

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING BRIAN D. PETERSEN

HON. ROB BISHOP

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Brian D. Petersen upon his retirement from over thirty-six years of dedicated service as a public school instructor primarily in the field of Choral Music from Bear River High School in Tremonton, Utah.

Mr. Petersen is a native of Box Elder County, Utah, and received a Master of Education and Bachelor of Arts in Choral Music from Utah State University. A talented and accomplished vocalist, musician and composer, he has taught and mentored thousands of students over the course of his long career, including students from Mountain View High School in Orem, Utah, as well as Preston Idaho High School where he first began.

For many years, Mr. Petersen was a member of the world-renowned Mormon Tabernacle Choir, and has gained national recognition for arranging and composing choral music, including arrangements used for productions associated with various veteran's ceremonial programs, as well as completing arrangements for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He is a Member of the American Choral Directors Association, including service as President of the Utah Chapter from 1999 to 2001.

Mr. Petersen has shown a willingness to share his talents to enrich the community and is often in demand as a performer, conductor and a judge for choral music competitions nationwide. His career has demonstrated a high standard of professionalism and caring for his craft which has undoubtedly blessed the lives of many people and will continue to do so.

Mr. Petersen is a devoted husband to his wife, Carol Jean, the father of seven daughters, and has eleven grandchildren. It is fitting that we recognize and honor him today.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, on June 12, 2018, I was absent from the House and missed Roll Call votes 258, 259, and 260.

Had I been present for Roll Call 258, on Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 5327, the Comprehensive Opioid Recovery Centers Act, I would have voted Yes.

Had I been present for Roll Call 259, on Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 5041, the Safe Disposal of Unused Medication Act, I would have voted Yes.

Had I been present for Roll Call 260, on Approving the Journal, I would have voted No.

RECOGNIZING NAVY REAR
ADMIRAL BUTCH DOLLAGA**HON. KAY GRANGER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank Rear Admiral Butch Dollaga for his outstanding service to our country and congratulate him on his recent promotion in the United States Navy.

As the Director of the Navy Budget Congressional Liaison Office for the past two years, Rear Admiral Dollaga has made significant and lasting contributions while working closely with me, the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, and across Capitol Hill to provide critical resources for our Navy's warfighters. He and his outstanding staff have worked tirelessly to ensure operational effectiveness at home and overseas.

Rear Admiral Dollaga's promotion was earned from a career of accomplishments and experience. He began his military career after graduating from the United States Naval Academy in 1990. Since then, he has served in an impressive variety of operational and staff assignments, completing numerous deployments overseas on both fast-attack and fleet ballistic missile submarines. His first command tour was the USS *Charlotte*, SSN 766, homeported in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. While Captain of a *Los Angeles*-class submarine, he led 110 sailors in the completion of a Western Pacific Deployment. Prior to his current assignment, Rear Admiral Dollaga completed a second command tour as Commodore of Submarine Development Squadron Twelve in Groton, Connecticut where he was in charge of nine fast-attack submarines along with leading the tactical development of the U.S. Submarine Force. In recognizing these outstanding achievements, we must acknowledge the contributions of Rear Admiral Dollaga's family. Long and frequent separations are a way of life for sailors, and it takes a very special kind of family to endure the many hardships deployments and operational commitments present. For that, we owe his wife, Lani, and their family our deepest gratitude.

As Rear Admiral Dollaga moves on to his new assignment as the Commander of the Undersea Warfighting Development Center, he leaves behind a legacy of distinguished service and professionalism. I want to extend my thanks for his exceptional service and wish him and his family fair winds and following seas.

RECOGNIZING JAMESVILLE-
DEWITT GIRLS' BASKETBALL
TEAM**HON. JOHN KATKO**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the tremendous victory of the Jamesville-DeWitt Girls' Basketball Team in the New York State Public High School Association Class A Championship on March 17, 2018. The Jamesville-DeWitt Red Rams defeated Elmont Memorial High School by a score of 64–51 to win the state title for the Third year in a row. On March 21st the Red Rams won the Federation Championship for the first time against James Madison High School by the score of 42–41.

The Red Rams were led by Seniors Meg Hair, Kasey Vaughan and Jamie Boenheim. Other team members include: Sydney Baker, Lena Jones, Andrea Sumida, Gabriella Stickle, Paige Keeler, Noura El-Hindi, Momoka LaClair, and Kailey McKenna. The Red Rams are coached by Robert Seichen, Scott Gantos, Caroline Cottet and Bill O'Keefe.

I am honored to recognize the teamwork displayed by the Jamesville-DeWitt Red Rams and to congratulate the members of the team, their families, the coaching staff, and teachers at Jamesville-DeWitt High School. This is a historic win for Central New York and I am confident that the positive experiences from the 2018 season will yield continued success in both athletics and academics.

HONORING THE REMARKABLE
LIFE OF DOROTHY COTTON**HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Dorothy Cotton, a great American and unsung hero of the Civil Rights Movement, who dedicated her life in service to this country by working to eliminate the vestiges of Jim Crow segregation which paved the way for the freedoms and liberties all Americans enjoy today.

As a member of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) family, I am heartbroken to learn of her death.

Dorothy Cotton was like a mother figure to the young women in the movement; we yearned to be like her, someone who not only had a seat at the table but a voice.

A voice that advised the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. during times of challenge and crisis.

A voice that challenged the patriarchal treatment of women within the movement by serving as the only woman aide to the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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