

drug addiction via advocating for better prevention, treatment and recovery services in the New York State area and abroad.

He was born in Harlem, New York and is the eldest son of eight siblings. He joined in matrimony with Talisa S. Ferrand and together they have one daughter and five grandchildren.

Pastor Ferrand earned a Masters Degree and received an Honorary Doctorate Degree from the Bible Faith School on May 18, 2008. He worked at Reality House Inc, obtained his CASAC, and became part of the NYS OASAS faculty helping individuals facing drug and alcohol addiction. He also worked as a Program Director in other treatment programs. In 2010 he received a Human Services Board Certified Practitioner certification. He is the author of three books entitled: "We Fall Down But We Get Up" (the Prodigal Son), Life After Death (The Do's & Don't) and Nos Caemos Pero Nos Levantamos (El Hijo Prodigio).

Pastor Ferrand's Christian journey was influenced by many of the socio-cultural and political dynamics impacting society during the time of the Civil Rights Movements and Black Panthers. He was also raised in the Baptist faith.

In 1999 Pastor Ferrand began attending the Temple of Blessings C.O.G.I.C. under the leadership of Pastor David Grayson Jr. where he became an armor bearer and then a Deacon.

In September 2000, Pastor Ferrand was ordained by Overseer Frieda Harrison of the Jehovah Jireh Ministries. He and his wife then organized the "Reaching Across the World Ministries, Inc. (RAWM)", with the mission of providing human services that are geared toward reducing social ills impacting humanity.

Pastor Ferrand expanded services at RAWM's to include a 350 Hour Educational Training Program, licensed by the NYS Office of Alcoholism & Substance Abuse Services, the North Carolina Substance Abuse Professional Practice Board and the National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors. He continues to provide annual summer youth employment, counseling, self help groups, job interviewing skills, college internships for undergraduates and graduates as well as a host of other human services. As a result of his servitude, he has received numerous proclamations and other accolades.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Pastor Grayling Ferrand for his extraordinary accomplishments and his spirit which reflect the best our nation has to offer.

HONORING ROBERT DUNCAN

**HON. TODD ROKITA**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2011*

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a true model Hoosier and American upon his retirement.

For nearly 40 years, Mr. Robert Duncan has been the backbone of aviation law in Indiana. As a leader in the aviation community, Mr.

Duncan has helped author, advocated for and implemented the most innovative aviation policy in the country for the State of Indiana and the Indianapolis Airport Authority (IAA). Mr. Duncan has played a pivotal role in the growth of the Indianapolis Airport, and ultimately, central Indiana and the country. The special attention Mr. Duncan has paid to successfully balancing the growth of our Indiana's main International Airport, with the protection of the rights of private citizens a high priority, is a model for economic growth and personal freedom in any industry. His efforts are a part of Indiana's Comeback story.

More specifically, Mr. Duncan was the lead negotiator on all central Indiana aviation-related land acquisition during his years of service to Indiana. Notably, the expansion of the airport, as well as land acquisitions for the smaller community airports nearby, has enabled the growth that the IAA has contributed to the Hoosier state. In addition, Mr. Duncan was directly responsible for the placement of a United States Postal Service hub with the IAA. With the establishment of this hub, it laid the groundwork that would attract other private sector package carriers and logistics companies that now operate in Indianapolis and nearby communities. The economic impact these expansions have had is immeasurable. I see the fruits of Bob's efforts everyday in West Central Indiana.

With a long list of accolades for his years of leadership, Mr. Duncan has been named the Indiana Aviation Man of the Year, as well as receiving a Special Recognition Award from the Aviation Association of Indiana. Throughout his career, Mr. Duncan has made it a habit to assist other airports with legal matters, at no cost, aiding growth and demonstrating the dedication and passion he has with the aviation community throughout the state, to the benefit of all Hoosiers and travelers to and from our state.

Mr. Duncan also routinely volunteers his time for charitable efforts, both in aviation and in his local community. From his efforts with the Brownsburg Public Library to his coaching of basketball and softball, Mr. Duncan has the heart of a true public servant. Additionally, Mr. Duncan has routinely flown charitable Angel Flights throughout the country, to aide those in need of transportation for medical treatment without the means to travel. I am particularly familiar with this type of program, and Bob and I have piloted several Angel Flights together.

As a graduate of Hanover College and Indiana University's School of Law, Bob contributes back to the education of others interested in aviation and aviation law. Bob is a supervising private flight instructor, as well as an adjunct professor in aviation law at Indiana University's School of Law, Indianapolis.

Hoosiers especially, and Americans, are lucky to have benefited from the years of dedicated service in planning and abundant expertise provided by Mr. Duncan for nearly four decades. His volunteerism is an added classic Hoosier trait. Bob has exemplified the essence of Hoosier values with his commonsense leadership and dedication to the betterment of our great state. For his efforts and ethics, I am

proud to commend this Hoosier, Robert Duncan, upon his pending retirement.

INTRODUCTION OF THE BILL TO DEVELOP THE SOUTHWEST WATERFRONT IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

**HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON**

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2011*

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to introduce an essential bill for the redevelopment of the Southwest Waterfront in the District of Columbia. The bill transfers unencumbered ownership of the Southwest Waterfront from the federal government to the District. Although the District has owned the Waterfront since the 1960s, the land has been encumbered by restrictions put in place by Congress before the District got home rule; a time when development by the city was not contemplated. My bill updates outdated legislation and allows for the highest and best use of the land.

The bill would amend the D.C. Code to allow the District to transfer the property by quitclaim deed, to update the site description of the land to conform with its current configuration, to allow for the sale of condominiums on the land, to remove references to an urban renewal plan that has expired, to remove references to the District of Columbia Redevelopment Land Agency, which no longer exists, and to expand the permissible uses for the Fish Market in order to allow the sale of other foods, beverages, produce, and flowers.

The District of Columbia has created a 21st-century vision for the Southwest Waterfront and is actively engaged in a revitalization and redevelopment that will draw visitors down 10th street from the National Mall. However, as was typical for District land before home rule, the original law restricts the use of the land along the waterfront to lease-only arrangements, driving down the useful value of the land and making it impossible to replace antiquated structures with new buildings for new uses. The restrictions on the land serve no federal purpose and seriously limit needed revenue for the city. Federal officials have been consulted on the transfer and have no objection to it.

The federal government has no interest in the waterfront land other than the Maine Lobsterman Memorial and the Titanic Memorial, which have been carved out of the transfer. Because of the current restrictions on the land, part of the waterfront is an underused eyesore. However, the redevelopment will bring 2.5 million square feet of mixed-use development to the waterfront, including public and private docks, restaurants, office buildings and residences, providing jobs and local revenue at a time when they are most needed.

This is a noncontroversial bill that removes out-of-date laws and involves no cost to the federal government. I urge my colleagues to support the bill.

RECOGNIZING FAIRFAX COUNTY  
PARK AUTHORITY'S RECEIPT OF  
THE GOLD MEDAL AWARD

**HON. JAMES P. MORAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2011*

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Fairfax County Park Authority of their receipt of the 2010 National Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management. This prestigious award is the park and recreation industry's highest honor.

The Fairfax County Park Authority was commended for its outstanding performance in all categories. The American Academy for Park and Recreation Administration, in partnership with the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA), presented the award to the Fairfax County Park Authority at the NRPA Annual Congress & Exposition in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Now a three-time Gold Medal Award recipient and a finalist for several years, the Fairfax County Park Authority has demonstrated excellence in long-range planning, resource management, volunteerism, environmental stewardship, program development, professional development, and agency recognition.

The Fairfax County Park Authority serves a population of more than one million residents, which places the Park Authority in the Class I category, the tier for park agencies that serve a population of 250,000 and over. The Park Authority hosts a myriad of annual events, and operates indoor and outdoor athletic and recreation facilities, historic sites, and natural areas.

I would like to commend the Fairfax County Park Authority for the exceptional service it provides to the citizens of Fairfax County and the entire Commonwealth. Their hard work and dedication has improved the quality of life for so many.

REV. DR. ANTHONY M. GRAHAM

**HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2011*

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of Rev. Dr. Anthony M. Graham.

At the age of twelve, Anthony Graham was inspired to join the ministry. It was at that time that he began preaching in his local assembly. At the age of seventeen, he graduated from Andrew Jackson High School and entered the United States Army. After six years in the military, serving in Washington State and Korea; he enrolled in York College, where he met his lovely wife Leslie-Ann. They have been married for 20 years with three children, Amara, Anthony Jr, and Amira. Dr. Graham is listed in Who's Who in American Universities & Colleges. He graduated with a B.S. in accounting from York College, a M.B.A. from St. John's University, a Doctor of Ministry from Bakke Graduate University and a PhD from Georgetown Wesleyan University.

Dr. Graham, who was selected as the Claude A. Ries Pastor of the Year for 2005 by Houghton College, is a tenured High School teacher in the New York Public School Sys-

tem. He is an accomplished pastor, teacher, and conference speaker.

Dr. Graham serves as Senior pastor of the New Hope Family Worship Center, an inner-city multicultural ministry. This church was planted twenty years ago and started with twelve members. It now has a weekly average attendance of 500 people. New Hope has several ministries, including an after-school program, computer literacy program, G.E.D. program, compassion Ministries (providing food and clothing to the needy).

In his district he is also recognized as a leader. He was elected on four occasions as a delegate to General Conference for his district, has served as Chairman of the Metropolitan Zone for five years and has been a member of the District Board of Administration for fourteen years. He has traveled and ministered in several parts of the world, including Australia, Barbados, Canada, China, Colombia South America, England, Guyana, Jamaica, India, Korea, Russia, St. Thomas, Trinidad & Tobago, and in many parts of the United States. He frequently ministers in the areas of revival, Christian development, financial stewardship, team building and principles for success in life.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the accomplishments of Rev. Dr. Anthony M. Graham.

HONORING THE LATE LAURENCE  
BUTLER "LARRY" DILLARD

**HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2011*

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and remember Laurence Butler "Larry" Dillard, my longtime Communications Director, trusted advisor and childhood friend. Larry passed away unexpectedly on April 20, 2011.

Larry was born on June 8, 1951 in Newport News, Virginia. He attended Hampton High School and Hampton Institute (now Hampton University). He went on to earn his degree in Mass Communications from Virginia Commonwealth University, where he became the proud charter member of the Eta Xi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

I have known Larry since Little League Baseball. We grew up in St. Augustine's Episcopal Church in Newport News and he later covered me as a reporter for WRIC-Channel 8 in Richmond when I served in the Virginia House of Delegates.

A decade before joining my congressional office in Washington, Larry's first stint on Capitol Hill was with another Virginian, Republican Congressman Tom Bliley of Richmond. A few years later, Larry worked for the Republican National Committee and Senator John Warner's reelection campaign.

Larry must have had a political change of heart or he simply wanted to help an old friend because he joined my campaign staff in when I first ran for Congress in 1992. After the election, he joined my congressional office and became one of my most trusted advisors, Communications Director, and Capitol Hill scheduler. For eighteen and a half years, the many people who have interacted with my office got to know Larry very well. He made every visitor

feel as if they were the most important person to ever visit my office, especially the shipbuilders. As one of several members of his family who worked at the Newport News Shipyard, he was always a perfect host for shipyard workers when they visited Washington. Additionally, Larry was affectionately known as the "Mayor of Capitol Hill." From congressional staff to Members of Congress to the many support personnel on Capitol Hill, everyone came to know and love Larry because Larry truly cared about them. Hundreds of Hill staff and young people have been touched by Larry's mentorship and advice. He embodied the true meaning of a Virginia gentleman.

Larry helped me accomplish a lot for my constituents and his fellow Virginians. He helped secure funding for Hampton University's Proton Cancer Center and fought for justice for America's black farmers. He was a historian and was famous for his tours of the Capitol. He was also an enthusiastic advocate for the recognition of the 14 African Americans who were awarded Medals of Honor at New Market Heights in Henrico, Virginia during the Civil War. Larry was also very active with the African American Civil War Memorial and Museum in Washington.

There are no words to describe the profound loss and sorrow that pervades all those who had the good fortune to know Larry. He will be remembered as a tireless worker, devoted friend, brother, father, husband and mentor to many. Larry was a passionate history buff, avid Yankees fan, fountain of knowledge, skillful diplomat and the consummate spokesperson.

Larry passed away doing what he loved the most—touring one of his favorite historic Civil War sites, Fort Monroe. I was on that tour with Senator MARK WARNER. We got the official presentation in the front of bus, but everybody in the back of the bus got the real scoop from Larry Dillard. He will be thought about often and sorely missed.

My deepest sympathies and prayers are with his wife Sherry, his son Brandon, his brother Randy and the entire Dillard family.

INTRODUCING THE POST-DEPLOYMENT  
STRATEGY ACT OF 2011

**HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2011*

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Post-Deployment Strategy Act of 2011, which would amend the War Powers Resolution to require the President to develop a post-deployment strategy when introducing our United States Armed Forces into combat operations.

Going to war is one of the most important decisions a government can make. From the sheer magnitude of financial burden to the devastating effects of loss of life, war is among our nation's costliest undertakings. This is why it is crucial to develop a set of objectives and a clear plan of action prior to engaging in a conflict. Currently, the President is not required to have such a plan in place before sending our men and women in uniform into combat.

Estimates put the direct and indirect cost of the Iraq War at a staggering \$3 trillion, with