

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

A TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH LUCIAN  
WYATT, JR.

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Joseph Lucian Wyatt, Jr. of Pasadena, California, who was an influential force in Southern California legal circles as well as an exceptional community activist.

Joe was born in Chicago, Illinois, the only son of Joseph and Cecile Wyatt. From 1942 to 1945, Joe served in the United States Air Force as a First Sergeant in the USAAF Troop Carrier Command in England, France, and Germany. After returning home, Joseph received his undergraduate degree from Northwestern University in 1947 and his law degree from Harvard Law School in 1949. He then moved to California to practice law and soon met Marge Simmons at a California Federation of Young Democrats Convention. They married in 1954.

Mr. Wyatt practiced trust and estate law for three law firms, specializing in trust and estate planning, fiduciary and tax practice, and trial and appellate litigation on behalf of individual and institutional clients. Most recently, Mr. Wyatt served as Senior of Counsel to Morrison/Foerster LLP. He authored an impressive four-volume treatise on Trust Administration and Taxation, and since 1962 he has been a prominent lecturer in his field. He was also an active member of many professional organizations. Mr. Wyatt was known as a people's lawyer and will be fondly remembered as a bow tie aficionado, rarely being seen in public without a bow tie.

Joe served his community as a board member of the Pacific Oaks College and Children's School, the California State Personnel Board, the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees Retirement System, and anti-poverty agencies of Pasadena and Los Angeles. In addition, he also supported many non-profit organizations that specialized in education and children's services. Joe was the counsel to the California delegation at six Democratic National Conventions, prior to which he was a delegate to four conventions. He was very active at state and local Democratic Party events, often serving as a skillful parliamentarian.

Joe Wyatt was a very accomplished man, an admirable lawyer, and a great husband and father. He was principled, intelligent, humble, and humorous. He will be greatly missed not only by his wife Marge and their four children Daniel, Linn, Jonathan, and Lawrence, but by the entire community. I ask all Members to join me in remembering Joseph Lucian Wyatt, Jr.

RECOGNIZING FRANCES MARIE  
CALVO MONGE ON BEING NAMED  
THE 2013 FIRST HAWAIIAN BANK  
AND GUAM BUSINESS MAGAZINE  
BUSINESSWOMAN OF THE YEAR

**HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend and congratulate Frances Marie Calvo Monge on being named the 2013 First Hawaiian Bank and Guam Business Magazine Businesswoman of the Year. Marie is the Chief Operating Officer and Executive Producer of Pacific Telestations Inc.'s KUAM and has been in the media industry for 16 years.

Born and raised on Guam, Marie attended Academy of Our Lady of Guam and graduated from Castilleja School in Palo Alto, Calif., in the spring of 1992. Her first job was a production assistant at a local public access television station in Palo Alto.

In May 1996, Marie graduated Magna Cum Laude from Emerson College in Boston with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mass Communication/Film.

Following graduation, Marie moved to Los Angeles, where she worked as a Development Assistant for Flower Films from January 1996 to September 1996. She worked with the producing team for actress Drew Barrymore to identify script projects that were to be developed into major motion pictures. She also assisted with film pre-production, which included location scouting, casting, and character wardrobe.

In January 1997, Marie began serving as Executive Producer of KUAM, where she oversaw all local productions, directed live productions, and developed local content and programming for the stations of KUAM.

In 2001, Marie co-founded a community service initiative of the stations of KUAM known as the KUAM Careforce. Through this Careforce, KUAM has highlighted many Guam organizations, raising awareness for issues of importance to our island community.

Marie also is the president of The Edward M. Calvo Cancer Foundation, a member of the Guam Chamber of Commerce, and a Board Member of The Rigalu Foundation, Sanctuary, Inc., and Hurao, Inc. She is also a member of the largest media professional group in the United States, Radio Television Digital News Association.

She is married to Eli Monge and together they have two daughters, Noelle Veronica, 14 years old and Reese Frances, 11 years old.

I congratulate Frances Marie Calvo Monge on receiving the 2013 First Hawaiian Bank and Guam Business Magazine Businesswoman of the Year. I join the people of Guam in commending her for her award and thanking her for her contributions to our community as a woman leader in business.

IN SUPPORT OF "JEWISH  
AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH"

**HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Jewish American Heritage Month. Nearly 360 years have passed since the establishment of the first Jewish community in North America. Since that time, Jewish Americans have contributed to the cultural richness and diversity of our nation in every field of community life, including business, government, medicine, law, the natural and social sciences, the arts and humanities, academia, religion, and the military.

There are approximately 5 million Jewish Americans and more than 100,000 of them live in Texas, nearly half of those, about 45,000, live in the Houston metropolitan area. Although their numbers may be small in a state with a general population over 20 million, the impact of Jewish Americans in Texas and in Houston has been great indeed.

Jewish Americans were there during the fight for Texas' independence from Spain and Mexico. Adolphus Sterne, an East Texas merchant, was a principal source of financial backing for the Texas Revolution and a close friend of Sam Houston. Albert Moses Levy was surgeon-in-chief in the revolutionary army. The De Cordova family helped develop the city of Waco and Henri Castro settled immigrants in several Texas towns. In 1859 the first synagogue in Texas was established in Houston.

Business and trade, especially the merchandising of food, clothing, jewelry with style, elegance, and distinction are the arenas in which many Jewish-Texan families made their most visual marks on the state of Texas. There is hardly a city in the Lone Star State whose history is without landmark stores founded and developed by Jewish entrepreneurs: Neiman, Marcus, Sanger in Dallas; Battelstein and Sakowitz in Houston; and Joske in San Antonio.

These cities and towns reaped the benefits not only in availability of goods, but also in owners' generous patronage of the fine arts and in contributions to civic life such as the historic Levy Opera House in Hillsboro and the Brin Opera House in Terrell. Other early Jewish Americans who contributed mightily to civic life include Anna Hertzberg, who served as president of the original San Antonio Symphony Orchestra before World War I, and Olga Bernstein Kohlberg of El Paso, who started Texas' first free public kindergarten in 1892. That tradition continues today with the Dell Children's Hospital in Austin established by Dell Computers founder and CEO, Michael Dell.

Mr. Speaker, it was 65 years ago this month that President Truman recognized the free, independent, and democratic State of Israel, making the United States the first country to

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welcome Israel into the family of nations. And for 65 years Israel and the United States have remained the best of friends and the strongest of allies. One reason for the enduring strength of this relationship is the enduring contributions made by Jewish Americans in enriching American life and culture.

Mr. Speaker, as a representative of the state of Texas which has welcomed Jews for more than three centuries, I join with my colleagues and President Obama in calling upon all Americans to learn more about the heritage and contributions of Jewish Americans and to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and ceremonies.

HONORING FRED ACQUAVITA ON  
THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

**HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to join the many family, friends, colleagues, and community leaders who have gathered in celebration of an outstanding member of our community and my dear friend, Fred Acquavita, as he retires from his post as Headmaster of St. Thomas Day School in New Haven, Connecticut after more than three decades of service in education.

A native of New Haven, Fred left Connecticut to attend the Kansas State College of Pittsburg to earn his Bachelors Degree and later returned to earn his Masters from Southern Connecticut State University as well as his 6th Year from Bank Street College of Education. Fred began his career as a teacher in the New Haven Public School system working with children in elementary and secondary schools. Deeply passionate about education and making it work for both teachers and our young people, Fred focused his professional growth on building expertise in curriculum development, instructional support, strategic planning, and team building—all of which would serve him well as he accepted the leadership role at St. Thomas's Day School. As Headmaster of St. Thomas's Day School, Fred has helped to shape the lives of hundreds of young people—nourishing their minds, encouraging their imaginations, and preparing them well to meet their full potential and realize their dreams.

Fred's dedication to enriching our community extends far beyond his work in education. Throughout his adult life he has dedicated much of his time to a myriad of local service organizations. He has served on the Board of Directors at Farnum Neighborhood House where he also coached "Biddy Basketball," participated in the Graustein Foundation Leadership Program, and is currently an Associate Fellow Yale's Berkeley College as well as a member of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Association of Independent Schools.

On a more personal note, I want to take a moment to thank Fred for his many years of special friendship. His support and camaraderie is something that I will always cherish. Fred's passion for making a difference is an inspiration to many and I consider myself very fortunate to call him my friend.

Teacher, administrator, advocate, and mentor, Fred is a reflection of all that we attribute to an outstanding public servant. His actions reflect his deep and abiding belief in the words of St. Francis of Assisi—we should all strive to "make this a better world and let it begin with me." For his many invaluable contributions to both St. Thomas's Day School and our community, I am proud to stand today and extend my deepest thanks and appreciation to my good friend, Fred Acquavita, as he celebrates his retirement. I wish him as well as his wife, Marie; their children, John and Michael; and their three beautiful granddaughters the very best for many more years of health and happiness.

RECOGNIZING ISMAEL GUZMAN ON  
HIS ENLISTMENT INTO THE  
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

**HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Ismael Guzman, a senior at Glades Central High School in Belle Glade, Florida. Ismael is fine young man who has received good grades, and will graduate later this month. He has courageously chosen to enlist in the United States Marine Corps.

Ismael should be extremely proud of his decision to serve this nation. It is thanks to the commitment and dedication of individuals such as him, that we are able to meet here in the House of Representatives, and openly debate and legislate on the many issues facing our nation.

Mr. Speaker, I commend Ismael Guzman for his selflessness to enlist in the Marine Corps. I am certain that he will serve with honor and distinction. We owe him, as well as all the men and women serving in uniform a debt of gratitude.

IN MEMORY OF PATRICK R.  
FOSTER

**HON. ADAM SMITH**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life of Patrick R. Foster.

As a Vietnam War veteran who served in a Naval Attack Squadron and a superintendent with the city of Federal Way, Washington, Pat Foster's life was dedicated to public service. As the self-proclaimed "CEO of potholes" for the city, Pat supervised a staff that maintained the city's many roads and sidewalks, using his warmth and sense of humor to add a human touch in handling the multitude of requests the city received.

Pat's tireless efforts and down-to-earth demeanor led his colleagues throughout the Federal Way city government to consider him an integral part of its operations. He was trusted to develop and implement creative and resourceful solutions to the issues and challenges faced by the city and its residents, while involving others and making them feel equally important in the process. As a leader,

he spared no opportunity to make sure his staff's good work received due recognition. Under Pat's leadership, his Public Works division and those who worked in it earned a great deal of respect from all. He was also so well regarded by residents that they would request assistance from him by name.

Fiercely proud of his service with the Navy, colleagues fondly remember Pat's many stories of his time in the military and remarked about the wealth of aviation knowledge he was able to share. Nowhere was this on more prominent display than during a visit to the National Air and Space Museum. During their trip to Washington, DC, they also shared an especially moving time with Pat at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

Pat's unrelenting and quiet dedication to serving the public, in the military and in local government, serves as an example of the tremendous impact one outstanding person can have on his community.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I recognize the life of Pat Foster. He is a reminder of the standards of service to which we should aspire every day.

RECOGNIZING PETTY OFFICER 1ST  
CLASS (FMF) BENNY MENDIOLA  
FLORES JR. ON RECEIVING A  
SILVER STAR

**HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Petty Officer 1st Class (FMF) Benny Mendiola Flores Jr., a hospital corpsman serving with the Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, on receiving a Silver Star, for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action with combat operations against the enemy while serving as Field Medical Service Technician, I Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward), on 28 April 2012, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He was presented with the Silver Star, the military's third-highest award for valor, at a ceremony at Camp Pendleton, Calif., on May 3, 2013.

Petty Officer Flores, a native of Guam, graduated from Southern High School in 2001, and, shortly thereafter, enlisted in the United States Navy. He always wanted to be a corpsman, and, in his remarks at the award ceremony, demonstrated his humility and gratitude for the opportunity to serve our country. He is currently serving his third deployment to the Middle East.

During his deployment to Afghanistan last year, Petty Officer Flores was providing medical coverage for a three-day, Afghan-led mission to Zaranj, Afghanistan near Iran's border. He was riding in the back of a pickup in Nimruz province's Zaranj district returning to camp after a trip to the Iranian border when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle as a result of a suicide bomber. Despite suffering shrapnel wounds to his arms and back, he immediately began helping the wounded. He risked his life four times, running through enemy gunfire to help save the Marines and Afghan Uniform Police officer who were injured in the blast.

Petty Officer Flores stayed focused administering combat lifesaving skills. Although he