EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING REV. ABRAHAM REED, SR.

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 13, 2013

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Rev. Abraham Reed, Sr., who is a remarkable civil and public servant.

Rev. Abraham Reed, Sr. was born on December 1, 1940, the third child of 10 children. He is a Civil Rights legend in the Jefferson and Claiborne County areas. Often when the movement did a boycott of a business in one county they would follow and boycott in neighboring counties.

Rev. Reed stated that he believed that he was used during the movement because he was not scared of anything, so he was the goto man, when it was time for standing up to the Jim Crow society in Jefferson County.

Rev. Reed remembers that the movement started in 1965, when Mr. Charles Evers, another movement leader, would come into Fayette, MS to meet at Adams Chapel United Methodist Church in a mass meeting, then march to the Courthouse where demands of the people would be made. They wanted jobs in the stores and in the county offices and to have the same rights for good books for our children in their classrooms which would create the best opportunities for good jobs and education.

Rev. Reed remembers that it was well worth the marching, and the boycotting and the mass meetings, because after long hours and days of marching, many of their demands were met, resulting in two black ladies who were hired. Mrs. Doris White was hired at the Montgomery Store in 1966 and in that same year Mrs. Jeanie Enochs was hired at Hirsch's Store and these ladies worked at the stores for many years. And with continued success in the movement, another lady, Delorise Frye was hired as a Deputy Clerk in the Chancery Clerk's Office and worked there for many years.

Rev. Reed is a bricklayer by trade. He learned this trade from an elderly white man, Claude Brown. Rev. Reed was not participating in the movement to get a job for himself but because of his concern for others.

Rev. Reed stood guard over many of the most prominent civil rights workers at night and laid bricks by day. Oftentimes, while at Mr. Fernand Allen's house, he had to protect Mr. Allen, because he was the president of the NAACP. Therefore, Rev. Reed and others kept shifts because they were determined not to lose a great leader.

Rev. Reed laid the blocks to Mr. Allen's hotel that he was building, but when the MS Southern Bank at Port Gibson found out that Mr. Allen was active in the NAACP movement, the bank withdrew financing of \$20,000.00 and

the bank gave him 6 weeks to pay it back. Rev. Reed along with others participated in an emergency mass meeting and financial rally; and raised \$19,000.00 to cover this debt.

Rev. Reed often stood guard over other leaders of the NAACP as well as continued his trade of laying blocks all day. Often he picked up some worker's before they went on a job and the white folk came and enticed them to go to work with them, another bricklayer, would come by and try and get them to go to his job so that they would not get the building, that Rev. Reed was working on completed.

Rev. Reed enjoyed his work with the civil rights movement which was important work to him. He registered to vote in 1966 and assisted other blacks to register to vote. While doing this, others had to be called to assist in helping to register blacks because blacks were prevented from voting because they did not know how to fill out the forms or simply because of being black. But when help came, blacks were allowed to register and hundreds of blacks registered to vote.

Rev. Reed participated in registration drives and felt very proud when in 1969, a slate of black candidates ran for office in the City of Fayette and everyone that ran won.

Rev. Reed remembers the dangerous times during those years when blacks had to watch out for self and for others, yet he is proud to have been an active part of the movement.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Rev. Abraham Reed, Sr. for his dedication to serving others and giving back to the African American community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 13, 2013

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, on June 11, 2013, I missed rollcall votes No. 212 and 213. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner:

Rollcall No. 212: "aye." Rollcall No. 213: "aye."

CONGRATULATING THE YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS ON THEIR 29TH ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF OUTING

HON. BRADLEY S. SCHNEIDER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 13, 2013

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the outstanding work of the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC), and congratulate

them on hosting their 29th annual charity golf outing.

Originally started in 1974, YCC provides education and job training programs to prepare young adults to join the workforce and be active members of their community. Its founding principles intertwine conservation, environmental consciousness, vocational training and practical development in order to provide students with the best possible experience.

YCC serves disadvantaged, unemployed and ex-offender young adults, helping them build a path to a brighter future. In the last decade, throughout Waukegan and the entire Tenth District community, YCC has broadened its reach and expanded its programs.

The success of YCC is a testament to the power of public-private partnerships, and demonstrates how much good we can accomplish when working together to empower the next generation.

I would also like to honor Walgreens, based in Illinois's Tenth District, for their longtime support of YCC and its mission. A strong YCC partner since 1981, Walgreens, over the past eight years, has helped create the largest-netting non-national charity golf outing in northeastern Illinois to support these incredible programs. Their generosity completely funds YCC's Summer High School Program, in addition to much more.

The dedicated men and women who make up YCC, as well as its many supporters, deserve to have their important work honored, and I am proud to recognize them here today. I am also proud of each and every YCC graduate for having the courage to take hold of their future. I wish YCC only the best as they continue giving this chance to more and more kids.

SWAP JURISDICTION CERTAINTY ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. ELIJAH E. CUMMINGS

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2013

Mr. CUMMINGS. Mr. Speaker, yesterday I voted "yes" in error for the Swap Jurisdiction Certainty Act. As I stated in a dear colleague with fellow members, this bill will "undermine our financial regulators' efforts to regulate cross-border derivatives . . . putting our financial markets and economy at risk and undermining one of the most important provisions of Wall Street Reform." I stand firm with 124 of my colleagues who voted against this harmful legislation and will continue to fight for sensible policies that will prevent the kind of reckless gambling by our financial institutions that led us to the brink of economic catastrophe.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor. Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor. HONORING THE CAREER OF DAVE CHAPMAN

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, June 13, 2013

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dave Chapman of Peoria on his recent retirement on April 1st, 2013, after more than 40 years at Caterpillar.

Dave has been a true friend and advocate to working men and women throughout Illinois and truly cares for those less fortunate. Throughout his career he held a number of positions with the International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America (UAW), including President of UAW Local 974, representing more than 14,000 workers in the Peoria area.

As President of the Local UAW, a position he held for 13 years, Dave Chapman and his administration negotiated two consecutive six-year contracts with Caterpillar without a strike, something that had not happened before in UAW 974 history. His success has not been limited to just CAT, as he and his administration negotiated at least 15 contracts with other companies, all without any strikes taking place.

Mr. Speaker, I am grateful for Dave's contributions as a leader in his community and I again want to congratulate him on his well-earned retirement and wish him luck with his future endeavors.

THE WESTERN NEW YORK HIS-PANIC AMERICAN VETERANS' COMMITTEE

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 13, 2013

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize our Nation's Hispanic-American veterans with the unveiling of the Hispanic-American Veterans' Memorial. Dedicated to the service of past, present, and future veterans, the memorial honors the courageous sacrifices and immense contributions by the Hispanic-American community while defending our Nation.

Hispanic-Americans have a storied history in the armed forces. The legendary 65th Infantry Regiment, known as the "Borinqueneers," was the only segregated Hispanic-American branch in the history of our military. Established in 1899, the regiment made significant contributions to the American effort in World War I, World War II, and the Korean War. Locally, the Gabriel A. Rodriguez American Legion Post Number 1928 primarily serves and honors Hispanic-American veterans.

The Hispanic-American Veterans' Memorial is the first monument to Hispanic-American veterans in our region. Thanks to the efforts of countless individuals, including the Hispanic Heritage Foundation and the Western New York Hispanic American Veterans' Committee, these brave men and women will be memorialized permanently along the waterfront. Placed among many military memorials, the monument demonstrates the unity among our country's noble service men and women.

The memorial features boots, a rifle, and a helmet arranged in a battlefield cross to remember fallen heroes. The flags of twenty-two countries are engraved on an ellipse with a kneeling soldier and a female soldier, representing the twenty-one countries where most Hispanic-American veterans trace their roots, and the United States. Four hundred sixty personalized bricks symbolize the sacrifices and history of those who have fallen in battle, and allow public and private engagement with those who are memorialized.

It is with great pride that today I recognize the service of over one million Hispanic-American veterans with the unveiling of this memorial. I am immensely grateful for the commitment of the Hispanic Heritage Foundation and the Western New York Hispanic-American Veterans' Committee to telling the stories of these heroes. Their service to our region and our Nation is inspiring, and I am proud that Western New Yorkers now have a place to reflect on their legacy.

RECOGNIZING ADAM ASHER DUKER

HON. JACKIE WALORSKI

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES $Thursday,\,June\,\,13,\,2013$

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Adam Asher Duker, who received a Fulbright grant to study the Reformation in Switzerland. The Fulbright program promotes cross-cultural understanding and unifies the world's brightest minds to embark on innovative research projects. Adam Duker was selected due to an impressive résumé of leadership and academic achievement maintained throughout his university and post-graduate career.

His passion and motivation certainly deepens our connection between cultures and fosters a stronger relationship between our countries. In Switzerland, Adam worked with the brightest Swiss academics to study the Reformation. As a graduate student at the University of Notre Dame, Adam's dissertation illustrates the viewpoint of Christians through the lens of the Hebrew bible, and explains Israelite identity transformation of Christian armies. His studies in Switzerland will surely navigate an uncharted course to shed light on a unique perspective of religious conflict in early modern Europe.

I am honored to recognize Adam Asher Duker's exemplary work ethic, intelligence, and accomplished research collected at home and abroad. On behalf of Indiana's Second District, I am proud to recognize Adam for his prestigious accomplishments and wish him luck toward future endeavors.

HONORING MRS. LOIS GILES

HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 13, 2013

Mr. LAMBORN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a wonderful woman from Colorado Springs. Mrs. Lois Giles, a mother of four, grandmother of eight and great grandmother of five, has spent many years devoting her time to her community. She has set a record at Memorial Hospital in Colorado Springs by volunteering an incredible thirty-seven thousand hours in the Volunteer Service Department. Lois is loved by everyone she works with and is always eager to lend a helping hand. Rising at 3:45 a.m. four days per week she works from 5 a.m. to 3 p.m. She has spent hours working on patient floors, in the business office and in the emergency room. Now, Lois helps greet people at the Hospital's north entrance front desk, looks up room numbers and provides telephone numbers and directions to rooms. The epitome of a selfless worker, she admits she's not striving to acquire more hours, rather she comes in each day just so she can help. She has been nominated twice for the Memorial Appreciation Award at the Hospital and won the award for her unwavering commitment to notify the hospital of an unsafe workplace situation.

Her late husband Howard also volunteered at the Hospital. Lois and Howard were married on Memorial Day 1941.

The Senior League and Senior Research Council of the Pikes Peak Region awarded Lois the Community Service Award for incredible service to the community and on behalf of senior citizens. Lois has been praised by her co-workers for her leadership, sense of responsibility and caring nature.

Lois deserves much recognition for her dedication to helping others and the incredible impact she had on her community and the countless lives she has touched.

RECOGNIZING THE JOLIET CATHOLIC ACADEMY 2013 STATE CHAMPION BASEBALL TEAM

HON. DANIEL LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 13, 2013

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Joliet Catholic Academy's baseball team for winning the third Illinois Class 3A state championship title.

Although they started this season slowly, losing their first three games, the team rallied late in the season to finish the season with a nine game winning streak to capture the Illinois state title. The JCA Hilltoppers' solid pitching and defense produced shutouts against five of Illinois' finest teams during the state tournament. Throughout the championship tournament. JCA outscored their opponents by an average of six runs per game, including a 5-0 win in the championship game over St. Francis High School. This outstanding finale came as a result of years of hard work by these young men and Coach Jared Voss and his staff, who have led the JCA Hilltoppers to two state championships in the past four seasons.

This victory is a reminder of how preparation, practice, and perseverance produce solid results, even when facing difficult challenges. Today, I am pleased to call on all my colleagues to join me in congratulating the young men of Joliet Catholic Academy on winning the state championship.