are remarkable. In fact, John began his career protecting the public and Members of the House and Senate as a United States Capitol Policeman.

John was born and raised in Worcester, Massachusetts. In 1979, he graduated from Westfield State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice. As I stated earlier, he began his Federal career as a member of the United States Capitol Police, then, later as a Federal Air Marshal/Special Agent with the FAA. Throughout his 35 year career, Mr. Moran progressed through a variety of managerial and senior executive positions:

Special Agent in Charge, Washington, D.C. Civil Aviation Security Field Office;

Chief of Staff, FAA Office of Airports; Program Assessment and Evaluation Officer, in the Office of Civil Aviation Security;

Director, of the Red Team and Explosives Security Division, at the Office of Civil Aviation Security.

Following the attacks on September 11th, Mr. Moran played a crucial role in helping to shape the legislation that founded the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and was instrumental in building it from the ground up. For his hard work and dedication, Mr. Moran received a September 11th Service Medal from the Secretary of Transportation in recognition of his pivotal role and unwavering service to his country.

He then became the TSA Assistant Administrator responsible for all aspects of training of a workforce of over 50,000 personnel and served as Vice Chair of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Accreditation Board. In 2005, Mr. Moran was asked to serve as the acting Associate Administrator.

Mr. Moran's final Federal service was as the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Veterans Employment and Training Service or VETS at the Department of Labor. In this position. Mr. Moran was the go-to executive during a leadership transition in which he was responsible for important veterans employment programs such as the Jobs for Veterans State Grant program, the Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program, the Women's Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program, the Incarcerated Veterans Program, the Veterans Retraining Assistance Program, and the Transition Assistance Program. Literally thousands of veterans are now employed because of John Moran's dedication to the betterment of those who have worn the nation's military uniforms.

On behalf of the House Committee on Veterans' affairs, I wish John and his family every success in the future.

#### HONORING LARRY W. WHITE

# HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, March 4, 2014

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a self motivated and innovative man, Mr. Larry W. White. Mr. White has shown what can be done through tenacity,

dedication and a desire to achieve.

Mr. White was born January 26, 1959 in Cannonsburg, MS; he is the second of seven children. His mother Josephine Jackson is his greatest inspiration.

After high school Mr. White proudly served his country from 1977 to 1997 in the U.S.

Navy where he retired as an Aviation Electronic Technician. During his career, Mr. White traveled the world: Guam, Italy, France, Germany, Europe, Korea and many other countries, and was stationed in Memphis, Lemoore, Norfolk, Jacksonville and San Diego in the U.S. He received his education, training, numerous awards and certificates while serving in the Navy.

Mr. White serves on the Yazoo City Chamber of Commerce, FCC Community Development Board and member of the American Legion. Larry W. White is Founder, President and CEO of AA Calibration Services, LLC, a fast growing measurement and repair service for test and measurement equipment users, that was founded in 2004 after Larry became unemployed, with the closing of L–3 Communication's calibration lab. Larry purchased L–3 Communication's lab equipment and formed of AA Calibration Services on the Main Street of Yazoo City, MS, he was the sole employee.

Rejected by banks for loans, Larry worked and saved to expand his business in 2010. Today, AA Calibration Services, LLC, located at 111 Roosevelt Hudson Drive in Yazoo City, MS, employs eighteen and has a customer base of about one hundred.

Mr. White is a member of King Solomon M. B. Church. In his free time he enjoys attending family functions, playing dominos, golf, fishing, and watching the Chicago Bears.

Mr. White is married to Dorothy White and to that union they have five children: Jamie, Anthony, Etoya, Yolanda and Ariel.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Larry W. White for his passion and dedication to serving our great Country and desire to make a difference in the lives of others.

# IRAN SUPPORT FOR TERRORISM WORLDWIDE

# HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Tuesday,\ March\ 4,\ 2014$ 

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, recent attention on Iran has focused on its nuclear weapons program—but this is not the whole picture.

Iran is also the world's largest state sponsor of terrorism.

Using both its own military operatives and its proxy Hezbollah, Iran has planned attacks around the globe.

Iran has no problem sending members of its Revolutionary Guard Corps and Quds Force to target Western interests abroad.

They also have their very own terrorist organization—Hezbollah—to do their bidding.

The Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps funds, trains, arms, and directs Hezbollah, one of the world's deadliest terrorist organizations.

Years ago Hezbollah was a limited, regional threat. Today, it is an international movement.

Right now, Hezbollah is most actively engaged in Syria.

With Iran's backing, Hezbollah supports the murderous Assad regime, which slaughters innocent Svrians every day.

Without Hezbollah, Assad would have been defeated. Instead, Iran has stayed in the fight and more than 140,000 lives have been lost.

Unfortunately, Iran and Hezbollah are not confined to attacks in the Middle East.

In Afghanistan, the Iranians provide arms and training to Taliban fighters who use them to kill U.S. and Afghan forces.

In Africa, Iran and Hezbollah have planned attacks in Nigeria, Sudan, and Kenya, and are expanding their terrorist and criminal networks in Senegal and Gambia.

In Europe, Iran has attempted to assassinate foreign diplomats and tourists.

A 2012 attack in Bulgaria killed six and injured 32 people. Other attacks were also planned in Turkey, Georgia, and Azerbaijan.

The same has been true in Asia. Iran and Hezbollah have planned numerous plots in India and Thailand.

Perhaps most troubling is Iran's expansion into Latin America and the fact that our State Department denies it is happening to this very day.

Despite clear evidence that Hezbollah is colluding with drug organizations to launder money and gather support, the Obama Administration continues to downplay this threat.

Hezbollah uses Venezuela banks to launder hundreds of millions of dollars a year and smuggle narcotics to U.S. and European markets.

It has also conducted terrorist training on Margarita Island for recruits from Venezuela and other Latin American countries.

No one is safe, including Americans abroad and even here at home.

In October 2011, the Saudi Ambassador to the U.S. was targeted in Washington, DC. There is strong evidence linking Hezbollah and the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps to this attack.

Anyone who hoped that the new Iranian President Hassan Rouhani would have stopped all this is wrong.

Like his predecessor, he continues to support terrorism.

Just last month Iran's parliament claimed that Hezbollah has "tens of thousands" of missiles prepared for a battle with Israel.

Director of National Intelligence, James Clapper, described it best when he said the Iran-Hezbollah relationship was "a partnership agreement, with the Iranians as the senior partner."

International efforts to combat this expanding threat have improved, but still fall short of what needs to be done.

I commend the European Union for blacklisting Hezbollah's military wing, but they must understand that there are not two separate Hezbollahs.

There is one Hezbollah. The military wing and political wing are not separate. The entire organization needs to be sanctioned in order for those tools to really bite.

2014 marks the 30 year anniversary of Iran's placement on the State Department's "State Sponsors of Terrorism" list.

This problem will only get worse if the Administration allows Iran to develop nuclear weapons.

Clearly, it is time for the United States and its allies to develop a coherent and comprehensive plan to stop Iranian-backed terrorism.

We can start by renewing the sanctions on Iran rather than easing them. Iran only can be forced to do the right thing internationally because their moral code regarding right and wrong is amiss.

And that's just the way it is.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. SRINIVASA YEGNASUBRAMANIAN

## HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, March 4, 2014

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Srinivasa Yegnasubramnian (Dr. Mani). The title of Dharmatma was recently bestowed upon Dr. Mani by His Holiness Shankarachari. As the first United States citizen and only the third person to be awarded this title, Dr. Mani's prestigious honor is truly deserving of this body's recognition.

Dr. Mani serves as Chairman of the Hindu American Temple and Cultural Center in Morganville, New Jersey and Chairman of Sringeri Vidya Bharati Foundation, USA (SVBF) in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. As the leader of these organizations, Dr. Mani oversees the many activities and outreach efforts provided to the communities and ensure that the centers provide outstanding spiritual and community service. Additionally, under Dr. Mani's leadership, SVBF has seen significant accomplishments and growth, including the establishment of the first goshala to be associated with a Hindu Temple in the United States and the construction of a monastery and temple in Toronto, Canada.

Over the years, Dr. Mani has been recognized by various organizations in both the United States and India for his humanitarian efforts. In addition to his most recent title of Dharmatma, Dr. Mani has also been honored with the titles of Dharma Chintamani (the crown-Pearl of Righteous Thoughts) and Dharma Rakshamani (the crown-pearl of protector of Dharma), among many other honors.

Mr. Speaker, once again, pléase join me in celebrating Dr. Srinivasa Yegnasubramnian's honor of being conferred as Dharmatma. He continues to provide outstanding leadership, service and dedication to the Hindu faith and the community.

RECOGNIZING THE DEDICATED SERVICE OF ALICE GEISHECKER

### HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 4, 2014

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I am privileged to recognize the contributions of

Mrs. Alice Geishecker to the United States House of Representatives and this great Nation upon the occasion of her retirement. Alice is a true American patriot with over 38 combined years of supporting Military members and families.

Since September 2001, Ms. Geishecker served as a Congressional Liaison Representative with the United States Air Force House Liaison Office. In this capacity, she was responsible for maintaining a continuous Air Force presence in the United States House of Representatives. Her primary role was to facilitate personal contacts between Air Force leaders, Members of Congress, key personnel and professional House staff. She monitored the ever-changing political environment on Capitol Hill to advise the Secretary of the Air Force and Chief of Staff of the Air Force. Alice was the primary focal point for administrative functions within the office to include all logistical support for events, Congressional member travel departures and arrivals, and movements of Senior Air Force Leadership within the Capitol complex. This endeared her to many Members of Congress and their of-

Prior to joining the Air Force Liaison Office in the House of Representatives, Alice worked as a contract employee in 1978 with University of Maryland at Camp Pieri, Wiesbaden, Germany and took her oath to federal service on July 5, 1989 working Family Support Services at the United States Military Academy at West Point. Alice also worked with North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) liaison officers at the Army Command and General Staff College, Directorate of Combat Development, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas and various divisions within the acquisition community and with the Director of Manpower in the Pentagon.

Alice had a varied and full civil servant career, but also served as a dedicated Army spouse to her husband Alan, a retired Lieutenant Colonel; loving mother to her three children, Cassie, Angelina, and Julie; and grandmother of eight. Mr. Speaker. On behalf of the entire United States Congress, it is an honor to recognize the career and service of Mrs. Alice Geishecker. My wife Vicki and I congratulate Alice and wish her and her family all the best.

HONORING BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL

## HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 4, 2014

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a pillar of the community, Bethel African Methodist Episcopal. Bethel AME has served as a catalyst for the African American growth in Warren County and the State of Mississippi.

Founded in 1864 by Pastor Page Tyler, a missionary from Indiana, Bethel was the first African Methodist Episcopal church in Mississippi. It is known as The Mother Congregation of African Methodism in the state. Although other black churches have earlier histories, they were organized as Methodist Episcopal and later united under the A.M.E. religion. Bethel, however, was the first congregation organized by the A.M.E. connection in Mississippi and the second in the southern United States.

Bethel has a rich legacy as her members served as pioneers in progressing African-American culture greatly forward in the State of Mississippi. The first African-American Masonic Lodge in Mississippi was organized at Bethel in 1875 by the first Pastor of Bethel, Reverend Dr. T.W. Stringer, a freeman from Canada. Adding to her history, in 1890, Campbell College, the first African-American College in Mississippi was established and operated from an adjoining building to Bethel. The college moved to Jackson, MS in 1897 and was absorbed by Jackson State University.

In 1992 Bethel was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in the United States and the City of Vicksburg captures Bethel's historic significance with inclusion of a 19th Century Bethel and Congregation on its Riverfront Murals.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Bethel African Methodist Episcopal for its rich heritage and dedication to serving others and giving back to the community