THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF MOUNT ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

## HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, May 31, 2012

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mount Zion Baptist Church in Charles County, Virginia on the occasion of its 200th anniversary. I would like to highlight some moments from the history of the church.

Mount Zion Baptist Church was first established by slaves in 1812. The original church was built on a parcel of land that was purchased for \$20. The church worshipped in this sanctuary until it was destroyed by fire. After the sanctuary's destruction, the church was without a place to worship until a new building was deeded to the Church in 1885 and a sanctuary erected in 1886. Mount Zion continues to worship in this sanctuary to this day.

Over the years, the building has undergone many beneficial additions including the construction of a vestibule, choir stand, choir room, annex, Pastor's Study, Secretary's Office, baptismal pool, central heating, and air cooling system as well as new siding, pews, and carpet.

Over the past two hundred years, Mount Zion has been fortunate to have many dedicated pastors including Revs. Silas Richardson, J.H. Harrison, William Sayles, E.T. Banks, J.H. Williams, James Lee, W.H. Gaines, Gandhi G. Hester, Daniel L. Adams, Sr., and its current Pastor, George Magazine. The Church has also been fortunate to receive the service of numerous deacons, trustees and other officials over the years.

Their leadership helped the church thrive over its 200 year history. Examples of this include the organization of the Tones of Zion Gospel Chorus, the Youth Choir, the Male Chorus, the Nurses' Aides, the Christian Education Department, the Missionary Ministry, and publication of "The Spirit of Zion" newsletter, as well as additional Worship Sundays and the Wednesday night Praise and Prayer Service.

As Mount Zion Baptist Church gathers to celebrate its 200th anniversary, the church can truly remember its past, celebrate its present, and focus on the future with great expectations. I would like to congratulate Pastor Magazine and all of the members of Mount Zion on this monumental occasion.

A TRIBUTE TO SHELLY YANOFF

## HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 31, 2012

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Shelly Yanoff. For 25 years, Ms. Yanoff has served as executive director of the Public Citizens for Children and Youth, PCCY, and in the fall will celebrate her retirement after decades of service to her community.

Ms. Yanoff's celebrated career began in the mid-1960's when she crafted the strategy to save the "Get Set" day care program of 5,000 children in Philadelphia. She went on to lead

a rally in Harrisburg of 2,000 Philadelphians who insisted on more State support for neglected children. In 1987, Ms. Yanoff began her career as executive director for PCCY where she has touched thousands of children and their families through her leadership.

During her career, she has played a major role in expanding the scope and quality of services to children and their families in the region. Ms. Yanoff launched a child health watch in neighborhoods around the City of Philadelphia and taught families how to secure health insurance for their children. In addition she has advocated and helped craft the Children's Health Insurance Program, CHIP, and continued to work on securing healthcare for the region's children.

Ms. Yanoff's long and impressive career showcases her commitment and service to her community. Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in thanking Shelly Yanoff for her work and congratulate her on the occasion of her retirement.

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION REFORM ACT OF 2012

SPEECH OF

### HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 30, 2012

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share my additional thoughts on the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issue raised by my colleagues Mr. BILBRAY and Mr. TOWNS.

The Research Use Only (RUO) and Investigational Use Only (IU0) products draft guidance issued by the FDA last June could result in serious consequences for the future of health care. Patients and doctors want access to validated tests that will guide and improve their medical care. The development of tests by laboratories and their validation and regulation under the Clinical Laboratory Improvements Act (CLIA) are part of a long-standing regulatory framework. I am concerned that this draft guidance, should it be finalized in its current form, could seriously disrupt this process and the development of new technologies and diagnostics.

Another concern about the FDA draft guidance is that manufacturers could be held accountable for the activities of their customers who purchase these RUO and IUO products. It is quite possible that the draft guidance will cause manufacturers to stop offering important components for diagnostic tests. And what would be the end result? Commercial, academic, and public health laboratories may not be able to continue current tests or develop new tests to help diagnose or prevent the progression of diseases and conditions such as cystic fibrosis, ovarian cancer, organ failure and transplantation, and identifying new infectious organisms.

The FDA must consider the potential impact of this guidance on the practice of medicine and patient access to new and existing diagnostics. The concerns raised by the health care community, including the American Hospital Association and the Association of Public Health Laboratories, should be addressed before finalizing this guidance.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. MAZIE K. HIRONO

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 31, 2012

Ms. HIRONO. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 294—"yes"; 295—"yes"; and 296—"yes." Had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on all.

## IN RECOGNITION OF DAN DULCHINOS

### HON. RICHARD E. NEAL

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 31, 2012

Mr. NEAL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to acknowledge the retirement of high school baseball coach Dan Dulchinos from Chicopee, Massachusetts. Mr. Dulchinos is retiring after fifty-years of coaching at Chicopee Comp High School. His accomplishments over the course of a career have been remarkable. Mr. Dulchinos helped create the Chicopee Comp basketball program in 1962. Under his leadership, the basketball team won a Western Massachusetts Championship. Mr. Dulchinos went on to coach the high school baseball team, earning over six hundred victories, including four Western Massachusetts Championships.

As a coach, Mr. Dulchinos excelled at teaching high school student athletes the fundamentals of the game. It is not just the decades of coaching that makes his retirement worthy of commemoration, but the impact he had on the lives around him. He has inspired many of his former players to pursue coaching positions, thus passing on the skills he taught to other generations. Mr. Dulchinos taught the importance of teamwork and instilled a strong work ethic in his players. The skills he taught his students over five decades would go on to help them become successful, not only in baseball and basketball, but also in life. Those who live in Western Massachusetts have come to know Mr. Dulchinos as a recognizable face in town, who regularly attends and is a strong supporter of local high school sporting events. While coach Dan Dulchinos may be retiring, his accomplishments and the lessons he taught his players will live on.

For these reasons I wish to recognize Dan Dulchinos for his contributions to his community. Congratulations again to Mr. Dulchinos on the accomplishments of his career.

HONORING THE FEMALE PRESI-DENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM RECIPIENTS

## HON. LAURA RICHARDSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 31, 2012

Ms. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the outstanding accomplishments of the women who were presented with the Medal of Freedom yesterday by the President Barack Obama at the White House. These women come from a variety of backgrounds, but they are all leaders, and inspirations for

young women across the country to become strong and powerful, compassionate and wise themselves.

Those honored have helped women's rights evolve over the last century. Starting with Juliette Gordon Low, who in 1912 registered 18 girls to create the first troop of American Girl Guides, who later became the Girl Scouts.

The Girl Scout movement brought girls into the out-of-doors, and helped to develop their self-reliance and resourcefulness. Today it is still going strong, and continues to be an organization that is accepting of people from all backgrounds, with a membership that has grown to 3.7 million girls. Although she passed away in 1927, Ms. Low's efforts are still being felt today, and her memory will continue in the lives of the remarkable Girl Scouts who serve their communities.

Madeline Albright was born in Prague, Czechoslovakia, in the years right before World War II. Her family was forced to flee with the rise of Hitler, and after a number of years spent in Europe, Ms. Albright found her way to America. While raising a family she was able to earn her Ph.D. and eventually work her way up to the position of U.S. Ambassador of the United Nations.

In 1997 she was sworn in as the first female Secretary of State, and therefore became the highest ranking woman in America's history. Ms. Albright broke into a male dominated world and rose to the top. She has inspired many young women to do the same, and truer words were never spoken when she said, "Only in America can a refugee become the Secretary of State."

Toni Morrison's first novel was The Bluest Eye. This controversial book brought about a frank conversation on ideas of beauty in relation to race and class. These kind of issues made people uncomfortable, and it was placed on multiple banned book lists. However, Ms. Morrison understood the necessity of speaking openly about these issues in order move forwards from them. She went on to win the Nobel Prize in Literature and continues to bring important issues to the table through her writings.

Pat Summitt has won more championships than any other coach in NCAA history. Even with a recent diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease she is still coaching, claiming that the players are her "best medicine." Outside of her tremendous athletic accomplishments, every single one of her players has either graduated, or is currently on her way to a degree. She is a true teacher and inspiration to all women and those suffering from dementia alike.

Mr. Speaker, we should all be proud to be fellow citizens of these women. I would also like to recognize the great Delores Huerta, cofounder of the Farm Workers Union who also received the Medal of Freedom. I will describe her contributions and achievements later today.

The significant contributions of these extraordinary women have influenced people across the world. They have shown us that it is okay to be strong and commanding, and that a woman has as much right as a man to hold a position of power. These women have influenced generations of people with their words and actions, and they truly deserve this honor.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MOUNT WASHINGTON CRUISES ON THEIR 140TH ANNIVERSARY

### HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 31, 2012

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I congratulate Mount Washington Cruises on reaching your 140th Anniversary.

New Hampshire is proud to be home to some of the most beautiful sights in the Northeast. The White Mountains and Lakes Region have attracted tourists from all over the world, and the beauty and grandeur of Lake Winnipesaukee has been shared with thousands of visitors thanks to the M/S Mount Washington.

The M/S Mount Washington is truly one of New Hampshire's greatest treasures and continues to be one of the state's leading tourist attractions in the Lakes Region and for Weirs Beach. The daily in season tours give visitors the chance to view firsthand the beauty and majesty of Lake Winnipesaukee. With the ability to hold 1250 passengers, the "Mount" has also been a popular venue for parties, weddings and various celebrations. Today Mount Washington Cruises is owned and operated by local individuals ensuring that this fine vessel and her operations maintain in New Hampshire and are run by New Hampshire's great citizens.

I congratulate the owners, officers and crew of the Mount Washington Cruises for their continued success and their dedication to maintain the great legacy of the M/S Mount Washington here in the Granite State. I wish you all the best for continued success in the future.

# HONORING THE AROOSTOOK MEDICAL CENTER

### HON. MICHAEL H. MICHAUD

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Thursday,\ May\ 31,\ 2012$ 

Mr. MICHAUD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize The Aroostook Medical Center in advance of its 100th anniversary. The City of Presque Isle has proclaimed June 9th TAMC Day to commend the medical center's outstanding work on behalf of the community.

The Aroostook Medical Center began as the Presque Isle General Hospital in 1912. Established to meet the healthcare needs of the growing Northern Maine community, the hospital has since expanded to include top services and facilities in many Aroostook communities including Presque Isle, Mars Hill, Fort Fairfield, Caribou, and Ashland. TAMC is one of the area's largest economic drivers, employing over 1000 staff members and 60 physicians. The hospital is also a member of the Eastern Maine Healthcare Systems allowing TAMC to connect its patients with specialty physicians and advanced services.

Providing access to quality health care in rural areas like Maine can be a challenge for many health providers, yet TAMC continues to thrive in Aroostook County. The hospital was recognized nationally last year for the positive feedback it received from patient satisfaction

surveys. After receiving the award, TAMC went back to work on finding new ways to improve patient comfort.

On June 9, 2012, the State of Maine will express its thanks to TAMC for its many years of tremendous service. I am pleased to share in the celebration of TAMC Day and the 100th anniversary of the hospital's establishment.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating The Aroostook Medical Center on its outstanding service to the people of Maine.

A TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF THE LIFE OF CAROLINE OTTEN SHEA

### HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, May 31, 2012

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the tragically abbreviated life of an extraordinary woman, Caroline Otten Shea, who passed on May 11, 2012, at the age of 63. She was a loving wife, a devoted mother, a doting grandmother, a beloved sister, a teacher, and a community leader. She will be missed by every person who had the good fortune to know her, and I count myself among those so blessed.

Caroline Shea, a fourth generation San Franciscan, was raised on Potrero Hill and attended St. Theresa's Elementary School and Presentation High School. Caroline was a stalwart in her Millbrae community. Her door was always open to the children she loved so much and to so many others who were made to feel that her home was their own. Caroline was named Millbrae's Woman of the Year in 2004; served on the Millbrae School Board since 1993: was President of the Mills Booster Club; and the Mills PTA. She also served on the Board of the Meadows Swim Club where she spent her summers. She loved spending time at the beach with her family. She also served capably as Banquet Manager at Kokkari Estiatorio in San Francisco.

Her family wrote of Caroline "She was our diamond; the strongest and brightest rock in every situation, making sure everything went smoothly for those around her." This captures Caroline, and it is an eloquent statement about the loving, caring, selfless woman she was. Caroline said, "Remember, whether you are a teacher, secretary custodial staff, instructional aide, anyone who works with children—you do make a difference."

Caroline is survived by her loving husband James, her children Tracy Montserrat (Paul), Kevin (Christie), and Brian. Caroline lost her beloved daughter Kelly Gallo 8 years ago, and in her honor established the Kelly Shea Gallo Foundation. Caroline is survived by her adored grandchildren Mia, Chloe, Alyssa, Thomas, Claire and Kiley. She will be sorely missed by her sister Judy (George) and brother Pete. She also leaves nieces Jennifer, Mary Jane, Demetra, and Alexandria and nephews John and Mike.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in extending our most sincere sympathy to Caroline Shea's entire family and to the many who were part of her large Millbrae community of friends. Caroline Otten Shea's life was one of an exceptional citizen. As she strengthened her community in countless ways, she strengthened our country as well.