

In 1990, the International Institute named her "Mother of the Year." Morrie was the matriarch of six generations living in Southern California at the time of her death.

The Roybal family is fortunate to have known Morrie Sanchez as a supporter and friend.

She is survived by daughters Dolores Sanchez, Rose Marie Barron, Carol Limon, and Sylvia Sanchez; sons-in-law Jonathan Sanchez and Gilbert Limon; 17 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; 29 great-great-grandchildren; and one great-great-great grandchild. She was laid to rest on June 25, 2015, at Calvary Cemetery in East Los Angeles.

TRIBUTE TO GORDON AND
PATRICIA SCHOENING

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Gordon and Patricia Schoening of Glenwood, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary.

Gordon and Patricia's lifelong commitment to each other, their children Suzanne, Bruce, and Jodi, their seven grandchildren, and their six great-grandchildren embodies true Iowa values. I applaud this devoted couple on their 70th year together and I wish them many more years of happiness. I know my colleagues in the House will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion. I wish them and their family all the best moving forward.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LIFE OF
AUBREY WILLIAM "BILL" FRENCH

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and contributions of Mr. Aubrey William "Bill" French for his commitment to the betterment of Ypsilanti, MI, and service to his community. Bill French's passion for business stimulated the local economy and instilled a confidence in other entrepreneurs to invest in Washtenaw County.

Mr. French's business career started in 1972 when he and his wife, Sandee French, opened Aubree's Pizzeria in Depot Town. The business became the foundation for Depot Town and it has been a special establishment in Washtenaw County since 1972. Aubree's continues to operate after 43 years, and it has grown to include 8 separate locations.

Mr. French was known as a passionate restaurant owner who worked hard to develop a strong rapport with his staff. He helped his team develop a strong work ethic, and supported their academic and professional goals. His skills as a mentor not only developed a restaurant; he built a family.

In addition to being a restaurant owner, Mr. French was the first president of the Depot Downtown Development Authority, and served on the Ypsilanti Economic Development Cor-

poration. For his service to his community, Mr. French received many awards throughout his life, such as the Small Business Person of the Year Award in 1994, and the Distinguished Service Award from the Ypsilanti Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today to honor the memory of Mr. Aubrey William "Bill" French for his dedication to business, the City of Ypsilanti, and Washtenaw County.

RECOGNIZING BILL PRESS

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Bill Press for his outstanding contributions to political commentary in the District of Columbia and across the country, and in congratulating him on the occasion of his 10th anniversary as host of the nationally syndicated The Bill Press Show, heard on the radio and seen on FreeSpeech TV. With offices located right here in Ward 6 of the nation's capital, Bill Press has remained consistent in informing Americans about our congressional legislation for statehood and voting rights, and D.C.'s fight to achieve equal citizenship.

Ten years ago, The Bill Press Show began as a nationally syndicated talk radio program. Today, the program is seen and heard nationally on radio, television, and on the internet. For more than four decades, Bill has made himself a go-to, reliable political pundit on radio and on television. Bill has covered both the Democratic and Republican national conventions in his time as host of The Bill Press Show and regularly covers the White House. As a former co-host of MSNBC's Buchanan and Press, CNN's Crossfire and The Spin Room, Bill Press built a national reputation for thought-provoking and humorous insights on American politics.

Bill Press is also the author of five books and writes a nationally syndicated newspaper column, distributed by Tribune Media Services. He is also a featured columnist for The Hill newspaper in Washington, D.C.

During Bill's storied career, he has received numerous awards for his work, including four Emmys and a Golden Mike Award. In 1992, the Associated Press named him Best Commentator of the Year.

Bill Press got experience many commentators lack when he chaired the California Democratic Party from 1993 to 1996 and served as chief of staff to California State Senator Peter Behr (R). He also served as director of the California Office of Planning and Research under Governor Jerry Brown.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me commending Bill Press and his entire team at The Bill Press Show, including his Executive Producer, Peter Ogburn, and his business partner, Paul Woodhull for their 10 years of outstanding service to the field of political commentary and their continued commitment to providing information and analysis to the American people.

HONORING THE GREAT SALT BAY
COMMUNITY SCHOOL IN
DAMARISCOTTA, MAINE

HON. CHELLIE PINGREE

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Ms. PINGREE. Mr. Speaker, I'm proud to be from a state with a lasting tradition of supporting arts education. From Winslow Homer to Andrew Wyeth, Maine artists have long been recognized for their extraordinary talent. This is in no small part due to the emphasis that Maine schools have put on arts education. I'm so grateful for the many educators who have made teaching our youth about the arts a priority.

This year, the Great Salt Bay Community School in Damariscotta, Maine won the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation's SupportMusic Merit Award for the exceptional quality of its music program. They have led our state in arts education, and I am confident that their program serves as an inspiration to schools across the country that are looking to better educate their students about the arts.

Winning the SupportMusic Merit Award is a prestigious honor, and the entire Damariscotta community should be proud. This achievement belongs to the administration, teachers, students, families, and town as a whole. I am so proud to have this excellent school in my district. This award is a testament to its teachers' dedication and commitment to their students as well as to the tremendous talent that is required to motivate and properly educate students about music.

It gives me great pleasure to offer the Great Salt Bay Community School—along with its teachers, staff and students—my sincerest congratulations on this prestigious award, and my best wishes for the years to come.

COMMEMORATING THE PASSAGE
OF THE PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION
ACT OF 1947

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the passage of the "Presidential Succession Act of 1947."

Passed by the 80th Congress, the "Presidential Succession Act" was signed into law by President Harry S. Truman on July 18, 1947, in response to the sudden death of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the 32nd President of the United States.

The death of President Roosevelt was felt throughout the country, because FDR had held the office for over twelve years and seen the country through the Great Depression, the surprise attack by Japan on Pearl Harbor, and World War II.

When President Roosevelt died, Vice President Harry Truman was immediately sworn in as President; the position of Vice President remained vacant for the duration of the term, from April 1945 to January 1949.

President Truman prevailed upon the Congress to pass legislation that would correct the

issue of a vacant Constitutional position within the Executive Branch.

The Presidential Succession Act established the line of succession to the office of President of the United States in the event that neither a President nor Vice President is able to discharge the powers and duties of the office.

The Presidential Succession Act places the Speaker of the House first and the President pro tempore second in the line of constitutional succession for our Chief Executive after the Vice President of the United States.

By creating this clear line of Constitutional succession for the Office of the President, Congress provided a mechanism to maintain continuity of executive branch operation through horrific national tragedies, like the one occurring on November 22, 1963 in Dallas, Texas, when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated, elevating at that moment Vice President Lyndon Johnson to the Office of the Presidency.

Another moment in our nation's history that exemplifies the wisdom of the Presidential Succession Act is the attempted assassination on March 30, 1981, of our 40th President, Ronald Reagan.

The aftermath of this attempted assassination of a sitting U.S. President was eased by the well-known defined transition of duties set forth in the Presidential Succession Act.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to commemorate the "Presidential Succession Act" of 1947 as an example of Congressional foresight in protecting the continuity of the Office of the Presidency during a national crisis.

TRIBUTE TO THE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION NETWORK

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my congratulations to the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) and South Carolina Educational Television (SCETV) for garnering a coveted bronze prize at the annual "Telly Awards" for their partnership documentary, "Zip Code." The Telly Awards honor the finest in film, video production, and web commercials for outstanding local, regional and cable television commercials and programs.

I applaud MUSC and SCETV on their efforts to present a program to South Carolina viewers offering viewpoints of doctors and community leaders that seek to change the way people think about health care. More specifically, this program focuses on a variety of health topics, from the food we eat to the water we drink to the air we breathe—all of which affect our daily lives and play a huge role in our health. According to statistics from the Centers for Disease Control, in South Carolina alone there are approximately one million people who lack access to healthy food. That's 20 percent of the state's population.

Through MUSC's Public Information and Community Outreach group, the "Zip Code" production paired two outstanding organizations who presented an in-depth look at the

many causes of health disparities in our nation today. As stated in the program, "Health starts where we live, learn, work and play. In fact, some experts say the lifespan of a child is determined more by his or her zip code than their genetic code." "Zip Code" seeks to answer, "Why is there such a divide in the health of the American people?"

I would also like to personally thank my good friend David Rivers, the Director of the Public Information and Community Outreach department at MUSC, for his leadership in this project. His commitment and creativity have led to instructive and productive innovations.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my colleagues join me in congratulating these two outstanding organizations on their efforts to bring attention to the important topic of the state of health in South Carolina.

HONORING UNITED STATES NAVY CAPTAIN ANDREW K.M. ROSA

HON. ROBERT J. DOLD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Mr. DOLD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the career and contributions of United States Navy Captain Andrew Rosa. I know I am not alone in my appreciation of Captain Rosa's service and dedication.

Throughout his career, Captain Rosa served in a variety of positions both here in the United States and overseas. As Mission Commander of Task Group 53.8—a Fifth Fleet antiterrorism-force protection task group—he was mobilized and deployed to the Persian Gulf in support of Operations Southern Watch and Enduring Freedom. His bravery and contributions to our nation's fight against terrorism are truly admirable.

Captain Rosa leaves a lasting legacy through his leadership and unwavering commitment to the protection of this country's ideals both at home and abroad. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to express my gratitude to Captain Andrew Rosa for his thirty-four years of exemplary service.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. WILLIAM L. DEAN

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention today to recognize Dr. William L. Dean who will become Pastor Emeritus at First Baptist Church of Sylacauga in Sylacauga, Alabama.

Dr. Dean served as the senior pastor at First Baptist Church of Sylacauga from October 1972 until December 1994—pastoring this church longer than any other minister.

The event honoring Dr. Dean will take place at the First Baptist Church on Sunday, August 23, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing Dr. Dean and thanking him for his unwavering service and devotion to First Baptist Church Sylacauga.

TRIBUTE TO JOHN AND SUE VAN FOSSON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor John and Sue Van Fossan of Clarinda, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. John and Sue were married on June 24, 1955 in College Springs, Iowa.

John and Sue's lifelong commitment to each other, their children, Teresa, Julie, Robin, Bruce, and Betsy, as well as their grandchildren and great-grandchildren truly embodies our Iowa values. I applaud this devoted couple on their 60th year together and I wish them many more. I know my colleagues in the House will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion. I wish them and their family all the best moving forward.

HONORING THE LIFE OF FLORIDA'S BELOVED, SENATOR DURELL "DOC" PEADEN, JR.

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the life and legacy of Northwest Florida's beloved Senator Durell "Doc" Peaden, Jr. Doc was a great friend and committed public servant who had an enormous impact on the lives of both his constituents in Northwest Florida and the state as a whole. His passing is mourned throughout the great State of Florida.

A proud Northwest Floridian, Doc was born August 24, 1945, in DeFuniak Springs. After obtaining his undergraduate degree from Tulane University, Doc went on to medical school, gaining his MD in 1973. He immediately returned to his home in Northwest Florida, and, as he often liked to say, he was a "country doctor" for decades, working tirelessly to care for the patients in and around his home in Okaloosa County. While practicing medicine, Doc also obtained his law degree.

In 1994, Doc Peaden began his distinguished career as an elected official when he won a seat in the Florida House of Representatives serving the people of the 5th District. Using his immense experience as a doctor, Doc quickly established himself as a leader in the state on health care issues, and during his time in the House, he helped lead efforts to expand medical education in the state by establishing a medical school at Florida State University. Having had the opportunity to serve with Doc in the Florida House, I know firsthand how hard he worked to ensure that the medical needs of our state were met.

After serving in the Florida House of Representatives, Doc continued his tremendous service to Northwest Florida in the Florida State Senate, where he served from 2000–2010. His tenure included a position as Chairman of the Health and Human Services Appropriations Committee, and he successfully championed many important health care related bills through the Florida Legislature, including legislation requiring greater reporting from physicians.