

Dr. Price is survived by his loving wife, Deloris Brashear Price; his son, Robert E. Price, Jr.; his daughters, Patricia Hicks and Lisa Rausaw; and his grandsons, Donald Hicks, Kelvin Rausaw, Jr. and Kortland Rausaw. I am honored to have known Dr. Price and know that he will be greatly missed. May the peace of God be with those he loved and sustain them through this hour of sorrow.

IN RECOGNITION OF PRESIDING
JUDGE HERBERT E. PHIPPS

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 19, 2012

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure and honor to extend my sincerest appreciation and personal congratulations to Presiding Judge Herbert E. Phipps for his distinguished service on the Court of Appeals of the State of Georgia. On Monday, July 23, 2012, his legacy as a judge will be recognized at the Unveiling and Hanging of His Portrait at the Judicial Building in Albany, Georgia, where he first began his career as a judge in 1980.

Presiding Judge Phipps was born in Baker County, Georgia to J.W. Phipps and Marion Gadson Phipps. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Morehouse College in 1964. He has traveled throughout Europe and Asia and taught English at Thammasatt University and private schools in Thailand. He earned a Juris Doctor degree in 1971 from Case Western Reserve University School of Law in Cleveland, Ohio where he also served as an editor of the Law Review. In 2004, he was awarded a Master of Laws in the Judicial Process from the University of Virginia School of Law.

Presiding Judge Phipps returned to Albany, Georgia in 1971 to practice law, focusing on civil rights litigation. In 1980, he was appointed part-time Magistrate and Associate Judge of the Dougherty County State Court and in 1988, he was appointed to the Dougherty Circuit Juvenile Court. In 1995, he was appointed Judge of the Dougherty County Superior Court by Governor Zell Miller and in 1999, Governor Roy Barnes appointed him to the Court of Appeals. In April 2010, he became a Presiding Judge of the Court of Appeals.

Due to his enduring dedication and his strong leadership, Presiding Judge Phipps has received many awards, including the Justice Robert Benham Award for Community Service from the State Bar of Georgia. In 2007, he was inducted into the Society of Benchers of Case Western Reserve School of Law and his Commencement Address to the Class of 2007 of Case Western Reserve School of Law, "Lawyers—the Guardians of Truth and Justice," is published at 58 Case Western Reserve Law Review 483 (2008).

In conjunction with his professional accomplishments, Presiding Judge Phipps has served on a number of boards and commissions and has been involved with many law and professional organizations. He also lives a life of service and faith, attending Bethel A.M.E. Church in Albany and serving as a past President of the Albany Association for Retarded Citizens, the Albany Sickle Cell Foundation, the Faith Fund Foundation and The Criterion Club, as well as being a member of numerous community organizations.

Presiding Judge Phipps has accomplished many things in his life but none of this would have been possible without the enduring love and support of his wife Connie, children Herbert and India, son-in-law Will J. Epps and granddaughter Zoë Olivia Epps.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Presiding Judge Herbert E. Phipps for his outstanding professional achievements and dedicated service to the people of the state of Georgia.

TRIBUTE TO THE TOWN OF
SANDSFIELD ON THE OCCASION
OF THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF
ITS FOUNDING

HON. JOHN W. OLVER

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 19, 2012

Mr. OLVER. Mr. Speaker, on March 6, 1762, Sir Francis Bernard, colonial Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, approved the incorporation of the town of Sandisfield. The town was named for Samuel Sandys, the First Lord of Trade from 1761 to 1763. Beginning around 1750, settlers from Connecticut Colony, drawn in by the abundance of land, arrived in what had been called "Housatonic Plantation Number Three."

Today, Sandisfield boasts 53 square miles of land, the largest in Berkshire County, covered with flourishing forests and countless brooks, streams, and ponds. Sandisfield's natural beauty, highlighted in the Sandisfield State Forest, Knox Trail, and York Lake, provides many opportunities to explore hidden trails, undisturbed woods, and shimmering lakes.

Sandisfield's golden age, filled with the buzz and vibrancy of sawmills, tanneries, and numerous dairy farms, is not forgotten today; more than one hundred buildings from the 18th and 19th centuries remain. Three are included on the National Register of Historic Places, including the Baptist Meeting House from 1842. The building now houses the Sandisfield Arts Center, which exemplifies the centrality of community, so important to many cities and towns in western Massachusetts.

On the occasion of the 250th anniversary of the town of Sandisfield, Massachusetts, I congratulate its citizens and praise their civic dedication and perseverance throughout the town's history. It has been an honor to represent this great community, and I wish the people of Sandisfield a healthy and prosperous future.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE JOHN F.
KENNEDY HYANNIS MUSEUM

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 19, 2012

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum on its twentieth anniversary.

For the past two decades, the John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum has been providing Cape Cod residents and visitors with a glimpse into the life that President Kennedy

and his family led on the Cape. Founded in 1992 by the Hyannis Chamber of Commerce, the Museum has since served as a favorite Main Street destination in the town, showcasing rare photographs and family artifacts that reflect the laid-back summer vacations enjoyed by the Kennedys on the beaches of Hyannis. Guests of the museum are greeted with a bronze statue of the President just outside the main entrance, pensively walking along a sandy beach, which calls to mind the President once saying that "the Cape is the one place I can think and be alone." Once inside, the main gallery houses photos from family albums and clips from home movies. These images, of the Kennedys relaxing on the beach and enjoying time with their friends, could come from the album of any American family. Even though the Kennedys' other home was the White House at the time that many of these pictures were taken, the Kennedy Hyannis Museum's display accurately portrays the truly down-to-earth family that the Kennedys were.

The Museum is also famous in the Hyannis area for hosting many special exhibits and lecture series. The now-sold-out series, Mrs. Kennedy and Me, opened this past June, and details what it was like to be a secret service agent during the Kennedy presidency. Jackie Kennedy—Life on Cape Cod is another special exhibit that the Museum launched this summer, achieving great critical success. As the Museum showcases such an important aspect of our local and national history, it continues to thrive, and it remains a celebrated destination in downtown Hyannis.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize the John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum on its twentieth anniversary. I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the Museum for its many years of success, and in applauding it for preserving this important era of Cape Cod's history.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 19, 2012

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker on rollcall No. 490 I was present for all prior and subsequent votes but was off the floor on legislative business and inadvertently missed the vote. I support the underlying concept of non-intervention regarding the subject material, but also feel the amendment was excessively micromanagerial and did not accomplish mine and the sponsor's objectives. Had I been present, I would have voted "present."

38TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ILLEGAL
INVASION OF CYPRUS BY
TURKISH ARMED FORCES

HON. NIKI TSONGAS

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 19, 2012

Ms. TSONGAS. Mr. Speaker, today marks the 38th anniversary of the illegal invasion of Cyprus by Turkish armed forces. The lengthy duration of this occupation, which consumes

nearly 37% of Cyprus' territory, is particularly disappointing given the number of multilateral organizations—the UN, NATO and the EU—who have a vested interest in this dispute and who should work in concert to bring about a peaceful resolution. While some progress has been made, there is still much work to be done. Greek Cypriots have been evicted from their property, and cultural and religious desecration has been widespread. The Turkish government cannot maintain this occupation and hope to ever achieve membership in the EU.

Respect for international law and calls for self-representation must be answered with regard to Cyprus. Turkey must live up to its international responsibilities and return all of Cyprus to the Cypriots. Throughout my tenure in Congress, I have supported a variety of initiatives in support of this outcome including sending letters to President Obama and Secretary Clinton applauding the administration's commitment to exercise U.S. leadership in the negotiation for a just solution on Cyprus. We agree that a solution to the Cyprus problem should result in a single, sovereign country within a bi-zonal, bi-communal federation. 38 years of discord is long enough; Cypriots deserve a government for them and by them.

Since his election in February 2008, President Demetris Christofias has followed through on his promise to make the solution of the Cyprus problem his top priority and principal concern. In September of 2008, he embarked on

negotiations with the then-leader of the Turkish Cypriot community, Mr. Mehmet Ali Talat, under the auspices of the United Nations with U.S. support. He also continued these negotiations with the new leader of the Turkish Cypriot community, Mr. Dervis Eroglu.

Unfortunately, despite these negotiations, Turkey has stepped up its efforts to illegally obtain natural resources like oil and natural gas from the Republic of Cyprus' sovereign territory. Furthermore, Turkey's threat of possible annexation of northern Cyprus and Turkey's refusal to be a part of any EU discussion, communication, or policymaking while Cyprus holds the EU presidency does nothing to facilitate progress.

The solution must reunite the island and safeguard the human rights and fundamental freedoms of all Cypriots and the withdrawal of Turkish forces from Cyprus.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR.
ROBERT EARL PRICE, SR.

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON
OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 19, 2012

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Dr. Robert Earl Price, Sr., the late pastor of the New Mount Zion Baptist Church of Dallas.

Dr. Price dedicated more than 42 years of his life to his congregation before he passed away at the age of 80.

Dr. Price was born in Smithville, Texas, where he grew up working with local pastors in spreading their ministry. Dr. Price later settled in Dallas with his wife, and went on to have three children, whom he loved tremendously. While he was devoted primarily to his church, Dr. Price spent time with a number of groups such as the NAACP and Dallas Museum of Art, contributing to the betterment of his community.

Dr. Price was a vibrant leader who was well respected within the church and Dallas, and credited with expanding the church's services and bolstering their ranks. The New Mount Zion Baptist Church grew to be a pillar of the community under the leadership and direction of Dr. Price. The church now houses a robust food bank, a day care that now serves nearly 110 families, and a credit union for local residents. Dr. Price provided spiritual guidance and inspired his congregants to strive to bring about positive social change.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Price led with the utmost integrity in his work. He prided himself on his faith, and others often looked to Dr. Price for spiritual guidance. It comes as a great loss to the community to hear of his passing, however his invaluable contributions have gone far from unnoticed. I hope his friends, loved ones, and congregants can take comfort in the good he did.