

and practice of civil disobedience, he was denied tenure at Yale and was blacklisted as an historian.

In order to respond to the needs of workers whose problems were not being addressed, Staughton went to law school in 1973. Following his graduation in 1976, the Lynds moved to the Youngstown area, shortly before the steel mill closings began. While employed by Northeast Ohio Legal Services, an office that represented clients who could not afford to pay a lawyer, Staughton served as attorney for the Ecumenical Coalition of the Mahoning Valley in its unsuccessful efforts to implement a plan for worker/community ownership of the area steel mills: Local 1330 vs. U.S. Steel.

After retirement in 1996, the Lynds became deeply involved in advocacy for prisoners. They served as co-counsel in a class action on placement and retention of prisoners in solitary confinement at the Ohio State Penitentiary in Youngstown. A favorable decision in *Austin vs. Wilkinson* (N.D. Ohio, 2002), was affirmed in part by the U.S. Supreme Court in *Wilkinson vs. Austin* (2005).

Among many books and articles by Staughton Lynd, some of which were co-authored with Alice Lynd, the following titles reflect their many concerns over the years: *Class Conflict, Slavery, and the United States Constitution*; *Intellectual Origins of American Radicalism with Alice Lynd*; *Nonviolence in America: A Documentary History with Alice Lynd*; *Rank and File: Personal Histories by Working-Class Organizers*; *The Fight Against Shutdowns: Youngstown's Steel Mill Closings*; *Living Inside Our Hope: A Steadfast Radical's Thoughts on Rebuilding the Movement*; *Doing History from the Bottom Up: On E. P. Thompson, Howard Zinn, and Rebuilding the Labor Movement from Below*; *"We Are All Leaders": The Alternative Unionism of the Early 1930 with Andrej Grubacic, Wobblies and Zapatistas*; *Conversations on Anarchism, Marxism, and Radical History with Daniel Gross*; *Labor Law for the Rank and Filer: Building Solidarity While Staying Clear of the Law with Sam Bahour and Alice Lynd*; *Homeland: Oral Histories of Palestine and Palestinians*; *Accompanying: Pathways to Social Change Lucasville: The Untold Story of a Prison Uprising with Alice Lynd*; *Stepping Stones: Memoir of a Life Together*; *Moral Injury and Nonviolent Resistance: Breaking the Cycle of Violence in the Military and Behind Bars*, forthcoming from Haymarket Press, 2023, edited by Luke Stewart; and *My Country Is the World: Staughton Lynd's Writings, Speeches, and Statements against the Vietnam War*.

Staughton Lynd is survived by Alice Lynd, his wife of 71 years; their daughter, Barbara L. Bond; their son, Lee Rybeck Lynd; their daughter, Marta Lynd-Altan; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

RECOGNIZING THE DEPARTURE OF THE HONORABLE MARIE BRIZUELA AFTER 41 REMARKABLE YEARS AS A TRUSTEE ON THE JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD

### HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 12, 2022

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize my friend and colleague school board

trustee Marie Brizuela as she departs public service after forty-one remarkable years in elective office.

As noted on the district's website, "The Jefferson Elementary School District serves Pre-Kindergarten through 8th grade students from four contiguous areas in San Mateo County—the city of Daly City, the Town of Colma, unincorporated Broadmoor Village, and a small section of the city of Pacifica . . . the population of the four communities has a wide socio-economic, ethnic, and cultural diversity."

Marie Brizuela is the "Guardian in Chief of the School District." For forty-one years, she has been entrusted by her community with guiding the education of its students. She has been passionate in her advocacy during her entire time on the school board. During my service in the California legislature, Marie was a regular caller, letter writer and advocate for school funding. She knows the impact of every dollar sent by California to her school district. She is intimately familiar with California's complex laws on school finance, staffing and board governance. When you walk into a library and you can't immediately find what you want to locate, you go to the reference librarian. When you are elected to the state legislature and need to know something about the schools, you go to Marie Brizuela.

The Kent Awards are a countywide award for innovative school programs. Her fellow trustees from San Mateo County routinely selected Marie as a member of the team that determined who would receive this annual, prestigious, award. Her fellow trustees selected her as a representative to the California School Boards Association. She was a member of the district's personnel committee, the member-parent involvement committee, and the executive board of the PTA.

Marie is also an adult education teacher in a nearby district. She has also served as a member of the California School Employees Association and on its board.

As if all of this was not enough, Marie has owned a dance academy and served as Wardrobe Mistress at St. Ignatius High School.

It is unusual for a person to hold two elective positions but nothing about Marie is typical. Her neighbors in Broadmoor Village elected her to the Broadmoor Police Protection Commission and she served as Secretary of the Broadmoor Property Owners Association. She was president of the Friends of the Daly City Library, Secretary of the History Guild of Daly City, and Past President of Westlake Catholic Women and the Daly City Civic Ballet, as well as the Mission Merchants Association. Somewhere in this whirlwind of activity across more than four decades she also found time to be a wife and mother. I want to thank her husband, Robert, and her children Anna Marie, Robbie, Angela, and Andrea for their willingness to share Marie with the community throughout her time in public and volunteer positions.

The community served by the Jefferson Elementary School District is composed of working and professional families who love the sense of belonging that comes with living in their neighborhood. Marie is a person widely regarded with respect and affection because she is singularly focused on building community.

On most days, the fog of Daly City and Broadmoor reliably burns off or moves off-

shore and the sunshine arrives. Marie Brizuela reliably shows up and volunteers or raises her hand to be sworn into public office. Both the predictable weather and Marie are welcomed by residents as leading indicators that the community is operating well. We thank her for her friendship and the enormous respect she has shown to others through her willingness to sacrifice on their behalf. If she's taking a break at her age, it's only to allow others to lead. They would do well to follow her outstanding example.

### HONORING NATHANIEL ROBINSON

### HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 12, 2022

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today as a descendant of Bahamians, to recognize Pastor Nathaniel Robinson for his contribution to the City of Miami's designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove on July 19, 2022.

Since the 19th century, Bahamians played an integral role in the founding of the City of Miami, representing one-third of the registered signatories on the July 28, 1896, date of the city's incorporation. Much like Miami's original Bahamian signatories, Pastor Nathaniel Robinson's commitment to preserving the rich Bahamian culture and history of Miami has helped to ensure the designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Pastor Nathaniel Robinson for his contributions to the community and his role in the historic designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove.

HONORING TECHNICAL SERGEANT MATTHEW KEEFER UPON RECEIVING THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 12, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Technical Sergeant Matthew Keefer of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. He exemplifies the best of America, and his tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

Last year, the servicemembers of the 60th Air Mobility Wing met a challenge of colossal scale when they played a pivotal role in completing the drawdown of forces from Afghanistan. This command was critical in the largest noncombatant evacuation operation in known history, Operation Allies Refuge, ultimately saving over 124,000 lives. The 60th Air Mobility Wing directly supported the evacuation of nearly 13,000 Afghans while simultaneously managing the security and operations at Hamid Karzai International Airport. I have listened to countless stories from this group of brave men and women that exemplify the character, leadership, and bravery that is cultivated at Travis Air Force Base.

Service records only scratch the surface of the courageous actions performed by the 60th Air Mobility Wing. They put their hearts and lives on the line to save so many. These valiant servicemembers like Technical Sergeant Matthew Keefer epitomize the values of courage and patriotism.

On behalf of a grateful country and all the constituents of California's Third Congressional District, I would like to congratulate Technical Sergeant Matthew Keefer of the 60th Air Mobility Wing for receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross and extend my sincere gratitude for his sacrifice and contributions to the defense of this great country.

TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE  
JASPER CURETON

**HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, December 12, 2022*

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a trailblazing judge, military veteran, and cherished community leader. Judge Jasper Cureton transitioned on December 6, 2022, in his home state of South Carolina. His work in and out of the court room broke barriers for many, and his legacy has left an indelible mark on the state.

Judge Cureton was born on April 26, 1938, in Walhalla, South Carolina to the late Jasper and Corrine Cureton. He attended Blue Ridge High School in Greer, South Carolina, where he was valedictorian of his graduating class in 1956. Despite facing economic difficulty, Judge Cureton recognized the value of education and went on to become a schoolmate of mine at South Carolina State College where he pursued a Bachelor of Science degree. Throughout his time in college, he worked delivering milk to afford his education. He was also a member of the ROTC program. After graduating third in his class in 1960, he became a Social Investigator for New York City's Department of Welfare. During his time in New York, he was called into active duty in the U.S. Army.

After two years of service in the Army, Judge Cureton obtained the rank of First Lieutenant. Upon satisfactory completion of his service, Cureton returned to South Carolina and taught school for a year, before making the decision to attend law school. Judge Cureton attended South Carolina State's law school for his first year. The following year S.C. State law school was closed, and he transferred to the University of South Carolina Law School in Columbia, South Carolina. In 1967, he would make history as the first African American since post-reconstruction to graduate from the University of South Carolina Law School. He was exemplary and finished second in his class.

Judge Cureton first worked for the Richland County Legal Aid Service, and briefly ran a private practice. In 1976, the state Senate elected Judge Cureton to serve as Richland County Master-In-Equity. In 1982, the Chief Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court appointed him to a one-year term as a Special Circuit Judge. The same year, he was elected to serve as a Judge for the Family Court for the Fifth Circuit. In 1983, Judge Cureton once again made history when he became one of

six men elected by the state Senate to the South Carolina Court of Appeals in its inaugural year. Throughout his service, he was respected by all and a mentor to many. Judge Cureton retired from the Bench in 2003, having served a remarkable 27 years.

Throughout his career and even after retirement, Judge Cureton was an active member and volunteer for several civic and social organizations in the greater Midlands community. He served in leadership positions in United Way of the Midlands, Boy Scouts of America, Big Brothers of Columbia, The Family Service Center, the Nurturing Center, March of Dimes, Legal Services Corporation, Columbia Area Mental Health Center, and the Columbia Community Relations Council.

Through his community leadership, Judge Cureton was duly recognized with several awards and honors. In the 1972 edition, he was listed as one of the Outstanding Young Men of America, and he later received a Presidential Citation from the National Association for Equal Opportunities in Higher Education. For his military service, he was awarded the Presidential Certificate of Appreciation for his work in the Selective Service System, a Legion of Merit from the U.S. Army, and was inducted into the South Carolina State University ROTC Hall of Fame.

Jasper Cureton was grounded in his faith and was an active member of Zion Baptist Church, serving as Chairman of its Trustee Board for several years. He was married to the late Jean Burkins and was the father of two children, Jason Marshall Cureton and Indira Cureton.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in honoring the historic life of my dear friend, Judge Jasper Cureton. His rise from humble beginnings in rural South Carolina to his service on the South Carolina appellate court is inspirational. He broke many barriers and served his country, state, and community with distinction. I cannot think of a greater legacy. May he rest in peace.

HONORING RAQUEL REGALADO

**HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, December 12, 2022*

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today as a descendant of Bahamians, to recognize Miami-Dade County Commissioner Raquel Regalado for her contribution to the City of Miami's designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove on July 19, 2022.

Since the 19th century, Bahamians played an integral role in the founding of the City of Miami, representing one-third of the registered signatories on the July 28, 1896, date of the city's incorporation.

Much like Miami's original Bahamian signatories, Commissioner Raquel Regalado's commitment to preserving the rich Bahamian culture and history of Miami has helped to ensure the designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Commissioner Raquel Regalado for her contributions to the community and her role in the historic designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove.

IN RECOGNIZING THE DEPARTURE  
OF DIANA REDDY FROM THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF REDWOOD  
CITY

**HON. JACKIE SPEIER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, December 12, 2022*

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize a giant sunflower in a field of wildflowers. Diana Reddy, councilwoman in Redwood City, is leaving office. I am saddened to see her retire.

As a public policymaker she stands out because of her willingness to consistently advocate for low-income families across multiple issues, most importantly housing. Her support of these families led powerful forces to oppose her initial election. She prevailed, and her message of social justice, delivered from the dais in the years since, is a call that all fair-minded persons should heed.

Diana spent 35 years working in the administration of the Sequoia Union High School District, starting in 1972. The city changed enormously during that time. From that change, she drew many lessons that she applied to her city council service.

When Diana first worked for the school district, Redwood City had about 56,000 residents and median household income was about \$10,000, equivalent in 2020 to \$63,000. By 2020, the median household income was \$123,000 or almost double what it would have been if virulent housing inflation had not created a wave of gentrification that swept over Redwood City in the intervening decades.

Upon retirement, Diana went to work for Peninsula Interfaith Action and became the face of this group before many peninsula city councils. She advocated for affordable housing, transportation services and healthcare for all residents.

In 2010, she wrote an opinion piece in our local newspaper entitled, "Why Affordable Housing Week Matters" and noted that two affordable housing developments had recently opened in San Mateo County. One had 119 apartments and 1,500 applications, while the second had 68 apartments and 1,000 applicants. Each year, she noted, San Mateo County and two other nearby counties competed nationally for the dubious distinction of being the metropolitan area where housing costs and household income are most misaligned. This situation was simply unjust.

As she noted in comments made during her council campaign eight years later, "At first, the displacement we were seeing affected service workers, low-income seniors, and veterans and has evolved into our teachers, highly trained crafts workers, nurses and others critical to our community. We are the heart of one of the wealthiest areas in the country. That wealth was created on the backs of working people who are not able to benefit from their efforts."

Today, the city's focus has changed dramatically. When discussing city policies, staff and council are now committed to grappling with the question of how the policy impacts disparate groups within the city. Councilwoman Reddy and two other councilmembers served on a council subcommittee to hammer out a proposed equity plan for the city. This changed focus is one of the outcomes. She