

CONGRATULATING FRENCHTOWN
HISTORIC FOUNDATION

HON. CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and commend the Frenchtown Historic Foundation for their steadfast commitment to completing the Frenchtown Historic Site designation.

Just West of the Whitman Mission National Historic Site and among the rolling hills of wheat outside of Walla Walla, the 27 acre site set to open on December 11, 2010 will preserve an important part of our Northwest History. The Frenchtown Historic Site commemorates an area with rich historical heritage dating back to the famous expedition of Lewis and Clark in the early 1800s.

Frenchtown was originally established by French-Canadians associated with the Hudson's Bay Company trading post at Fort Nez Percé along the Columbia River. My family first settled on a plot of land near Walla Walla and the Frenchtown Historic Site in 1853, shortly before the Yakima War broke out tearing the farmers, natives, loggers, and pioneers apart and away from their homes. This designation coincides with the 155th Anniversary of the Battle of Walla Walla—the longest sustained battle in Northwest history. Twenty three years later, in 1876, the St. Rose of Lima Mission Church and cemetery were established that still exist to this day.

The Frenchtown Historical Site designation culminates over five years of cooperative coordinated efforts by numerous local, state, and federal parties all orchestrated by the Frenchtown Historic Foundation, with special efforts made by Daniel Clark, Sam Pambrun, and Karen Bergevin Zohner.

Madam Speaker, I urge all of my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Frenchtown Historic Foundation for its job well done.

RECOGNIZING COUNCILMAN JOHN
PAUL LEDESMA FOR HIS SERVICE
TO THE CITY OF MISSION
VIEJO

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ISSA. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the exemplary service of Mission Viejo City Councilman John Paul Ledesma, who has faithfully kept the public trust since he joined the Mission Viejo Council in 1998.

During his 12 year tenure, John Paul distinguished himself as a proponent of fiscal restraint and responsible public budgeting, a fierce advocate for personal property rights and a vocal opponent of excessive taxation.

His efforts on behalf of the people of Mission Viejo have contributed significantly to the public safety and their quality of life. John Paul spearheaded the effort to make Mission Viejo the first city in Orange County to adopt an ordinance requiring its employees and contractors to participate in the federal E-verify system to insure that documents presented to establish employment eligibility are valid.

He fought to protect the rights of citizens to religious expression and to protect children using computers in the City library from the dangers of the Internet. As Mission Viejo's representative on the Orange County Vector Control District he worked cooperatively with representatives of surrounding communities to protect public health.

John Paul also served terms as Mayor in 2003 and Mayor Pro Tem in 2007. City ordinance limits council service to 12 years, and John Paul completes that term having maintained the trust of its citizens and leaving the community better off for his service.

It is with gratitude and appreciation for work well done, that we commend John Paul Ledesma for his public service and wish him well in future endeavors.

A TRIBUTE TO DR. SALLYE
GRANBERRY

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Dr. Sallye Granberry.

Dr. Sallye Cranberry was born in 1958, the first child of Yvonne Walker, a single high school graduate from Nashville, Tennessee. She was raised in Harlem one block north of the Apollo Theater, and attended the Harriet Tubman School, a public elementary school on 127th Street. She was awarded a scholarship from the organization A Better Chance, to attend Walden, a private school on the upper west side. This school ignited a passion in Sallye for the sciences, and encouraged her to tutor fellow classmates in the anatomy lab. She graduated from Walden in 1976 and won a scholarship to attend Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. She entered Northwestern as a biology major ready to pursue teaching, but graduated in 1980 as a pre-med student, after volunteering at Planned Parenthood and realizing her deep interest in women's health. She attended Medical School at SUNY Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse, NY, and graduated in 1984 to pursue a Radiology residency in Brooklyn, New York, at Maimonides Medical Center. She was Chief Resident at Maimonides in 1989, and completed a Body Imaging fellowship at St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital in New York City in 1990. She achieved Board Certification in Diagnostic Radiology in 1990. She has worked at several hospitals here in Brooklyn, but has remained in the public hospital system at Woodhull Medical Center for almost 10 years. As a Diagnostic Radiologist, Sallye has pursued her interest in women's health through the subspecialties of Mammography and Ultrasound.

Dr. Granberry's dedication to community service started early in her life when she joined the Junior Elks Club in Harlem. She volunteered at Planned Parenthood while in high school and in college. There she learned that there was an urgent need to provide medical care to women, especially pregnant teens and women of color. While attending Northwestern she joined the sisterhood of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, a community service organization. She was one of the founding members of One Step Before, a minority student organization composed of premedical stu-

dents. During her medical school training she was a member of UMPA, Upstate Medical and Paramedical Association; this minority student organization was a precursor of the SNMA, Student National Medical Association Chapter in Syracuse, NY.

Currently Sallye is Vice President of the Medical and Dental Staff at Woodhull Medical Center, where she has held office since 2005. She is section chief of Mammography and Ultrasound at Woodhull, a position that gives her an opportunity to provide excellent care to women of all ages, regardless of their ability to pay. She educates her patients to promote self-awareness and preventive care.

Dr. Granberry resides in Canarsie, Brooklyn with her husband Michael LaMont and their two teenage sons, Akil and Jawan. She is a member of the Radiologic Society of North America, the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine and the New York Breast Imaging Society. She attends church regularly at Church of the Rock in Canarsie and is a member of the Schomburg Society in Harlem. She enjoys traveling with her family, and attending educational seminars.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the achievements of Dr. Sallye Granberry.

HEALTHY, HUNGER-FREE KIDS
ACT OF 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 1, 2010

Mrs. MALONEY. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of S. 3307, the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act, a bill that provides a historic investment in the health of our nation's children. This bill will help address the severe concerns of both obesity and hunger that severely impact them.

In my home state of New York alone, the statistics are staggering:

32.9 percent of children in New York are overweight or obese and New York taxpayers spend an estimated \$6.1 billion on Medicaid and Medicare each year to treat obesity-related chronic diseases.

16.7 percent of children under 18 in New York are at-risk of being hungry. This bill will expand access to the child nutrition programs and fill nutrition gaps when family resources are tight.

1,813,000 of New York's children participate in the National School Lunch Program, NSLP, each year and will receive healthier school meals provided by the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act. 1,147,000 of those kids are low-income children, who will benefit from better access to free school meals through promotion of and improvements to direct certification.

New York will receive up to \$17.5 million to improve the nutrition quality of school lunches because of this bill.

281,500 children in New York participate in the Child and Adult Food Care Program and will benefit from increased resources, more training to childcare providers to serve healthier meals and snacks and increased physical activity.

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act will streamline certification periods in the WIC program and provide New York's 514,500 participants with better nutrition services coordination, increased opportunities for nutrition intervention, and more support and counseling time.

New York has 110 Farm to School programs. The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act provides dedicated funding to help schools to support local agriculture and provide children with more health and nutrition education opportunities.

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act goes a long way toward improving the nutrition of our school meals and strengthening accountability to produce healthier results for our children. Finally, S. 3307 is fully paid for and will not add to the deficit.

HONORING MARK COVALL

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

Mr. STARK. Madam Speaker, I join with my colleague and friend DAVE CAMP (R-MI) to recognize Mr. Mark Covall, president and CEO of the National Association of Psychiatric Health Systems, NAPHS, who marks 25 years of service with the association this year.

NAPHS advocates for behavioral health and represents provider systems that own or manage more than 600 psychiatric hospitals, general hospital psychiatric and addiction treatment units and behavioral healthcare divisions, residential treatment facilities, youth services organizations, and extensive outpatient networks.

Over the course of the past quarter century, Mr. Covall has worked with diligence and integrity to bring the expertise of the association's member organizations to bear on policy development in support of the needs of Americans of all ages who experience serious mental and addictive conditions. The longevity—of both the association (founded in 1933) and the tenure of Mr. Covall—are rare in a field that has seen dramatic changes over the past decades.

Mr. Covall has overseen and influenced these changes. He has initiated and helped lead effective model coalitions bringing together the public and private sectors with consumers and families in support of landmark legislation, including the Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act. His collaborative leadership has also moved forward the development and implementation of the first publicly reported core measures for inpatient psychiatric services, now embedded in hospital accreditation.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mark Covall for his leadership, dedication, and advocacy through the National Association of Psychiatric Health Systems on behalf of the individuals and families throughout our Nation who are dealing with serious mental and addictive disorders.

IN HONOR OF DONALD W. HODGES
FOR 50 SUCCESSFUL YEARS AS
AN INVESTMENT BROKER AND
SMALL BUSINESSMAN

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Donald W. Hodges, the co-founder of First Dallas Securities and Hodges Capital Management and the co-manager of Hodges Fund and Hodges Small Cap Fund. For 50 years Don has brought financial success to investors. Along with his three children—all of whom hold positions within his company—and 36 area employees, Don has made his business the gold standard of the investment industry.

Many people work until retirement age and begin to settle down. Don has only grown his business since he reached retirement age over 10 years ago, by adding Hodges Small Cap Fund in 2007 and Blue Chip; Equity Income; and Pure Contrarian funds last year. He is the epitome of the small business men and women who make up 80 percent of our nation's job creators.

Don began working with Merrill Lynch in 1960, and in 1974 joined Rauscher Pierce Refsnes, now Dain Rauscher. In 9 years he became President of Rauscher, and in 1981 was named one of the top 20 brokers by Registered Rep magazine. Six years ago he was profiled by CNN Money, where he was noted for both his outstanding business practices and the financial success he has enjoyed.

Don has worked hard to improve his community even beyond his businesses. One of his more prominent positions is on the Foundation Board of Directors for West Texas A&M University, where he encourages students to attend WTAMU because of the values the institution professes.

Small businesses are a critical component to our economy, and Don has done more than most to increase the size of the pie for all who have been associated with him for his five decades in the investment business. It is for this reason I ask all of my colleagues to join me in honoring Donald W. Hodges on this day.

NATIONAL MEDIA SHOW BIAS ON TAXES

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Madam Speaker, the national media have framed the tax debate from a liberal perspective.

For example, the media frequently say Republicans favor extending tax "cuts," which implies lowering tax rates from their current level.

In fact, Republicans support extending the existing tax rates to avoid a \$3.9 trillion tax increase on every taxpaying American.

Furthermore, the media often say that Republicans support tax cuts for the rich. However, they rarely mention that the country's top earners already pay a disproportionately large share of the nation's taxes.

In fact, the top 1 percent of earners pay a larger share of the income tax burden than the bottom 95 percent of earners combined. And many of the top 1 percent are small business owners who create jobs and stimulate the economy.

The national media should give Americans the facts on taxes, not tell them what to think.

A TRIBUTE TO MS. FRANKIE COOPER

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Ms. Frankie Cooper.

Ms. Cooper was born on October 10, 1992, in Brooklyn, New York. She is the daughter of two proud parents, Mary and Steven Cooper; the granddaughter of Bertha and Charlie Johnson; and holds the loving support of her mother's fiancé, and future stepfather, Wilbert Tee Lawton.

Ms. Cooper is a very dedicated student that excels at everything she puts her mind to. Ms. Cooper attended various private schools during her academic career in Brooklyn: Emanuel Baptist Church Christian School, Saukoka Academy, Saint Paul's Community Christian School and Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School. Ms. Cooper always strived toward academic excellence. Among her many accomplishments, Ms. Cooper maintained her honor roll status throughout high school and successfully graduated with an Advanced Regents Diploma. Ms. Cooper was also inducted into the National Society of High School Scholars.

Beyond Ms. Cooper's dedication to academics, she has a clear commitment to philanthropy. Throughout high school, she volunteered at food banks, nursing homes and hospitals. In total, she donated over 100 hours of her personal time for the benefit of others. Involvement in community service enabled Ms. Cooper to realize her leadership potential; she later became Vice President of her school's Leadership Council and a member of her school's student government. She single-handedly managed an annual school fundraiser for her high school's sister school, St. Mary's, in Kenya. At graduation, Ms. Cooper was surprised with an honor bestowed to only two seniors every year: a place on Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School's Wall of Who's Who, an honor also bestowed upon the Hon. Rudolph W. Giuliani, former Mayor of New York City.

Ms. Cooper has dreamed of becoming a doctor since she was two years old. In 2007, she was accepted into the Arthur Ashe Program at Downstate Medical School in Brooklyn, New York. This highly competitive program was designed to provide opportunity for inner-city students who exemplify outstanding academic success and show an interest in the medical field. From a pool of 5,000 applicants, Ms. Cooper was one of only twenty-five students accepted into this prestigious program. She graduated at the top of her class in 2010.

Today, Ms. Cooper is a freshman biology major at Howard University in Washington, D.C. She is already an active member of the Howard community; recently, Ms. Cooper was