

HONORING THE ACHIEVEMENTS  
AND LEADERSHIP OF P. MI-  
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**HON. BILL DELAHUNT**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 9, 2010*

Mr. DELAHUNT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize P. Michael Saint of Franklin, Tennessee—the Chairman, and Chief Executive Officer of The Saint Consulting Group.

In 1983, following a long and dedicated career working in government and media, Mr. Saint founded The Saint Consulting Group. It started in a one-bedroom condominium in Hingham, Massachusetts—which is in my district—and has since blossomed into a successful international firm with offices across the United States and Europe. From its humble beginnings, his pioneering company has grown to be a recognized international leader in the field of “land use politics.”

From conferences and speeches at distinguished institutions around the world, Mr. Saint has generously shared his unique perspective and extensive professional experiences with colleagues, peers, and younger generations of philanthropists. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Association of Management Consulting Firms and is a trustee on the board of The Foundation for Excellence in Consulting and Management, and also contributes locally serving on the advisory board of the Civic Bank and Trust in Nashville and the executive board of the Nashville District Council of the Urban Land Institute. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Nashville Opera and on the Board of Trustees of the George Street Playhouse in New Brunswick, New Jersey. His active support for the Vanderbilt Children's Hospital and the Heritage Foundation of Williamson County, Tennessee, as well as innumerable other associations and charitable endeavors, has sparked hope in the hearts of children and families across the country.

In 2009, Mr. Saint added the title of “author” to his impressive resume as he co-authored the groundbreaking book on land use politics, “Nimby Wars—The Politics of Land Use”.

To the people who work for and with Mr. Saint, and to the people who know him best, it is not just his entrepreneurial spirit, or his charitable work that makes him an enduring leader. It is the genuine care and compassion that he exhibits for others that will always be his legacy. Whether it was offering domestic partner benefits long before it was fashionable or a legal requirement, or fully funding family health insurance costs for all his employees, or promoting continuing education for his employees by fully funding Master of Business Arts degrees—Mike Saint has created a dynamic and innovative company, one that puts people first.

It is my honor to recognize P. Michael Saint for his innovation, his philanthropic endeavors and, most importantly, for his exemplary leadership.

LILLIE MAE SEARCY

**HON. GREGG HARPER**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HARPER. Madam Speaker, on June 6, 2010, Lillie Mae Searcy of Natchez, Mississippi passed away at the age of 80. Born to Eliza and Charles Gaylor and married to Argenter Searcy, Searcy leaves behind an inspiring legacy that we honor here today.

A fine and caring woman, Lillie Searcy came to know Christ at a young age. Her character, strength, and her faith in the Lord provided an instrument for her desire to help those in need. Through her church she reached out to people, aiding them both physically and spiritually. Searcy did so by not only cooking for the disadvantaged at both the Stewpot Ministries and with the Southwest Mississippi Planning and Development for Senior Citizens, but also through her life and her testimony. Before cooking for Stewpot and for seniors, Searcy achieved fame as one of the best chefs in the South.

Despite her large family and many careers, she always had time to help those less fortunate than herself. Searcy was a member of the choir at each church she attended, a member of the Mother's Board, and a member of the Board of Directors for WORD. Helping others was her joy, and she was a blessing to everyone around her. Her caring temperament inspired friends and family to become involved in the community.

In addition to serving others, Lillie Searcy was a devoted and loving mother of 11. She cared for her 38 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren, and four great-great grandchildren. The happiness of her family and of those around her was her top priority.

Lillie Searcy lived by a motto in which we should all take note. “Live your life to the fullest, don't wait for happiness to come to you, follow your passion, and create your own joy.” Searcy brightened the lives of all around her and her selflessness should serve as inspiration to us all. Let us honor Lillie Mae Searcy today.

IN RECOGNITION OF WORLD  
TRADE CENTER RESPONDER DAY

**HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 9, 2010*

Mrs. MALONEY. Madam Speaker, along with my colleague and good friend Congressman NADLER, I rise to recognize World Trade Center Responder Day, which will be held in lower Manhattan on the afternoon of Saturday, June 5th. World Trade Center (WTC) Responder Day is organized by the Mount Sinai World Trade Center Medical Monitoring and Treatment Program Clinical Center, the New York State AFL-CIO, and the New York City Central Labor Council to honor the men and women who rushed to lower Manhattan to rescue and recover others following the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

The collapse of the World Trade Center towers took thousands of lives in a matter of seconds and released a massive cloud of as-

bestos, pulverized concrete, and other poisons that sickened thousands more in the days and months after the attacks. The first responders who participated in search, rescue, and recovery operations at Ground Zero toiled in this toxic environment, often for weeks at a time. As a result of their service, many of these heroes and heroines now suffer from a host of illnesses, including severe respiratory and gastrointestinal diseases and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder—as do many survivors of the attacks.

For many, 9/11 has receded into memory, but the nightmare of that day continues for Americans sickened as a direct result of these attacks on our country, and are not getting the help they need and deserve from the federal government. In addition to honoring their service, WTC Responder Day also serves as a reminder that we must do more to provide proper health care and compensation to first responders and survivors of the attacks who are suffering.

The federal government has a moral obligation to care for those who respond to an attack on our country, just as we did more than 65 years ago in the aftermath of the Pearl Harbor attacks. At that time, American civilians helped recover the dead and salvage what remained of our Pacific fleet. Many of these civilians also were killed, injured or made sick as a consequence of their heroic service to our nation. In passing the War Hazards Compensation Act of 1942, Congress wisely and compassionately extended health care and financial relief to civilian responders in need. It is time that this Congress did the same for those who lost their health as a result of 9/11. More than 100 colleagues serving in this House, from all across the nation, have joined with Congressman NADLER and me in a bipartisan coalition to co-sponsor the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act. It will provide medical monitoring for everyone who was exposed to World Trade Center toxins, treatment for anyone who is sick as a result, and compensation for economic losses by reopening the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund.

Though WTC Responder Day is held in Manhattan, caring for the heroes of Ground Zero Americans is an issue that extends far beyond the borders of the Empire State. According to the federally-funded World Trade Center Health Registry, citizens from all 50 states and nearly every Congressional district in the country ventured to lower Manhattan to volunteer their services on or after 9/11, and now harbor serious concerns about their health. In all, more than 10,000 people enrolled in the Registry live outside the greater New York tri-state metropolitan area that also encompasses northern New Jersey and southwestern Connecticut.

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg has proclaimed June 5th to be World Trade Center Responders Day in the Big Apple. The organizers of Responder Day plan to make this a recurring, nationally-recognized event, one that will continue to inspire other communities around the country to host their own Responder Day gatherings in the years to come.

Madam Speaker, Congressman NADLER and I ask that our colleagues join us in applauding the Mount Sinai World Trade Center Medical Monitoring and Treatment Program Clinical Center, the New York State AFL-CIO, and the New York City Central Labor Council for organizing World Trade Center Responder Day.