

proud of the remarkable peace and cross-community cooperation it has accomplished.

While there are many more unanswered questions lingering in Northern Ireland, and many unacknowledged tragedies across each community, no step to resolve these is trivial. The publication of the Saville Inquiry is an important component of the ongoing reconciliation process in Northern Ireland.

I commend Lord Saville and the members of his tribunal for their determination to bring the truth to light. I also commend former British Prime Minister Tony Blair for his leadership in helping to begin this critical process, and current Prime Minister David Cameron for taking up that torch in offering his heartfelt apology on behalf of the British Government for the events of Bloody Sunday. His Statement to the House of Commons on June 15, 2010, was deeply moving.

This Inquiry at last lays to rest one of the most tragic events in the history of Northern Ireland. And I hope it will help bring closure to the affected families and further the healing process in Northern Ireland. There is still more work to be done, and I stand ready, with my colleagues, to lend assistance to our friends in the British Government, and the people of Northern Ireland, to ensure that peace and reconciliation continue to progress in Northern Ireland.

IN RECOGNITION OF LAWRENCE S. SYKOFF

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Lawrence Sykoff for his contribution and commitment to his community, and the subsequent honor he has received from the American Cancer Society (ACS) in appreciation of his efforts. Lawrence Sykoff is a valuable member of my district. I would like to congratulate him on being the honored individual at ACS's Annual Golf Classic 2010.

Lawrence Sykoff has been the Headmaster of Ranney School since 1993, a private elementary school in Tinton Falls, NJ, committed to high quality education. Mr. Sykoff is a highly influential force in the field of education, having been a teacher and administrator for over 35 years, as well as an active member of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS), the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education, and the New Jersey Association of Independent Schools (NJ AIS). The publications he has written for NAIS and doctoral dissertation on child education marks Mr. Sykoff as an exceptionally dedicated intellectual leader in the field of education. Moreover, in addition to his successful professional career, Mr. Sykoff is an active member of his community. He is on the Board of Trustees of the Count Basie Theatre, the Board of the Riverview Medical Center Foundation, as well as on the Board of the American Cancer Society. I, myself, have honored Mr. Sykoff on two occasions with a Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition for his community service. He is unquestionably deserving of our praise and attention.

Madam Speaker, I would once more like to thank Lawrence Sykoff for his immeasurable

contributions to my district and his community, and to again congratulate him for the honors he has received from the American Cancer Society in this year's Annual Golf Classic.

CONGRATULATING KAROLE WHITE FOR HER NOMINATION TO THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF BROADCASTERS HALL OF FAME

HON. JOHN D. DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to one of my district's outstanding citizens, Karole White. Karole was recently nominated to the Michigan Association of Broadcasters (MAB) Hall of Fame because of her service to my home state of Michigan.

Karole is best known for her selfless work on behalf of the MAB. For nearly 25 years, she has dedicated herself to the growth and improvement of that organization.

When Karole joined the MAB, the organization had minimal resources, and membership was at about half of what it could have been. She played a large role in growing the MAB into one of Michigan's most respected trade associations and among the nation's finest state broadcaster associations. Karole's strong leadership and innovation have helped the MAB integrate into all areas of the broadcasting industry. Currently, over 89 percent of individuals, companies, and organizations affiliated with broadcasting in Michigan have joined the MAB.

As you know, Karole is a highly respected member of the broadcasting industry, and her related expertise has allowed her to build a strong relationship with my staff and me. She often provides valuable input on telecommunications issues and is always eager to collaborate with others for the public good. Most importantly, however, her integrity and reliability make me consider her a close friend.

Karole continues to employ the MAB's resources to benefit Michigan's communities through the Michigan Association of Broadcasters Foundation. She is truly deserving of her nomination to the MAB Hall of Fame, and I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating her on this honor.

McLEAN CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. WOLF. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the centennial of McLean, Virginia, and the celebration event held on June 26. I want to thank the McLean Community Center, honorary chair former Virginia Governor and Senator Charles Robb, master of ceremonies former Delegate Vince Callahan, and McLean & Great Falls Celebrate Virginia board of directors for making the centennial celebration possible.

McLean & Great Falls Celebrate Virginia was founded to perpetuate and promote the preservation of local history. It grew out of the

local organization founded in 2003 as part of the statewide celebration for the 400th anniversary of the settlement at Jamestown and has worked tirelessly to organize the 100th anniversary celebration for the McLean community.

The small village that grew to become McLean began when John R. McLean and Senator Stephen Elkins of West Virginia obtained a charter to operate a trolley line called the Great Falls & Old Dominion Railroad to promote the scenic beauty of the Great Falls of the Potomac. The 14-mile electrified railroad linked Washington, D.C., to the falls on the old Aqueduct Bridge. Over the last century many people have made McLean their home, seeking a refuge from the hectic lifestyle of the nation's capital. The beauty and mixture of farmland, forests, and the Great Falls of the Potomac make McLean a truly unique and special place.

While McLean has grown over the years it has managed to keep its community spirit and rural flavor. With first class schools both public and private, safe neighborhoods, and special sense of community, the "village" of McLean is indeed a welcoming place to live and raise a family.

Madam Speaker, it is my honor and privilege to represent the McLean community and to help commemorate the 100th anniversary of this special community.

VANESSA VASQUEZ

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Vanessa Vasquez who has received the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Vanessa Vasquez is a 12th grader at Pamona High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Vanessa Vasquez is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations once again to Vanessa Vasquez for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character to all her future accomplishments.

IN HONOR OF PROFESSOR THOMAS J. REED

HON. JOE SESTAK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. SESTAK. Madam Speaker, on the occasion of his retirement from the School of Law at Widener University, it gives me great pleasure to acknowledge the achievements and contributions of the talented and altruistic public servant, author, professor, warrior, and history buff Professor Thomas J. Reed, J.D. A

2nd Lieutenant of the U.S. Marine Corps awarded the Air Medal for his efforts in the Dominican Republic in 1965, and loved father of Heather and wife of Emily, Tom certainly deserves our praise.

Throughout Professor Reed's career, he has shown the greatest respect for public service. He has served in our nation's military, worked as a Reporter to the Delaware Supreme Court for the Delaware Appellate Handbook and the Supreme Court for revisions to the Delaware Uniform Rules of Evidence, worked for and served as the President of the Civil War Round Table of Wilmington, Delaware, and was instrumental in the establishment of the Widener University Veterans Law Clinic, which specializes in representing those Veterans without the means to mount a challenge to unfair decisions rendered by the VA.

In addition to his noteworthy service to many venerable organizations of our nation, Professor Thomas Reed has spent 29 years of his life educating generations of prospective lawyers at the Widener University School of Law in effective and innovative ways. His play, entitled *Delaware: A State Divided* is an excellent learning device for school-age children, and he has recently filmed a short piece to introduce law students to the intricacies and challenges associated with trials.

Professor Reed has worked extensively with my office to defend the rights of our heroes who fight for our freedom day in and day out. His innovative ideas on merging Department of Defense and Veterans Administration records to permit the seamless flow of information between those two organizations could dramatically improve the delivery of cost-effective medical care to Veterans. Professor Reed also was recently recognized by the Taischoff Advocacy, Technology, and Public Service Institute as the first Taischoff Professor of Law upon the organization's creation in 2008.

As our nation struggles on so many fronts—suffering the most severe economic woes in decades and fighting multiple wars abroad—it is important to remember the successes achieved by our constituents in our communities every single day. I am truly honored to offer this recognition to Professor Thomas J. Reed, and I wish him well in his retirement.

HONORING THE LIFE OF H.D.
"DILL" MULLIS

HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of H.D. "Dill" Mullis, a truly great Alaskan and a good friend.

Dill Mullis was born on March 13, 1935 in Jacksonville, FL to H.D. and Sara A. Mullis. He graduated from Andrew Jackson High School and the University of Florida.

Following his undergraduate education, Dill courageously joined the armed forces. He was an Air Force pilot and Vietnam veteran. His military decorations include: The Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star; Air Medals, Meritorious Service Medal, RVN Cross of Gallantry and RVN Air medals.

After his honorable and courageous service to his country, Dill joined the ITT Company in 1971, where he was assigned to Anchorage in

the military contracts and commercial operations division. Subsequently, he was involved in the construction, operations, and maintenance in support of the exploratory drilling program in the National Petroleum Reserve Alaska, the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System and various projects throughout Alaska.

Dill was a quintessential Alaskan and he will be dearly missed. His courage, tenacity and independence helped to show everyone around him, and the rest of the Lower 48, what it really meant to be an Alaskan.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly; daughters, Patricia Hopkins of Anchorage and Kathleen Matson of Eugene, Oregon; daughter in law, Cindie Mullis of Anchorage; sons, Stephen Mullis of Portage, Wisconsin, and Mark Mullis of Hong Kong, China. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A TRIBUTE TO MARGUERITE
STERLIN

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Marguerite Sterlin on the occasion of her 106th birthday.

Marguerite Sterlin was born on July 20, 1904 in Cap Haitian. She came to the United States in the early 1960s, and has been a resident of Brooklyn ever since.

For approximately 30 years, Ms. Sterlin worked as a babysitter and a seamstress. She is now retired.

Ms. Sterlin was never married, and did not have children of her own. She is the only survivor of her five siblings, but is visited by her nieces and nephews.

Ms. Sterlin is a member of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. Her hobbies include sewing, cooking, and dancing. She also enjoys Haitian music and ice cream, and she is known to many as "JoJo," pronounced "GoGo."

She has been at River Manor Care Center in Brooklyn, New York, since 2003. She is a regular participant in daily recreational programs, and is very close to the Haitian staff of River Manor, and is considered their adopted grandmother.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the life of Marguerite Sterlin.

COMMEMORATING THE NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION OF COLORED WOMEN'S CLUBS AND YOUTH AFFILIATES, INC.'S 114TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Madam Speaker, today I would like to recognize the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs and Youth Affiliates, Inc.'s 114th Anniversary and 57th Biennial Convention. This convention, scheduled to take place between July 29th

and August 2nd in Denver, Colorado will be a fantastic opportunity for such a distinguished club to showcase its achievements and renowned history.

The club's history dates back to 1895 when Josephine St. Pierre Ruffin issued a call for a national meeting of women of color to take place in Boston, Massachusetts. This marked the beginning of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs. Founded by Ida B. Wells, Harriet Tubman, Frances E.W. Harper and Mary Church Terrell in 1896, the NACWC began the uphill battle for women and African Americans throughout the twentieth century. For the past one-hundred and fourteen years, the organization has fought barriers to economic and political advancement for women of color. Its creed encourages members to contribute heavily to community service within American society, particularly to causes related to the plight of the African American woman. It emphasizes the role of all women in improving society for the benefit of everyone. Through their educational workshops and seminars, their scholarship programs, and their youth programs, the NACWC has cultivated the talents of generations of successful women.

Historically, the group was the educational and support base for Black Colleges and Universities, which promoted literacy among African Americans throughout the 19th and 20th centuries. The work of the organization's founders and members has proven an inspiration for future African American women to lift up their communities as they climb their respective stairways to success. The National Association of Colored Women's Clubs has become the exemplar of what can be accomplished when women throughout the nation come together to promote interracial understanding, justice and peace among all people, raise the standard of the home, and advance the moral, economic, social and religious welfare of the family. The courage, persistence and unity of the women of the NACWC have served as inspiration and hope for the future of an America that will embrace the value of diversity for generations to come.

MARINE CORPS CORPORAL DAANE
ADAM DEBOER

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and deep sadness that I wish to commend United States Marine Corps Corporal Daane Adam DeBoer for his bravery and willingness to fight for his country. Corporal DeBoer was killed when hit by an improvised explosive device while on foot patrol in the Helmand province in Afghanistan. His sacrifice will forever be remembered by a community that has been struck by the devastating loss of one of their own.

Daane Adam DeBoer was born in Valparaiso, Indiana. He attended Immanuel Lutheran School through the sixth grade. Former teachers report that Daane was an energetic youth with a zest for life. From a young age, family members remember Daane as having a thirst for the extreme. He enjoyed extreme sports, whether he was skiing in Colorado or walking the 2,200 miles of the Appalachian Trail to help raise money for the