

HONORING JAMES “JIMMY” MOLL
FOR A LIFETIME OF SERVICE TO
OUR COUNTRY AND COMMUNITY

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, James Moll lived as the Preamble to the American Legion Constitution begins, “for God and country.” Mr. Moll embodied each of the Legion’s value principles. A Veteran is a Veteran that obliges the Legion to help current and former members of the military transition into their community. How better to do this than by becoming Niagara County and Legion Post 264 Commander?

Jim offered his selfless service to the world and his country in the Army, and his American values and patriotism were always on display in his enlistment in the Army and subsequent membership in Chapter 77 of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

“Jimmy’s” engagement with family and community shined in his devotion to his late wife and in his co-founding and board membership of the North Tonawanda Botanical Gardens. His three-decades-long career with the North Tonawanda Board of Education demonstrated his commitment to advancing the vision for new generations of Americans. Mr. Moll honored those who came before with his 45-year commitment to the Legion and lifelong devotion to God.

His service protected citizens, his leadership helped veterans, his work served students, and his appreciation for natural beauty preserved it for others. Truly, James Moll was a Veteran who strengthened America.

CONGRATULATING DIANA
BRAMBLE

HON. RALPH NORMAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NORMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Diana Bramble on her selection as the new superintendent of South Carolina’s Cowpens National Battlefield, located in Gaffney, South Carolina, and Kings Mountain National Military Park, located in Blacksburg, South Carolina. In her new role, Diana will also oversee the management of Overmountain Victory National historic Trail and Ninety Six National Historic Trail which she has managed on a temporary basis since September.

Diana has a tremendous reverence for the history of these sites and their place in the history of our Nation’s founding. They form the National Park Service’s Southern Campaign of the American Revolution Parks Group and are also part of the Liberty Trail, a path of preservation and interpretation across South Carolina telling the remarkable story of American victory in the Revolutionary War.

Many historians believe the Revolutionary War to have been decided in the swamps, fields, woods, and mountains of the South, won by the grit of Continental soldiers and Patriot militia. It is because of the important work of men and women like Diana that the history tied to this land will not only be preserved, but

also interpreted and brought to life for the public.

Diana has served the National Park Service for the last decade. She began her career with the National Park Service in 2011 as the supervisory horticulturist for Rock Creek Park in Washington, D.C. Four years later, she became the chief of maintenance at the National Capital Parks-East. In 2019, Diana was awarded the honor of being the National Park Service National Capital Area Manager of the Year. Diana is also a graduate of the National Park Service Facility Manager Leaders Program and now serves as a program mentor to others.

Diana is both a team player and a tremendous leader. She is passionate about leadership and strives to mentor others to bring out their best attributes and support their aspirations. Throughout her tenure with the National Park Service, Diana has been able to combine her educational background in natural resources with her appreciation for storytelling into a successful career in public service.

I am grateful for the work of Diana and the National Park Service and all they do to care for our national parks and preserve our legacy. I am excited to welcome Diana to South Carolina’s 5th District, and I wish her luck in her new role.

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY
MONTH AND HONORING LINDA
HILL ANDERSON

HON. STEPHANIE N. MURPHY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Mrs. MURPHY of Florida. Madam Speaker, as part of our national celebration of Black History Month, I am paying tribute to African-American leaders from Florida who have made outstanding contributions to our community and our country. These accomplished men and women have not always received the recognition they have earned.

Today I rise to honor Linda Hill Anderson. Linda is a fourth-generation Hollywood, Florida native. She graduated from Hollywood Hills High School and Sheridan Vocational School and served in the Broward County Public School system for over 40 years.

Linda has been an active member of her community, serving as president of the Liberia Civic Association and on the African-American Advisory Council.

Linda was elected to Hollywood’s city commission in 2020. She is the first Black woman ever to serve on the commission in Hollywood’s 95-year history.

Commissioner Anderson is a trailblazer and an extraordinary public servant. She has dedicated her life to making her Hollywood community stronger and fairer. Every day, she works tirelessly to improve the lives of her fellow Floridians.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring and celebrating Linda Hill Anderson.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 100TH AN-
NIVERSARY OF THE PARK AVE-
NUE MISSIONARY BAPTIST
CHURCH

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of the Park Avenue Missionary Baptist Church. Since 1921, this church has served as a cornerstone of Kansas City’s African American religious community. Under the dedicated and passionate leadership of its numerous pastors, the Park Avenue Missionary Baptist Church has stood strong and prospered. This church has served as a center of support during Kansas City’s most trying times and as a center of celebration during its best times. No matter the challenges Kansas City faced, the Park Avenue Missionary Baptist Church has remained steadfast for all the faithful who made the church their spiritual home.

Park Avenue Missionary Baptist Church was first established in February of 1921 by the late Rev. Thomas H. Ewing. Until the construction of the first house of worship, services were held in the homes of congregation members. Built at 19th Street & Highland Avenue, the original location helped spread the “good news” to Kansas City’s Black population for thirty-four years. During this time, the church led parishioners through some of our nation’s darkest periods. Through the hunger of the Great Depression, the grief of the Second World War, and the sorrows of the Korean War, the Park Avenue Missionary Baptist Church stood strong and guided churchgoers through the trials, tribulations, and troubles that tested the resolve of our country.

In 1955, the congregation moved to a second location at 19th Street & Park Avenue. For the next sixteen years, Park Avenue Missionary Baptist Church filled the pews and saved the souls at 19th & Park. Within this new house of God, the church continued delivering the word of God, just as it had done for nearly thirty-five years. As Black Americans across the country were being beaten and jailed for demanding equal citizenship, this church weathered the storm and provided a stable place of worship for Kansas City’s African American community. In spite of all that the community faced, the ministry grew rapidly in size, bringing on six new ministers to the fellowship while expanding its program offerings. This remarkable growth in the church body served as a testament to the spiritual gifts of the congregation’s dedicated leaders while laying the foundation for the meteoric growth that was soon to come.

Finally, in 1969, it became apparent that the congregation needed a new home. Thus, the church began construction on its third and final location at the intersection of Park and Jackson Avenue in the winter of 1970. For 51 years, Park Avenue Missionary Baptist Church has remained in this location, providing weekly services and invaluable spiritual guidance to the community which it serves. Since the first bricks of this final location were laid, the church has been led by Rev. Dr. Carl Johnson, Rev. Dr. Ervin, and Rev. Gregory Stevens, respectively.

Following the burning of the mortgage in 1972, the Park Avenue Missionary Baptist

Church has seen incredible growth in congregation size, programming, and community outreach capacity. With this growth, the church has launched more than 25 different ministries, improved the church grounds and building in countless ways, and paved the path for further expansion in the community it serves. In Ephesians 4:16, the Apostle Paul writes that, "from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love." The Park Avenue Missionary Baptist Church is a lesson in practice of what it means for a church to build itself up in love by leaning on its best parts. Through all the trials that its community has endured, time and again, the church has come out the other end stronger, and more unified.

For an entire century, the Park Avenue Missionary Baptist Church has been a pillar of devotion in the Kansas City community. I am certain that this church will continue to lift up its community within Missouri's Fifth Congressional District for decades to come. Madam Speaker, please join me in celebrating and honoring Reverend Gregory Stevens and the congregants of the Park Avenue Missionary Baptist Church for reaching this profound and momentous point in their history. Please also join me in wishing them continued prosperity and peace for the next 100 years to come.

BILL DOUGLAS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize William (Bill) Douglas of Boulder, Colorado who passed away on February 4, 2021.

Bill grew up outside Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and attended Drexel University before joining the U.S. Army as a 1st Lieutenant in the Korean War. After the war, he entered graduate school at the University of Colorado. Upon graduation, he began a multi-faceted life and career as an author, historian, tennis coach, college administrator, foundation president, and business consultant. In 1959, his graduate thesis, *A History of Dentistry in Colorado 1859–1959*, was published as a book and widely read by dentists and Colorado historians.

Bill was known and admired for his passion for education and he held several administrative positions at the University of Colorado including dean of admissions, financial aid, and registrar. In 1972, Bill helped found the University's Presidents Leadership Class (PLC) to help prepare students to become ethical leaders for Colorado's future. The class became one of the first collegiate leadership programs in the United States. After leaving the University, Bill became assistant vice president of the Boettcher Foundation from 1980 to 1987 and then President from 1987 to 1996. As president, he oversaw numerous grants and scholarships that the Foundation awarded to individuals and organizations throughout the state.

After retiring from the Foundation, Bill served as the Colorado representative for Fiduciary Trust International for more than 12

years before retiring in 2013. In 2005, the University of Colorado and the Boettcher Foundation established the William A. Douglas Endowment Fund for the Presidents Leadership Class.

Bill was a devoted husband and a loving father and grandfather. Bill is survived by his loving wife, Susan, his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. I appreciate and thank him for his lifetime of service to our community.

SENATOR JOE LIEBERMAN IS
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HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, Talia Kaplan of FOXBusiness reported Tuesday that Former Sen. Joe Lieberman . . . blasted the reported meetings between Biden administration officials and Iranian foreign minister Javad Zarif during the Trump administration, calling it "inappropriate."

"A recent report from The Washington Times claimed that Biden administration officials, including John Kerry and Robert Malley, had meetings with Zarif during the Trump administration that were orchestrated to . . . devise a political strategy to undermine the Trump administration."

"I think this is a perilous time," Lieberman said. "I think the previous administration carried out exactly the right policy toward Iran."

"So I think that sends a bad signal to Iran . . . with all the uncertainty and instability in the world, the most serious enemy that could do us and our allies the most damage is the Islamic Republic of Iran."

It is sad any American ignores the Iranian chant of Death to Israel, Death to America. They mean it.

In conclusion, God Bless Our Troops and we will never forget September 11th in the Global War on Terrorism.

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY
MONTH AND HONORING JUDY
MOUNT

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OF FLORIDA

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Today I rise to honor Judy Mount. Judy, a longtime resident of Jackson County, made history in 1995 when she became the first African-American woman elected official in the county and served as president of the Malone City Council. She continues to serve as Chairperson of the Jackson County Democratic Executive Committee.

Judy has faithfully and effectively served the Democratic Office in the Florida House of

Representatives for 18 years. She is a member of the Democratic National Committee and has been a leader within the Florida Democratic Party in many different capacities.

In a series of firsts, Judy was the first African-American to be elected Vice-Chair of the Florida Democratic Party and, in 2017, she became the first African-American elected as the interim Chair of the Florida Democratic Party.

Throughout her life, Judy has worked tirelessly to make Florida—and our country—better, stronger, and more just. She is the epitome of civic engagement and public service.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring and celebrating Judy Mount.

CHINA AND THE ELECTRIC CAR
INDUSTRY

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, I rise to include in the RECORD the following article that appeared in the New York Times regarding China and the electric car industry.

[From the New York Times, Feb. 25, 2021]

IN CHINA, AN ELECTRIC CAR MAKER LOSES
MONEY BUT THINKS BIG

(By Keith Bradsher)

NIO CAN TAP AN EXTENSIVE SUPPLY CHAIN THAT BEIJING HAS BUILT TO ACHIEVE ITS DREAM OF DOMINATING THE MANUFACTURE OF ELECTRIC CARS

Hefei, China—Walk around the sprawling auto factory in central China, and the wealth pouring into the country's electric car industry quickly becomes clear.

Rows of bright orange, 15-foot-tall robots—307 of them, mainly from Sweden—whir with activity. They glue lightweight aluminum panels to vehicle frames using aerospace-grade adhesives. In an industry in which speed can mean cost efficiency, the assembly line plods along at half the pace of many lines elsewhere.

Even by the standards of the \$1.6 trillion global car industry, an operation like this doesn't come cheap. In fact, the Chinese operator of the factory, a company called Nio, loses thousands of dollars on every car it makes. State-run companies last year mused a combined \$2.7 billion to bail it out.

But Nio, or Chinese companies like it, could be the future of the global car industry. General Motors and other major names are increasingly betting that the next generation of rides will be powered by batteries alone, without a drop of gasoline or diesel. If so, China has invested so much money in the industry that it could hit the accelerator with ease.

An era of high-quality family electric cars that cost \$25,000 or less is about to dawn, said William Li, Nio's chairman and chief executive, and Chinese automakers can provide them.

"I don't think it's difficult," Mr. Li said. "It's not a big deal."

Investors see promise in Nio, even though it has one factory, sold only about 7,200 cars last month and has never made a profit. Its \$82 billion market capitalization exceeds G.M.'s and Ford's. Its New York-traded shares have soared as high as nearly 30-fold in the last year.

It is far from becoming China's top electric car maker. In fact, the two best-selling electric car brands in China have American ties: