat.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR. JACK WALLACE

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Mr. COHEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. Jack Wallace, an outstanding man who improved the lives of countless individuals while working tirelessly to make Memphis a better and safer place. Born in 1928, Mr. Wallace spent 24 years serving in the Memphis Police Department before his retirement in 1976.

Jack Wallace was one of the most outstanding people to have served the Memphis community. I was privileged to serve as Police Legal Advisor for the Memphis Police Department in the seventies, where Jack served as my mentor. He was the person I looked up to, learned from, and got advice from. The policemen all respected Jack because he was a policeman's policeman; he was a man's man. He was strong; he was smart; he was a natural leader.

Despite never attending college, Mr. Wallace attended the Southern College of Law, where he was consistently at the top of his class. His colleagues and classmates recalled how much they grew to respect and revere him. As a policeman, Jack analyzed issues like a lawyer, cutting through all the issues in order to get to the heart of each matter. Though he never served as the official director of police, Mr. Wallace served as interim director under Mayor Henry Loeb. Jack Wallace was the perfect fit for the job. At the time, there was no one in the police department with more intelligence, more common sense, respect, leadership abilities and a better sense of judgment and values.

During his time with the Memphis Police Department Mr. Wallace faced some of the