

HONORING THE CAREER OF
PRINCIPAL WILLIE SANDOVAL

HON. KEVIN MCCARTHY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 2013

Mr. MCCARTHY of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of Principal Willie Sandoval, who is retiring after dedicating 45 years of his life to the Kern High School District in California.

In 1968, Willie began as a teacher and—how I remember him best—a coach at Bakersfield High School, my alma mater. In the mid-1980s during my time at BHS, Coach Sandoval taught me the importance of perseverance and a constant desire to learn, both on and off the field.

By 1997, Willie was eligible for retirement. Instead, his passion for educating our young people led him to take on new challenges and continue to serve Bakersfield students. He is the only principal in Kern High School District's history to open two new schools—Golden Valley High School and Independence High School. And as principal of Independence, he was constantly innovating new opportunities and educational experiences for his students. For example, Willie partnered with the California Department of Energy and PG&E to found the New Energy Academy, which infuses career technical education into our students' traditional academic endeavors at Independence. Coach Sandoval is a living example of the mantra "never give up."

Though his tenure in the education system comes to an end, his legacy will forever be found in the halls of our schools. President John F. Kennedy once said, "After the dust of centuries has passed over our cities, we will be remembered not for victories or defeats in battle or in politics, but for our contribution to the human spirit." Mr. Speaker, Principal Willie Sandoval's contribution to the human spirit through the education of our young Americans is truly admirable. Throughout his illustrious career, he has remained steadfast to his vision, passion, and advocacy for education.

I wish Willie well in retirement. And, as he enters this new chapter in his life, I know he is looking forward to spending more time with his wife Nettie, their daughter Carrie, son William, and his four grandchildren. On behalf of thousands of parents and students, I salute and honor a truly exceptional teacher, coach, principal, and leader in our community, Willie Sandoval, who leaves a legacy of hope, education, and inspiration through Kern County and the State of California.

HONORING DOROTHY ROGERS
PORTER

HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 2013

Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and pay tribute to the life and legacy of Mrs. Dorothy Rogers Porter, a beloved musical icon and mentor from the Great state of Alabama who passed away on June 1, 2013 at the age of 77. This phenomenal woman was an extraordinary source

of wisdom and guidance to me and so many others. While I am deeply saddened by her passing I am confident her legacy will live through the countless lives she touched during her lifetime.

For 38 years, this American jewel was first lady of the historic Sixth Avenue Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama. Alongside her husband, civil rights icon Rev. John T. Porter, Mrs. Porter became a fixture in the local community. But many will remember her for her extraordinary musicianship and her dynamic voice. As head of the children's choir, Mrs. Porter inspired a sincere love for music in the young lives that were under her direction.

The classically trained mezzo-soprano also taught music at Lawson State Community College and performed for audiences across the country. She graduated from Alabama State University with a bachelor's degree in music and went on to obtain a masters degree in music education from Wayne State University in Detroit.

Mrs. Porter was a committed servant leader active in so many community and civic endeavors. She lead Sixth Avenue's scholarship committee and was instrumental in preparing graduating seniors for the next phase in their lives. Mrs. Porter was a member of The Links Incorporated and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She also served on the Birmingham Library Board.

On a personal note, Mrs. Porter was a mentor of mine and countless others. I will miss her loving smile, wise counsel and warm embrace. I was proud to call her a sorority sister, fellow Link and most importantly, my mentor. We will all miss her dearly.

We are indeed grateful for the life of this awesome woman. On behalf of the 7th Congressional District, the State of Alabama, and this nation, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the life of Mrs. Dorothy Rogers Porter.

HONORING DR. SHIRLEY RAINES

HON. STEPHEN LEE FINCHER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 2013

Mr. FINCHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dr. Shirley Raines on all of her achievements. A longtime resident of West Tennessee and originally from my home county of Crockett, I am especially proud to celebrate with her today.

A driving force bringing notoriety to Memphis for not only her work in education, but also her achievements in research, work-force and economic development. She is to be commended for her vision of bringing an urban institute that reaches all parts of West Tennessee that provides an educational opportunity for all.

Dr. Raines has served as the President of the University of Memphis for the past 11 years. Originally from Bells, TN, Dr. Raines holds a doctorate in education from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and a Master of Science from the University of Tennessee at Martin. Before joining the University of Memphis, Dr. Raines was the Vice Chancellor for Academic Services and the Dean of the College of Education at the University of

Kentucky. Dr. Raines is also an accomplished author, with fourteen books and several articles published.

Dr. Raines's accomplishments as the President of the University of Memphis are numerous and far-reaching. She has increased total enrollment to 22,000 and extended the campus by acquiring the Lambuth campus in Jackson, TN. Dr. Raines has also been crucial in the relocation of the Cecil C. Humphreys Law School and the construction of the Kemmons Wilson School of Hospitality and Resort Management, the FedEx Institute of Technology and several other campus developments. Dr. Raines has spearheaded the Empowering the Dream capital campaign, which aims to raise \$250 million by June 30th.

Dr. Shirley Raines's contributions to education and West Tennessee are undeniable and inspiring. I congratulate Dr. Raines on her many accomplishments and wish her well.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2014

SPEECH OF

HON. PAUL RYAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 5, 2013

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2217) making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 3, 2014, and for other purposes:

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin. Mr. Chair, I want to commend the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and the members of the Committee for producing bills that meet the current law limit on appropriations of \$967 billion. The one area of the budget where we are exercising real fiscal discipline is discretionary spending and Chairman ROGERS and the Committee are to be commended for bringing about that result. The Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2014 (H.R. 2217) funds critical programs that promote the safety and security of the United States. In total, the bill provides \$44.6 billion of discretionary funding for the operations of the Department of Homeland Security. While the majority of this funding is provided in accordance with the budget resolution adopted by the House of Representatives, \$5.6 billion is provided in excess of the levels anticipated by the budget resolution using the disaster relief exception to the normal budget rules. We should be budgeting for these expenses and not adding funding through cap adjustments that provide funding in excess of the limits on discretionary spending. Congress should afford disaster relief the priority it deserves within the budget. Notwithstanding my objections to the use of this budget loophole, on balance, I believe this bill is worthy of support.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. XAVIER BECERRA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 2013

Mr. BECERRA. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and missed rollcall votes 188

and 189. If present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall votes 188 and 189.

HONORING PISTA SA NAYON

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 2013

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 27th Annual Vallejo Pista Sa Nayon Festival.

On Saturday, June 1, 2013, the Pista Sa Nayon festival marks their 27th anniversary of the founding of the Philippine Cultural Committee of the Filipino Community of Solano County. This celebration is also the 115th anniversary of the Philippine independence from Spain.

Pista Sa Nayon is a yearly landmark festivity for the City of Vallejo, California and showcases the culture of Filipinos through a parade of colorful costumes, the sharing of traditional cuisine, and the appreciation of the cultural arts and music. Pista Sa Nayon has grown to be one of the largest free festivals in the State of California and will be celebrated by over 40,000 people.

Mr. Speaker, on this occasion it is my distinct pleasure to recognize the Pista Sa Nayon Festival in Vallejo, California on the 27th anniversary of their momentous event. I join our colleagues in celebrating the Filipino Community of Solano County's rich history and wishing them a successful 27th year with many more to come.

HONORING THE BRICK STORE MUSEUM IN KENNEBUNK, MAINE

HON. CHELLIE PINGREE

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 2013

Ms. PINGREE of Maine. Mr. Speaker, I make this submission to correct a previous record statement printed on June 4, 2013, which erroneously named the location of the Brick Store Museum as Kennebunkport, Maine.

Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate the Brick Store Museum, located in historic Kennebunk, Maine, for achieving accreditation from the American Alliance of Museums.

Since 1936, the Brick Store Museum has offered generations of locals and visitors the opportunity to explore the rich history of one of Maine's most iconic communities.

The Brick Store Museum's focal point is a building constructed in 1825 as a dry goods store by William Lord. The exterior remains much the same as when it was built, giving today's visitors a glimpse of what life was like nearly 200 years ago.

I am proud of the museum's commitment to preserving, interpreting, and exhibiting Kennebunk's important role in our history. Many students have passed through its rooms, gaining knowledge, understanding, and a stronger attachment to the area where they have grown up.

I share the Brick Store Museum's belief that the history of our oldest towns is crucial to un-

derstanding where we are now and where we are headed. As Maine continues to advance into the future, the Brick Store Museum offers an important tether to our past.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RODNEY DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 2013

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, April 4, 2013, I was attending to family medical issues and unfortunately had to miss votes.

Had I been present in Washington, DC on Monday, June 4, 2013, my votes would have been as follows:

For rollcall No. 184, on suspending the rules and passing H.R. 1206, the Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act of 2013, which allows for the purchase of duck stamps electronically, I would have voted "yes."

For rollcall No. 185, on suspending the rules and passing S. 622, the Animal Drug and Animal Generic Drug User Fee Reauthorization Act of 2013, which reauthorizes two programs that collect and spend fees by the FDA to expedite the review and approval of drugs for use in animals, I would have voted "yes."

It is an honor to serve the people of the 13th Congressional District of Illinois.

A TRIBUTE TO THE LATE DR. FLOYD RANDALL STAUFFER

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 6, 2013

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the late Dr. Floyd Randall Stauffer. I am submitting his prepared biography for the record, detailing his extensive accomplishments and contributions to our community:

Born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to Maurice and Dorothy Stauffer, Dr. Stauffer graduated from Hyde Park High School in Chicago. He earned a B.S. Degree from the University of Chicago where he won the Big Ten medal for combined excellence in athletics and scholarship. He was first string guard on the Big Ten water polo championship squad, Phi Beta Kappa and received his B.S. degree in physiology in 1937 before earning his Master's of Science from Ohio State University in 1940. From 1940-1943, he attended medical school at Ohio State, receiving his MD in 1943. The day after he graduated from medical school, he married Mary Ruth Schuh who he described as "a brilliant doctor and first in her class."

Dr. Stauffer was commissioned in 1943 as a Lieutenant in the Medical Corps for the United States Navy and interned at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Bremerton, Washington. He served as a "Beach Party Doctor" (triage) in the Pacific theater on the USS Audubon. In 1947, he was dedicated Navy Flight surgeon, School of Aviation Medicine in Pensacola, Florida. Here he directed the human centrifuge program and instructed Navy pilots in acceleration forces and radial G-forces. He also conducted research on the G-suit, as well as experiments on human tolerance and "supine G-forces."

In 1948, he received his PhD from the University of Southern California's School of Medicine, Department of Physiology. The Stauffer family moved to Downey, California in 1954 where both he and his wife, Mary, continued to practice medicine. He also served as the Warren High School team doctor for twelve years and sponsored some of the athletic awards.

"Dal," as he was called by friends and family, began his swimming career in Lake Michigan and his diving career at church summer camp at the age of ten. YMCA and high school diving followed where he became Chicago's junior and senior diving champion. He performed exhibition diving at the 1934 World's Fair. He continued competing throughout college in club and Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) regional competitions, winning many championships and was the All Navy Diving Champion in 1947. He went to the 1948 Olympic Trials, but finished seventh so he just missed making the team.

In 1962, he started swimming and diving with the Senior Olympics. In 1974, Dal went to Texas for the first Master's diving meet. Throughout his Master's career, Dr. Stauffer competed in 20 FINA Master's World Championships and 49 USA Master's National Diving Championships throughout the eight age groups beginning with 50-55. Active in the Master's program, Dal traveled throughout the country and around the world. He hosted Ukrainian and Lithuanian masters in his home, as well as diving officials from Denmark. In 2006, Dal was inducted into the International Master's Swimming Hall of Fame and in 2007, he was inducted into the Athletics Hall of Fame for the University of Chicago for swimming, diving and water polo. At 89, Dr. Stauffer decided to "dive for history," being the first to set a Master's diving record for a 90-year-old man.

In 1978, he discovered scuba diving and traveled to the best diving spots to pursue his newfound hobby. The highlight of this activity was a trip to New Guinea with one of his sons and a group headed by Jean Michele Cousteau, son of the famous undersea explorer, Jacques Cousteau.

In 1984, when Los Angeles hosted the summer Olympic games, Dal carried the torch for one kilometer at Salem, Oregon on July 8, 1984. He paid the \$3,000 for the privilege, most of which was donated to the Downey YMCA at his request, via the Torch Relay Foundation.

A lover of nature and animals, he took his family to visit many of the National Parks and to Africa. He also enjoyed spectator sports in addition to chess, bridge, the Japanese game of Go, reading, music and the theater. Annually, he created an original "transogram puzzle" for the family to complete on Christmas Eve. He maintained his digital dexterity for surgery by weaving baskets and crocheting placemats and tablecloths for family members. He was truly a "Renaissance Man" in every sense of the word.

I extend my most heartfelt condolences to Dr. Floyd Stauffer's wife, Dr. Mary Stauffer and her family—sons, Jim and John; and daughters, Dorothy Knight, Judi Saunders, and Janet Suzuki; grandchildren, Dawn Martens, Diane Saunders, Katherine Reich, Mary Owens, Alison Riley, Jessica Stauffer and Jordan Stauffer; and great-grandson, Phoenix Reich.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to please join me in recognizing Dr. Stauffer's lifetime of achievements and long record of service to our country and our community. His significant contributions enriched the lives of many people.