

homes out of the desert and who continue to lead the community and state into the future. Congratulations on a momentous 150 years.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF MR.  
NOBLE W. ADAMS

**HON. ANDY BARR**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 2, 2014*

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an outstanding individual, Mr. Noble W. Adams of Owingsville, Kentucky, for his distinguished military service during World War II. Mr. Adams served our Nation in uniform from December 14, 1943 to November 21, 1945.

As a young man, Mr. Adams began his service in the United States Army as a private first class, rifleman, within the 945th Infantry. During the United States' campaign to achieve victory over the Axis Powers, Mr. Adams entered the war by storming the deadly beaches of Normandy, fought his way across Europe, and did not stop until the Allies achieved victory in Germany.

Mr. Adams recalls bidding farewell to the Statue of Liberty as he departed from New York in 1943 as a passenger aboard the *Susan Elizabeth*. He thought he would never see the Statue or his family ever again.

During combat on November 9, 1944, Mr. Adams received injuries to both of his eyes, leaving him temporarily blinded as a result of shrapnel from exploding ordnance. After only two weeks of recovering in a medical field camp, and understanding the dangers ahead, Mr. Adams courageously returned to the battlefield and kept fighting. To this day, fragments of shrapnel still remain lodged in his face.

Mr. Adams is grateful that the Lord was with him throughout the war and protected him so that he could once again greet Lady Liberty and reunite with his family. He returned home safely on November 21, 1945. Mr. Adams is comforted in the knowledge that the Lord remains with him to this day.

Mr. Adams fought to preserve the very freedoms the Statue of Liberty represents. He is truly an outstanding American, a protector of freedom, and an inspiration to us all.

RECOGNIZING THE CAREER OF  
WALT WASHINGTON

**HON. DEREK KILMER**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 2, 2014*

Mr. KILMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Walt Washington for his many years of public service to our community.

Walt Washington is a decorated veteran with a long history of commitment to public service and community involvement. While he started his career in banking, he continued on to serve as a public official.

Serving as Kitsap County Auditor since 2008, Walt Washington has been a valued member of our state government. Walt has dedicated himself to ensuring accountability and accessibility to all Kitsap residents.

Walt Washington oversaw the implementation of more than 340 changes in federal and

state laws to safeguard voters' rights and protect against election fraud. As Auditor, Walt has maintained Kitsap County's reputation for integrity in elections, and has encouraged civic involvement in election oversight and voter registration.

Mr. Washington's focus on fiscal accountability led him to receive a national award for excellence in financial reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association. He is also the recipient of the Pioneer in Preserving Military Voting Award for his department's innovative efforts to make voting more accessible for U.S. citizens living and serving overseas.

Walt Washington has dedicated himself to serving his country. Despite his retirement, Walt Washington's work against voter suppression, voter disenfranchisement, and commitment to fair elections will surely continue in the Kitsap County Auditor's office and beyond.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to close by again applauding Walt Washington for his dedication to serving the people of Washington state. I am pleased to recognize Walt Washington today in the United States Congress.

HONORING RICHARD "DICK"  
WELTEROTH

**HON. TOM MARINO**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 2, 2014*

Mr. MARINO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the late Richard "Dick" Welteroth from my hometown of Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Richard Welteroth lived a very accomplished life. He served as a pilot in the Civil Air Patrol for 30 years where he earned the rank of major. He was highly regarded in the community due to his public service which included being an Eagle Boy Scout Troop Leader of Troop 35 at St. Boniface, coaching Sunday school basketball, and helping to hone the talents of prospective baseball pitchers.

Mr. Welteroth is best known for his career as pitcher for the Washington Senators in the late 1940's and early 1950's, where he played against baseball greats like Ted Williams, Yogi Berra, and Joe Dimaggio. He made his debut to the game at the age of 20. In his first season for the Senators, he played in 33 games. Overall, Welteroth played in 90 games for the Senators, with four starts, allowed only 185 hits, 145 walks and 55 strikeouts.

Mr. Welteroth was admired by everyone in my hometown. When he finished his career in baseball, he returned to Williamsport, PA, and worked as a roofer, while continuing to coach baseball to the area kids. He always taught one the value of hard work and good sportsmanship, while never raising his voice in the process. He possessed a knack that developed young players into high caliber athletes who went on to compete at higher levels. He knew what made a great baseball player.

I will never forget all of the lessons that Coach Welteroth taught me as he was helping me to perfect my fastball. He worked countless hours with me to develop my delivery and turned me into, not only the best baseball player I could be, but the best person I could be.

Dick Welteroth will be dearly missed.

IN HONOR OF STATE SENATOR  
DON WILLIAMS

**HON. JOE COURTNEY**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 2, 2014*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, this year residents of Connecticut's 29th district will bid a fond farewell to a man who has served them for 22 years. While serving in Hartford, State Senator Donald E. Williams never stopped personally helping those living in his district.

Prior to being elected to the Senate, Don served as First Selectman for the town of Thompson, Connecticut, overseeing the first mandatory town recycling program in Connecticut. During his time as First Selectman, he also served as Chairman of the Northeast Connecticut Council of Governments and as Chairman of the Northeast Economic Alliance. He previously worked as an attorney focusing on municipal law at the law firm of Boland, St. Onge & Brouillard in Putnam.

When Don arrived in Hartford as a State Senator in 1993, he quickly earned the respect of his peers. He became an influential member of the Senate and was elected as the Senate President Pro Tempore in 2004. He is now Connecticut's longest serving President Pro Tem.

Among his numerous duties as President, he has managed the schedule and policy agenda for his fellow senators. Among his legislative triumphs, Don helped spearhead the campaign finance law of 2005 and he pushed for cleaning up the "Sooty Six" power plants in 2002. In chairing the Judiciary Committee, Senator Williams authored and spearheaded legislation to create the Office of the Child Advocate and the Office of the Victim Advocate. He led the fight to improve nutrition in Connecticut schools and helped position our State as a national leader in combating childhood obesity.

In the wake of the terrible violence in Newtown, Connecticut, Senator Williams partnered with Governor Malloy to steer important, sensible gun laws to passage. Among his final accomplishments, Don led passage of Connecticut's Smart Start, a competitive grant program that moves Connecticut closer to universal pre-K education.

He served on the Board of Directors for the New England Board of Higher Education. He has championed the UCONN 2000 and UCONN 2020 initiatives to revitalize the University of Connecticut. In addition to his legislative work, Don is also publishing a biography on the life of Prudence Crandall, which includes a significant amount of abolitionist history. His writing has received rave reviews from book critics and accolades from local historians, who appreciate the telling of this important story in Connecticut's history.

I am proud of working with Don on a number of different projects in eastern Connecticut, including the continuation of support for the Storrs Center, a mixed-use residential and commercial center, as well as ensuring Federal support for rail line revitalization.

As Senator Williams finishes up his final term, I wish him the best of luck. Although he is retiring from public office, I have no doubt that he will remain an active member of his community. I ask my colleagues to join with

me in congratulating Senator Donald E. Williams on his retirement and recognizing his remarkable career.

HONORING COMMUNITY ACTION OF  
NAPA VALLEY

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 2, 2014*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and thank Community Action of Napa Valley as it celebrates fifty years of dedicated service to those in need in the Napa community. Community Action of Napa Valley has worked tirelessly to secure funding for local non-profit organizations in addition to developing programs that strive to address the needs of low-income and at-risk populations in the Napa region.

Community Action of Napa Valley has been able to help secure funding for numerous non-profit organizations that serve the Napa community in a multitude of ways. Such organizations and programs include Clinic Ole, Legal Aide, NEWS, Head Start/ChildStart, the Therapeutic Child Care Center and Lugo Park. In addition, Community Action of Napa Valley has worked with local elected officials and leaders in the faith community to reduce homelessness and hunger in the Napa Valley. Finally, Community Action of Napa Valley has developed programs that seek to serve those deemed low-income and at-risk in our community. Such programs include The Food Bank, Shelter and Housing Services, Senior Nutrition and Meals on Wheels, Community Action of Napa Valley Kids Child Development and Family Program and the Culinary Training Program.

For fifty years, Community Action of Napa Valley has worked to make the Napa Valley a better place to work, live and raise a family for all members of our community. On behalf of a grateful community, I thank Community Action of Napa Valley and wish them continued success.

HONORING COL. J. SHELTON  
SCALES

**HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 2, 2014*

Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of myself and Representative ROBERT HURT, I submit these remarks to commemorate the life of Col. J. Shelton Scales, who passed away on May 27, 2014 at the age of 97.

Col. Scales was a native of Sandy Ridge, North Carolina, and graduated in 1940 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He enlisted in the Marine Corps of October 1940, and was a member of the first Officer Candidates Class and 4th Reserve Class in the Marine Corps Schools in Quantico. Col. Scales remained there as a staff member until 1943, that year becoming commander of Company A, 1st Battalion, 23rd Marines.

Reports indicate that Col. Scales did not see combat until February 1944. He went on

to make four beach landings during World War II, and later in life spoke most frequently about the February 19, 1945 landing at Iwo Jima.

As a commanding officer of the 3rd Battalion, 23rd Marines, Col. Scales led approximately 900 men into Iwo Jima, which may very well be the Marine Corps' most brutal battle of World War II. "The Marines were on Iwo Jima," he later said. "The Japanese were in it." For his exceptionally meritorious conduct, Col. Scales was awarded the Legion of Merit.

In November 1945, Col. Scales was ordered to inactive duty as a major in the Marine Corps Reserve. In May 1951, he was promoted to lieutenant colonel, and in April 1958 Col. Scales was placed on the retired reserve list and was promoted to colonel.

In addition to being remembered as a Marine commander at Iwo Jima, Col. Scales is also remembered by many in Southside Virginia as a successful businessman, a good friend, and an involved member of his community. He joined the Burch Hodges Stone, Inc. insurance company in May 1946, retiring more than 35 years later. He served the Virginia Association of Insurance Agents as its director for nine years, and was also president of the Virginia Financial Services Corp.

Col. Scales was also a charter member and an elder of Martinsville's Forest Hills Presbyterian Church. He was involved with the Martinsville Jaycees, serving as president in 1949 and receiving the Distinguished Service award as Outstanding Young Man in 1951. Col. Scales participated in the Kiwanis Club of Martinsville, serving in 1957 as president, and in 1988–1989 served as lieutenant governor of the Capital District's Second Division of Kiwanis. He was a charter member and former secretary of the local SCORE chapter, was a charter member of the Martinsville Volunteer Fire Co., and was also a trustee of the Blue Ridge Regional Library from 1988–1993. And for several years, Col. Scales was a member of the Patrick Henry Community College Foundation Board, also teaching adjunct history courses, speaking with students and about his experience at Iwo Jima, and attending board meetings or other events. Col. Scales and his late wife, Mary Stacy Crockett Scales, had four children.

Mr. Speaker, to echo the words of Col. Greg Eanes, U.S. Air Force (retired) of Penhook, Virginia, Col. Scales "was a great patriot and a good man." Col. Scales and other Americans have fought with great valor on behalf of our Nation, seeking to preserve our freedom and make the world a safer place. Our Nation will be forever indebted to him and others for their service.

We are honored to pay tribute to Col. Scales' many contributions to our Nation, our region, and our community. Col. Scales was a brave and courageous marine, an active member of his community, and a good friend. We grieve his loss. Southside Virginia has truly lost one of its finest.

ON THE OCCASION OF THE WORLD-WIDE CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF IGLESIA NI CRISTO (CHURCH OF CHRIST)

**HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 2, 2014*

Mr. HONDA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark the 100th anniversary of Iglesia Ni Cristo—the Church of Christ. This is a historic anniversary which is being celebrated around the world. This year also marks the 46th anniversary of Iglesia Ni Cristo in the U.S.

On July 27, 1914, Iglesia Ni Cristo was officially registered with the Philippines government by Felix Y. Manalo. On July 27, 1968, this church held their first ever worship service in the U.S. at Ewa Beach, Honolulu, Hawaii—which was officiated by Erano G. Manalo. A month later, the church members established a congregation in San Francisco.

In June 1987, Iglesia Ni Cristo established its U.S. main office in Daly City, California, to better coordinate with the central office in Manila, Philippines. Recently, the U.S. main office moved to the City of Burlingame, California. I am honored that my district plays host to three of these local congregations—San Jose, Milpitas, and Fremont.

I commend the good work of the many members of Iglesia Ni Cristo to provide assistance to the needy, especially those impacted by disasters. Their civic and community outreach includes relief operations in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy and Typhoon Haiyan.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to congratulate the members of the Iglesia Ni Cristo, including their Executive Minister Brother Eduardo V. Manalo, on this noteworthy occasion of the church's centennial anniversary. I wish them continued success in their service and faith.

TRIBUTE TO PETER LANGE,  
PROVOST OF DUKE UNIVERSITY

**HON. DAVID E. PRICE**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 2, 2014*

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Dr. Peter Lange, of Durham, North Carolina, for his commitment and service to Duke University. Dr. Lange, the tenth and longest-serving Provost in the University's history, has ably guided the University's teaching and research mission during a time of marked change and challenge for communities of higher education.

Peter Lange and I have been good friends since our days together on Duke's political science faculty. He arrived at Duke in the fall of 1981 and immediately made his presence felt as a gifted teacher and a lively and engaging colleague. Peter was a well-regarded specialist in European politics and political economy, but he also showed a talent for administration from the beginning. I was particularly happy to see him become Director of Graduate Studies soon after his arrival, thereby relieving me of that position! In the 1990s he ably served as department chair in political science and thereafter took on key university-wide assignments in the Provost's office.