

COMMENDING THE ARMY SIGNAL CORPS FOR THEIR SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES AS THEY CELEBRATE THEIR 150TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. PAUL C. BROWN

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 2010

Mr. BROWN of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Army Signal Corps and join them in the celebration of their 150th anniversary. Major Albert James Myer, who saw the need to create a separate military signal service, created the Signal Corps on June 21, 1860.

The Signal Corps has a long and storied history of providing our Army with the most advanced technology to ensure victory on the battlefield. The list of technological achievements are unmatched by any other military in the world. The Signal Corps first aided our efforts in the Spanish-American war where they ensured our victory by providing vital signaling, telephone and telegraph communications, combat photography, and balloons for intelligence gathering. Innovations by the Signal Corps early in the twentieth century lead to the creation of the Washington-Alaska Military Cable and Telegraph System, the first wireless communications system in the Western Hemisphere, the first Army radar system, and the tactical FM radio.

Their dedication to stay on the forefront of communications technology by unceasingly developing advanced systems provided the U.S. with an unparalleled advantage during World War II. The Signal Corps also assisted the Air Force in launching the first communications satellite, paving the way for world-wide communications, and they continued to play a pertinent role to U.S. efforts during Vietnam where they deployed a tropospheric-scatter radio as well as the SYCOM satellite communications service. This drastically improved the speed and viability of communications in combat zones.

Today we honor the Army Signal Corps by recognizing their irreplaceable contributions to the United States Army. The results of their innovative developments are evident in the premier fighting force that protects us and our freedoms. In fact, it is the innovations by the Signal Corps that provided a foundation for subsequent communication technologies have been built. The importance of this transcends the military into the private sector by reducing both the time and cost of global communications.

The Army Signal Corps, who are headquartered in my district at Fort Gordon, trains more military service members than any other training center in the U.S. Army. I am honored to recognize their service to the American people. They have not only improved the lives of service members, but also the citizens our servicemen and women are sworn to protect. I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring the Army Signal Corps for their irreplaceable role to the United States Army over the last 150 years.

HONORING BOB BURKE

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 2010

Ms. WOOLSEY. Madam Speaker, I rise with sadness today to honor my friend Bob Burke of Forestville, California, who passed away suddenly on June 10, 2010, at his home. Bob was both a true conservationist as a champion of the local environment of Sonoma County's Russian River Area and a true humanitarian as the creator of Bob Burke's Kids, which offers support and outings to children with serious health problems.

Born in 1947, Bob remained in his hometown of Forestville where his parents had started a successful business, Burke's Canoe Trips, a resort on the Russian River. He and his sister Linda later became co-owners and co-operators of the resort, a popular fixture for tourists and locals in the community.

The Burkes understood the key role of the Russian River not only for the recreation business but also for the health of the whole ecosystem. They worked especially closely with Russian Riverkeeper on fishing and flow issues.

Bob was best known for his community volunteering and charitable work, especially Bob Burke's Kids, an organization he established in 1974 after meeting a young girl with cancer who lamented her lack of playmates and opportunities for fun. Bob knew he could do something to make life better for children with serious illnesses and for their families.

Bob Burke's Kids grew from an initial Russian River fishing trip for a small group to a year-round program of activities and outings from barbecues and outdoor games to bowling nights and Halloween parties serving hundreds of families. The organization thrived as much on Bob's love as on the money it raised from a supportive community and local organizations.

Bob also personally knew the families and frequently visited the children when they were in the hospital. "He gave so much love," his sister Linda says. "He was the best brother anyone could ever have."

Don McEnhill, Executive Director for Russian Riverkeeper says of him: "Bob Burke always had a funny story or a joke to tell to cheer me up after a contentious hearing or meeting, but it was the kids who faced cancer or other ailments that he always saved his best cheer for and devoted his life to. Bob spent his entire life on the Russian River and clearly understood the recreational value of the Russian River to families who could not afford to go on vacation. Bob always supported our efforts to keep the River clean and healthy so it was available as the community pool for the less fortunate. His passing has left a hole in our community and the Russian River, and we will all miss him."

Madam Speaker, I have attended some of Bob Burke's Kids events and seen the warmth and passion that animated the charitable fundraisers as much as the family outings. Losing Bob has indeed left a hole in our community, one that we can fill by remembering Bob's legacy and carrying on his work.

HONORING THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ON ITS 140TH ANNIVERSARY

SPEECH OF

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of H. Res. 1422, "Honoring the Department of Justice on the occasion of its 140th anniversary," as introduced by our distinguished colleague from Wisconsin, Representative SENSENBRENNER.

Since its establishment in 1870, the Department of Justice has taken the lead in enforcing Federal laws, furnishing counsel in Federal cases, and providing interpretations of the laws under which other executive agencies act. The DOJ's mission has grown as well, meeting challenges that could hardly have been envisioned in 1870. It now has seven separate, specialized divisions, covering Antitrust, Civil, Civil Rights, Criminal matters, Environment and Natural Resources, National Security, and Tax, as well as agencies including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Bureau of Prisons, the United States Marshals Service, the U.S. Central Bureau-International Criminal Police Organization, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, and the Office of Justice Programs.

DOJ's work is as important now as it ever has been. It is one of the leading agencies involved in the protection of our national security; its work has led to the disruption of multiple terrorist organizations in the last decade alone.

The Department plays a key role in the protection of our citizens' intellectual property, helping protect their interest in work they pour their energies into. Since 2004, the Department of Justice has led the 2 largest multinational law enforcement efforts ever directed at online piracy, involving simultaneous efforts in 12 countries, more than 200 searches and arrests in more than 30 States, more than \$100,000,000 in seized pirated works, and a total of 112 felony convictions to date.

DOJ's Antitrust Division is responsible for protecting consumer interests from anti-competitive practices in all sectors of the economy. As industries move further and further towards consolidation—in printing, in broadcasting, in the airline industry, and throughout our economy—DOJ has the responsibility to make sure that actions taken in the name of efficiency don't lead to the dangers of monopoly.

Through its Office of Justice Programs, DOJ has partnered with state and local law enforcement agencies to provide guidance and funding for important initiatives. Violent Crime Impact Teams have arrested more than 14,100 gang members, drug dealers, felons in possession of firearms, and other violent criminals, including more than 2,800 identified as the 'worst of the worst' criminals. Operation FALCON (Federal and Local Cops Organized Nationally) is a series of nationwide fugitive apprehension operations coordinated by the Department of Justice, and has resulted in the collective capture of more than 55,896 dangerous fugitive felons since its inception in 2005.

For almost a century and a half, the Department of Justice has been a critically important part of the Federal government, and it has an equally important role to play in the next decades. I join Representative SENSENBRENNER in honoring the Department on its 140th anniversary, and urge my colleagues to do so as well.

HONORING GRACE DAY

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 2010

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Grace Day of Saint Joseph, Missouri. Grace is active in the community through her work as an attorney and has been chosen to receive the YWCA Women of Excellence Lifetime Achievement Award for Woman in the Workplace.

Grace graduated from the University of South Dakota Law School in 1949. As the only female in her class, Grace constantly had to work harder than her male peers to earn the same level of respect, which was accomplished by graduating third in her class. She was admitted to practice law in South Dakota in 1949 and in Missouri in 1950. In 1963 she was admitted to practice law before the United States Supreme Court.

A pioneer for women in the profession of law, Grace opened her own practice in 1950, where she practiced solo until 1996. Grace was president of the Association of Women Lawyers, and in 1960–62 she served as Special Assistant Attorney General for the State of Missouri. In 1972, she was the first woman president to be elected to the St. Joseph Bar Association. Grace served as International President of B'nai B'rith Women from 1980–82, traveling the world. In 2005, Grace was awarded the alumni Achievement Award from the University of South Dakota. In addition, she has held numerous leadership roles, remained active on foundations, boards, and committees, and has assisted with several fund drives.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing Grace Day. Her achievements and selfless acts of service have impacted countless individuals in and beyond the St. Joseph Community. I am honored to represent her in the United States Congress.

HONORING WASCO TRIBAL CHIEF NELSON WALLULATUM

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 2010

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Nelson Wallulatum, chief of the Wasco Indians, who died on Sunday, June 13, 2010 at age 84. His tenure on the Warm Springs Tribal Council lasted 50 years, during which he oversaw many major tribal undertakings including the construction of a key hydro project, fishing rights litigation, and habitat restoration. His knowledge of the tribal way of life earned him the respect and honor of all who knew him. I found repeatedly that his presence at a meeting added dignity

and perspective, to the benefit of everyone around him.

Chief Wallulatum was an expert in Tribal government and the Constitution, and a scholar of the 1855 Treaty in which the Wasco and Warm Springs Tribes ceded most of their lands to the United States. He served in the U.S. Navy from November 1943 to June 1945. He was also founder of the Museum at Warm Springs and educated younger tribal members in ceremonial customs and prayers. As an advocate of returning the sacred condor to Oregon, Chief Wallulatum named the first chick born in the Oregon Zoo's condor recovery program.

Chief Wallulatum, defended Tribal sovereignty, fishing rights and way of life, and inspired the next generation of tribal leadership and stewardship. His legacy is written in the land, water, and people that he loved.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JIM MARSHALL

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 2010

Mr. MARSHALL. Madam Speaker, although my vote was not recorded by the electronic voting system, I intended to vote for H.R. 5072, the FHA Reform Act of 2010.

HONORING THE LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF FRANCES CORY HOEHN

HON. BARON P. HILL

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 2010

Mr. HILL. Madam Speaker, on the morning of Monday, June 14, 2010, Frances Cory Hoehn passed away at her home in Jeffersonville. She was 100 years old. An avid musician, teacher, and active member of her community, Frances' influence and contributions can be felt and seen throughout Jeffersonville and Southern Indiana as a whole.

Frances Cory was born on November 12, 1909, in Kingman, Indiana, and her love for music and natural talent were apparent at a very young age. She and her parents moved to Jeffersonville in 1925 and she graduated from Jeffersonville High School in 1927. From there, Frances continued on to the Louisville Conservatory of Music and later DePauw University, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Public School Music degree in 1931.

Following her graduation, Frances continued pursuing her passion for music and accepted a teaching position for six Jeffersonville elementary schools. During the Depression, she also helped her father in his automobile business and worked as a social worker in Evansville. Soon after the flood of 1937, she accepted the choral teaching position at Jeffersonville High School, where she met her husband, Elmer Hoehn.

Throughout the next twenty years, Frances was actively involved in the lives of her children as well as other activities. From Girl Scout leader to piano accompanist, there was no role Frances wasn't up to fulfilling. As her children got older, Frances went back to

teaching music, this time at Jeffersonville Junior High in 1959, and retired from Parkview Elementary in 1967. Following retirement, Frances and her husband moved to Washington, DC, where Elmer accepted a position in the Johnson administration, and eventually returned to Jeffersonville in 1990.

From brushing shoulders with John F. Kennedy to giving tours of the Capitol to visiting Hoosiers, participating in bridge clubs to being actively involved in St. Augustine's Church, Frances Cory Hoehn's life was full of unique experiences and giving back to the community. The impact she has had on the countless lives she has touched is undeniable and her contributions will not be forgotten. Her legacy will continue not only through her life's achievements but through her family as well. We honor the life of Frances Cory Hoehn to recognize her outstanding citizenship and lasting presence in Southern Indiana, and our condolences go out to her family.

RECOGNIZING CONTRIBUTIONS OF FATHERS

SPEECH OF

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2010

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my support for H. Res. 1389, which recognizes the importance of fathers to the development of children, support responsible fatherhood, and encourage fathers to be involved in the lives of their children.

This Father's Day, we should all contemplate the great value of conscientious fatherhood. Healthy relationships with their fathers help children to grow into confident, successful adults. Thus, the actions of each of America's millions of fathers have a direct impact on the future of our nation.

Aside from all of the intangible benefits to children of strong connections with their fathers or father figures, there is also significant evidence that shows the much-improved likelihood of success in school and society of those children whose fathers actively support them and provide a positive example for them.

I want to read a quote from author Kent Nerburn, who wrote that there is a certain "sense of honor that makes a man want to be more than he is and to pass something good and hopeful into the hands of his son." I encourage all American fathers to take this charge into their hearts, on this Father's Day and every day.

I urge my colleagues to support this important resolution.

HONORING JUDY TROUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 2010

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Judy Trout of Saint Joseph, Missouri. Judy is active in the community through her generous acts of service and has been chosen to receive the