

Kelly has worked on several neighborhood projects, including promoting local small businesses and her most current project, which is the documentation and preservation of Echo Park area murals.

Several years ago, Kelly founded the website: Echo Park Now, to help increase community awareness and involvement. When she is not writing or attending community meetings, she is running her graphic design and marketing services business, Craft Media Los Angeles. Kelly frequently donates her business' services to assist in community efforts.

Kelly is married to Bennett Erickson and they have two rescue dogs, Aja and Josie.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Kelly Erickson, for her extraordinary service to the community.

INTRODUCTION OF THE GENDER DIVERSITY IN CORPORATE LEADERSHIP ACT

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 7, 2016

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, today I am proud to introduce the Gender Diversity in Corporate Leadership Act, common-sense legislation to address the striking gender disparity in America's corporate boardrooms.

A recent GAO report found that women hold only about 16 percent of board seats at S&P 1500 companies, up from 8 percent in 1997. While this is progress, even if women comprise half of new board members from this point forward, the report estimated it would take over 40 years to reach gender parity.

My legislation would take a few simple steps to collect data to better define this disparity and encourage businesses to take steps to diversify their boards. By requiring publicly-traded companies to report the gender composition of their boards, we will make it easy for investors and other organizations to evaluate board diversity.

The evidence is clear, companies with diverse leadership are better-positioned to succeed. Indeed, a recent report published by MSCI found that companies with "strong female leadership" (either above-average board representation or a female CEO and at least one female board member) generated a higher return on equity and valuation than companies lacking female leadership. That finding follows a 2014 Credit Suisse report that found companies with at least one woman on their board outperformed other companies by 5 percent from the start of 2012–June 2014.

I am proud that the Gender Diversity in Corporate Leadership Act is supported by a strong coalition of business leaders like the U.S. Chamber of Commerce as well as leading voices to promote workplace diversity like Catalyst and the National Women's Law Center. I want to commend these groups for their work on these issues, as well as my original co-sponsors Reps. DON BEYER and DEBBIE DINGELL for their partnership on this important legislation.

HONORING SOUTHEAST FLORIDA HEAD HUGGERS

HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 7, 2016

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Southeast Chapter of Florida Head Huggers, also known as "Caps and Wraps," as they celebrate their five-year anniversary.

This wonderful group of ladies meets every Thursday to knit and crochet caps, wraps and blankets, which are donated to adult and pediatric cancer patients who are undergoing treatment.

Since the group began in January 2011, Caps and Wraps has donated more than 20,000 "handmade hugs" to local hospitals and oncology offices to ensure that cancer patients are provided with warmth and comfort.

As a cancer survivor, I offer my heartfelt appreciation to Chapter founder, Aline Zucker, for her kindness and generosity.

I commend the Southeast Chapter of Florida Head Huggers for their commitment and compassion to the cancer community.

TRIBUTE TO DOLORES DIAZ-CAREY—28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 7, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Dolores Diaz-Carey, of Pasadena, California.

Born in Los Angeles, Dolores attended Sacred Heart Elementary School and Sacred Heart High School. She received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Spanish Literature from Holy Names University and her Master's Degree in Education from the University of Southern California. In addition, Dolores obtained a Counseling Credential from the University of California, Los Angeles and an Administrative Credential from California State University, Los Angeles.

A consummate educator, Ms. Diaz-Carey's long career in education began as a teacher at the elementary and junior high school levels in Northern California, after which she moved to Mexico City to teach. In 1969, Dolores joined the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) where she worked for 35 years. In LAUSD's Division of Adult and Career Education, she worked in many capacities, including as an ESL (English as a Second Language) instructor, teacher advisor, counselor, assistant principal, and principal. From 1973 to 1975, Ms. Diaz-Carey was Executive Producer of the first bilingual ESL television series for adults, "POCHTLAN", for which she was awarded an Emmy from the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. From 1987 to 1998, she was Principal of Garfield Community Adult

School and while there, founded a family literacy program for adults and their children. In 1998, Dolores became Director of the Adult Instructional Services Unit where she was responsible for overseeing the development and implementation of all the curricula for adults, including ESL, high school diploma, basic education, parenting, and nursing programs—during this time, she was also Program Director of the Community Based English Tutoring program.

Dolores is a longtime member of the East Los Angeles Rotary Club, where she serves as the Rotarian advisor for a youth club, and is the incoming club president. In 2011, she received the Rotarian Foundation District Service Award. Dolores is a member and past President of the San Rafael Library Associates, a support group for the San Rafael Library in Pasadena, and is a generous supporter of the arts, including the Los Angeles Music and Art School, and the Youth Orchestra Los Angeles.

A forty-year resident of Pasadena, Dolores enjoys traveling, daily walks with her dog, Dodger, long-distance cycling, and attending Los Angeles Philharmonic concerts and events at the Hollywood Bowl.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Dolores Diaz-Carey, for her extraordinary service to the community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 7, 2016

Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, I want to state that on March 3, 2016, I was detained in my district and missed roll call votes. Had I been present I would have voted:

1. NO—Roll Call No. 106—Motion on Ordering the Previous Question on the Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4557.

2. NO—Roll Call No. 107—H. Res. 635—Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4557—Blocking Regulatory Interference from Closing Kilns (BRICK) Act of 2016.

3. AYE—Roll Call No. 108—S. 1826—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 99 West 2nd Street in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, as the Lieutenant Colonel James "Maggie" Megellas Post Office.

4. NO—Roll Call No. 109—H.R. 4557—Blocking Regulatory Interference from Closing Kilns (BRICK) Act of 2016.

RECOGNIZING THE 90TH BIRTHDAY OF CHARLES EDWARD DUBOIS

HON. KAREN BASS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 7, 2016

Ms. BASS. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to honor the 90th birthday of my friend and mentor, Charles Edward DuBois.

Charlie was born to Vernon and Edna DuBois in New Jersey on February 26, 1926 and raised with his three siblings during the Depression by his loving parents.

Young Charlie showed a fighting spirit from early in life, and learned his values at his father's knee, including when W.E.B. DuBois (no relation) would stop by his home to argue and discuss issues of race and justice. Now four generations of the DuBois family have dedicated themselves to lifting up working people.

Charlie enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1944 and served honorably in the Pacific theatre. After returning from the war, Charlie often provided security services for those speaking out and demanding social change, including Paul Robeson, Hortensia Bussi and Angela Davis.

Charlie moved to Los Angeles in the 1960s, where he met and married his wife, Viki. They both worked at Kaiser Permanente for years. He and Viki were blessed with two sons.

Charlie and Viki were organizers and leaders of Black Women United (which evolved into Black Women and Men during the 1970s). Through these organizations, they fought (among other things) for criminal justice reform. These groups also worked to support those who were incarcerated, helping their families during the time they were in prison, and working to aid their adjustment when they returned to the community.

Charlie often mentored youth in the justice movement, and he was instrumental in my own decision to pursue medical training as an effective way of seeking change and providing service to others.

I would like to salute Charles Edward DuBois for his longstanding commitment to serving others and for remaining true to his principles throughout his long life.

TRIBUTE TO DR. CHERYL
REVKIN—28TH CONGRESSIONAL
DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 7, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Dr. Cheryl Revkin, of Silver Lake, a unique neighborhood in Los Angeles, California.

Cheryl Revkin was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois. After obtaining her Bachelor's Degree at the University of Wisconsin, she attended the Los Angeles College of Chiropractic where she received both her Bachelor's of Science and Doctor of Chiropractic degrees. A compassionate chiropractor, Dr. Revkin made a commitment to donate one-third of her practice to individuals with no chiropractic insurance, such as the six patients a week that she treated who were referred to her from the Hollywood Sunset Free Clinic, patients with HIV, and many children. A community activist while running her practice in Silver Lake, after thirty-three years, Cheryl retired and devoted all of her time and talents to helping her community.

Dr. Revkin's involvement in Silver Lake community organizations is extensive. She was the Founder and President of the Silver Lake Chamber of Commerce, where she was

active for more than two decades, and now acts as a consultant to the chamber. Currently, Cheryl serves as Co-Chair of the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council History Collective Committee, a position she has held for over a decade, is a board member of the Friends of the Silver Lake Library, and volunteers with CollegePath LA at John Marshall High School. In addition, Dr. Revkin is on the Los Angeles City Disability Access Review Board Commission, helps out in the Los Angeles Neighborhood Justice Program and the Center for the Study of Political Graphics, and serves on the Board of Automata, a puppet theatre in Los Angeles. For her efforts, Cheryl received the Pioneer Woman of the Year Award from then-Los Angeles City Councilman Eric Garcetti.

Dr. Revkin has one daughter, Casey Revkin and one grandchild, Emil Ryan, who also live in Silver Lake.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Dr. Cheryl Revkin, for her extraordinary service to the community.

CHRONICLING THE PRESIDENT'S UNCONSTITUTIONAL ACTIONS

HON. KEITH J. ROTHFUS

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 7, 2016

Mr. ROTHFUS. Mr. Speaker, when our Founders wrote the Constitution, they had the wisdom to create a system of checks and balances among the three branches of government.

They knew this would limit power, protect against abuses, and promote liberty under the Constitution.

The President has the right to nominate justices to the Supreme Court, but the Senate has the co-equal right to consent to such an appointment.

One branch has a power; another has a check.

Today, with a vacancy on the Supreme Court, we have a chance to see this system of checks and balances in action.

In deciding to exercise its consent to an appointment to the Supreme Court, the Senate should assess whether the President has been acting consistent with the Constitution.

The chart below highlights just a few of the President's unconstitutional actions since he was reelected in 2012.

July 2013: President disregards employer mandate.

February 2014: President disregards employer mandate again.

June 2014: SCOTUS rules 9-0 President violated Appointments Clause.

November 2014: President announces executive amnesty.

May 2015: Court of Appeals stops executive amnesty.

February 2016: Stops Clean Power Plan.

These actions have been frequent, repeated, and grave.

These actions have poisoned the well of deliberation for this appointment.

In that light, why shouldn't the Senate withhold consent? It is a game the President chose to play, and now he must face the consequence.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4,

1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, 2016 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

MARCH 9

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine cooperative federalism, focusing on state perspectives on Environmental Protection Agency regulatory actions and the role of states as co-regulators.

SD-406

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Justice.

SD-226

10 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Indian Health Service.

SD-124

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of General Joseph L. Votel, USA, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Central Command, and Lieutenant General Raymond A. Thomas III, USA, to be general and Commander, United States Special Operations Command.

SD-G50

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider S. 1878, to extend the pediatric priority review voucher program, S. 1077, to provide for expedited development of and priority review for breakthrough devices, S. 1101, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for the regulation of patient records and certain decision support software, S. 2055, to amend the Public Health Service Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to national health security, S. 1767, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to combination products, S. 1597, to enhance patient engagement in the medical product development process, S. 2512, to expand the tropical disease product priority review voucher program to encourage treatments for Zika virus, and the nomination of John