

MARTI EMERALD, 2011 JOHNS
FELLOWSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT

HON. BOB FILNER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2011

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to proclaim that there are very few public servants who are as deeply committed to the plight of working men and women than San Diego City Councilwoman Marti Emerald.

For the past several decades, Marti could usually be found at numerous rallies and public forums strongly advocating for decent wages and adequate healthcare benefits for the working men and women in our community.

In fact, Marti Emerald excelled as a broadcast journalist for 30 years before taking the oath of office for the San Diego City Council in 2008. Most notably Marti was the Consumer Advocate or "The Troubleshooter" at San Diego's ABC television affiliate for 22 years, earning more than 100 awards for community service and journalistic excellence.

Marti has deep roots in the San Diego Community. She served on the Boards of Directors of Catholic Charities, the Better Business Bureau, and the Glenner Alzheimer's Family Centers. Marti graduated Magna Cum Laude from National University.

During her tenure on the San Diego City Council, Marti has focused on repairing the

image of City government through fiscal restraint, pension reform and increasing transparency in City government functions. Marti is serving her third year as the Chair of the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

It gives me a great honor to join with the San Diego County Building and Construction Trades Council in honoring San Diego City Councilwoman, The Honorable Marti Emerald, with the 2011 Johns Fellowship Award.

**HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF SCOTT HARRIS**

HON. JOHN L. MICA

OF FLORIDA

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Mr. MICA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join my Florida Colleagues, Representatives SANDY ADAMS, CORRINE BROWN, BILL POSEY and DANIEL WEBSTER, to honor and pay tribute to Scott Harris of Longwood, Florida, who passed away on Monday, August 29, 2011.

It was our honor and privilege to have known Scott, a veteran journalist who spent his career covering Central Florida. Scott's professional journalism informed and enlightened both his colleagues and viewers alike. He took the time to mentor many, and was a respected, longtime political analyst covering both Florida and national politics.

Scott knew the news business from the ground up. He worked his way up as a reporter at WCPX—Channel 6; assistant news director and anchor at WESH—Channel 2; and as news anchor, reporter and producer for WDBO—580 AM. Later in 1997, Scott was instrumental in launching News Channel 13, where he remained until this year. With his passing, Central Floridians lost a respected member of our community and a real star.

Scott is fondly remembered for his wisdom, humility and kindness. The sheer power of his personality made a dramatic impact upon the lives of many in Central Florida, both professionally and personally. When relaxing, Scott enjoyed the tranquility of sailing and the challenge of golfing.

Actually, Scott Harris is a stage name. Born Vincent McGough, he graduated from both Edgewater High School and the University of Central Florida. Scott proudly served our country in the U.S. Air Force prior to his lifelong career in broadcast journalism.

Scott is survived by his son Emery McGough of Central Florida, and three siblings, Jane McGough of New York City, Sue McGough of Central Florida and Tom McGough of Tallahassee.

Mr. Speaker, it is our privilege to recognize Scott Harris' contributions to our Nation and the great State of Florida. I ask all Members of the U.S. House of Representatives of the 112th Congress to join me in remembering this great American.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the *Extensions of Remarks* section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, September 8, 2011 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

SEPTEMBER 12

4 p.m.

Finance

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joseph H. Gale, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, Michael W. Punke, of Montana, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the Rank of Ambassador, and Islam A. Siddiqui, of Virginia, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, both of the Executive Office of the President, Paul Piquado, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and David S. Johanson, of Texas, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission.

SD-215

SEPTEMBER 13

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Ashton B. Carter, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Secretary of Defense.

SD-106

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine housing finance reform, focusing on if there should a government guarantee.

SD-538

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Primary Health and Aging Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine poverty.

SD-430

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine ten years after 9/11, focusing on if we are safer.

SD-342

Judiciary

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Civil Rights Division.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Finance

Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Growth Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine whether there is a role for tax reform in comprehensive deficit reduction and United States fiscal policy.

SD-215

2:30 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine agro-defense, focusing on responding to threats against America's agriculture and food system.

SD-628

SEPTEMBER 14

9:30 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Securities, Insurance and Investment Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine emerging issues in insurance regulation.

SD-538

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine securing the pharmaceutical supply chain.

SD-430

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the "Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act", focusing on renewing the commitment to victims of human trafficking.

SD-226

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety, and Security Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine moving intercity passenger rail into the future.

SR-253

2 p.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Housing, Transportation and Community Development Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine new ideas for refinancing and restructuring mortgage loans.

SD-538

Armed Services

Personnel Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine general and flag officer requirements.

SR-232A

SEPTEMBER 15

10 a.m.

Finance

To hold hearings to examine tax reform options, focusing on promoting retirement security.

SD-215

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine the future of employment for people with the most significant disabilities.

SD-106

2:15 p.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine tribal transportation, focusing on paving the way for jobs, infrastructure, and safety in native communities.

SD-628

2:30 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine improving financial accountability at the Department of Defense.

SD-342

SEPTEMBER 21

10 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold joint hearings to examine the legislative presentation of The American Legion.

SDG-50

2 p.m.

Judiciary

Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine Google, focusing on consumers and competition.

SD-226

SEPTEMBER 22

2:15 p.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the "Tribal Law and Order Act" one year later, focusing on improved public safety and justice throughout Indian country.

SD-628