EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING CHIEF KENNY STEVENS

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 21, 2021

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Chief Kenny Stevens as he retires from an outstanding career with the Stinson Beach Fire Department, spanning five decades of providing emergency response, rescue services, and peace of mind for residents and visitors.

Chief Stevens moved to Stinson beach in 1966. After his father joined the Stinson Beach Fire Department, Chief Stevens joined the department as a junior firefighter and later became an official volunteer at the age of 16. Even while enlisted in the U.S. Navy, Chief Stevens still participated in drills when visiting home. After his discharge from military service, Chief Stevens returned to the Department as an assistant fire chief and was later promoted to lead the organization.

From responding to the Grand Hotel fire in 1971 to being first on scene to a building explosion last summer, Chief Stevens' has served the public with courage and professionalism. Chief Stevens built a reputation as a strong mentor who prioritized training and professional development. He created opportunities for young volunteers to run drills, ensured they earned certifications, and helped them establish careers with other departments. Chief Stevens also raised funds for an annex building to supplement the Department's resources. With tourism steadily increasing over the years, having Chief Stevens' leadership to keep both the local community and visiting beachgoers safe has been invaluable to public safety.

Madam Speaker, I respectfully ask that you join me in extending congratulations on Chief Steven's well-deserved retirement and in expressing our deepest appreciation for Chief Stevens' many years of service to residents of West Marin.

INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA NON-DISCRIMINATION HOME RULE ACT OF 2021

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 21, 2021

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the District of Columbia Non-Discrimination Home Rule Act of 2021, which would end the unique applicability of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1993 (RFRA) to the District of Columbia. My bill would protect the District's right to self-govemment, ensuring the District is treated the same as states, and defend LGBTQ and reproductive rights in D.C.

RFRA, which provides more protection for religious exercise than the First Amendment requires, applies to the federal government, the D.C. government and the territorial governments, but not to state governments. As RFRA does not apply to the states, under the principles of home rule, it should likewise not apply to the District.

While RFRA was designed to be a shield to protect religious freedom, it is being used, as evidenced by the Supreme Court's 2014 Hobby Lobby decision, as a sword to discriminate against the LGBTQ community and women. Members of Congress have used RFRA as a justification for trying—but failing—to overturn D.C. anti-discrimination laws. House Republicans have repeatedly tried since 2015 to nullify or block the District's Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Act (RHNDA), which prohibits employers from discriminating against employees and their families based on reproductive health decisions, claiming, in part, that it violates RFRA. However, it appears that no one has challenged RHNDA's legality under RFRA in court.

My bill ensures that District residents are treated the same as residents of the states under RFRA. I strongly urge my colleagues to support this bill.

TRIBUTE TO DONALD GALLEANO

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 21, 2021

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to my one of my very best friends, Donald Galleano, who passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, June 2, 2021. Don was a true leader and a larger-than-life member of our community who will be deeply missed.

Don was born and raised in Mira Loma's Wineville area of Jurupa Valley, where his family has owned and operated the Galleano Winery since 1927. After earning an associate degree from Riverside Community College in 1972 and studying business administration at San Jose State University, Don would join the family business and eventually become president of the winery. Under Don's leadership, through his hard work, entrepreneurship and passion for winemaking, the winery experienced significant growth, success, and produced several award-winning wines. Thanks to his dedication to upholding the traditions of his family, the Galleano Winery is one of the last remaining bonded, Prohibition-era winery still owned and operated by its founding family at its original location in the region.

In 2004, Don was elected to represent the Eastvale, Jurupa Valley and Norco communities on the Western Municipal Water District's Board of Directors. He represented our region on the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California board and the Chino Basin Watermaster board. Don was previously a member of the Jurupa Community Services District board and served on the National Orange Show Foundation board and the Los Angeles County Fair Association board. He was also a past president of the Western Riverside County Businessman's Association and the Jurupa Chamber of Commerce.

In addition to his wife, Charlene, Don is survived by his children Gina (Galleano) Spraggins and husband Scott Spraggins, Annamarie Galleano Metter and husband Cody Metter, and Domenic Galleano and wife Brittanee Galleano; as well as grandchildren Matthew Michael Spraggins, Ryan Scott Spraggins, Gracie Marie Spraggins, Baylee Marie Spraggins, Sophie Marie Metter, Sadie Marie Metter, and Lucca Domenico Galleano. I extend my heartfelt condolences to the Galleano family, his friends, and everyone fortunate enough to know Don. Although he may be gone, the many contributions Don made to his community and family will have a lasting impact. Don was understandably proud of his family, his wine, and his community. I was proud to call him my friend.

SUPPORT FOR REPEAL OF AUTHORIZATION OF USE OF MILITARY FORCE

SPEECH OF

HON. ANDY BIGGS

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 2021

Mr. BIGGS. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 256, the repeal of the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002. For too long, Congress has abrogated its Constitutional obligation to declare war. The founding fathers knew that the executive branch was the most prone to war. That is why they gave Congress the power to declare war. By assigning this power to Congress, our founders ensured that issues of war would be properly debated before our brave service members are sent into harm's way.

We have allowed Presidents of both parties to disregard the proper Constitutional order and engage in forever wars. This AUMF has been in place for nearly 20 years and the situation in Iraq is vastly different than at its onset. Allowing the AUMF to remain in place will not make America safer. However, it will allow for the President to keep us in a state of perpetual war.

Repealing the AUMF will not endanger our troops overseas. However, repealing the AUMF will begin the process of restoring Congress to its proper role of deciding when our country goes to war. This Congress, or any future, must be a part of any decision to reengage in hostilities in Iraq.

In Congress does not find the courage stand up to the President and say, ''No Mr. President, we decided when to go to war,'' then thousands of young lives will be lost in unconstitutional wars. It is time for Congress to reassert itself over war powers and restore the proper Constitutional order.

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I urge my colleagues to stand up for the Constitution. To stand up for Congress by supporting H.R. 256. I urge my colleagues to vote yes.

HONORING AL ARAMBURU

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 21, 2021

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in celebration of the life of Al Aramburu, who passed away on May 11, 2021 at the age of 87. Al was a remarkable community leader who spent decades building bipartisan consensus and protecting the North Bay's natural resources.

Al was born on February 16, 1934 in East Los Angeles. After finishing high school, he answered the call to serve our country in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1956. Al graduated from California State University Northridge in 1960. He later moved to the Bay Area as a manager for Pacific Telephone and began his career in local government as a volunteer on Tiburon's Parks, Open Space and Trails Commission.

Al was a strong advocate for Marin's vibrant Latino community and a champion for sound environmental policy while serving as Mayor of Tiburon and during his three terms on the Marin County Board of Supervisors. He led a successful campaign for a ballot measure opposing offshore oil drilling in Marin and helped create the Richardson's Bay Regional Agency to advance cleanup and rehabilitation priorities. To preserve an area of landmass for seals haulingout in Richardson's Bay, Al had a 17-acre section separated from Strawberry Spit, now known as Aramburu Island. Al's leadership also helped to designate Tiburon's Ring Mountain preserve, establish McKegney Green and protect Horse Hill in Mill Valley. Al was also a leader in the nonprofit sector and volunteered his time and talents to the Mill Valley Film Festival, Teatro Campesino, La Familia Center of Marin, and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce among others.

With his favorite adage ''good government is boring government,'' Al was known as a classic workhorse public servant who measured successes by bringing people together. His thoughtfulness, compassion and hard work ethic demonstrated all the right qualities of a good leader. Friends, family, and colleagues loved Al for his wit, deadpan sense of humor, and propensity to pick up a guitar and sing.

Al leaves a legacy to be revered. His many years of hard work made a lasting positive impact on the North Bay's people, places, and wildlife. Al Aramburu is survived by his wife, Margit Hind; siblings Ray, Henry and Angela; children Bert and Katie; stepson Jackie; and four grandchildren. Madam Speaker, I respectfully ask that you join me in extending condolence to Al's family and friends and in expressing our deep appreciation for Al's extraordinary career and life.

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, June 22, 2021 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 23

9:30 a.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gustavo A. Gelpi, of Puerto Rico, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, Angel Kelley, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, Christine P. O'Hearn, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, and Helaine Ann Greenfeld, of Maryland, and Christopher H. Schroeder, of North Carolina, both to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice.

SH–216

10 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2022 for the Department of Energy, including the National Nuclear Security Agency.

SD–192

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2022 and 2023 advance appropriations requests for the Department of Veterans Affairs.

SD–138

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on National Parks

To hold hearings to examine S. 31, to limit the establishment or extension of national monuments in the State of Utah, S. 172, to authorize the National Medal of Honor Museum Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, S. 192, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain river segments in the State of Oregon as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 270, to amend the Act entitled ''Act to provide for the establishment of the Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site in the State of Kansas'' to provide for inclusion of additional related sites in the National Park System, S. 491, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain river segments in the York River watershed in the State of Maine as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 535, to authorize the location of a memorial on the National Mall to commemorate and honor the members of the Armed Forces that served on active duty in support of the Global War on Terrorism, S. 753, to reauthorize the Highlands Conservation Act, to authorize States to use funds from that Act for administrative purposes, S. 1317, to modify the boundary of the Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument in the State of Arizona, S. 1320, to establish the Chiricahua National Park in the State of Arizona as a unit of the National Park System, S. 1321, to modify the boundary of the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument, S. 1354, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Chilkoot National Historic Trail and to provide for a study of the Alaska Long Trail, S. 1526, to authorize the use of off-highway vehicles in certain areas of the Capitol Reef National Park, Utah, S. 1527, to amend title 54, United States Code, to provide that State law shall apply to the use of motor vehicles on roads within a System unit, S. 1769, to adjust the boundary of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area to include the Rim of the Valley Corridor, and S. 1771, to authorize reference to the museum located at Blytheville/Eaker Air Force Base in Blytheville, Arkansas, as the ''National Cold War Center''.

SD–366

2 p.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2022 for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SD–192

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2022 for the Department of the Treasury.

SD–138

Committee on Armed Services

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity

To hold hearings to examine recent ransomware attacks..

SR–222

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on Energy

To hold hearings to examine examine existing programs and future opportunities to ensure access to affordable, reliable, and clean energy for rural and low-income communities.

SD–366

Select Committee on Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH–219

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

To hold hearings to examine markets, transparency, and prices from cattle producer to consumer.

SD–G50

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Subcommittee on Economic Policy

To hold hearings to examine the role of child care in an equitable post-pandemic economy.

SD–538