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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 6, 2014

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 92, I was not present due to unavoidable air travel delays. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

TRIBUTE TO LYLE W. JENKS

HON. JEFF DENHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 6, 2014

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor the life of an American hero, Lyle W. Jenks, who will be celebrating his 94th birthday on March 29.

Like many young Americans, Lyle was horrified by the attack on Pearl Harbor. His immediate response was to serve and defend his country. The following day, December 8, 1941, Mr. Jenks enlisted in the United States Army.

Mr. Lyle Jenks left his job in Lansing, Michigan, and left to complete his basic training at Camp Roberts in Central California. He later was stationed at Fort Custer, Michigan.

Mr. Jenks was deployed to the Aleutian Islands in June of 1943 on the island of Attu. While he was stationed in Attu, he worked in the message department. He stayed there until January 10, 1945 when he was assigned to the message department at the Pentagon. He was discharged on November 3, 1945 at Fort Myer, Virginia. He was proud to serve his country in the Army during the entire period of World War II.

He received many awards and medals during his tour of duty. These medals included: the Good Conduct Medal, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal, American Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Motor Vehicle Drivers Medal, and Mechanic's Badge with W bar.

Mr. Jenks was also honored with the Expert Infantryman Badge, Honorable Service Lapel Button, WW at Expert Infantryman Badge, Marksman Badge with Carbine bar, and Sharpshooter Badge with a Rifle Bar.

Mr. Lyle Jenks went back to work just days after his separation from the military. He supported his family as a construction supervisor and maintenance worker until he was 80 years old. Lyle helped many elderly people who could not pay to repair their homes. He also served diligently in his church.

Lyle and his wife Helen were married 35 years until she was taken from him by cancer. Lyle and Helen were not able to have children together.

Lyle Jenks then married Patsy Savage and instantly her children became his children. Together, they now share the joy of grandchildren. They will celebrate 32 years of marriage this year.

HONORING F. V. "PETE" ALLISON, JR.

HON. DAVID E. PRICE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 6, 2014

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise to call our colleagues' attention to the passing last Monday of a great North Carolinian, F. V. "Pete" Allison, Jr. Mr. Allison died at age 91 after an extraordinary life as a businessman and banker, community, church, and political leader, husband, father and grandfather, and friend and mentor to many. A memorial service is planned for Saturday at the White Rock Baptist Church in Durham, which I am certain will witness an outpouring of community appreciation, affection and respect.

A native of Greenville County, Virginia, Pete Allison came to Durham after receiving his undergraduate degree from Hampton Institute and his master's in business administration from New York University, and he never left. Remarkably, he worked for only two institutions his entire career—in the business office of Hampton Institute and, after 1953, Mutual Savings and Loan of Durham, where he started as a teller and accountant. Mr. Allison rose steadily through the ranks, becoming chairman and CEO in 1978. He saw Mutual through its conversion to a community savings bank and through the acquisition of two other institutions. The bank, which he led with a strong hand until his retirement in 1996, became a mainstay of Durham's African-American community, making home ownership possible for thousands of families and helping launch and expand hundreds of businesses.

Pete Allison's professional and civic endeavors could fill several pages. He was especially proud of chairing the Raleigh-Durham Airport Authority during the period when direct flights to London were inaugurated. He received a gubernatorial appointment to the N.C. Education Assistance Authority. He took leadership roles in the American League of Financial Institutions, the U.S. League of Savings Institutions, and the Savings and Community Bankers of America. In Durham, he was the chair and long-time treasurer of the Durham Committee on the Affairs of Black People, chaired the Durham Business and Professional Chain, helped lead the Greater Durham Chamber of Commerce, and served on the board of visitors for N.C. Central University's business school. For his extraordinary contributions, Governor Jim Hunt named Pete Allison to The Order of the Long Leaf Pine, North Carolina's highest honor for service to the state.

The list goes on, Mr. Speaker, but such a recounting cannot do full justice to the qualities of leadership and friendship that made Pete Allison beloved by so many. His generosity, warmth, and strength of character shone through. I was fortunate to experience this personally in representing the Durham community in Congress and being associated with him in various political and civic endeavors. I always looked forward to seeing Pete, to hearing his observations as to what was going on at the moment. Indeed, he was a keen observer, but he expressed his views gently, with humor and compassion, and he much preferred reaching agreement to dictating his views. People wanted to follow Pete and to

work with him because they liked and respected him so much and were assured of his integrity and his genuine concern for them and for the community.

Durham and North Carolina will miss Pete Allison and the wise counsel, encouragement, and inspiration he offered. He is survived by a son, Vincent, a daughter, Michelle, and his wife of 59 years, Lavonia Ingram Allison. Pete and Lavonia have been partners in a commitment to social justice and to community leadership over many decades. Lavonia's political and civic endeavors, including chairmanship of the Durham Committee on the Affairs of Black People, have been ground-breaking, and Pete supported and encouraged her every step of the way. She has been likewise devoted to him, and has especially exemplified compassion and care during Pete's long final years of illness.

Mr. Speaker, it is people of character, compassion, and courage like Pete Allison who make our communities and our country flourish. At this time of loss, we give thanks, in the words of the apostle Paul, "for every remembrance" of him.

CARLY BAUER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 6, 2014

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Carly Bauer for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Carly Bauer is an 11th grader at Ralston Valley High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Carly Bauer is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Carly Bauer for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE ACCELERATING MEDICINES PARTNERSHIP (AMP) AND COMPLEX DISEASE RESEARCH

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 6, 2014

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Accelerating Medicines Partnership and to reaffirm our commitment to responding to lupus, Alzheimer's disease, type 2 diabetes, and rheumatoid arthritis.

This long-awaited and vital partnership brings together the National Institutes of Health, 10 biopharmaceutical companies, and several nonprofits to transform the way we identify and validate biological targets of disease for diagnostics and drug development for