

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF THE FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2014

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, this month marks the fortieth anniversary of the Legal Services Corporation, a private, non-profit corporation established by Congress to ensure equal access to justice under law for all Americans.

Since 1974, LSC has been on the frontlines of providing civil legal aid for low-income Americans. By funding legal aid in hundreds of offices across the country, LSC has made a critical difference in the lives of countless Americans.

Whether helping homeowners prevent foreclosures, fighting for veterans and workers' rights to receive the benefits they have duly earned, or helping mothers obtain child support or protection from abuse, LSC has provided funding for legal aid attorneys to protect the safety, security, and health of our most vulnerable citizens through qualified counsel.

Alarming, more than fifty percent of eligible clients seeking assistance are turned away due to a lack of program resources.

Equal justice for all is not just an aspiration; it is a guarantee to every American regardless of race, gender, socio-economic status, and creed. We can do better, and we must do better.

On this anniversary, I salute the Legal Services Corporation, and I call on my colleagues to protect its program resources.

HONORING LT. COL. MATT URBAN

HON. JOHN D. DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life of Lt. Col. Matt Urban and to recognize his service to our great nation. As a veteran of World War II, I understand the great sacrifices made by the "greatest generation" and their families. Lt. Col. Urban is a true American hero and is worthy of recognition by this body.

Lt. Col. Urban is one of the most decorated soldiers of our time. He has received the Medal of Honor, Silver Star, Legion of Merit and the Purple Heart, among others. After enlisting in the Army on July 2, 1941, Lt. Col. Urban fought in six campaigns in World War II in the Mediterranean and European theaters. On September 3, 1944, after exposing himself to enemy fire while destroying two tanks with a bazooka, he was critically wounded and medically evacuated from battle. The following year, a fellow soldier recommended him for the Medal of Honor for his heroic ac-

tions in battle. Unfortunately, this letter was not received by the Army, which resulted in a great delay in recognizing his valor. However, thanks to hard work by his family, friends and supporters, Lt. Col. Urban was awarded the Medal of Honor by President Jimmy Carter on July 19, 1980. He passed away on March 4, 1995.

The citation for his Medal of Honor states that Lt. Col. Urban deserves to be honored "for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at risk of life above and beyond the call of duty." On August 23, 2014, his family will gather at Arlington National Cemetery for a wreath laying ceremony and celebration of his life. I join them in honoring Lt. Col. Matt Urban for his heroism in battle and many sacrifices he made on behalf of our great nation. I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing this great American.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR.
EDWARD "ED" MOSLEY

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2014

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of Dr. Edward "Ed" Mosley. His service to our community, and the contributions he made to our state and nation will always be remembered.

In 1924, Ed was born in Chicago, Illinois. He grew up during a time when skin color affected a person's opportunities, but Ed pushed past the barriers. Ever since he was a young child, obtaining a higher education was a primary focus for Ed. In 1944, he graduated from the University of Illinois and continued onto medical school at Meharry Medical College. He completed his medical internship at Harlem Hospital in New York and his residency at Tuskegee Veterans Hospital in Alabama. In addition, Ed also taught English at the Tuskegee Institute.

Ed also served in the United States military as a Captain in the Army. He exhibited great leadership, determination, and love for his country. An extended tour in Korea truly highlighted his bravery and commitment to the values that he and this country represent.

Ed established his medical office in Fresno, California. He served residents from throughout the San Joaquin Valley for 50 years. Ensuring that individuals had access to adequate healthcare was one of Ed's greatest priorities which led him to create the West Fresno Health Care Coalition, now known as the West Fresno Family Resource Center. Ed served as president of the board for 15 years. Due to Ed's dedication and commitment to the West Fresno Family Resource Center, the organization has provided thousands of individuals and families with resources to better their lives. Ed is also responsible for the collaboration between doctors to create the Westview Convalescent Hospital in Fresno.

In addition to his contributions made in the healthcare industry, Ed was also very active throughout the community. For 13 years, he served on the State Center Community College Board. Governor George Deukmejian appointed Ed as a delegate to the Electoral College in 1972, making him the first African-American to be appointed. He also became a member of the Blue Ribbon Commission for the Master Plan for Higher Education. Finally, he served on the Fresno Mayor's commission on Bi-Racial relations.

Ed will be greatly missed by his wife of 48 years, Marian; his children, Cary, Kia, Rennie, Christopher, and Caroline; his grandchildren, Michael, Drew, Mariah, Kyle, Dominique, Rory, Maddie, Donovan, and Liam; and his two great-grandchildren, Ben and Jack.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect that I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to honor the life of Dr. Ed Mosley, a community leader and humanitarian. His presence will undoubtedly be missed, but his impact and legacy in the San Joaquin Valley will never be forgotten.

HONORING TOM HOM

HON. SUSAN A. DAVIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2014

Mrs. DAVIS of California. Mr. Speaker, today, I would like to recognize Tom Hom, a man who has made it his life's work to better the city of San Diego. As the American-born son of Chinese immigrants, Tom saw firsthand the discrimination that Asian Americans experienced in the U.S. in the early 20th century as his parents worked tirelessly to build a better life for their twelve children. Despite immense obstacles, Tom rose to success, all the while giving back to his family and his community.

In 1963, Tom Hom was elected to the San Diego City Council, becoming the city's first minority councilmember, and he went on to serve in the California State Assembly. As a councilman, and later as a businessman, Tom helped reinvigorate downtown San Diego, transforming our skid row into the vibrant Gaslamp Quarter that now draws businesses and visitors from around the country. He was instrumental in founding the San Diego Chinese Historical Museum, which documents the culture and contributions of our city's Chinese-American community, and he remains an influential figure in the San Diego business and philanthropic communities.

Tom's vision and hard work have shaped San Diego into the city it is today, and his generosity and humility in the face of such success are inspiring. Tom Hom's journey from Chinatown to the California statehouse truly embodies the American Dream.

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