

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

## TRIBUTE TO STEVE ELKINS

### HON. LISA BLUNT ROCHESTER

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 10, 2018*

Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the life of Steve Elkins, a civil rights pioneer, an advocate for our state's LGBTQ community, and a decades-long fighter for hope and inclusivity for all Delaware families.

In 1991, Steve co-founded Create a More Positive Rehoboth, more commonly known as CAMP Rehoboth, to counteract anti-LGBTQ discrimination by bringing neighbors together and building bridges of compassion and understanding between people of all backgrounds. The non-profit, which began as a humble newsletter, evolved into a sprawling community center on Baltimore Avenue with numerous community programs, including screenings for sexually transmitted diseases, mental health counseling, and cultural sensitivity training for city and park police. For over 25 years, Steve and the CAMP Rehoboth family helped thousands by breaking down barriers and providing much-needed community support services to Delaware's LGBTQ community.

Alongside his partner of 40 years, Murray Archibald, the pair pressed for marriage equality, supported HIV/AIDs research, and championed the right to live and love freely. On Steve's birthday, July 2, 2009, he took part in history as then-Governor Jack Markell signed Senate Bill 121, which outlawed discrimination based on sexual orientation at the CAMP Rehoboth Center, a nod to the far-reaching impact of the center and Steve's life work. Steve and Murray were also an integral part of ushering in a new era of equality for the LGBTQ community as Delaware became the 11th state to legalize same-sex marriage in 2013.

We are heartbroken by the loss of a devoted advocate and unwavering voice for inclusion, love, and respect. He fought an aggressive form of lymphoma with the same bravery he fought for the rights of so many in our great state. Steve will be remembered for his commitment to justice and equality for all, his decades of service and advocacy for Delaware's LGBTQ community, and the joy he brought to the lives of so many. Steve was a positive force for good, and the kind of friend who could put a smile on your face even in the darkest of times. I will remember him for his loving and uplifting spirit and will do my part to ensure his legacy lives on.

## HONORING COACH ANN LUETKEMEYER-MEYER-GULSHEN ON HER INDUCTION INTO THE MISSOURI SPORTS HALL OF FAME

### HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 10, 2018*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a constituent of mine, Coach Ann Luetkemeyer-Gulshen, on her induction into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame on March 28, 2018.

The fall of 1975 was an important year for Coach Gulshen. As she entered her senior year of high school in Eldon, she had the opportunity to play on the inaugural volleyball team, which would ultimately shape Coach Gulshen's entire future. After high school graduation in 1976, Coach Gulshen earned a bachelor's in physical education from the University of Missouri. A few years later into her career, she obtained her master's degree also from the University of Missouri. As the daughter of Vic and Jane Luetkemeyer, Coach Gulshen had been part of the Eldon community since her childhood. With strong ties to her community, it was a natural fit to come back to her hometown to begin her volleyball coaching career.

Coach Gulshen's record is an impressive one that includes 29 seasons as a high school volleyball coach, 16 of those seasons being at Eldon High School and 13 at Camdenton High School. During her coaching career, she won 704 matches which led to being among the top five most winningest teams in Missouri state history. Coach Gulshen built Eldon High School's volleyball program into a winner and guided the Mustangs to eight consecutive final fours in Class 3 between 1986 and 1993. In 1991, the Mustangs won the state championship. Under Coach Gulshen, Eldon High School won 16 conference titles and 15 district championships. In 1997, Coach Gulshen began teaching at Camdenton, and in 1998 she was asked to coach their volleyball team. From 1998 to 2010, the Lakers won three district championships and four conference championships.

Coach Gulshen set the teams up for success, pushing them to become teammates and not just individuals. She would encourage her teams to go on summer float trips, team camps, and any other team building activities. Throughout the years, she gained the respect of the players on her teams. Many of the players say Coach Gulshen helped prepare them for life's challenges and some of them have gone on to become coaches themselves. Coach Gulshen says: "This (induction) is not about me. This is about them. All of them had a hand in it". Throughout her coaching career, Coach Gulshen continuously had the support of her husband, Bart and sons Jay and Kyle.

Please join me in congratulating Coach Ann Gulshen for all of her hard work and dedication that resulted in this induction into the Mis-

souri Sports Hall of Fame. This induction is well deserved.

## RETIREMENT OF STEPHEN NADRAMIA

### HON. DANIEL M. DONOVAN, JR.

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 10, 2018*

Mr. DONOVAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay gratitude to Stephen Nadramia for his sterling career in the United States Marshals Service (USMS).

After serving his country in the U.S. Army for four years, Stephen was honorably discharged and joined the USMS in October 1988. He started his career as a Deputy U.S. Marshal in the Eastern District of New York, where he would serve for the rest of his career. Throughout his 30-year career, Stephen has done everything from enforcing court orders to working on judicial security details. He has distinguished himself throughout his career by reaching milestones many hope to achieve.

In 2000, Stephen was the first Marshal to handle a K9 in the Eastern District. Over the past 30 years, he has served alongside three different K9s. His first K9, Roni, assisted him with search and recovery efforts on September 11, 2001. Gala, his second K9, aided him in securing courtrooms during high-profile trials where security is traditionally heightened. Lastly, his final K9, MacDuff, protected Pope Francis when he visited Washington, D.C. to address Congress. His experience with K9s enabled him to secure various sites and functions successfully. They also assisted in apprehending escaped violent felons throughout his time on the job.

Mr. Speaker, Stephen Nadramia is the personification of a dedicated law enforcement official. His years of service to his community and country will not be forgotten. I hope he enjoys his long retirement with his wife, Erika, and I wish him all the best.

## IN REMEMBRANCE OF STEVEN LINDO HALL

### HON. MARK WALKER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 10, 2018*

Mr. WALKER. Mr. Speaker, I rise in remembrance of Steven Lindo Hall from High Point, North Carolina. As we honor the life of Steven Hall, I offer my deepest condolences to his colleagues, family, and friends.

During his senior year of high school, Steve joined the U.S. Army Reserves out of a deep love for his country and abiding desire to serve. He graduated in 1981 from T. Wingate Andrews High School, where he played and then attended the University of North Carolina

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at Charlotte. On September 12, 1987, he married the love of his life, Jennifer Mowery Hall. She supported him through all his endeavors, as he was her strength in a picture of Christ's love for the church as a biblical marriage should be. As busy as he was helping and serving others, he always made time for her. Steven joined the Greensboro Police Department as his first job after graduating. One of his first assignments at the Department was to the Greensboro Housing PNRC, where he worked to serve the families in underprivileged neighborhoods in the city. While on that assignment, he worked with the UNCG Pi Kappa Phi, Congressman Howard Coble, and the Police Department to form a youth basketball league in the area. After a time working with the D.A.R.E. drug prevention program, he became a School Resource Officer at Western Guilford High School, where he served from 1994 until 2006. During this time, he served a year as the president of the North Carolina Association of School Resource Officers (NCASRO). During his spare time, he worked as a substitute teacher at High Point Central and other local high schools.

In 1988, Steve worked with a group of men from the High Point area to found the High Point Little League, where he was a volunteer coach. He also coached at Southwest Guilford High School and at his own high school. He served as an advisor to the UNCG and High Point College chapters of Pi Kappa Phi and as a board member of the Hartley Drive YMCA. He was a member at the High Point Elks Lodge, where he served on the board and eventually became the Exalted Ruler in 2017.

He and his wife raised his sons Miller and Tucker in their home on Suncrest Drive. He always encouraged his sons to be active, to volunteer and help others, and to be outgoing and kind. He always told them to hold the door for others and clean up messes no matter who made them. He was proud that his children attended Wesleyan Christian Academy and loved going to their various sporting events. He was a member at Christ United Methodist Church, where he often served on the multiple boards and served as a Sunday school teacher and an Upward basketball coach. He attended the church with his family and instilled in them his deep Christian faith. His job as an SRO—and much of his life—was put on hold in 2006 when he received orders to deploy to Afghanistan as a part of the War on Terror. He served two tours of duty there between 2006 and 2010. His service in the reserves continued from his enlistment until he retired from the Army in 2014.

He worked out his time with the Greensboro Police Department until his retirement in 2013. He spent the remainder of his time with his family. He enjoyed family vacations at Holden Beach, trips to Clemson to watch football games with his older son, and road games where he cheered his younger son on playing lacrosse. He received many awards including the GPD Police Officer of the Year and Knights of Columbus Police Officer of the year. His awards in the U.S. Army include the NATO Afghanistan Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, US Navy Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and the Bronze Star.

Everyone knew Steven by his smile and sense of humor. At every event he was the

center of attention, though never by choice. He loved children and devoted most of his service, time, and energy to their safety, well-being, and happiness. He loved his country and was willing to give his life every day for its prosperity. He thought of others before himself and taught his children to do the same. He cared deeply for his wife, parents, and siblings and worked for their security. And he loved God, as everyone who met him could see from the joy in his face.

Mr. Speaker, throughout his life Steven Hall showed dedication to his country, community and family. During his service in the United States Army and the Greensboro Police Department he demonstrated humility, putting the needs of others before his own. The testimony of Steven embodies the greatest qualities of humanity. The life of Steven Hall encourages us all to exemplify the commandment, not to be served, but to serve. On behalf of North Carolina and the United States of America, we are honored for the faithful service of Steven Lindo Hall.

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### CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF STEVEN BOCHCO

#### HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 10, 2018*

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of Mr. Steven Bochco—an accomplished Los Angeles television writer and producer—who passed away on April 1, 2018 at the age of 74.

Steven was born in New York City on December 16, 1943 to Mimi and Rudolph Bochco, both artists in their own right; his mother was a painter and jewelry designer and his father was a violinist. Steven attended the High School of Music and Art in Manhattan and attended New York University for a year before transferring to Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh. During summer vacations between his junior and senior year of college, Steven got a job at Universal Television in Los Angeles, which led to a job and cross country road trip that would forever change his life.

During his time at Universal, Steven's first writing credit came from expanding an already filmed one-hour drama into two hours by adding backstory about the characters when they were kids. Steven later remarked that, at the time, he was, "so naive about the business that it didn't even occur to me that my name would be up on the screen. Suddenly when this thing was finished and I went to see it, it said, 'Written by Rod Serling and Steven Bochco.' That was my first professional writing credit."

In 1971, Steven wrote his first 90-minute television episode for the Steven Spielberg-directed installment of Columbo entitled 'Murder by the Book,' which led to his first of 34 Emmy nominations and a lasting friendship of 47 years with Mr. Spielberg. After 12 years with Universal, Steven left in 1976 to work for the late television executive, Grant Tinker, at his company MTM Enterprises, where he would develop a ground-breaking show about the personal lives of police officers, Hill Street Blues. Hill Street Blues established broadcaster NBC as a powerhouse on Thursday

nights and the shows' first round of Emmy nominations resulted in being awarded 8 out of 21 nominations. Hill Street Blues would eventually be nominated for 98 Emmy awards during its nearly 150-episode run.

After five seasons of Hill Street Blues, Steven was fired from MTM because he refused to sacrifice quality storytelling in order to save on costs. Ever ambitious, Steven turned down an offer to become president of CBS's entertainment division and signed an unprecedented six-year, 10-series deal with ABC and a deal with 20th Century Fox to create the 15-time Emmy Award winning show, L.A. Law. Steven subsequently founded Steven Bochco Productions and, with David E. Kelly, created the beloved Doogie Howser M.D. with ABC Studios. Later describing the business of hour-long television drama as being 'in the toilet' in 1991, Steven set out to create 1992's critically-acclaimed NYPD Blue which would ultimately earn 20 Emmy awards throughout its run.

Steven's prodigious career was defined by the rare creative control he was able to exert on his projects and productions. His portfolio of work has contributed greatly to the canon of American television through the dark and gritty realism he was able to portray about the lives of our country's public servants and public defenders.

Steven is survived by his wife of 17 years, Dayna, his children Jesse, Sean and Melissa, his grandchildren Wes and Stevie Rae, and his sister Joanna Frank. May his memory be a blessing to us all.

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### IN MEMORY OF BISHOP MAYOR PRO TEM PATRICIA GARDNER

#### HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 10, 2018*

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Bishop Mayor Pro Tem Patricia Gardner, who passed away after a courageous battle with cancer. Pat served on the council for six years, and was an active member in her community throughout her life.

Pat moved with her family to Bishop in 1960, when her father was transferred within the California Department of Transportation. Although she left Bishop to attend college, she and her husband returned in 1981. Pat held a graduate degree in physical therapy, and was the owner of Sports Medicine and Rehab Therapy from 1986 to her retirement in 2011. When she wasn't running a thriving business, Pat remained focused on helping in her community. She was active in the United Methodist Church, where she taught Sunday school, and served four terms on the Bishop Union Elementary School District. After her retirement, Pat continued her commitment to improving her community and ran for Bishop City Council in 2012.

On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I would like to recognize the tireless work that Pat Gardner undertook to improve Bishop for her friends and neighbors. Her determination, grace, and passion for her community will not soon be forgotten.