prestigious award and for his many years of educating and inspiring the next generation of educators and scientists.

RECOGNIZING THE HONORABLE MILITARY SERVICE OF SERGEANT MAJOR JEFFREY H. DIXON

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 1, 2011

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the distinguished career of Sergeant Major Jeffrey H. Dixon on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Marine Corps. I offer SgtMaj Dixon my sincerest thanks for his 33 years of dedicated service in protecting our nation and safeguarding its future.

SgtMaj Dixon joined the Marine Corps in 1978 at Parris Island, South Carolina. On four separate occasions, SgtMaj Dixon was meritoriously promoted through the ranks with participation in the evacuation of a U.S. embassy, the Palestine Liberation Organization, and subsequent combat operations in Beirut, Lebanon—all within the first five years of his career.

In 1983, SgtMaj Dixon reported to 2/1 and completed a deployment as a Platoon Sergeant to Okinawa, Japan as well as a western pacific deployment. During this tour, SgtMaj Dixon's exceptional skills were set apart when his squad won the First Marines Rifle Squad competition. Shortly following, SgtMaj Dixon was selected along with nine other Marines to form what became the Combat Assault Training Section where he designed and instructed multiple courses that are utilized to this day.

SgtMaj Dixon's additional tours of duty include Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm, the 11th and 15th MEU, Operations Desert Thunder and Desert Fox, Task Force 58 in Afghanistan and Operation Iraq Freedom I & II. Throughout these deployments, SgtMaj Dixon distinguished himself by extraordinary acts of leadership time and again. Among his many accomplishments, his decorations include Meritorious Service Medals, a Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medals and a Combat Action Ribbon. These recognitions are a true testament of SgtMaj Dixon's dedication, leadership and commitment to our country.

In 2007 SgtMaj Dixon was assigned as the SgtMaj for Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton where in 2008, as a reflection of his work, the Base won the Commander and Chiefs Installation Excellence award. Moreover, SgtMaj Dixon's service in his current position as the Sergeant Major for the Marine Corps Installations West has truly been the capstone of a remarkable military career.

SgtMaj Dixon's demonstrated leadership, dedication and expertise has inspired countless fellow Marines As he enters this new stage of his life, I hope that SgtMaj Dixon will benefit from his years of work, just as the United States Marine Corps has benefited. I offer him my congratulations and may he enjoy a rewarding retirement.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to please join me in honoring all the brave men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces, and the admirable service of Sergeant Major Jeffrey Dixon.

HONORING THE ARLINGTON FOOD ASSISTANCE CENTER'S (AFAC) PERMANENT HOME CAPITAL CAMPAIGN, AND KELLER WIL-LIAMS, ARLINGTON

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 1, 2011

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Arlington Food Assistance Center's (AFAC) Permanent Home Capital Campaign, and Keller Williams, Arlington, both of which are located in Virginia's Eighth Congressional District.

AFAC's Permanent Home Campaign was launched in 2008. The goals of the campaign are to pay off the mortgage of their new building, establish a capital needs fund, and pay back AFAC's modest endowment fund from which the downpayment on the building purchase was borrowed.

The Arlington Food Assistance Center has many generous and faithful friends who have assisted them in the campaign effort. They have raised \$760,000 so far, moving closer toward their \$1 million goal.

No community partner has worked as tirelessly on this effort as the Community Outreach Committee of Keller Williams, Arlington. Keller Williams has graciously hosted fundraisers for AFAC and their Permanent Home Campaign, and is now the largest donor to the Campaign—having raised over \$100,000 in 3 years.

I would like to commend the Arlington Food Assistance Center for their work on behalf of the less fortunate in Arlington County and recognize Keller Williams, Arlington, for partnering with them in support of their Permanent Home Campaign and overall mission to feed the hungry in our region.

HONORING CLEM ROY

HON. JOHN B. LARSON

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 1, 2011

Mr. LARSON. Mr. Speaker, the passing of Clem Roy—an old friend of mine—happened so abruptly, and struck at the core of the notion we all have of our brief time on this planet, and the importance of friends and family, and what we mean to one another.

Faith teaches us that Clem is in a better place: at peace and without suffering, while we scramble to fill the void left by his passing with stories and memories of the friend we laughed with, argued and debated with, and with whom we shared in the ups and downs of the human comedy that is life.

Two Connecticut writers—both contemporaries of Clem's—Kevin Rennie of The Hartford Courant, and Mark Pazniokas of the CT Mirror, wrote excellent pieces about Clem that I am proud to submit for the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD at the same time that a flag will fly over the United States Capitol in Clem Roy's memory. These writers captured his essence.

The following are the articles as they appeared in The Hartford Courant and CT Mirror:

LOBBYIST CLEM ROY: A SHARP OPERATOR
WITH A LOT OF HEART

(By Kevin Rennie—The Hartford Courant)

"You can read a bill and you can vote for a bill, but you shouldn't do both." So goes the wisdom of an original in Connecticut politics, Clem Roy.

A lobbyist for more than 30 years, Clem has been struck by an aggressive brain tumor diagnosed a few weeks ago. In those decades bivouacking in the Capitol village, he has fashioned a distinct, colorful legacy in the gray world of state politics.

You could tell the future by watching Clem. He was what consumer analysts call an early adopter. The first cellphones were bigger than bricks. Clem made his look like a natural accoutrement to his careful look. Hard frame briefcases were at the end of their run when Clem began carrying a Coach leather backpack. He was right that keys and a thick wallet wreck the drape of an elegant suit.

You could live by his compendium of aphorisms, which his legion of friends have been sharing as they buck up each other's flagging spirits. That is usually Clem's job.

Born in 1946 and raised in Bristol, Clem served in Vietnam from 1966 into 1967. Really served, not just told people he did on the way to a seat in the U.S. Senate. (Don't get him started on that.) He returned to the United States and worked for Robert Kennedy's 1968 presidential campaign.

He worked for a legislative committee in the late 1970s and then, without a client, became a lobbyist. His foresight expanded beyond technology and fashion. In 1981, he managed Thurman Milner's successful campaign for mayor of Hartford, helping Milner become the first black mayor of a New England city.

For more than 30 years, Clem has been a source of pungent opinions, smart insights and surprises. He represented tobacco companies at a time when the same people who gasped at the lighting of a cigarette supported making taxpayers give drug addicts free needles. He brought a sense of proportion to human weakness in its struggle against tiresome Utopians.

He has had many clients and he can argue most briefs. He knows how to create a diversion that unbalances an adversary on one issue while working with them on a different one. In a place where a governor's repetitive green ties pass for fashion, Clem Roy does it all with high style, often purchased from swank Louis, Boston.

Lobbying has been good to Clem. He can employ a gruff demeanor and a memory for slights (not the worst thing), but he has a secret. Shouldn't everyone? He is a secret Samaritan.

When a friend was celebrating a milestone and her newly married daughter could not afford to fly to Connecticut from California, Clem bought her a ticket so she could surprise her mother. The halls of government and Hartford Hospital, where he now is, reverberate with such stories.

Clem believes mixing in mannered company can help lift one's lot. A few years ago, he sent the residents of a women's shelter to a salon, told them to get dolled up and had them to delivered to his favorite haunt, Max Downtown. There, compliments of Clem, they learned about what was once called deportment while the staff raised their spirits and enriched their knowledge of another part of the world.

A successful lobbyist needs a vigilant eye for detail and relentless focus. Clem possesses those attributes and his perceptions extend beyond the matter of the moment. He had an urge to lift in ways that would escape others. An advancing brain tumor did not keep him from doing one more good work.

A friend visited him in the hospital last week and thought Clem might be fading in and out of lucidity when he started going on about the women not having stools to sit on. Stools were his final mission in the service of good works in unexpected places.

It bothered him that the cashiers in the cafeteria at the Legislative Office Building had to stand all day at their registers. He wanted them to have stools. It's only fair. In his personal distress, he would not let it go. On Friday, stools were delivered to the LOB. He is, according to his closest friend, at peace.

CLEM ROY, LOBBYIST AND BON VIVANT, DIES $^{\rm AT}65$

(By Mark Pazniokas—The Connecticut Mirror)

Clem Roy, one of most delightfully idiosyncratic characters ever to grace the halls of the state Capitol, died today at Hartford Hospital, just weeks after being diagnosed with a brain tumor.

Roy, 65, was a successful lobbyist with a largely business clientele, but a much, much broader portfolio of interests and causes.

He managed the 1981 mayoral campaign of Thurman Milner, the first black mayor of Hartford. He was deeply interested in the arts. He gambled, golfed and enjoyed cigars. Women tended to find him charming, and not only the three he married.

The staff on the second floor of the Conklin Building at Hartford Hospital had to wonder just whom they had as their guest for the past few weeks. The stream of visitors included legislators, a former governor and a prominent restaurant owner.

The latter brought Roy's favorite steak, along with a favorite waitress to serve it. As was his habit at the restaurant, Roy was gracious to the wait staff, then crabbed at the owner about how the meal was prepared. The owner was delighted.

Roy grew up in Bristol. He served in Vietnam with the U.S. Army, then got involved in politics, volunteering for Bobby Kennedy's campaign in 1968. He was a committee clerk at the Capitol more than 30 years ago, then became a lobbyist in an era where the ethical and cultural norms were a tad more relaxed.

His first lobbying client was a bank sent his way by the chairman of the banks committee.

In later years, his business partner was Craig LeRoy, a buttoned-down yin to Roy's yang. LeRoy is married with three children, who saw their father's partner as an impossibly colorful uncle. Roy and LeRoy each seemed to live a little vicariously through the other.

Conversations with Roy were wild rambles. Topics might include his system at slots, his vote for Barack Obama in 2008, or his resolve not to vote for him in 2012 over Obama's absence from Arlington National Cemetery one Memorial Day. Unforgivable in Roy's view.

He took no offense, however, when it once was noted in a news story that Roy's clients included Big Tobacco and the funeral industry. He repeated the line often.

Roy insisted he didn't talk to reporters. He did lobbying, not PR. He reminded me of that every time we talked.

IN RECOGNITION OF SAYREVILLE EMERGENCY SQUAD'S 75TH ANNI-VERSARY

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 1, 2011

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Sayreville Emergency Squad

as its members celebrate the organization's 75th Anniversary. Sayreville Emergency Services faithfully serves local residents, businesses and visitors throughout Sayreville, New Jersey. Their honorable actions are undoubtedly deserving of this body's recognition.

The Sayreville Emergency Squad is an all volunteer organization founded in 1936 to serve the emergency medical needs of the residents of Sayreville. Many of the services provided by the Emergency Squad, which include emergency medical services, low angle rope rescue, and water/boat rescue, are free of charge to the residents. All operating costs are paid for through the generous donations of Sayreville residents. The formidable men and women of this organization are New Jersey State EMT Certified and respond to over 3,500 calls for assistance each year. Volunteers sacrifice holidays and time with their family to assist those in need of emergency medical assistance, many times in harsh weather conditions. This non-profit volunteer organization continues to provide superior quality emergency medical and technical support and is a shining example of what steadfast commitment and dedication can accomplish.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring the Sayreville Emergency Services on its 75th Anniversary in thanking the men and women who have faithfully served and protected the Borough of Sayreville.

A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH W. AIDLIN

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 1, 2011

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Joseph W. Aidlin of Los Angeles County, California, who was a pioneer in the geothermal industry and development of law for geothermal resources, and institutional matters related to development and

Born on April 28, 1910 in Chicago, Illinois, the son of Russian immigrants, Joseph's family moved to California in the 1920's, settling in the Los Angeles area. When the Aidlin family moved to Long Beach, the Signal Hill oil field was being developed and it was therewatching oil wells being drilled-that Joseph became fascinated with oil and other mineral exploration, a life-long interest. Despite a love of science and an inclination to attend Caltech, Mr. Aidlin majored in economics at UCLA, receiving his B.A. in Economics with honors in 1930. He received his law degree from UC Berkeley, Boalt School of Law in 1933 and was admitted to the California State Bar, after which he began practicing law. His practice included divorces, wills, and taxes and a particular case involving an oil company and tideland boundaries that sparked his lifelong interest in land titles and natural resources.

Along with his law practice, where his most recognized accomplishments had been in land titles and natural resources, especially geothermal, Mr. Aidlin influenced geothermal activities fundamentally in numerous other ways for many years. In 1954, he and his partners, B.C. McCabe and Robert Bering, co-founded

Magma Power Company which "created modern geothermal development at the Geysers Geothermal Field, which is to say geothermal development in California, the United States and the Americas." Joseph served as Vice President, Secretary, General Counsel and Member of the Board of Directors of Magma Power Company until 1987. Mr. Aidlin cofounded the Geothermal Resources Council (GRC), and he was the first recipient of a prestigious award given to the person contributing most to the geothermal industry, the Joseph W. Aidlin Award. A leader in writing national and state legislation relating to geothermal resources, Mr. Aidlin drafted the world's first geothermal lease, contributed to having the Geothermal Resources Act being made a part of California's Resources Code in 1968 and participated substantially in developing provisions of the Federal Geothermal Steam Act of 1970. He was a member of the National Geothermal Advisory Committee of the Department of Energy and Chairman of its Legal and Institutional Subcommittee, and a member of the Geothermal Energy Panel of the Energy Research Advisory Board of the Department of Energy.

Joseph and his wife Mary were married for 63 years. After Mary's death in 1997, Joseph continued to work at his law practice beyond his one-hundredth birthday on April 28, 2010, making him the oldest active lawyer in California. Mr. Aidlin died peacefully in his sleep on September 30, 2010. A pioneer and a man of great principles, I ask all members to join in me in remembering Joseph W. Aidlin.

INCREASING STATUTORY LIMIT ON THE PUBLIC DEBT

SPEECH OF

HON. DAVID E. PRICE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 1954, a clean up-ordown vote on extending the debt limit, refusing to hold this critical measure hostage to other economic and political objectives.

I must confess that I am perplexed to see the majority bring an utterly vital bill to the floor that it has no intention of passing—and is actually urging its members to vote against. I must also note that it contains a poison pill: a hypocritical and deceptive clause that seeks to lay full blame on President Obama for the need for a debt limit increase.

Mr. Speaker, how many members of Congress have voted for a tax cut or an appropriations bill over the past few Congresses? The answer is nearly all. While we may debate the merits of each of those past proposals and reach different conclusions on their merit, the bill for these prior legislative acts is now due. Not paying it would be reckless, and you don't have to be an economist to figure that out. Every American family knows that you must pay your bills when those bills come due. The United States can be no different.

Passage of a clean debt ceiling bill would affirm that America always pays her bills. This isn't about authorizing new spending; it's just ensuring that we can pay for what we have already bought. Whether Congress is paying for tax cuts, tanks, or teachers, there's no free lunch.