

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR.
JACOBY DICKENS

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 26, 2013

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. Jacoby Dickens, who passed away this month at the age of 82. Jacoby was a prominent business leader, and served as Chairman of Seaway Bank & Trust Co., which is the largest black-owned bank in Chicago. He also served on the boards of Chicago State University, the School of Business at Florida A&M University, and the Chicago Urban League. He was a well-known philanthropist, and donated more than \$1 million to Chicago State University, where his name adorns the main athletic center.

Jacoby truly embodies the American dream, as his inspiring success story is rooted in the humblest of beginnings. He was one of six children, growing up in Panama City, Florida. His family moved to the South Side of Chicago in 1946. A teenager at the time, he attended Wendell Phillips High School.

Always possessing a knack for business, Jacoby began saving money while working as a building engineer. With these savings, he invested in real estate, and eventually purchased and managed a large number of apartment buildings in the South Side before selling his holdings in 1971. In time, he expanded his investments into other parts of Chicago, primarily investing in several bowling alleys. Seen as a financial up-and-comer, Seaway Bank & Trust Co. asked him to join their board in 1979. He became Chairman of the bank in 1983. Seaway was one of very few banks willing to provide loans in tough neighborhoods on the South Side, and saw Jacoby as a model of success for potential investments.

Building a half-billion-dollar organization, perhaps the most profound aspect of his legacy is his dedication to serving African-Americans in their community at a time when many were unwilling to take such risks. Countless businesses, families, and communities at large were positively impacted by his trust in people. Jacoby believed that people are equal and deserve the opportunity to better themselves. Originally only one of few black-owned banks in the city of Chicago, Seaway is now by far the largest and most successful.

Mr. Speaker, Jacoby Dickens was a dear friend of mine. He was a great American who gave back to his community and this nation. I am truly saddened by his passing. He will be dearly missed.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KOREAN WAR

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 26, 2013

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 60th anniversary of the Korean War, and to honor the men and women who served in the United States Armed Forces during this tumultuous period in history.

Our nation will never be able to fully express the heartfelt gratitude we have for our

veterans. The debt that we owe them is immeasurable. Time and again, our service members have stepped forward to defend the freedoms we enjoy today. Without the selfless actions of the soldiers, sailors, marines, airmen, and coast guardsmen in the Korean Peninsula, the nation of South Korea would never have blossomed into the model democracy and vital partner it is today. I sincerely thank every veteran of the Korean War for the essential role they played in ensuring democracy could take root in East Asia and for safeguarding America's allies.

American veterans are a cornerstone of society. Past generations helped build up this great country and did not hesitate to come to its aid when asked. As we remember their brave actions, it is my hope that citizens everywhere take time to speak with the veterans in their family and community. Thank them for their service, and ask them about their role defending our country. Helping veterans pass on their priceless wisdom and memories to future generations is one of the best ways we can honor them today.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in commemorating this 60th anniversary of the Korean War. I ask that my colleagues rise and join me in thanking our veterans, past and present, for the sacrifices they've made in service to the United States of America.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. YVETTE D. CLARKE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 26, 2013

Ms. CLARKE. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained in my district and missed the votes on Tuesday, April 23, 2013.

Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 118, H.R. 1067—To make revisions in title 36, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current and make technical corrections and improvements, "yea" on rollcall No. 119, H.R. 1068—To enact title 54, United States Code, "National Park Service and Related Programs", and "yea" on rollcall No. 120, Journal Vote.

CONGRATULATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS WHO HAVE ANSWERED THE CALL OF SERVICE IN OUR ARMED FORCES

HON. BILL POSEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 26, 2013

Mr. POSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my sincere respect and appreciation to four high school seniors in Indian River County who have answered the call of service to enlist in the United States Army. I commend Dominick Lambino, Christopher Larson, Tomasz Cabaj, and Ryan Paris for their decision to protect and defend the United States of America.

These young men will be recognized on May 9, 2013, in a high school enlistee ceremony. Soon after enlisting, they will graduate high school. This will mark the beginning of their valiant service to our country as soldiers.

Many of the men and women who have served before them are now local and national leaders. As American citizen's privileged to live in liberty, these young men have learned how to appreciate freedom and will soon be handed the baton by the generations of warriors before them.

During this time of celebration and recognition, we should all salute the courage within Dominick, Christopher, Tomasz, and Ryan. For each soldier who has served our country, there exist many citizens, myself included, that benefit from their hard work. Many of my most esteemed colleagues in Congress served as members of our Armed Forces.

Let us not forget the challenges these soon-to-be soldiers and their families will face. We must not overlook the intensive training and challenges ahead. As a support group, mothers, fathers, siblings, and spouses will have to endure the challenging road ahead and act as the foundation where these young men can gain strength in difficult times. I have confidence they will accomplish all that is asked of them. The bottom line is that our Republic continues to thrive because of the call to duty these individuals and others before them have vowed to accept.

The men and women who serve our country as members of our Armed Services go above and beyond day in and day out. I commend Dominick, Christopher, Tomasz, and Ryan for their service to our community and nation.

HONORING JIM GRAYSON FOR OVER 35 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 26, 2013

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Jim Grayson for his 35 years of public service as a Carrollton Police Officer in Carrollton, Texas.

Jim Grayson was hired by the Carrollton Police Department on August 1, 1977, as a Community Service Officer with the responsibilities of organizing the equipment for the Patrol Division. On December 18, 1978, Jim was officially sworn in as a Carrollton Police Officer. He attended the North Central Texas Council of Government's Basic Police Academy and graduated on January 31, 1979.

On August 15, 1983, Jim Grayson was promoted to the rank of Sergeant whereupon he was assigned the task of assisting the development of the department's newly created Crime Prevention Unit. Jim's role in developing the program helped establish one of the police department's most effective and successful units.

As an officer committed to expanding and developing his skills, Jim Grayson attended the prestigious Northwestern University Traffic Institute's School of Police Staff and Command in Evanston, Illinois, where he graduated in 1986. Jim continued his education in 1991 when he graduated from the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police of Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.

On January 29, 1987, Jim Grayson was promoted to the rank of Commander. In 1991, Jim was assigned the responsibility of starting

the department's first ever Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team by developing the policies, procedures, training regimen, and deployment strategies. On May 1, 1991, Jim was appointed to lead the unit after which he selected the personnel for the police department's first ever SWAT unit. Jim served as the unit commander until 2000 and his direction established the standard for future SWAT members and leaders.

Jim commanded numerous divisions during his career including Criminal Investigations, Administrative Services, Special Operations, Detention Services, and spent several rotations leading patrol shifts as a Patrol Commander. Jim was often looked to for direction and guidance in the Police Department because of his expansive experience and knowledge. His ability to provide quality and calm leadership in all situations was a valuable resource for the police department.

Jim and his wife Vickie will be married 37 years this November and are the proud parents of Daniel and Torie. Outside the police department, Jim has spent a great deal of his personal time as a basketball coach in various North Texas leagues.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 24th Congressional District of Texas, I ask all my distinguished colleagues to join me in thanking Jim Grayson for his 35 years of public service.

HONORING MR. JACK REVELLE

HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, on January 24, 1961, a B52 Stratofortress was flying a patrol path when it crashed into a field outside of Goldsboro, North Carolina. As it crashed into the field, the aircraft's bomb bay doors opened releasing two nuclear bombs from the bay.

In the midst of a possible nuclear disaster, Mr. Jack ReVelle received a phone call from a squadron commander notifying him that there was a crash. Mr. ReVelle, a munitions expert, immediately flew into Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, where he was transported to the crash site. When Mr. ReVelle reached the crash site, he found one bomb hanging on a tree but the second bomb had been buried under a deep puddle of mud.

Fortunately, Mr. ReVelle identified that the first bomb was on safe switch mode, imposing no imminent threat. However, the second bomb was missing and became a part of history as a "Broken Arrow". There was great fear that this missing bomb would detonate and it took several days for Mr. ReVelle and his team to find the second bomb. Once found, Mr. ReVelle risked his life in order to defuse the nuclear bomb by taking out the core of the bomb while still buried in the mud. After the core was successfully taken out, the ARM/SAFE switch was located and it was confirmed that the switch was on the ARM position. If Mr. ReVelle had not shown such bravery, this nation would have endured an Mk-39 nuclear bomb explosion, yielding a 3.80 megaton effect obliterating everything and everyone that was in its radius.

I am proud to recognize and honor Mr. ReVelle as a true American hero. This nation

is grateful for Mr. ReVelle's courageous efforts to protect the American people from a devastating nuclear bomb.

DOMINICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION SIXTEEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 26, 2013

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, today I stand to recognize the 16th anniversary of The Dominican Medical Association. An organization dedicated to providing information on disease prevention, education, and counseling to New York City communities.

The Dominican Medical Association or DMA was founded on April 26, 1997, by a group of physicians from the Dominican Republic. Their mission has been to educate communities on health issues and to assist newly arrived physicians from abroad in obtaining jobs in their respected fields, providing them with the tools needed to pass the medical boards, and integrating them into the local medical community.

Last year was one of multiple accomplishments for the Dominican Medical Association. In line with its mission a total of 1119 people were served through health fairs, medical conferences, forums, symposiums, and trainings. The vast majority served through the DMA are Hispanics living throughout all of New York's boroughs.

Information and knowledge on health is vital. My beloved village of Harlem and many areas of my district are predominately inhabited by minorities who have been affected by many health concerns that are the direct result of lack of knowledge on preventative care. Obesity is just an example of one of the diseases that has plagued our communities but it is an epidemic that can be stopped and the DMA works tirelessly and has worked for quite some time to be a part of this movement to get our communities on a healthy track. The DMA's outreach programs help to enlighten our communities, helping them to make better health conscious decisions about the way they live.

As the representative to the largest Dominican population in the country it gives me great pride to see a thriving organization not only rooted in that heritage but one that works to provide information for a predominantly Hispanic demographic. The youths of my district and those all over New York have a brighter future because of organizations like the DMA and their mission to spread knowledge and awareness.

Mr. Speaker I ask you and my colleagues to join me in honoring this remarkable organization and all of the good that they do.

HONORING U.S. ARMY OFFICER MARION B. GAULTIER FOR HER SERVICE

HON. BRUCE L. BRALEY

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 26, 2013

Mr. BRALEY of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, today, I am here to honor and celebrate the life of an

American patriot, 2nd Lieutenant Marion B. Gaultier.

Marion was born in May of 1923, in Fremont, Nebraska, but was raised in Vinton, Iowa, graduating from Vinton High School. She graduated from the School of Nursing at Mercy Hospital in Des Moines in 1944 at which point she was commissioned as an officer into the U.S. Army.

Marion was discharged from service in 1946, then went on to work for the VA hospital in Menlo Park, California. She met her husband, fellow veteran John Gaultier at the hospital she was employed at. They married in 1970 and moved to Vinton that same year.

Marion dedicated her life to helping others. She hosted blind children in her home. She was the Chair of the annual Easter Seals fundraiser at the American Legion, and cared for her ailing parents in their later years. AMVETS recognizes her passion for helping others by bestowing her name on the Post. It will now and forever be known as the "Marion B. Gaultier-Phillis M. Kulaszewski AMVET Post 218 Benton County, Iowa."

TRIBUTE ON THE OCCASION OF BISHOP J. DREW SHEARD'S ASCENSION TO THE GENERAL BOARD OF THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

HON. GARY C. PETERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 26, 2013

Mr. PETERS of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my friend, Bishop J. Drew Sheard of Greater Emmanuel Institutional Church of God in Christ in Detroit, Michigan, as his family, friends and congregation celebrate his ascension to the General Board of the Church of God in Christ.

As the son of minister Bishop John H. Sheard, J. Drew Sheard accepted the teachings and salvation of Christ early in his life. He later heeded the call to the Ministry and was guided by his father to develop his leadership skills. The lessons he learned as he worked diligently in his local church are ones that he has carried with him in service to both the Greater Detroit region and the Church of God in Christ's international organization.

Bishop Sheard was called to the Pastorate of Greater Emmanuel in 1988, a time of challenge for the congregation. Bishop Sheard immediately got to work, organizing and mobilizing the small but devoted membership of his congregation and as a result, the congregation began to grow significantly. As the pastor of Greater Emmanuel, Bishop Sheard has implemented a number of new and innovative programs, which include a TV ministry, an annual Youth and Women's Conference and Greater Emmanuel Men's Society. These programs more actively engaged the congregation in the community, strengthening the social fabric of the Southeast Michigan region. Bishop Sheard has also emphasized the importance of working with other denominations to provide programs that serve the community and offer support to those in need, which has earned him a reputation as a leader that is capable of building bridges within the Greater Detroit community.

While serving as pastor to Greater Emmanuel, Bishop Sheard has also been an active