to be in Washington, DC for votes on 11/17/2014

Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

#### HONORING DIANE HOWARD

## HON. JASON T. SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 18, 2014

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Diane Howard who received the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Annual Zonta Women of Achievement for her respectable achievements and tremendous influence in the community. Her notable impact is evident in her recognition as the "Woman of Achievement" in 2000 by the Cape Girardeau Area Zonta Club.

Since 1984, Ms. Howard has been an attorney with the Limbaugh Firm in Cape Girardeau. Additionally, she was a member of the Board of Governments of the Missouri Bar and played an active role in many bar organizations as well as civic and non-profit organizations

Before beginning her private practice, she was a criminal prosecutor on active duty with the U.S. Navy (JAG Corps). She continued her service in the Naval Reserves for 21 years serving throughout the United States where she spent two weeks trying a case at the Guantanamo Bay Cuba Naval Service. She pursued to serve as Commanding Officer of three Units including the Office of the Judge Advocate General in Washington, D.C. In 2005, she retired from the Navy Reserves after 25 total years of faithful military service with the rank of Captain.

Diane Howard's dedication to all her work has been undeniably laudable and has been a great contribution to our community. It is my pleasure to recognize her efforts and accomplishments before the House of Representatives.

CELEBRATING THE 20TH ANNIVER-SARY OF THE T.J. MARTELL FOUNDATION 5K WALK

## HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 18, 2014

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, twenty years ago a dedicated group of volunteers began an annual tradition that has made the first Sunday in October a special day in the Borough of Madison, Morris County, New Jersey. They organized a 5K Walk to raise money for the T.J. Martell Foundation—a non-profit group that raises funds to advance the fight against leukemia, cancer and AIDS.

The T.J. Martell Foundation was established as a result of a promise made by a father to his son. A son who was battling leukemia. A son who asked his father to raise \$1 million to support cancer research so that "no one else will have to experience what I am going through." And a father, Tony Martell, a long-time resident of Madison, who kept that promise and far surpassed it.

Over the years, the T.J. Martell Foundation has provided more than \$260 million to sup-

port cutting-edge research to advance the war against leukemia, cancer, and AIDS. The people of Madison, have been there for their friend and neighbor every year. The passage of time has not diminished their commitment to honor T.J. Martell by helping his father fulfill his promise.

This event has grown from its modest beginnings to become an all-day affair, kicking off with a 5K walk and extending through the day with music, activities, and food. Today it is both an effective fundraiser and a fun-filled day enjoyed by hundreds of families every year. It is a celebration of life and of the promise of victory over these dreaded diseases.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in paying tribute to all those who support the work of the T.J. Martell Foundation across our nation, but especially in Madison, New Jersey. This annual event is a testament both to the life of T.J. Martell and to the deep sense of community that makes Madison a wonderful place in which to live.

COMMENDING MR. DONG SUK KIM AND THE KOREAN AMERICAN CIVIC EMPOWERMENT FOR COM-MUNITY

## HON. ENI F.H. FALEOMAVAEGA

OF AMERICAN SAMOA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 18, 2014

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Mr. Dong Suk Kim and the Korean American Civic Empowerment for Community (KACE) based in New York and New Jersey for their dedication in promoting civil rights and in organizing the Korean-American community.

Mr. Kim was born in South Korea and immigrated to the U.S. in 1985. He resides in Tenafly, New Jersey, with his wife, Hyunjoo Hwang, and their son. Sol.

Mr. Dong Suk Kim is a Founder and Executive Committee Chair of KACE. Mr. Kim was President of the Korean American Voters' Council (KAVC) from 1996 through 2010. Mr. Kim has devoted his life to empowering the Korean-American community after the Los Angeles riots in 1992, which were a result of the Rodney King case and which seriously impacted the Korean-American community in the United States.

As the President of KACE, Mr. Kim led the organization to significant achievements. KACE increased Korean-American voter turnout in the Greater New York area from less than 5% in 1996 to over 58% in 2012, assisted more than 27,000 Korean-Americans to register to vote, and organized a community-based campaign for the 2000 and 2010 Census. To advance Korean-Americans' voting rights, KACE publishes voter guides in Korean, operates a voter hotline every year, and mails more than 500 voter registration and vote-by-mail forms to Korean-American voters every year.

I would also like to commend Mr. Kim and KACE for their active roles in organizing a nationwide campaign in support of the "Comfort Women Resolution" (H. Res. 121 in the 110th Congress) in 2007 which addresses matters related to the sexual slavery imposed by Japanese armed forces during World War II. Mr. Kim traveled to all major Korean towns in the

U.S., including Los Angeles, Houston, Dallas, San Francisco, and Chicago to organize the campaign. As a result of this grassroots campaign, the Comfort Women Resolution was adopted unanimously by the House of Representatives on July 30, 2007.

In 2011, Mr. Kim led a grassroots campaign in support of the U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement (KORUS FTA) to advance bilateral commercial cooperation as well as the interests of the Korean-American community. The agreement was signed by both governments in 2007 but was not ratified by Congress until October 2011. The Korean-American community expressed its strong support for the agreement and it was passed by both governments in 2011.

Every year, Mr. Kim and KACE organize many programs to educate, organize and mobilize the Korean-American community and to promote its civic participation. It is fitting and proper to honor both Mr. Kim's and KACE's outstanding contributions and commitment to the Korean-American community and to the United States of America, and I am pleased to offer this statement for historical purposes.

#### HONORING SCORE ON ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

## HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Tuesday,\ November\ 18,\ 2014$ 

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise today to join New Haven SCORE, our local business community, as well as the hundreds of chapters across the country in celebrating the 50th Anniversary of SCORE. Previously known as the Service Corps of Retired Executives, SCORE is a 501 (c)3 organization with more than 350 chapters across the country through which some 13,000 experienced entrepreneurs offer their advice and council to other small business owners.

Over the course of the last half century, SCORE volunteers have provided mentoring and training support to more than 10 million entrepreneurs and small business owners. Small business has always been the backbone of our nation's economy. It is these innovative, creative individuals who create jobs, help to grow our local economies, and more often than not, become a part of the very fabric of our communities. Since its inception SCORE has been an invaluable resource—allowing small business owners to receive advice, council, and education from others who have walked the same path and faced the same challenges and triumphs.

Housed at Ğateway Community College and led by Professor Rose Bednarz-Luglio, New Haven SCORE has had a remarkable impact on our local business community. Mentors are actively engaged in our community and our small business owners know that a wide range of resources are available to them. Offering sessions on topics from developing a business plan, securing financing, day-to-day business plan, securing financing, day-to-day business management, and charting business growth to workshops on low cost business planning, marketing and sales, and other business-support, SCORE has provided an environment in which our small business owners can thrive.

SCORE has been a remarkable success and continues to leave an indelible mark on the business community. I am proud to stand today to extend my sincere congratulations to SCORE on its 50th Anniversary as well as my very best wishes for its continued success.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 18, 2014

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, on Wednesday, November 12, Thursday, November 13, and Friday, November 14, 2014, I was out on medical leave recovering from surgery and unable to be present for recorded votes.

Had I been present, I would have voted: "yes" on rollcall vote No. 516 (on the motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 4194), "no" on rollcall vote No. 517 (on agreeing to the resolution H. Res. 748), "yes" on rollcall vote No. 518 (on the motion to recommit H.R. 5682, with instructions), and "no" on rollcall vote No. 519 (on passage of H.R. 5682).

HONORING WORLD STROKE DAY

## HON. RICHARD B. NUGENT

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 18, 2014

Mr. NUGENT. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation.

Whereas, stroke is the second leading cause of death worldwide, responsible for the death of one person every six seconds and nearly six million each year; and

Whereas, stroke is not only a killer, but it is also the most common cause of long-term disability, reducing quality of life and placing burdens on entire families; and

Whereas, we cannot solve our problems by ignoring them, and the threat of stroke to our communities will only increase as our population ages and faces increased lifestyle health risks; and

Whereas, in raising public awareness about this preventable and treatable threat, together we can help save millions of lives.

Therefore, I, RICHARD B. NUGENT, Member of Congress representing the Eleventh Congressional District of Florida, do hereby recognize the 29th day of October as World Stroke Day.

IN TRIBUTE TO ROBERT GETMAN ON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE CONNECTICUT VETERANS HALL OF FAME

## HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 18, 2014

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, today I pause to honor Mr. Robert T. Getman of Old Lyme, Connecticut, a distinguished Coast Guard veteran from my district who is post-humously being inducted into the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame this week.

Mr. Getman began his career as a 1954 graduate from the Coast Guard Academy in

New London, Connecticut, and served in the Coast Guard for 30 years before retiring in 1984. Retirement was no vacation for Mr. Getman however, as he was appointed and served 10 years as the Director of the Connecticut Veterans home in Rocky Hill, ensuring that Connecticut veterans had the care, rehabilitation, and education they deserved and needed. Mr. Getman's time at the Veterans Home saw an increase in numbers of veterans served over previous years, and his passion for helping others shone with each case he oversaw.

Mr. Getman was known by those close to him for his passion for education. He believed that an educated community was one of the most successful strategies for growth and prosperity. Further building on his commitment to public service, Robert was elected to the Old Lyme Board of Education, where he extended his passion for service from the military to the civilian sphere.

Mr. Getman also served as a member of the Harbor Management Commission, volunteered at the Coast Guard Academy Museum, and provided spiritual ministry and tutoring to inmates at the prison in Niantic, Connecticut, always seeking to help others help themselves and never giving up on the power of education to improve a community's strength.

For his tireless commitment to serving his country, his community and for always seeing the opportunity for growth and improvement, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Robert Getman for his extraordinary service and his induction into the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame.

IN RECOGNITION OF JIMMIE YEE

# HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 18, 2014

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Sacramento County Board of Supervisor Jimmie Yee as he retires from twenty years of public service. As Supervisor Yee's family, friends, and colleagues gather to celebrate his long list of accomplishments and retirement, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring this great individual who has served and contributed so much to the Sacramento region.

Supervisor Yee is a native of Sacramento and graduated from Sacramento High School. He went on to receive a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of California at Berkeley. Supervisor Yee began his professional career in civil service with the California State Department of Transportation and co-founded one of the Sacramento Valley's largest engineering firms, Cole, Yee, Schubert and Associates. They provided design services for prestigious buildings throughout the Sacramento Region including the original Sacramento Convention Center, Capitol Bank of Commerce, Sacramento International Airport's terminal and loading gates, among many others.

In 1992, Supervisor Yee was elected to the Sacramento City Council beginning his career in public service. He served on the City Council for twelve years. In 1999, Supervisor Yee was named Mayor of Sacramento after the passing of Mayor Joe Serna. In 2006, he was

elected to the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors. During his time on the Board, Supervisor Yee built on his legacy on the City Council and accomplished much for the Sacramento community, including the revitalization of Mather Airport and bringing EVA Flight Training Academy to Sacramento from Taiwan. Supervisor Yee has served with distinction on a number of regional boards, including the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency and Sacramento Transportation Authority. He has also raised funds for a number of nonprofits, including the Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation.

Mr. Speaker, as Supervisor Yee's wife Mary, family, friends, and colleagues gather to recognize him for his many years of public and community service, serving on more than twenty-five governing and advisory bodies, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating and thanking him for his commitment to Sacramento and wishing him the best in retirement.

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVER-SARY OF THE KINNELON PUBLIC LIBRARY

# HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 18, 2014

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Kinnelon Public Library, located in Kinnelon, Morris County, New Jersey, as it celebrates its 50th anniversary.

The Kinnelon Public Library was founded in 1963, a movement led by a local citizens-group and town leaders. Prior to the library's founding, the community was serviced by the Morris County Bookmobile Service once a month. However, citizens felt their literary needs were not being met and hoped to create a space where the community could come together.

In 1963, a group of citizens enlisted the Town Council and Mayor to help them begin the process of funding a free public library, a space the community unanimously agreed they needed. The long and demanding process began as the town tried to find space for the library. Several locations were proposed before the town was able to agree on a site at the Municipal Building Complex on Kinnelon Road. While they worked to determine a location, a temporary library was set up in an old medical building in 1964.

A single-story building was built and opened to the public in 1966, with a small collection of 900 books. Since then, the library has continued to expand to meet the needs of the growing community. After three expansions, the library is now a two-story building that occupies about 19,000 square feet. Along with space for book collections, the library houses four meeting rooms that serve the local community. The library is now home to more than 84,000 volumes of books, periodicals, DVDs, CDs, and numerous other electronic resources.

The library continues to follow its mission to encourage learning and support discovery for Kinnelon residents of all ages. With 15 computers to serve the public, the circulation of electronic book readers, and a continuation of exhibits and programs, the library serves the public through more than just literary resources. Its adult educational organization,