

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 7, 2020

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I was unfortunately prevented from traveling and unable to make votes on December 4, 2020. Had I been present I would have voted in favor of the motion to recommit H.R. 3884, against passage of H.R. 3884, and against S. 2981.

HONORING DR. NOEL SMITH'S 95TH BIRTHDAY

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 7, 2020

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 95th birthday of Dr. Noel Smith from Fresno, California. Noel is a doctor, father and proud advocate in the community.

Dr. Smith is a native of La Brea, Trinidad. He graduated from Howard University with a Doctorate in Medicine, magna cum laude. In 1958, he fulfilled his residency at the Fresno County General Hospital, in which he served as an obstetrician/gynecologist for the people of West Fresno. In this position, he provided much needed medical care to the medically underserved.

Dr. Smith has previously worked at Fresno Regional Medical Center, Valley Medical Center and St. Agnes Hospital. He is a member of both the National Medical Association and the Golden State Medical Association.

He has shared his wisdom and been an active member of the community throughout his career, serving on numerous boards and commissions. These include the Edison-Bethune School Board, Infant of Prague Adoption Agency, Fresno Model Cities Board and Mayor's Bi-Racial committee. He is also a proud life member of the NAACP. Dr. Smith devotes his life and career to serving the Fresno community and he continues to share his knowledge by supporting those in need. He helped establish the West Fresno Health Care Coalition and served as Chair of the Fresno Model Cities Board and the T.B. Health Association.

He is a recipient of various honors and awards for his service to the community including, the 2010 African American Museum Trailblazers award and the Health award from the NAACP Fresno Board.

Dr. Smith and his wife, Gloria are the proud parents of eight children, Noel Jr., Quincy, Robert, John-Stephen, Jennifer, Anthony, Sybil and Ronald, grandparents of 15 grandchildren, and 7 great grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, it is with great respect that I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in celebrating Dr. Noel Smith's 95th birthday. I ask that you join me

in wishing Dr. Smith and his family continued success, health and happiness.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DEBBIE LESKO

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 7, 2020

Mrs. LESKO. Madam Speaker, I was unable to be present for the following votes.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 222; NAY on Roll Call No. 223; NAY on Roll Call No. 224; NAY on Roll Call No. 225; YEA on Roll Call No. 226; and NAY on Roll Call No. 227.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF EDWARD GLYN HESTER

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 7, 2020

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Edward Glyn Hester of Nettleton who passed away Saturday, November 7. As a fellow service member, I am grateful for Mr. Hester's dedication to family, state, and country.

Edward Glyn Hester was born on February 8, 1943 to Herman Glyn Hester and Ruth Johnson Hester. He spent his early years in Itawamba County and attended Nettleton High School. Glyn went on to graduate from Mississippi State University with a degree in business. He used these skills to build his own construction company, Glyn Hester Builders. He used these resources to serve as lead contractor in the construction of small homes throughout Mississippi dedicated to the Baptist Children's Village. There is a cottage in Starr, Mississippi named after Glyn and his wife, Judy. He dedicated over 20 years to the Baptist Children's Village, serving as a trustee.

Glyn Hester served in the Mississippi National Guard from 1965 to 1971. He was also a dedicated long-time member of Nettleton First Baptist Church, serving as a Deacon and Sunday School Secretary. Glyn was an important figure in the church, prioritizing regular attendance and arriving early to offer help to anyone who may need it.

Glyn is survived by his wife of 53 years, Judy; son, Britton; daughter, Leslie; and two grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents.

Edward Glyn Hester was a light unto all who had the opportunity to know and love him, and he will be deeply missed. My deepest condolences are with his family and friends.

IN HONOR OF IAN BAIN

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 7, 2020

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Redwood City councilmember and former mayor Ian Bain as he leaves the city council after 17 years of continuous service, and nearly 18 years in all. It's been an extraordinary time of change for his city, and Ian helped shape much of the transformation.

In the past decade, Redwood City grew by nearly 10,000 persons, or 12 percent, and by nearly 21 percent since Ian first sat as a councilmember in the late 1990's. Twenty-first century buildings have replaced their 20th century predecessors, and in at least one instance a 19th century home was moved to a new location as acres of new construction commenced. Locals noted that crows fled the area while cranes—aerial cranes with steel swinging from cables—were spotted throughout downtown.

Ian Bain was a councilmember who cautioned colleagues that major change is hard on longtime residents. He was right. While the city rushed to meet the demands for office space related to the economic boom, and for housing that would temper skyrocketing rents, Ian noted that the effort was falling short for renters. As developers asked for approvals, Ian insisted that the developments work for all city residents.

Today, with the city and our nation in pandemic slow motion, it outwardly appears that pressure to grow is less. In fact, it's only delayed. Some of the solutions to our pandemic are being developed by rapidly growing companies located in Redwood City and throughout San Mateo County. These companies will need offices for researchers and housing for them and their families.

On one Superbowl Sunday, I stood with Ian Bain on a levee in the middle of an inland sea, with the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, as Ian and I argued against housing being built in the bay. Regrettably, the agency decided to abandon its protection of the waters of the United States. The United States District Court subsequently found EPA's action in violation of the law. Ian has been steadfast in his opposition to filling San Francisco Bay.

As a member of the revenue and finance committee, he fought to ensure that expansion of Redwood City is accompanied by prudent city financing. The city has unfunded pension liabilities and Ian is quick to note that its infrastructure needs major renovations. For both environmental and fiscal reasons, Ian led the city's effort to reduce its use of electricity by 22 percent and of natural gas by 34 percent. Homeowners in Friendly Acres and residents in mobile home parks on the east side of Highway 101 have Ian to thank, in part, as the city closes in on a solution to regular flooding in their areas.

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Throughout Redwood City, you see humorous signs advising you to slow down and to consider the cost of a traffic ticket. You'll notice new stop signs and physical changes to historically dangerous intersections. If you trip over a crack in a defective sidewalk, don't blame Ian. He fought very hard for repairs. Ian is a lover of all things pedestrian and bicycle friendly.

He served as a board member of the Sequoia Awards where he and others annually provide tens of thousands of dollars to high achieving, socially active young people going to college. In a prior career, he helped find jobs for adults with disabilities and he is an active member of the Chamber of Commerce. His council responsibilities include service on the personnel committee, transportation and mobility committee, and regional boards including Peninsula Clean Energy and the C/CAG bicycle and pedestrian advisory committee.

Ian Bain is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley and has a Bachelor's in Political Science. He is married to Robbie Moffat. They live in the Woodside Plaza area of Redwood City.

Madam Speaker, Ian Bain has been an outstanding leader in Redwood City for close to two decades and I have thoroughly enjoyed working with him. His community is losing a longtime civic leader and an activist. I wish him well and know that his talents will always be directed toward helping the city that he loves.

IN RECOGNITION OF MARIANNE
UDOW-PHILLIPS FOR A DISTINGUISHED CAREER

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 7, 2020

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer my heartfelt congratulations to Marianne Udow-Phillips as she celebrates her retirement as executive director of the Center for Health Research. Her contributions to our community are worthy of commendation.

Marianne Udow-Phillips was the founding executive director of the Center for Health Research Transformation (CHRT) at the University of Michigan. In this role, Marianne led several projects and initiatives to advance evidence-based care delivery, improve population health, and expand access to care. While at the University of Michigan, Marianne was also a lecturer in the School of Public Health and the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, where she guided students on how to develop equitable policy solutions to address the nation's most pressing healthcare issues. Prior to her role at CHRT, Marianne served as director of the State of Michigan's Department of Human Services and senior vice president of health care products and provider services at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. In addition, she has held several leadership roles at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Mercy Alternative. Marianne currently serves as a board member for the Grameen Foundation. University of Michigan Health System, Arbor Research Collaborative for Health, U-M De-

pression Center National Advisory Board, Greater Detroit Area Health Council, and Michigan Women's Foundation Emeritus Board.

Throughout all capacities, Marianne Udow-Phillips has been recognized as a transformative, effective, and motivated leader who strives to effect change. Her leadership has positively impacted the health care landscape in Michigan, and her efforts have been paramount in informing policymakers of critical healthcare needs across the community. Above all, Marianne is a kind, compassionate, and generous friend who is always willing to help someone in need. She had dedicated her career to bettering the community, and she has devoted her lifetime to mentoring and supporting women. Marianne has earned several awards and honors for her impactful work, including the Anti-Defamation League's "Women of Achievement Award"; Crain's Detroit Business's top 100 "Most Influential Women Award"; and the Michigan Women's Foundation's "Women of Achievement and Courage Award."

Although Marianne is retiring as executive director, she will remain a strong presence at CHRT. She will continue her important work and serve as a senior advisor on a number of CHRT initiatives. Moving forward, Marianne plans to begin the next chapter of her life by using her talents and wide expertise to launch a consulting company. Undoubtedly, Marianne has made a difference in our community, and we wish her continued success in the years ahead.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Marianne Udow-Phillips. We are proud to celebrate her work, accomplishments, and significant community impact. We are grateful for her outstanding leadership and wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors.

INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT
OF COLUMBIA PAROLE AND SUPERVISED RELEASE ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 7, 2020

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to introduce the District of Columbia Parole and Supervised Release Act. This bill would give the District of Columbia the authority to make parole and supervised release determinations for D.C. Code offenders beginning on November 1, 2022.

Currently, the U.S. Parole Commission makes these determinations for D.C. Code offenders. This bill would give D.C. the same authority over parole and supervised release determinations for D.C. Code offenders that the Commission has today. The District has asked to have this authority for its own local offenders. D.C. would have the same authority the states possess over their own local offenders on these matters, including the authority to devise an adjudication system as it sees fit.

The National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 transferred the functions of the D.C. Parole Board

to the Commission. By transferring the costs associated with the Commission's work on D.C. Code offenders to the District, the federal government would save money with passage of this bill.

I ask my colleagues to support this bill.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF
ROBERT RALPH DUNN

HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 7, 2020

Mr. COOK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and accomplishments of Robert Ralph Dunn who passed away on May 11, 2020 at the age of 76.

Bob was a lifelong resident of the Morongo Basin, born November 10, 1944, to Ralph Franklin Dunn and Gertrude (Judy) Bond Sherman. His maternal grandparents, Harris and Doris Sherman, moved to Twentynine Palms in the 1930s. Bob graduated from Twentynine Palms High School in 1963.

After graduating high school, Bob enlisted in the United States Army. He served as a 1st Lieutenant of the United States Army 8th Special Forces where he was stationed in Central and South America from 1965 until 1969. After his service to our country, Bob married his wife Marie Huntington in 1975, at the Little Church of the Desert in Twentynine Palms. Bob continued to work within the 8th District of California in a new role, as a State Farm insurance agent starting in 1979. Bob worked with his father and brother in this family business role in the Morongo Basin.

He believed in the Morongo Basin and its communities, through mentorship and service, Bob became a pillar within the 8th district of California. Through his work within the Morongo Basin, he became a past Morongo Unified School District Board Member and President, President of the Yucca Valley Airport District Board, Officer of The San Bernardino County Republican Party, and a longtime supporter of the Boys and Girls Club of the Hi-Desert.

With Robert's passing, America lost a man who was not only a pillar in our community, but also someone who truly believed in and fought for the ideals of this great nation. On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I would like to pass along my deepest condolences to all of Robert's friends and family during this difficult time.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANN WAGNER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 7, 2020

Mrs. WAGNER. Madam Speaker, I regret that I was not present for roll call votes on December 4, 2020. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 233; YEA on Roll Call No. 234; and NAY on Roll Call No. 235.