

Evagoras's passing at a time when we are celebrating the parish's 100th anniversary seems to me to be more than coincidental. I believe it evidences his knowledge that he could join our God firm in his absolute faith in Father Poteres's spiritual leadership, the Parish Council's commitment to future generations, and every parishioner's dedication to preserving their religious beliefs and the incomparable Hellenic culture and values we all hold so dear.

The leaders and parishioners of Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church touch the lives of countless individuals through their compassionate service, especially to those most in need. Over the years, the church has come to the aid of so many people through the church's Helping Hand Fund, which provides financial assistance to those in need. The church also facilitates the Ross Township Food Pantry, which fed approximately 20,000 people during the last year.

Mr. Speaker, I am a strong advocate for the promotion of the ideals and morals of Hellenism throughout all of Northwest Indiana. I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in honoring Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church as the congregation celebrates its 100th anniversary. The church leaders and parishioners have dedicated themselves to upholding Greek Orthodox traditions and spiritual beliefs. For their commitment to service, and for touching the lives of countless individuals, they are worthy of the highest praise.

MEGAN RHOADS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Megan Rhoads for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Megan Rhoads is a 12th grader at Arvada High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Megan Rhoads is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Megan Rhoads for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

TRIBUTE TO BARBARA NUNN
MC CARTHY

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I present the following U.S. Citizen of Distinction.

Whereas, our lives have been touched by the life of this one woman who has given of herself in order for others to stand; and

Whereas, Barbara Nunn McCarthy was a community leader, making history as the first woman to serve on the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners; and

Whereas, she provided leadership and service to so many community institutions including the Rockdale United Way, the County Extension Service, the C. E. Steele Community Center, Rockdale Retired Educators Association, Habitat for Humanity, the Rockdale Coalition for Children and Families and the Conyers Rotary Club; and

Whereas, Mrs. McCarthy never asked for fame or fortune, nor found a job too small or too big; she gave of herself, her time and her many talents by demonstrating unwavering commitment to protecting and serving the citizens of Rockdale County; and

Whereas, she was a wife, a mother, a sister, an aunt, a teacher and a friend; she was also a woman of great integrity who throughout her life remained true to uplifting and serving; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia recognizes Barbara Nunn McCarthy as a citizen of great worth and so noted distinction; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON do hereby attest to the 113th Congress that she is deemed worthy and deserving of this "Congressional Honor" by declaring Barbara Nunn McCarthy, U.S. Citizen of Distinction in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 30th day of March, 2013.

IN CELEBRATION OF DABNEY N.
MONTGOMERY'S 90TH BIRTHDAY
"OUR NONAGENARIAN HERO"

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor, recognize, and celebrate the 90th Birthday of Mr. Dabney N. Montgomery, a member of the ground crew of the Tuskegee Airmen, who later served as a bodyguard for Martin Luther King during the historic 1965 march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama.

Dabney N. Montgomery was born in Selma, Alabama on April 18, 1923, to Dred and Lula Anderson Montgomery. Mr. Montgomery was drafted into the Army Air Corps (now the United States Air Force), during World War II and served in the 1051st Quartermaster Company of the 96th Air Service Group, attached to the 332nd Air Fighter Group, as a ground crewman with the Tuskegee Airmen in Southern Italy, from 1943 to 1945. He was awarded a Good Conduct Medal, the WWII Victory Medal, the European African Middle Eastern Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, a Service Award, the Honorable Service Medal, and a Basic Driver and Mechanic Medal. In 1946, he enrolled into Livingstone College, Salisbury, North Carolina, and received a B.A. degree in Religious Education, in May 1949. He served as a Charter Member of the Sphinx Club and was one of the first to be admitted into the Gamma Mu Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha [ΑΦΑ] Fraternity.

In June 1955, he joined Mother African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church (the oldest

Black Church in the State of New York, organized in 1796), Harlem, New York. He immediately began to serve as Sunday School Teacher and, in early 1970, was appointed Director of Youth (serving until 1999). In July 1996, he authored a Resolution to the General Conference of the A.M.E. Zion Church Denomination, proposing that 'The Day of Pentecost' be incorporated in their Book of Discipline. It now stands as a day of celebration throughout all A.M.E. Zion Churches.

He served and presently serves in many capacities such as General Chairperson of Mother Zion's Bicentennial Anniversary in October 1996, charter member of the past organization at 159 West 136th Street Parsonage Building Fund of Mother Zion, the W.H. & O.M.S where he served as member/chaplain, Class no. 4 member, Board of Stewards, Board of Directors of James Varick Community Center, and the Lay Council. He is Mother Zion's Church Historian and conducts church tours. In 1999, the Church was featured in a PBS documentary entitled, "A Walk through Harlem," hosted by Barry Lewis and David Hartman in which Mr. Montgomery cites the history of Mother Zion Church.

On Sunday, March 5, 2006, the men's committee bestowed upon him a double honor with the Paul Robeson Award of Excellence and with architectural plans for the future structure of the Church archives and museum to be named the Dabney N. Montgomery Art Gallery and Exhibition Hall. Mr. Montgomery was an activist in the course of the Civil Rights Movement and marched with the late Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. throughout the 50+ mile March from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, March 21-25, 1965. He served as one of Dr. King's bodyguards. On April 11, 2006, President George W. Bush signed a bill into law to award all original Tuskegee Airmen the 'United States Congressional Gold Medal of Honor,' it was awarded on Thursday, March 29, 2007, under the Capitol Dome here in Washington, D.C.

In December 2006, he was selected by the Livingstone College National Alumni Association to receive the prestigious Outstanding Alumni Award. It was presented on February 2, 2007 by the National Alumni Council of the United Negro College Fund in Nashville, Tennessee. On February 4, 2010, he was inducted into the United Negro College Fund "Share Your Love" and Service in Celebration of Livingstone College Leaders Hall of Fame. These distinguished awards recognize Alumni who have made significant contributions to their alma mater, community, and the United Negro College Fund.

On August 7, 2007, he was asked to serve as a member of The HistoryMakers, a Chicago-based organization that has the largest archival collection of both well-known and unsung African American HistoryMakers. Their purpose is to capture the stories of accomplished African Americans across all walks of life and to use video and new technologies to create an accessible digital collection to serve as a resource for students, teachers, scholars, documentary producers and the media. The HistoryMakers' stories are stories of success against the odds, of achievement in the face of adversity, and of inspiration. They are America's missing stories.

On Saturday, June 27, 2009 the Livingstone College National Alumni Association, Brooklyn, Queens and Long Island Chapter presented to

Dabney N. Montgomery the Joseph Charles Price Award, "In Recognition of Outstanding Achievements That Serve as a Tribute to Our Beloved Founder."

Mr. Montgomery is involved in the Harlem community and is a member of Manhattan Community Board No. 10, where he serves on two sub-committees: Parks and Recreation, and the Executive Committee. As a member of the Parks and Recreation Committee, he wrote a base letter to the Parks Department of the City of New York, as a proposal to recognize Central Park West (at 85th and 86th Streets) as the historical site of African American settlers in the early 1820s, which was then Seneca Village. Mother Zion was, for a short time, located there. The settlers were evicted in 1857 under the City's 'eminent domain' project. A permanent sign now stands marking the site. He is chaplain of the West 136th Street Block Association.

Words cannot express my gratitude to Dabney, whose devotion to our community is remarkable and his service and commitment to our Nation has known no bounds. Mr. Speaker, as we celebrate 150th Anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation, the 150th Anniversary of the Union League Club, the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the 369th "Harlem Hellfighters Regiment" and the 100th Birthday of Rosa Parks, I ask my distinguished colleagues to join me in celebrating the 90th Birthday of Dabney N. Montgomery, an outstanding veteran, hero, civil rights activist and public servant.

MICAH ELAZIER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Micah Elazier for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Micah Elazier is an 11th grader at Jefferson High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Micah Elazier is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Micah Elazier for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

TRIBUTE TO PATERNE
AGBOHESSOU

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation.

Whereas, in the Fourth Congressional District of Georgia, there are many individuals

who are called to contribute to the needs of our community through leadership and service; and

Whereas, Mr. Paterné Agbohessou has answered that call by giving of himself as an educator at E.L. Bouie Sr., Traditional Theme Elementary School, and as a beloved son, mentor and friend; and

Whereas, Mr. Agbohessou has been chosen as the 2013 Teacher of the Year, representing E.L. Bouie Sr., Traditional Theme Elementary School; and

Whereas, this tenacious man has shared his time and talents for the betterment of our community and our nation through his tireless works, motivational speeches and words of wisdom; and

Whereas, Mr. Agbohessou is a courageous man and a fearless leader who has shared his vision, talents and passion to help ensure that our children receive an education that is relevant not only for today, but well into the future, as he truly understands that our children are the future; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Mr. Paterné Agbohessou for his leadership and service for our District and in recognition of this singular honor as 2013 Teacher of the Year at E.L. Bouie Sr., Traditional Theme Elementary School; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby proclaim March 15, 2013 as Mr. Paterné Agbohessou Day in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 15th day of March, 2013.

IN HONOR OF DR. PETER A.
KURZBERG OF BRAINTREE, MA

HON. STEPHEN F. LYNCH

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Dr. Peter A. Kurzberg in recognition of his outstanding contribution to public education and his twenty-two years of leadership in the Braintree, MA School District.

Peter was born and raised in Springfield, MA. The son of Holocaust survivors, he was the first generation of his family born in the United States. He graduated from Classical High School in 1965. Subsequently, he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Early Childhood Education and Child Development from Goddard College.

Peter began his teaching career as a special needs teacher in East Hartford, CT, where he also served as Vice-President of the East Hartford Education Association. He continued his education while teaching and received his Master of Science degree in Special Education from Central Connecticut State College. After five years of teaching, Peter attended the University of Iowa where he earned his Education Specialist degree (Ed.S) in Special Education and his Doctorate (Ph.D) in Educational Administration.

While attending graduate school in Iowa, Peter worked as a special education consultant and secured his administrative position as Coordinator of Special Education for the Grant Wood Area Education Agency assigned to Iowa City.

Mister Speaker, Peter returned to Massachusetts in 1981 as the Director of Special

Needs and later the Director of Instructional Programs for the Freetown-Lakeville Public Schools where he served for five years. Subsequently, he was hired as Assistant Superintendent for the Barnstable Public Schools and served in that capacity until 1991 when he assumed the position of Superintendent of the Braintree Public Schools. He has served with distinction for twenty-two years.

During his career, Peter has served as president of both the Old Colony and South Shore Superintendents Roundtable. He is a current member of the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents, and he has served as Chairman of the Board for the South Shore Educational Collaborative. He is a past President of the Braintree Rotary Club and is currently the President of Temple B'Nai Shalom in Braintree.

Mr. Speaker, Peter has had the good fortune to be married to Karen for thirty years, and they are the proud parents of two sons, Marc and Daniel.

Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor to take the floor of the House today to join with Dr. Peter A. Kurzberg's family, friends, and contemporaries to thank him for forty-two years of dedicated service to public education, and especially express our gratitude for twenty-two years of inspired leadership of the Braintree Public Schools.

NEKO FAVELA

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Neko Favela for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Neko Favela is an 11th grader at Jefferson High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Neko Favela is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Neko Favela for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

HONORING REVEREND DR.
RICHARD B. HAYNES

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation.

Whereas, in the Fourth Congressional District of Georgia, there are many individuals who are called to contribute to the needs of our community through Pastoral leadership and service; and