

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. JAMES
CAPOLUPO

HON. PATRICK MEEHAN

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2013

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize one of Delaware County, Pennsylvania's finest educators. Dr. James Capolupo, the Superintendent of the Springfield School District, has dedicated his life to educating our youth. Jim began his career as a music teacher and band director at the elementary, middle and high school levels. Dr. Capolupo held positions as Acting Principal, Assistant Principal, Principal, Director of Elementary Education, and Director of Teaching and Learning.

In 2005, Dr. Capolupo became Superintendent of Springfield Township's School District. Under his leadership, Springfield School District has become a model for successful and effective instruction. During his tenure, 100 percent of graduating seniors have gone on to college and 100 percent of students in the 4th grade that began in kindergarten are now reading at or above grade level.

Jim has earned the respect of teachers, parents and administrators around the state. He has taken every opportunity to share his methods and thoughts with those who seek them. In just the last five years, representatives of more than 120 school districts have visited Springfield to learn about the district's successes. Jim's conversation with his fellow educators has ensured that their districts start to see some of the same stellar results that Springfield has enjoyed.

Dr. Capolupo earned national recognition earlier this year when he was named a finalist for "National Superintendent of the Year" by the National Association of School Superintendents. Dr. Capolupo earned this distinction as one of just five superintendents across the country for his "model of uncompromising dedication to literacy and academic achievement."

Mr. Speaker, I thank Dr. Capolupo and the entire staff at Springfield School District for their hard work on our children's behalf, and I congratulate him on his well-deserved honor this year.

HONORING THE LIFE AND DEDICATED SERVICE OF JAMES RANDALL "RANDY" BROWN

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2013

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and dedicated service of Northwest Florida's beloved James Randall "Randy" Brown, who passed away on

September 16, 2013. One of Mr. Brown's many great qualities was his constant desire to serve his neighbors. The passing of this kind-hearted man will undoubtedly be felt throughout the entire Northwest Florida community.

A lifelong resident of the Gulf Coast and servant to its people, Mr. Brown graduated from Milton High School in 1960, where he was President of his senior class and the Key Club. Following high school, he received his degree in Business Administration from the University of Southern Mississippi. Knowing that his heart remained in Northwest Florida, he returned home to begin his chosen profession. Mr. Brown had a remarkable career, serving as an employee of Gulf Power for over forty years. His tenure at Gulf Power allowed him to work throughout Northwest Florida, beginning in Pensacola and Fort Walton Beach and later in Niceville and Milton, where he was promoted to managerial positions.

Mr. Brown also spent much of his time serving his community through his work with numerous organizations, including President of the Niceville Chamber of Commerce, Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce, Gulf Power Company Credit Union, Fort Walton Beach Lions Club, and Santa Rosa County United Way. His charitable efforts also led to Habitat for Humanity coming to the Fort Walton Beach area where, true to form, he served a term as President.

Mr. Brown would undoubtedly tell you that his greatest achievement, besides being the head of his wonderful family, was his dedication to spreading God's word. He served as an ordained deacon in numerous churches throughout his life and was also pivotal in erecting churches throughout the area, namely the second Immanuel Baptist Church building in Pace and the Florosa Baptist Church in Mary Esther. In a testament to his teaching and leadership ability, a number of the students from the churches at which Mr. Brown taught later became pastors and missionaries themselves. We are truly blessed to have had such a great public servant dedicate his life to the people of Northwest Florida.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I am privileged to honor the life and service of Mr. Randy Brown. My wife Vicki and I offer our prayers and sincerest condolences to his wife, Betsy; children, Jay and Stephanie; mother, Ruth; sister, Ann; brother, Greg; four grandchildren, Cody, Jon Jay, Tyndale, and Eli; great-granddaughter, Brooklyn; and the entire Brown family. He will truly be missed by all who were fortunate enough to know him.

A TRIBUTE TO WESTRIDGE
SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2013

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Westridge School for Girls, of Pasadena, California, as it celebrates its Centennial Anniversary, with the theme, Our Chosen Path: Founding Values for a New Century.

In 1913, in an era when women had not yet received the right to vote, Mrs. William Brackenridge and other parents persuaded Miss Mary Lowther Ranney, a noted architect and teacher, to open a school for girls in her home on the "west ridge" of town; thus, Westridge School for Girls opened with 21 students, with the motto: Surgere Tentamos, meaning, "We Strive to Rise." In 1914 and 1915, the tradition of community and international service was established with Christmas dinners and gifts provided for local families in need and the adoption of war orphans in Europe. Miss Amie C. Rumney became co-principal in 1917, and in 1918 the first Inlook appeared, a literary and fundraising project where charitable contributions were sent to organizations such as the Russian Relief and the China Famine Fund. In 1919, the school honored its first graduate, Harriette Jansen, as well as the establishment of the Athletic Association.

The cornerstone for the main building, designed by Marston, Van Pelt, and Maybury, was laid on June 8, 1923 on the site of Miss Ranney's original house/school, and in October of that year, was ready for use when 135 students were welcomed to their new school. In 1924, the school strengthened its academic department and college preparatory curriculum, an "On to College Club" was created, Smith College admitted its first Westridge graduate, and in 1927, the Westridge Alumnae Association was formed. By 1930, enrollment in the school had grown to 185 students. In 1935, the Westridge Parents Association was formed, and in 1937, the school was purchased from Misses Ranney and Rumney and became a non-profit institution governed by a Board of Trustees. The 1940's and 1950's saw the beginning of summer school classes, the addition of other properties, and the building of new classrooms, tennis courts, and an endowment fund for scholarships. In the 1960's a program was formed to encourage minority enrollment, which now comprises half of the students. The 1970's and 1980's were a time of growth for the athletic program, and the 1990's were typified by the integration of computer technology into academic life, and physical expansion to accommodate new programs. In 2005, the Fran Norris Scoble Performing Arts Center, named after longtime Head of School Fran Scoble was opened, and in 2009, Elizabeth McGregor became the 11th Head of School.

For 100 years, Westridge School for Girls' fundamental belief is that women have the right to be fully educated in an environment that engages the intellect, heart, body and soul, and that to be rewarding and useful, knowledge must be grounded in an ethic of caring and commitment. The school's founding values remain and continue to provide the guiding principles for the next century. I ask all Members join me in honoring Westridge School for Girls upon the celebration of its Centennial Anniversary.

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A TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF THE
LIFE OF JOAN A. MCKENNA, RSCJ

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2013

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sister Joan McKenna, a member of the Religious of the Sacred Heart and a highly distinguished educator, who died in Atherton, California on September 12, 2013. She was born in San Francisco on January 19, 1932, to Henry and Agnes McGuire McKenna.

Sister McKenna leaves her only sister, Kathleen P. McKenna, and her beloved community of Sacred Heart Sisters. She also leaves generations of children who were blessed by her teaching and her love, as well as the hundreds of people whose lives she graced with her caring and genuine interest.

Sister McKenna was a remarkable woman who represented the gold standard in education in ways almost too numerous to recount. She was raised in San Francisco and educated in a parish school. As a high school student she was given a full scholarship to Sacred Heart Schools Broadway where she continued to excel and where she developed her deep respect for the Religious of the Sacred Heart and their dedication to educating the "whole child."

Sister McKenna received her B.A. and her M.A. in History from the San Francisco College for Women. She later received her M.A. in Theology and her J.D. from the University of San Francisco. From each of these institutions she received training that developed her inborn talents, and to each of them she returned what she received tenfold, or more.

After joining the Religious of the Sacred Heart, Sister McKenna taught history and religious studies at Sacred Heart Schools in El Cajon, San Francisco and Atherton. In addition to her teaching, she was Dean of Students and Assistant to the President at the San Francisco College for Women. After receiving her law degree she spent three years working as a legal assistant for the San Francisco City Attorney's Office in the Juvenile Court. She served as Principal at Sacred Heart Broadway and Director of Schools at Sacred Heart Atherton. Over the years she served on the Boards at each of these institutions, as well as the Oakwood retirement home for the Religious, and for Catholic Charities of San Francisco. Before her retirement she was a lecturer in theology and religious studies at the University of San Francisco, a volunteer mentor for teachers, and a tutor for students at St. Martin de Porres School in Oakland. She retired in 2011. Sister Joan McKenna's life was one of learning and helping others to learn in a tradition of values-based education that she treasured. She was a loving friend to me and my family, educating and mentoring my daughter, Karen Eshoo. As one colleague of hers recalled, "she quoted Micah and told her students to 'act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with their God.' These simple words were made all the more powerful by the fact that they were delivered by one who lived them herself and one who consistently made her faith so accessible to others."

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in extending our deepest condolences to the

RSCJ community and all those who were privileged to know Sister Joan McKenna. She was a most extraordinary woman who blessed our country as a superb educator, inspired countless students to lead lives of value, and strengthened our nation immeasurably.

RECOGNIZING ANNIE QUICHOCHO ON HER RETIREMENT FROM MORE THAN 42 YEARS OF FED- ERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE

HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2013

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Annie Quichocho on the occasion of her retirement from the U.S. Department of the Navy after more than 42 years of federal civilian service.

Ms. Quichocho was born and raised on Guam, and graduated from George Washington Senior High School in 1969. In 1971, she began working as a clerk at Naval Station Guam. Her career as a federal civilian employee took her from Guam to Millington, Tenn., Whidbey Island, Wash., Beeville, Texas, Norfolk, Va., and finally to Patuxent River, Md., where she has lived with her family for more than 30 years.

Most recently, Ms. Quichocho worked as financial management analyst at Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division in the Budget Formulation, Justification and Execution Department. During this time, she served as the Lead Financial Management Analyst for seven financial analysts and two administrative personnel. She provided advice, financial support, guidance, and services for the Funds Management Division, and trained brand new employees and interns on the overview and details of the funding process in the Budget Office. She also received, reviewed, processed, and established incoming funding documents from various customers.

Additionally, Ms. Quichocho is an active member and a former secretary of the Guam Society of America, an organization that brings together former residents of Guam living in Washington, D.C. and the suburbs of Virginia and Maryland. She also is a member of the Internal Communication Workgroup, Business Financial Management Community, the American Society of Military Comptrollers, and is a member, usher and teacher's aide at St. Nicholas Chapel in Patuxent River.

On behalf of the people of Guam and a grateful nation, I commend Ms. Annie Quichocho for her many years of dedicated service to our country. I wish the very best to Ms. Quichocho, her husband, Larry, their daughter, Lori, their son-in-law, David, and her three grandchildren.

NUTRITION REFORM AND WORK OPPORTUNITY ACT OF 2013

SPEECH OF

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 19, 2013

Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, when the voting took place for H.R. 3102,

the Nutrition Reform and Work Opportunity Act of 2013, unfortunately, I was unable to be present to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted no for the following reason:

The bill, H.R. 3102, would cut \$40 billion from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), which will adversely affect poor people and lower benefits to households with children. Seventy-six percent of SNAP's recipients are households with children. SNAP is an anti-hunger program that is immensely effective in providing assistance to a minimum of 47 million individuals and families across America. In addition to food benefits, SNAP educates people on ways as to how one may use food dollars wisely and live a healthier lifestyle by promoting the importance of nutrition. A key component of SNAP is their "No Kid Hungry" campaign, which, aims at fighting against childhood hunger in America by partnering with communities to enroll eligible families with half of the program recipients being children. Reducing spending over the next few years by billions of dollars will affect the lives of Americans who depend on these programs to help put food on the table for their families.

The current legislation under consideration for today would deny food benefits to at least 4 million low-income Americans and make certain working adults with an average income of about \$2,500 per year and no guardianship of children ineligible to receive food benefits. This may include our veterans, Native Americans and many individuals that live in areas where there is chronically high unemployment. H.R. 3102 is a bill that is unreasonable and beneath the conduct of a Congressional body to impose such a policy initiative that will not help the poorest and neediest Americans among us.

Additionally, H.R. 3102 contains language that permanently bars formerly incarcerated individuals convicted of certain federal or state crimes and their families from receiving full SNAP benefits. As you may know, SNAP is about children and helping the poor and the needy. Why should anyone think that children should be denied adequate food and nutrition just because of the sins of the father or mother or caregiver, especially after they have paid their debt to society and reentered into normal community life? If this bill becomes law, it would restrict and deny the basic needs of children based on the parentage's criminal history of certain crimes and not on the essential eligibility requirement of income resulting from their financial status. As a result, H.R. 3102 would develop unintended consequences resulting in ancillary hardships to our neediest population. Given our nation's economic recovery, high unemployment rate, and the wide prevalence of food insecurity among children, all are directly problematic to the SNAP program. Every \$1 in SNAP new benefits would generate up to \$1.80 in economic activity. Every time a family uses SNAP benefits for healthy food on the table, it benefits the store and the employees where the purchase was made including the truck driver who delivered the food, the warehouses that stored it, the plant that processed it, and the farmer who produced the food. Each \$1 billion increase in SNAP benefits is estimated to create and maintain 18,000 full time jobs including 3,000 farm jobs. SNAP benefits have a powerful anti-poverty effect that the Census Bureau reports would lift 3.9 million Americans—including 1.7 million children—out of poverty. SNAP