is leaving Seton Medical Center after 30 years of compassionate care and service. Her dedication to the Daly City community and to the health and betterment of the sick and less fortunate has been deeply inspirational. It is impossible to not feel blessed by her presence and her healing touch.

Sister William Eileen was born in San Francisco as one of two twin sisters to the late William and Eileen Dunn. She attended St. John's Ursuline grade and high school and then earned her R.N. diploma from Mary's Help School of Nursing in San Francisco. The school was sponsored and operated by the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul. She then entered the Daughters of Charity religious community and earned her BSN from Marillace College in St. Louis, Missouri.

Her assignments from the Daughters of Charity took Sister Eileen across the country. In 1964, she started out as a staff nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital in Alton, Illinois and continued on to Hotel Dieu Hospital in El Paso, Texas as the supervisor of OB/GYN and emergency services. In 1968 she came back to California and worked as supervisor of emergency services at Mary's Help Hospital—today's Seton Medical Center—in Daly City. In 1978 she transferred to O'Connor Hospital in Campbell as patient advocate, then as administrative coordinator of the chemical abuse unit, emergency and outpatient/OR services, and subsequently as director of the pastoral care department.

In 1984, Sister William Eileen moved south to Los Angeles and became the patient advocate at St. Vincent's Medical Center. Three years later she returned to the Bay Area as the administrator of Laboure Residence in Los Altos Hills and in 1992, she became chair of the board of directors at O'Connor Hospital. Simultaneously, she managed the St.Vincent de Paul free dining room in Oakland from 1992–2002.

In 2002, Sister William Eileen returned to Seton Medical Center and the following year started serving as Vice-President of Mission Integration, a position she held until today. She will now move on to Villa Sienna in Mountain View and serve as the mission leader at this Daughters of Charity assisted living facility.

This year she celebrates 50 years as a Daughter of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul. Last year she was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Daly City/Colma Chamber of Commerce. In 2008, she received the Daly City Mayor's Citizen of the Year Award.

It may come as a surprise that Sister William Eileen—or Sister Miscellaneous as she calls herself—is an avid sports fan. She barely misses a game on TV. Every year she kicks off the annual Seton golf tournament and is known to have promised divine intervention—for a certain fee.

About four years ago, Sister William Eileen and Kathy King, executive director of Seton, got wind that Jerry Rice would be playing a golf tournament at the Ritz Carlton in Half Moon Bay. They may have had some heavenly help and found out exactly when Jerry Rice was playing. Both of them literally ran up a hill, chasing him and asking to have their picture taken with him. It's a true story! Sister has the photo to prove it.

Mr. Speaker, I ask this body to rise with me to honor the selfless service of Sister William Eileen Dunn, a guardian angel for every person she befriends, and wish her the best for her new assignment at Villa Sienna.

HONORING JEANNE MILSTEIN ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT FROM STATE SERVICE

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep thanks and appreciation that I rise today to pay tribute to my good friend, Jeanne Milstein, as she steps down after serving nearly twelve years as Connecticut's Child Advocate where she oversaw the protection and care of Connecticut's most vulnerable and youngest citizens.

First appointed Child Advocate by former Governor John G. Rowland and, while the Office of the Child Advocate is an independent agency, has been reappointed and served in three different administrations. Guided be the simple adage, ''if you are not outraged, you are not paying attention,'' Jeanne has been an outstanding advocate and has become one of Connecticut's foremost authorities on issues impacting children.

Jeanne has dedicated her entire professional career to advocating for our young people—giving a voice to those who all too often cannot be heard. In fact, in 2009, she served as the representative from the United States at the 2008 Summit of Ombudsmen for Children from G–8 countries. Prior to her service as Child Advocate, Jeanne was Director of Government Relations for the Connecticut Department of Children and Families and Legislative Director for the Connecticut Commission on Children. Earlier in her career, she was responsible for child care in the Connecticut Department of Human Resources and previously served as Executive Director of the Women's Center of Southeastern Connecticut and Legislative Director of the Permanent Commission of the Status of Women.

With her extraordinary passion and commitment, Jeanne has not only identified the failures of state agencies and public policies to care for our children, but has authored numerous reports on how to make them work for those they are supposed to protect. During her tenure, she oversaw the investigation and resolution of thousands of complaints, concerns, or reports by citizens about the welfare of children in the community and in state or private institutions. She has also spoken frequently on many of the most difficult issues facing today's children ranging from conditions at the state's juvenile corrections and residential facilities to the quality of child protection and the delivery of children's mental health services as well as services to children with special health care needs or disabilities. Jeanne has been a champion in every sense and we have been fortunate to benefit from her outstanding service.

On a more personal note, I am glad to have this opportunity to extend my thanks and appreciation to Jeanne for her many years of friendship and support. I have often sought her expertise and her door has always been open.

Jeanne was the third person to serve as Child Advocate in Connecticut but it can be said that she has helped shape the position into the dynamic, respected office that it has become. She leaves a lasting legacy that will continue to influence public policy for years to come. I am proud to join all of those gathered today to thank Jeanne Milstein for her outstanding service to our state and especially our children. I have no doubt that though she is closing this chapter, she will find new opportunities to continue her good work.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. W. TODD AKIN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Mr. AKIN. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 73, I was delayed and unable to vote. Had I been present I would have voted ''aye.''

HONORING RYAN THOMAS

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Ryan Thomas. Ryan is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 314, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Ryan has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Ryan has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Ryan has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Ryan Thomas for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

IN RECOGNITION OF BRAD LEWIS

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commend San Carlos City Council Member Brad Lewis who is leaving the council after filling the remaining time in the term of the late and much-beloved Mayor Omar Ahmad. Councilman Lewis is an idealist, an artist and a pragmatist all rolled into one.

Mr. Lewis is an idealistic community leader. For example, he served for five years on the Parks and Recreation Commission wrestling with exploding participation in youth sports activities. The city has little ability to find new fields or play space, but Mr. Lewis worked diplomatically with residents to ensure that children had a chance to participate in sports despite the constraints.

In part due to his skills as a Commissioner, he was elected to serve four years on the San

Carlos City Council from 2005 through 2009. In 2006 his colleagues elected him as Vice Mayor, and in 2007 they elected him Mayor. It was in these positions that he showed his skills as a pragmatist.

For example, during his first term on the city council San Carlos took a major step forward in meeting regional medical needs with the approval of a new hospital. When the economy nosedived in the wake of the global credit crunch of 2008, Mr. Lewis and his colleagues on the council took prudent, painful and necessary steps to balance the city's budget. He also participated in many other decisions leading to economic development within the city, resulting in projects that will bear fruit in the years ahead.

In 2011, San Carlos' Mayor passed away unexpectedly and the city council reached out to a seasoned resident—Brad Lewis—to fill the remaining months of Mayor Ahmad's term. There is no question that the council chose wisely because it took no time at all for Brad Lewis to learn the status of current issues and to adapt to council business. He is to be highly commended for serving these past few months in this challenging, basically volunteer position.

Mr. Lewis is an artist at heart and as a professional. While Mayor in 2007, he found time to win an Oscar for producing the Pixar film Ratatouille. He co-directed the 2011 Pixar hit Cars 2 and has to his credit two Emmys and two Clio Awards. This is a man of unusual talents, and obviously one who cuts ribbons opening new businesses in town all the while cutting a swath through Hollywood.

In fact, Mr. Lewis' career has spanned decades in the television and animation business, having worked for Pacific Data Images, PDI, for over 13 years as vice president of productions, Pixar Animation Studios starting in November 2001, and Digital Domain's Tradition Studios division in Florida as of July 2011 where he is serving as director for a project set to release in 2014.

As Mr. Lewis said in an interview just a few weeks ago, he moved to San Carlos because a close friend lived in the city and because as a father he wanted to reduce a lot of the unknowns related to raising a child. He has two children, Jackson, age 22, and Ella, age 8½. His wife, Regina, has been an enormous source of support to him during his public service.

Mr. Speaker, San Carlos is a wonderful place to raise children, and Mr. Lewis has directly contributed to that family spirit through his leadership. He is now leaving the council and, at least for a time, leaving San Carlos as he makes his way in this next phase of his career. We have no doubt that he will return, however, to full-time residence and to the city that he has helped to shape for the betterment of all.

HONORING CATHY HUGHES AS A DISTINGUISHED RECIPIENT OF THE 2012 NAACP CHAIRMAN'S AWARD

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate an outstanding human being and my dear friend, Ms. Cathy Hughes, on receiving this year's National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, NAACP, Chairman's Award, the highest honor the NAACP has to offer. Cathy is a true symbol of American entrepreneurship and success. From her humble beginnings growing up in an Omaha housing project to becoming a leader in the media industry, Cathy embodies the spirit of determination and hard work.

Cathy's story is nothing short of remarkable. Born Catherine Elizabeth Woods in 1947, Cathy was the eldest of four children. By the age of 17, Cathy had dropped out of high school and become a single mother. Although she attended two universities in Nebraska, she did not have the opportunity to graduate. Despite these challenges, Cathy knew that she wanted a career in radio from a very young age and, in 1969 at the age of 22, began volunteering at KOWH, an African American owned radio station based out of Omaha, Nebraska. There, she excelled in the radio business and caught the attention of the Howard University School of Communications in Washington, D.C., where she was offered a position as a lecturer and assistant dean. By 1978, Cathy had become the vice-president and general manager of WYCB–AM and, a year later, along with her former husband, founded Radio One and purchased her first radio station in Washington D.C., WOL 1450.

Times were not easy at WOL 1450. Because of the lack of funding, Cathy had to give up her apartment and live with her son at the station. She also filled several roles as owner, producer, radio personality, and DJ, since she could not afford to pay personnel. But her perseverance and determination to see her dream succeed kept her going. Today Radio One is the largest African American owned and operated radio broadcast network, with over 65 radio stations in every major market in the United States and the seventh largest network in the nation. In 2004, Cathy launched TV One, a cable television channel dedicated to capturing the rich and diverse experience of African American life, history, and culture.

On February 17, 2012, Ms. Hughes was honored at the 43rd NAACP Image Awards, the premier multicultural awards show that recognizes the achievements of people of color in the fields of television, music, literature, film, and creative social justice. Cathy's name has been added to an illustrious list of past honorees, such as U.S. Surgeon General, Dr. Regina Benjamin, Former Vice-President Al Gore, then Senator Barack Obama, and Aretha Franklin. And no one could be more deserving.

Mr. Speaker, as we celebrate Black History Month, it is my distinct honor and privilege to recognize a pioneer in the media industry, a leader in the African American community, and my dear friend, Ms. Cathy Hughes. I commend her for her tireless dedication to empowering the disenfranchised and for continuing to be a powerful voice for those who too often remain unheard. Cathy, I wish you all the best for many years to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF HERBERT ADAMS

HON. JAMES P. McGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Herbert Adams of Worcester, MA. Herbert is being honored on March 13, 2012 by the Worcester City Council Chamber for his volunteer service to his community. Herbert was born in Maine, where he was adopted by an uncle after the tragic deaths of his parents. When the United States entered WWII, he repeatedly attempted to volunteer for the service, finally discovering that he was exempted from the military due to his job in the shipyards. Herbert applied just one more time—this time claiming to be unemployed. Once in the Army, Herbert again tenaciously fought his way into the line of fire. With determination and a little luck, he qualified as a paratrooper in time to take part in some of the most ferocious fighting of the war.

Like many paratroopers, Mr. Adams time and time again found himself in crucial battles. From North Africa he was shipped to Italy and fought on the beaches at Anzio. After Italy he went to the Western Front and took part in Operation Market Garden, where he was temporarily reported as missing in action to his wife, Beverly. A month later he fought in the Battle of the Bulge, playing a key role in the capture of an entire German company. After the German surrender Herbert was assigned as a personal bodyguard to General Dwight D. Eisenhower. He would meet President Eisenhower once more, when he visited Worcester during his presidential campaign.

Mr. Adams' military service, for which he was awarded two Bronze Stars and a Purple Heart, is deserving of recognition on its own. But he has also carried his lifetime of public service into his civilian life. Herbert has been recognized for his exemplary four decades with the scouts and works endlessly to maintain Worcester's parks and monuments. Every American can aspire to imitate his lifetime of heroism and sacrifice. Today I ask the House of Representatives to join me in honoring Mr. Herbert Adams.

HONORING CHRISTOPHER MORGAN

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Christopher Morgan. Christopher is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 214, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Christopher has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Christopher has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Christopher has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project.