

IN RECOGNITION OF THE GRAND
RE-OPENING OF THE MICHIGAN
UNION

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the grand re-opening of the Michigan Union.

The Michigan Union is a cornerstone of the University of Michigan. Opened in 1919, the Michigan Union is one of the oldest college unions in the country. For nearly a century, the Michigan Union has given students, faculty, and members of the Ann Arbor community a space to gather, study, and socialize. Throughout the years, the Michigan Union has undergone a great deal of transformation and witnessed some of our nation's greatest historical moments. On the morning of October 14, 1960, Democratic presidential nominee John F. Kennedy gave an impromptu speech that laid the groundwork for the Peace Corps. Later, during a visit to the University of Michigan, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. joined students in the Michigan Union to discuss his thoughts on discrimination and the future of integration in America. To carry on this impactful legacy and adapt to meet the needs of 21st century students, the Michigan Union closed in May 2018 to undergo an \$85.2 million renovation.

Today, we celebrate the Michigan Union as it opens its doors once again. While maintaining the architectural integrity of the 1919 original structure, Michigan Union has vastly remodeled internal features. Aside from technology upgrades and infrastructure renewals, the Michigan Union now includes expanded lounge and study rooms, a revolutionary idea hub, an enclosed courtyard, collaborative spaces, and a host of different food vendors.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in celebrating the grand re-opening of the Michigan Union. Through the historical renovation, the Michigan Union will continue to be an iconic symbol of the University of Michigan for generations to come.

HONORING JOSEPH MAYNE

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

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Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Joseph Mayne. Joseph is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 356, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Joseph has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Joseph has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Joseph has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Joseph located, plotted out, and painted mile markers

for every quarter-mile along a four-mile loop around Watkins Mill Lake in Watkins Mill State Park, allowing first responders to have some means of locating those in need of their help when an emergency call is made and for hikers to track their progress around the lake.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Joseph Mayne for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF FATHER GEORGE CLEMENTS

HON. WM. LACY CLAY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CLAY. Madam Speaker, in 1971 the Congressional Black Caucus was formed by the following Members of Congress:

Representative Shirley A. Chisholm (D-NY); Representative William L. Clay, Sr. (D-MO); Representative George W. Collins (D-IL); Representative John Conyers (D-MI); Representative Ronald V. Dellums (D-CA); Representative Charles C. Diggs, Jr. (D-MI); Representative Augustus F. Hawkins (D-CA); Representative Ralph H. Metcalfe (D-IL); Representative Parren J. Mitchell (D-MD); Representative Robert N.C. Nix, Sr. (D-PA); Representative Charles B. Rangel (D-NY); Representative Louis Stokes (D-OH); and Delegate Walter E. Fauntroy (D-D.C.).

Congressman William L. Clay, Sr. invited Father George Clements, Pastor of Holy Angels Catholic Church in Chicago, Illinois, to provide the Invocation for the Congressional Black Caucus' inaugural Dinner. He prayed:

"Lord, make the Congressional Black Caucus instruments of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let Augustus Hawkins and Walter Fauntroy sow love. Where there is injury let Charles Diggs and Robert Nix bring pardon. Where there is doubt let Shirley Chisholm restore faith. Where there is despair let Ronald Dellums bring hope. Where there is darkness let Charles Diggs bring light and where there is sadness let William Clay bring joy.

"O Divine Master grant that John Conyers may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; That George Collins may not so much seek to be understood as to understand; That Louis Stokes may not so much seek to be loved as to love.

"For it is in giving that Parren Mitchell receives. It is in dying that the Congressional Black Caucus is born to eternal life."

While Father Clements was the first to provide an invocation to the Congressional Black Caucus Dinner, he also had many other "firsts" in his lifetime.

In 1945, Father Clements was the first African American graduate of Archbishop Quigley Preparatory Seminary. He was ordained as a priest in 1957 and went on to become the first African American priest to serve at Holy Angels Parish on Chicago's South side from 1969 to 1991. He helped create programs like the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus to support African-Americans within the church.

Father Clements spearheaded the "One Church-One Child" program in 1980, which

aimed to spur Catholic churches to find adoptive parents for orphaned black children. In fact, he was the first Catholic priest to adopt a child, and later adopted 3 more sons. He also started a program for people living with drug addiction in 1944, and another for incarcerated people and their families in 1999.

Father Clements also served at other Chicago parishes, including St. Ambrose from July 1957 to July 1962, and St. Dorothy from July 1962 to June 1969. Outside of Chicago, Clements served at the Diocese of Nassau (Bahamas) from September 1991 to October 1993, and the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C., from October 1993 to March 2006.

He was a longtime civil rights advocate from Chicago's Southside. He marched with Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., in Chicago, Alabama and Mississippi. Father Clements was one of the first voices advocating for civil rights for African Americans within the Catholic Church, according to Rev. Michael Pfleger of St. Sabina Church on Chicago's South Side. His career inspired a made-for-television movie in 1989, "The Father Clements Story".

Father Clements was born "George Harold Clements" in Chicago in 1932. On Monday, November 25, 2019, Father Clements passed away at the age of 87. As a devoted priest, human and civil rights activist, and trailblazer, he will surely be missed by the communities he served.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR.
DENNY CHEN

HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of Mr. Denny Chen, a beloved member of California's 33rd Congressional District, who passed away at the age of 81 on November 15, 2019 in Torrance, California. Denny's dental practice has served South Bay residents for more than 30 years.

Born on November 24, 1937 in Taiwan's Sanxia District, Denny graduated from Keelung High School and attended Taiwan's National Defense Medical University. Denny then served as a naval officer in the Republic of China Navy for 10 years before starting a private dental practice in 1969 in Taipei, Taiwan.

Denny moved his family to the United States in 1978, where he enrolled at the University of Southern California School of Dentistry. He received his degree and opened his dental practice in Torrance in 1981, where he served the South Bay community for 33 years until his retirement in 2014. Denny's family moved to Rancho Palos Verdes in 1989.

Whether playing golf, ballroom dancing, or singing, Denny enjoyed the wonderful life he led and the people with whom he spent it. Denny is survived by his wife, Salina; stepson, Ben, and his wife, May; son, Peter, and his wife, Cindy; and three grandchildren: Kirk, Mark, and Priscilla. May his memory be a blessing to all the patients he cared for over the years and lives he touched in the community.

HONORING THE 97TH BIRTHDAY OF
JAMES A. ST. JULIEN, SR.

HON. CEDRIC L. RICHMOND

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Mr. RICHMOND. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the 97th Birthday of World War II Veteran, Mr. James A. St. Julien, Sr.—also known as “PawPaw.”

Born on January 9, 1923, Mr. St. Julien is a lifelong New Orleanian and was raised in the 7th Ward. He is a proud member of the Corpus Christi Catholic Church. Prior to her transition nearly 10 years ago, he was married to his beloved wife Mrs. Selma St. Julien for 67 years. Additionally, he is the father of 11 children: 9 girls and 2 boys and has over 35 grandchildren, 50 great grandchildren, 10 great great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, and extended family members.

As a World War II Veteran, Mr. St. Julien participated in several campaigns and theaters. The American Theater of WWII, the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of WWII, and the Battle of the Philippines. In the 766 Engineering Company, Mr. St. Julien cleared the pathway for the landings on the island of Leyte. A force of 700 vessels and 174,000 men accompanied these landings. On July 5, 1945, General of the Army Douglas MacArthur announced the liberation of the Philippines. Shortly after the end of WWII, Mr. St. Julien was honorably discharged and separated from the U.S. Army on December 18, 1945.

Mr. St. Julien's military service to our country is truly admirable. He is a leader and role model in the community. His 97th Birthday deserves to be celebrated and I am honored to join in its celebration. I thank Mr. St. Julien for his service, and I wish him many more birthdays.

Madam Speaker, I celebrate the 97th Birthday of a proud World War II Veteran, Mr. James A. St. Julien, Sr.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JOE
WALSH

HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Mr. LEVIN of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Joe Walsh, who passed away on December 28, 2019 after a lifetime of service to his country.

Joe was born on March 18, 1919 in East Orange, New Jersey. After enlisting in the Marines in 1938, Joe served in the Marine Corps' Third Defense Battalion at the Navy Yard in Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. He was attending a morning color guard ceremony when the attack began. He helped man three anti-aircraft guns to shoot down the invading planes.

Joe believed that “the guys who were over there who didn't make it back deserved to be remembered.” Joe was the last surviving member and cofounder of the Pearl Harbor Survivor Association's North County Chapter 31. Since 1986, he organized an annual memorial at Oceanside Harbor on the anniversary

of the Pearl Harbor bombing. He attended his last memorial service two weeks before he passed.

I was honored to meet Joe and his wife Bea to celebrate his 100th birthday. Bea was one of 23,000 women who enlisted in the Marines during the war. She was a member of the Aviation Women's Reserve Squadron 21 at Quantico, Virginia. Joe and Bea were married for 73 years and have six children.

Joe Walsh lived an incredible and full life. He could talk to anyone and somehow make them laugh. He was a dedicated husband, parent, and friend. We are grateful for his service to his country and his contributions to the Southern California community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Mr. KING of Iowa. Madam Speaker, I was unable to vote on Roll Call Vote No. 430 at the end of the series on June 27, 2019. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows:
NO on Roll Call No. 430.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 112TH ANNIVERSARY OF ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 112th anniversary of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. It is my honor and privilege to recognize its years of distinguished service to communities throughout Michigan.

Since its founding on the campus of Howard University on January 15, 1908, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated has been steadfast in its mission “to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards, to promote unity and friendship among college women, to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social stature, to maintain a progressive interest in college life, and to be of ‘Service to All Mankind.’” The women of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority are known for their excellent academic prowess, dedicated leadership skills, and commitment to advocacy and community service. Through its wide breadth of programs, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority endeavors to develop innovative programs to address significant community issues regarding education, health, family, the arts, technology, and economics.

Over a century later, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority is still celebrated as one of the most distinguished Greek-letter organizations today. Its nearly 300,000 members are recognized as leaders who strive to make a difference and effect change. Today, chapters are active in the counties of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, and Washtenaw and continue to provide essential programs and services to our community's youth and seniors.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in honoring the 112th anniversary of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. This significant milestone serves as a testament to the sorority's unrelenting commitment to community service, academic excellence, and empowerment. We are grateful for Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's impact and wish it continued success in the years ahead.

HONORING DAKOTA CARSON
TERHUNE

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Dakota Carson Terhune. Dakota is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 87, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Dakota has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Dakota has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Dakota has earned the rank of Firebuilder and is a member of the Lone Bear Council in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. Dakota has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Dakota constructed a 24-foot gazebo with seating as part of an outdoor classroom at Parkview Elementary School in Cameron, Missouri.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Dakota Carson Terhune for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America, and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

CELEBRATING THE BRAVERY OF
KYSHAUNE LINDSAY

HON. RUBEN GALLEG0

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Mr. GALLEG0. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the bravery and heroism of Kyshaune Lindsay, a fifteen-year-old from Phoenix who recently saved the life of a man in a burning building.

Kyshaune was playing basketball outside when he saw his neighbor fleeing her home. His neighbor, Cindy Nunez, told him that her house was on fire and that her brother, who is paralyzed and bedridden, was trapped inside without access to his wheelchair. Upon hearing that Cindy could not physically pick up her brother to bring him out of the house, Kyshaune did not hesitate to make his way inside and help the man, lifting him into his chair to get him to safety.

Marcos Marquez, the man that Kyshaune rescued, described him as a “true hero.” His selflessness and courage in the face of real danger are remarkable, as is his humility in the aftermath of the event.