

earned his Master of Divinity at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, his BA/MA in Philosophy and Classical Literature at Oxford University, and his Ph.D. at the University of Notre Dame. He took his First Vows in August, 1985, was ordained Deacon in March 1996, Presbyterian in June 1996, and served as House Counselor of the Jesuit Community from 2007 to 2010.

During Father McCarthy's stellar years at Santa Clara he founded the "Thriving Neighbors Initiative", a community based program that serves low income minorities by providing university students to mentor and tutor elementary school children and their parents. He was also Director of the Catholic Studies Program and Associate Professor with a joint appointment in the Religious Studies and Classics Departments. He has published countless articles and book chapters and has made numerous presentations, most of them in his chosen research areas of early Christianity, early Biblical exegesis, St. Augustine, and early asceticism and spirituality.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in honoring Father Michael McCarthy for his extraordinary leadership at Santa Clara University and wishing him well in his new position at Fordham University where he will undoubtedly have an exceedingly bright future. Santa Clara's great loss is Fordham's enormous gain. California, and especially Father McCarthy's 95-year-old mother, will miss him greatly, but his star is bright enough to shine on all of us from wherever he is.

AMERICAN SECURITY AGAINST FOREIGN ENEMIES ACT OF 2015

SPEECH OF

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 19, 2015

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I stand in strong solidarity with our brothers and sisters in France. I join them in their grief over the tragic events of November 13, I keep them in my thoughts and prayers, and I hope that their healing will soon begin.

In the wake of the heinous attacks in Paris and across the world, I stand here today in strong opposition to H.R. 4038, the so-called American SAFE Act. As the Ranking Member of the Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee, my top priority is to keep the American people safe. Toward that end, our nation's current review system for refugees is extensive and rigorous. Refugees are required to wait overseas for at least 18 to 24 months before they can be admitted into our country, and they enter only if they meet all vetting requirements. The current process checks biographical and biometric data against law enforcement and intelligence databases, and there is no waiver for any part of the process.

H.R. 4038 seeks to exploit the understandable fear that some Americans feel by effectively shutting down the refugee resettlement program for Syrian and Iraqi nationals, possibly for years, until a new vetting process is established. The passage of this bill will effectively close our doors to people seeking refuge from barbaric attacks like those that were committed in Paris.

I support looking for ways to strengthen the screening process our nation currently has in place. However, strengthening our refugee screening process does not mean we must turn our back on some of the globe's most vulnerable people, especially women and children. That would go against our American values and weaken our standing among our allies. This includes France, which, in spite of the horrors it experienced in Paris, has pledged to take in 30,000 refugees.

The United States has been built by people of many nations, races, and faiths, who fled hunger and persecution in search of a better life in America. We have a long history of welcoming the tired, the poor, and the huddled masses yearning to breathe free. For centuries, America has been a beacon of light and hope for those in need. Let us not dim that light in the face of fear. Let us not block the refuge that our nation can provide to the men, women, and children who suffer at the hands of extremist regimes. Let us embrace the maxim that our French brothers and sisters have shared with the world, one that exemplifies three universal values of humanity: Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity.

I urge all Members to oppose this bill.

AMERICAN SECURITY AGAINST FOREIGN ENEMIES ACT OF 2015

SPEECH OF

HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 19, 2015

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Mr. Speaker, as a lawmaker who has dedicated the last 12 years to working on issues of national security, I have spent thousands of hours in classified briefings on threats both domestic and abroad. I have traveled to dozens of terrorism hotspots around the globe, meeting with foreign dignitaries and our intelligence workers on the front lines. No one more strongly believes that our first and most important responsibility is the protection of all Americans. We must always scrutinize any foreigner who wants to enter our country for any reason.

Today, the highest level of security screening of any category traveler or immigrant belongs to refugees. Those screenings involve health checks, biometric tests to confirm identity and multiple layers of background checks along with in-person interviews by specially trained Department of Homeland Security officers. The process involves not only DHS but the National Counterterrorism Center, the FBI's Terrorist Screening Center, the State Department and the Department of Defense, each of which must certify the refugee's status at every stage. If a refugee's background or identity cannot be confirmed at any point, their application ends.

Syrian refugees receive an additional layer of screening, culminating in a process that usually takes 18 to 24 months before they set foot on U.S. soil, if they are even approved.

As a security expert, I know that most terrorists already live in the U.S. or they come via illegal means. But it would be far easier for terrorists to enter the country legally on a tourist visa or through the visa waiver program if they are citizens of eligible nations, including France and Belgium, which is where the Paris attackers were citizens.

It is important to note that the legislation under consideration in the U.S. House of Representatives applies only to Syrian and Iraqi refugees—but not refugees from other countries with known terror networks including Yemen, Nigeria and Afghanistan.

I am not convinced this bill would protect our country from foreign enemies any more than existing processes and procedures. Since 2001, only about 2,200 Syrian refugees have been admitted to the United States. Half are children and another quarter is over the age of 60. These refugees are victims of the same terrorists we are trying to defeat. Banning them would not only do nothing to strengthen our national security, it would fuel the anti-American sentiment that strengthens ISIS. The best way to address the refugee crisis is by removing the threat.

For these reasons, I oppose the American SAFE Act of 2015 and support the Secure Refugee Process Act of 2015.

IN RECOGNITION OF SUE CURRIN

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 30, 2015

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Sue Currin for her 34 years of exemplary service at San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, the last six years as Chief Executive Officer. Ms. Currin has dedicated her life and career to providing every member of our community with quality health care.

Thanks to Ms. Currin's innovative and steadfast leadership, San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center today is the sole provider of trauma and emergency psychiatric care for the City and County of San Francisco serving a diverse patient population and offering a wide spectrum of inpatient and outpatient services. The medical center serves about 100,000 patients a year and provides 20 percent of the city's inpatient care.

Ms. Currin secured \$6 million in grant funding for a nursing internship program, a medication error reduction project, patient safety initiatives, and a transportation from hospital to home program. She was also essential in developing the Acute Care for the Elderly unit. That unit improves patient outcomes and satisfaction while shortening hospital stays and reducing nursing home admissions. Additional major achievements were the development of the first Palliative Care Program for San Francisco's underserved and the Lean Management System at the hospital. And most recently, Ms. Currin succeeded in starting construction of an acute care building that is expected to open in the spring of 2016. This new facility will be equipped with the most advanced technology that will give every San Franciscan access to the best available healthcare. It will truly be an example of a state-of-the-art 21st century hospital and an enduring reminder of all the amazing work she has done.

I deeply admire Sue Currin's perseverance, vision and dedication to others. She started at General Hospital as a student nurse in 1975 and rose through the ranks of staff nurse, nurse educator, Director of Staff Development and Quality Management, Chief Nursing Officer/Chief Operating Officer and finally CEO.

She also worked at Kaiser Permanente for three years where she was responsible for quality management, medical staff services, infection control, medical record, member services and risk management over four medical centers. Quality control is part of Ms. Currin's DNA and inactivity alien to her character.

While Ms. Currin held one of the most demanding jobs in the health care profession, she made time to serve on several boards and committees, including the Hospital Councils of San Francisco and Northern and Central California, the American Hospital Association, the California Association of Public Hospitals, America's Essential Hospitals Education Committee and CareForce. As you can see from this list, Ms. Currin invented multitasking.

As the daughter of a military family Sue Currin grew up traveling the world. After her older brother was born in Japan, her parents were transferred to Hamilton Air Force Base in California where she was born. The family then moved to France where her sister was born. From there it was back to the U.S., Illinois and again California. She attended American River Community College, Tacoma Community College in Washington, graduated with a BA in Science in Nursing from San Francisco State University and then with a Master's of Science in Nursing from the University of California, San Francisco.

She and her husband of 34 years, Manny Ungson, have two successful and wonderful sons, Justin and Adam Currin Ungson. In her well-deserved retirement, Ms. Currin will finally have more time to quilt and to cook with her family, her favorite pastimes.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to rise with me to honor Sue Currin, an outstanding hospital leader who has shaped the health care landscape of San Francisco and the Bay Area. Her tireless efforts to improve the lives of others and her contributions to the city will be felt for decades to come.

HONORING ARTSWESTCHESTER 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 30, 2015

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, organizations that celebrate and promote the arts are an invaluable part of any great community. For 50 years, ArtsWestchester has connected the entire Westchester community with the arts through incredible exhibitions, programming, events, and initiatives for people of all ages. Their value to our local communities and neighborhoods cannot be understated.

Founded in 1965, ArtsWestchester in the largest private, not-for-profit arts council in New York State, and a recognized leader among arts councils nationwide. The ArtsWestchester mission is to provide leadership, vision, and support to the local arts scene, while ensuring the availability, accessibility, and diversity of the arts in Westchester. Every year, ArtsWestchester distributes over \$1 million in grants to artists and arts organizations, and markets the arts for over 150 cultural organizations and 1,000 artists on their website, as well as in their monthly publication, ArtsNews.

ArtsWestchester also owns and operates the Arts Exchange, a historic landmark building on Mamaroneck Avenue in White Plains, which serves as a haven for local artists to create, perform, rehearse, and showcase their work. The building is constantly humming with activity; and epitomizes exactly what ArtsWestchester is all about.

In addition to the cultural impact, Arts Westchester has also had a profound economic impact on the area. In 2010 alone, the arts in Westchester accounted for over \$156.44 million in economic activity, due in no small part to the work of ArtsWestchester. The combination of economic growth and cultural artistry is a powerful one, and its positive affect on the entire region has been felt as a result.

On November 20, 2015 ArtsWestchester is celebrating its 50th Anniversary Gala. I want to congratulate the entire organization on the occasion, and thank them for all of their great contributions to Westchester.

HONORING DOUG GLAESER

HON. GRACE F. NAPOLITANO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 30, 2015

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the long career of public service provided by an outstanding constituent from my district, Doug Glaeser, who has served the San Gabriel Valley and the students, professors, and staff of Cal Poly Pomona University with distinction as the Director of Government affairs and a Political Science Professor for the past 30 years.

Doug has been an invaluable resource to me and my staff, and will be truly missed. He has assisted my office in connecting professors and students with government officials to research and find solutions for challenges facing our state and nation.

Doug has organized multiple water conferences that I have held at Cal Poly which have led to University researchers working with water agencies and policy makers to improve water conservation for residents, businesses, and agriculture. He also facilitated workforce development programs to improve the current and next generation of our water workforce.

Doug has also established partnerships between Cal Poly and the Air Force that have created applied educational experiences for students to prepare them for careers in the public and private aerospace industry. He was successful in working with our office to garner \$5 million in federal funding to improve the Engineering Department's Aerospace Laboratories. These laboratories have led to expanded educational opportunities for students, improved research capabilities for professors, and modeling and simulation assistance for the Air Force.

Doug's work has not been limited to the betterment of Cal Poly alone; he has been a strong advocate for the California State University system as well as all higher educational institutions in California. He has been a leader in opening up opportunities for Latino students and Hispanic-Serving Institutions by advocating for legislation that seeks to improve federal programs which target educational opportunities for Hispanic students in

the Agricultural, Natural Resources, and Military sectors.

Mr. Speaker, I would also note that outside of his job at Cal Poly, Doug volunteers much of his time to organizing, managing, and officiating swimming and water polo competitions throughout the state of California. His commitment to improving both the academic and athletic pursuits of our students is exemplary.

Doug's accomplishments for our community are a product of the kindness, knowledge, humor and enthusiasm that he exudes every day. We will miss Doug's visits to my office and his bright smile, his warm greeting to everyone in the office, and the delicious avocados he brings from the Cal Poly Farm Store.

Doug's proudest achievement is the success of his children Kimberley, Kevin and Daniel, and his grandson Alex. I have been particularly fortunate to get to know Kimberley, as she was an intern in my office and has gone on to serve our country as a Naval Aviator. I was honored to join Doug and his family at Kimberley's winging ceremony early this year in Pensacola, FL.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of the San Gabriel Valley, and the Cal Poly Pomona community, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Doug Glaeser on his retirement, and thanking him for his long career of public service to Cal Poly Pomona, the State of California and our nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROGER WILLIAMS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 30, 2015

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call 641 on final passage of H.R. 3189, the Fed Oversight Reform and Modernization Act of 2015, I would have voted aye, which is consistent with my position on this legislation.

HONORING MR. JOE DORSEY

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 30, 2015

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Joe Dorsey on the occasion of his 80th birthday. Mr. Dorsey has had an incredible career in sports and serving his community.

Joe was born in 1935, in Waco, Texas, to Charlie and Aldora Dorsey. He had five sisters: Ollie, Charlie, Alta, Evelyn, and Loretta. In 1945, his family moved to California and settled in Albany. His father later opened and operated Dorsey's Locker, a popular neighborhood restaurant and bar in Oakland. It was more than a social hotspot but a haven that provided jobs for members of the community for nearly 60 years.

From 1948 to 1954, Joe attended Albany High School where he was a three-sport letterman. He led Albany High to four basketball and three baseball championships. During his senior year, he served as captain of both teams and was selected to the all-league teams to play both sports.

Joe graduated from Albany High School in 1954 and enrolled in Contra Costa Junior College, where he continued to play basketball