

RETIREMENT OF DEPUTY SERGEANT AT ARMS KERRI HANLEY

HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the House of Representatives to pay tribute to Kerri Hanley, Deputy Sergeant at Arms, on the occasion of her retirement on June 30, 2013. Kerri Hanley has served the people's House with distinction since 1988, and her sound leadership, extensive institutional knowledge, and trusted guidance have been heavily relied upon by two Sergeants at Arms, House Leadership and Officers, and Members of Congress alike.

Kerri Hanley—a native of America's heartland, Mitchell, South Dakota—began her 25 years of service to the House of Representatives in 1988 with the Republican Leader of the House, Robert H. Michel of Illinois. She left the House briefly in 1989, to serve as Confidential Assistant to the Administrator, United States General Services Administration. However, she soon returned to the Office of the Republican Leader in August 1989, to serve as Deputy Press Secretary. In 1994, Leader Michel promoted her to Press Secretary and she remained in that position until he retired from the House of Representatives in January 1995. Hanley then joined the staff of incoming Sergeant at Arms Wilson Livingood as Executive Assistant. In January 2001, she was appointed Deputy Sergeant at Arms of the United States House of Representatives. As Deputy Sergeant at Arms, Ms. Hanley serves as chief of staff and together with the Sergeant at Arms she is responsible for the overall planning, organization, and implementation of all of the office's activities.

Kerri's commitment to this institution is second to none, clearly demonstrated by the variety of highly trusted positions she has held while serving the House of Representatives. Her keen insight and a practical, hands-on approach to problem solving, are the hallmarks of a consummate professional. Her natural sense of calm and whenever needed, a dose of good humor in stressful situations, have helped her to provide effective leadership and guidance during some of the most challenging times in this institution's history—in particular, 9/11 and the anthrax incident. Her tireless work over the years has helped shape the Office of the Sergeant at Arms into one of the most respected support organizations in Congress. She has much to be proud of as she reflects on her long and distinguished career, during which she has earned the respect and admiration of her peers.

I know her husband Jon—a long-time Capitol Guide Service employee who recently retired—and their two children, Christopher and Keli, are very proud of all of her accomplishments. While we are certainly sorry to see Kerri go, I am hopeful she will now be able to devote far more time to all of them in the months and years to come.

Please join me in commending the outstanding service of Kerri Hanley to the Congress of the United States and congratulating her on her retirement. On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives we wish you well in all your future endeavors.

TAIWAN-PHILIPPINES FISHERY DISPUTE

HON. BLAKE FARENTHOLD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Mr. FARENTHOLD. Mr. Speaker, last Thursday, May 9, 2013, a Taiwanese fishing vessel, the Guang Da Xing No. 28, was fired upon by a Philippine government vessel in waters 164 nautical miles southeast of Eluanbi, the southernmost part of Taiwan in waters considered by both Taiwan and the Philippines to be within Taiwan's 200 nautical-mile-from-shore Exclusive Economic Zone.

The Taiwanese fishing boat was severely damaged and suffered engine failure, causing it to float adrift. Crew member Hong Shicheng, a Taiwanese national, was shot and killed. The Philippine government vessel sailed away without offering any assistance.

A government vessel's shooting of an unarmed fishing boat is an act of violence, and is in violation of international law. Therefore, we call upon the Philippines to promptly and sincerely respond to the requests of the Taiwan government to apologize, punish the perpetrators, and provide proper compensation to the victim's family based on humanitarian grounds.

It is imperative that these two close and longstanding allies of the United States work together for an immediate and peaceful resolution of this incident. The circumstances that have given rise to such an incident must be addressed so as to guarantee as much as possible that such an incident will never happen again. Ultimately, this means the negotiation of an agreement or treaty on marine fishing between Manila and Taipei.

During this difficult time, we express our condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Hong.

REMEMBERING COMMANDER ROBERT EDWARD MAY

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Commander Robert Edward May. Commander May passed away late last year at the age of 88. He served in the United States Navy for over 25 years and worked for another 25 years as an engineer in process control in Honeywell, part of Phoenix, Arizona.

Mr. May had various interests from a young age. At 15, he was Rochester's 1939 Soap Box Derby Champ and flew his first solo airplane at the age of 16. At 20, he graduated from the US Naval Academy in three years, and his first orders were to be stationed on the Flagship USSN Nashville in the Pacific, surviving the largest naval battle in history. He witnessed a Kamikaze strike killing hundreds and injuring many more on Nashville's command center.

After returning to the US for repairs on the Nashville, Mr. May married his sweetheart Ruth Schlitzer. Together, they had 10 children. During that time, he sailed as Lieutenant and Lieutenant Commander aboard vessels in

Key West. He then attended the Naval Postgraduate School before earning a Master's in Science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, writing a then classified dissertation on fire control for torpedoes in conjunction with the latest sonar.

After finishing his post-doctorate work, Mr. May was assigned to one of the largest and most successful projects ever completed, the Polaris Project. The Polaris nuclear missile placed on submarines was the first submerged launch missile to use thrust vectoring and on-board telemetry to guide the missile, changing the course of warfare. Mr. May also aided in the development of the TALOS missile system, and worked in the submarine Anti-Submarine Warfare.

After retiring from the Navy, Mr. May continued to do work for SAC and NELC through data control at Honeywell. While raising his 10 children, he was active in his community, as an organizer and volunteer at church, scouts, little league, and blood drives.

Mr. May's successes in the United States Navy and local communities across the country have strengthened our nation's Defense program. His dedication and passion to serve our country well will certainly be missed. I would like to extend my sincerest condolences to Commander May's family and friends as he will be laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia on April 23, 2013.

Family members include: Bill & Marsha May, John Fredrick May, Joanne Mell, Ruth & Schuyler Hoffman IV, Martin Hoffman, Schuyler Hoffman V, Eileen May, Cynthia & Karl Ponath, Quentin Ponath, Jim & Sugene (McClain) May, James May, Collin May, Ashton May, Don & Connie May, Harrison May, Kenny May, John & Chris Ann (Hardin) May, Caroline May, Daniel May, Ray & Delores Schlitzer, Pete Schlitzer, Marta Schlitzer, Tom Schlitzer, Mary Ann (Schlitzer) & Tom Maszerowski, Walter May, Christopher and Cynthia May, Bill and Gail Schults.

PASTOR VANDY S. POPE—50 YEARS OF SERVICE

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Pastor Vandy S. Pope, on the 50th anniversary of his calling to serve his community through the word of God.

While he currently serves as pastor of New Life Apostolic Church in Cartersville, Georgia, Pastor Pope's vocation has taken him across the globe. Since he graduated Bible College in 1966, his sermons have been heard in 17 different countries, and the 3 States where he served as Pastor. In Georgia alone, Pastor Pope has served three separate communities, and touched countless lives.

1 Peter 4:10 says, "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

All too often, we forget that our religious leaders take on roles that extend so much farther than that of a pastor. These chosen few work long hours, undertaking duties of educators, social workers, charity organizers, and counselors. Moreover, they are often by the

side of families and friends, as they face the challenge of laying a loved one to rest.

Mr. Speaker, it is with this in mind that I extend my most heartfelt thanks to Pastor Pope for accepting God's call to this challenging, yet critical profession for the future of our great Nation. On behalf of Georgia's 11th District, I congratulate him as he marks this most impressive achievement.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOHN A. YARMUTH

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Mr. YARMUTH. Mr. Speaker, during rollcall 179 on final passage of H.R. 3, the Northern Route Approval Act, my vote was incorrectly recorded as "yes." I intended to vote "no."

TRIBUTE TO THE CITY OF FONTANA, CALIFORNIA

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute today to the City of Fontana, California, as their community celebrates 100 years of settlement.

Fontana has a rich history of hard work and ingenuity. From its humble roots as a rural community and agricultural town of citrus orchards, vineyards and chicken ranches astride historic Route 66, the city is now home to over 200,000 residents.

Since its incorporation in June of 1952, Fontana has grown to become a regional hub of the trucking industry, with Interstate 10 and State Route 210 transecting the city from east to west and Interstate 15 passing diagonally through its northwestern quadrant. Due to its prime location, the City is also home to a number of product distribution centers for large companies, including Target and Sears. Fontana is also the home of the Auto Club Speedway, which has hosted national racing events since 1997. The Speedway is the home of the Auto Club 400 race in the NASCAR Spring Cup Series, the NASCAR Nationwide Series Royal Purple 300, the IZOD Indy Car Series race, and numerous other local events. Fontana is also home to numerous industrial sales centers and commercial strip zoning such as "The Miracle Mile" and the Fontana Auto Center.

With a city theme of "open for business" and dedication to a "Healthy Fontana" lifestyle, the citizens of Fontana continually demonstrate their enthusiasm for their City by actively participating in local government and future city planning. It is indeed my pleasure to represent the residents of this beautiful city, who have contributed much of their time towards the betterment of their community.

Mr. Speaker, on this very special year for the City of Fontana, please join me in commemorating their one hundredth anniversary.

AUTHORIZING USE OF EMANCIPATION HALL FOR UNVEILING OF STATUE OF FREDERICK DOUGLASS

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

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to support S. Con. Res. 16, legislation authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall for the unveiling of a statue of Frederick Douglass.

Frederick Douglass was an historic figure, whose work and legacy continues to improve lives and help us form a more perfect union.

The battle he valiantly led in the 19th century for equal rights and dignity has yielded great results and his sage advice to agitate at every turn continues to inspire men and women into action.

With each passing generation the march toward freedom and equal opportunity is moving closer to full realization thanks in part to the actions of Frederick Douglass.

I have had the pleasure of meeting Nettie Washington Douglass, the great, great granddaughter of Frederick Douglass, who chairs the Frederick Douglass Foundation, and continues the difficult work he started.

I proudly joined with her in urging President Obama to issue posthumously the Presidential Medal of Freedom and I am proud to support this resolution to properly recognize this great man and all that he has given to our country.

HONORING JOHN C. TOY

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Kentucky native John C. Toy, a true American patriot.

John C. Toy was born on August 14, 1918, in Montgomery County, Kentucky to Ella Lee and Edward Joseph Toy. Mr. Toy joined the Army in June, 1941, and was stationed at Schofield, Honolulu, Hawaii, in the anti-aircraft division. While there, he survived the bombing of Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. He served in the Army until 1945 when he was Honorably Discharged with the rank of Staff Sergeant.

Since his military service to this country, Mr. Toy has remained active in his community by teaching Sunday school at the First Church of God in Mt. Sterling, serving on the Board at Mt. Sterling Swimming Pool and Park, as a Member and Past Commander American Legion Post 22, and as current President of the Kentucky Pearl Harbor Association.

Mr. Toy is married to Gerturde Fletcher of Bourbon County, and has been blessed with two daughters, Pam Ishmael and Sandy McDonald, as well as three grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

As a U.S. Congressman, I am forever grateful for John C. Toy's service to our country. Because of his bravery and that of his fellow men and women in uniform, our American freedoms are protected for future generations. Truly, he is a hero to us all.

HONORING DEPUTY SHERIFF TIM CAUSEY AND THE CAUSEY FAMILY

HON. TOM RICE

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Mr. RICE of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, it is with great sadness that I recognize the Causey Family today, as they have lost a husband, father, son, and friend. Deputy Sheriff Tim Causey passed away on Sunday from complications he suffered from bravely fighting the devastating fire in Windsor Green this past March.

Beloved by family, friends, and co-workers, Mr. Causey served Horry County with a fervor and commitment that residents can only hope to find in a first responder. As we look back on his 25 years of service, his bravery and selflessness in times of crisis will not be forgotten.

On behalf of Horry County and the Seventh Congressional District of South Carolina, I ask that we remember today Deputy Sheriff Tim Causey for his service and ultimate sacrifice. Wrenzie and I hope that they may find peace in a time of sorrow, clarity in a time of distress, and strength through the support of family and friends.

CUMBERLAND CID 25TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Cumberland Community Improvement District (CID), which is celebrating 25 years of fostering economic growth in Cobb County, Georgia.

First known as "Cobb County CID," Cumberland CID was launched in 1988 as the first program of its kind in the State of Georgia. Since then, the Cumberland economy has grown into one of the largest economic engines in the state, attracting companies like The Home Depot, GE Energy, Travelport, and many more. Because of their efforts, the Cumberland market now totals an estimated five percent of Georgia's overall economy, and has brought tens of thousands of jobs to Cobb County.

Not only has the Cumberland CID been critical to economic growth, but it represents hundreds of millions of dollars in state infrastructure project investments. Over the next 30 years, Cumberland CID will underscore their commitment to Georgia's economic future by investing \$133 million in community improvement projects.

Mr. Speaker, I extend my thanks to the hard-working people who make up the Cumberland CID, and who have played such an important leadership role in making Cobb County's economy flourish. On behalf of Georgia's 11th district, congratulations to Cumberland CID on 25 years of success, and here's to 25 more.