

HONORING THE LATE MS. ALMA
BEATTY OF NEWARK

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 8, 2015

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Alma Beatty, the longtime Vice President of Community Affairs at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, who passed away earlier this year.

Ms. Beatty was born in Newark, New Jersey, and became one of the city's most beloved citizens through her 45 years of service at "The Beth."

Under Ms. Beatty's leadership, "The Beth" became a model of excellence in protecting the most vulnerable among us.

Thanks to her vision, "The Beth" instituted a number of community service programs that continue to this day, including Thanksgiving Giveaway Programs, the Adopt a Child Christmas Program, the Alma Beatty Health and Wellness Fair, and job readiness workshops.

Ms. Beatty truly was a voice for the voiceless. She dedicated her life to improving the lives of the people of Newark, and for that we are eternally grateful.

Words cannot express how much Ms. Beatty meant to me and my family throughout the years.

I had the pleasure of working with her while she was Vice President of Community Affairs for Newark Beth Israel Medical Center. Together, we were able to secure funds to construct "The Beth's" Geriatric Emergency Department.

Ms. Beatty graciously dedicated her life to building a tremendous legacy here in Essex County; one committed to improving the quality of life for all residents regardless of their financial background.

She was a true role model for all that she did and accomplished for the City of Newark.

Last month, I had the honor of participating in a ceremony to change the name of Newark's Osborne Terrace to "Alma Beatty Way."

It is a fitting recognition of Ms. Beatty's contributions to the City of Newark and Essex County.

To Ms. Beatty's family, I extend my thoughts and prayers.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROGER WILLIAMS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 8, 2015

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call 538 on final passage H. Res. 461, Establishing a Select Investigative Panel of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, I would have voted Aye, which is consistent with my position on this legislation.

TRIBUTE TO DAVE CAMP

HON. JOHN R. MOOLENAAR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 8, 2015

Mr. MOOLENAAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to The Honorable Dave Camp,

Senior Policy Advisor at PricewaterhouseCoopers, former Member of the U.S. House of Representatives and former Chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means, upon his induction into this year's Junior Achievement Business Hall of Fame.

Dave Camp was born and raised in Midland, Michigan, where he attended H.H. Dow High School. He went on to receive a Bachelor of Arts from Albion College and a Juris Doctor from the University of San Diego before coming back to his hometown to practice law at the firm of Riecker, George, Hartley, Van Dam and Camp.

It was with a passion for public service that Dave Camp ran and was elected State Representative for Michigan's 102nd District. He served one term in the state legislature before his election to the United States House of Representatives in 1990. During Camp's tenure, from 1991 to 2015, he served his constituents and country honorably. He cut through the red tape of bureaucracy to ensure his constituents received the services they needed and their voices were heard in Washington.

Legislatively, his list of accomplishments is innumerable. Dave Camp was a leading advocate in Congress for breaking down barriers to adoption and advancing efforts to harmonize varying state and national laws to make adoptions safer and more efficient. He introduced landmark adoption legislation, called the Adoption and Safe Families Act, which was signed into law by President Bill Clinton. This law streamlined the adoption process to quickly help move more children in foster care into permanent adoptive homes. He also worked hard to inject accountability into federal safety net programs, playing an integral role in enactment into law of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act—legislation that reformed our welfare system and helped move people out of poverty.

His hard work, intellect and leadership led to Camp's appointment as Ranking Member and later Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee. In this role, Camp introduced policy on a wide range of important issues. To highlight just a few, he ushered into enactment three job creating trade deals that were the most significant expansion of trade relations in nearly two decades. He also introduced the Tax Reform Act of 2014, deemed the most comprehensive tax reform proposal since the mid 1980s.

As Senior Policy Advisor at PricewaterhouseCoopers, Camp continues working to advance economic, tax, international trade and health care policy. His tremendous expertise and perspective on legislative and regulatory processes will enable his clients to make a positive impact in the global market.

In keeping with Junior Achievement's mission of a commitment to market-based economics, honesty, integrity and excellence as well as the belief in the potential of young people, Dave Camp's career has reflected these values. Whether working on landmark adoption reform during his early years in Congress, or mentoring junior staff to reach their full potential, Camp has positively influenced the careers and lives of countless individuals.

On behalf of the Fourth Congressional District of Michigan, I am honored today to recognize Dave Camp for his many contributions to our country and the great state of Michigan.

RESTORING VOTING RIGHTS

HON. JOYCE BEATTY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 8, 2015

Mrs. BEATTY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the bipartisan Voting Rights Amendment Act of 2015, H.R. 885, and urge Republican Leadership to bring it to the floor for consideration.

The Voting Rights Act of 1965 was born from the "Bloody Sunday" marches from Selma to Montgomery.

With its enactment over fifty years ago, it protected the ability of every American to make their voice heard at the voting booth.

In 2013, that changed. In the two years since the Supreme Court struck down one of the Voting Rights Act's most important provisions in *Shelby County v. Holder*,—the Justice Department's ability to prevent discriminatory rules—our democracy has been weakened.

Mr. Speaker, every American deserves unfettered access to exercising one of our most basic rights—the right to vote.

It is time for Congress to right the wrong created by the *Shelby* decision and pass H.R. 885, legislation that restores the full power of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

I urge my colleagues to cosponsor H.R. 885, and I strongly urge Republican Leadership to bring it to the floor for a vote before October 31st.

GIRLS LIKE ME PROJECT INC

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 8, 2015

Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the Girls Like Me Project Inc for their 4th Annual Chicago Day of the Girl, this organization has connected more than 500 Chicagoland girls with the global girl empowerment movement. Since 2011 this non-for-profit group has been mentoring urban African-American girls in hopes to help them make positive life choices and connect globally with their peers. International Day of the Girl was adopted by the United Nations in 2011, since then millions of girls and women around the globe have participated in this movement to help educate and shed light on social and political injustices impacting girls and women across the globe. I support the Girls Like Me Project and commend them for their continued efforts to help the disenfranchised young women in the Chicagoland area and for their continued work with the global initiative known as International Day of the Girl.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 8, 2015

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following remarks regarding my absence from votes which occurred on October 6, 2015. I was delayed in arriving in