

such attack occurred when a 55-year-old man, Pehlu Khan, was set-upon by a mob and beaten to death while transporting a cow home that he had bought at a fair.

Most appalling are the cases of sexual assault against minorities for political purposes. In January of this year, eight Hindu men kidnapped and raped an eight-year-old Muslim girl in a Hindu temple before killing her. Her murder served the purpose of driving her nomadic community from the area. After the perpetrators were arrested, a mob of Hindu lawyers surrounded the police in an attempt to bar them from entering the courthouse to file charges against the perpetrators.

Christians, like Muslims, have been targeted because of the paranoid suspicion that proselytizing could convert people away from Hinduism. Nuns and members of the clergy have suffered attacks for preaching Christian values. Just last month, the home of a pastor in Manipur was burned down and Chadarajupalli Subbaravamma, a woman in her mid-60s in Andhra Pradesh, reportedly was murdered because she converted to Christianity 10 years ago.

Likewise, Dalits have been victim to structural violence. They face everyday humiliation as they are blocked from areas of worship and are denied the most basic of human rights, such as access to clean water. Additionally, attacks and sexual assaults against women of the Dalit community frequently go unreported or uninvestigated. In Kerala state, a woman was recently doused in gasoline and set on fire by her estranged husband in the view of village council members. No one attempted to help the woman, and her husband managed to flee the scene.

When individuals of minority groups resist violence and oppression, they are met with greater brutality. But liberal democracies stand up for all religious minorities who are fighting for the right to practice their beliefs in the face of vigilante violence and persecution from the majority.

It is disheartening that communal violence against religious minorities is on the rise in India, a great ally of the United States and the largest democracy on earth. We must stand up and speak out against these abhorrent attacks on religious minorities. India's government can no longer look the other way in the face of accelerating violence against religious minorities and the Dalit community.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in standing with civil rights leaders such as Teesta Setalvad in urging India to recognize the humanity of all its people and put an end to these heinous crimes.

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HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 17, 2018

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Dr. Frederick Grover for his decades of service to the Colorado medical community and Veterans in Colorado.

For over forty years, Dr. Grover has trained and mentored numerous thoracic surgery resi-

dents all while providing high-quality care to numerous patients throughout Colorado. In addition to clinical interests in the areas of acquired adult cardiac surgery and lung and heart transplantation, Dr. Grover is also focused on risk adjusted outcomes analyses and quality improvement in the field of cardiothoracic surgery. He chaired the Society of Thoracic Surgeons Work Force on National Databases from 1995 to 2004. Dr. Grover served as the Chair of the Department of Surgery at the University Colorado School of Medicine where he helped develop future generations of medical professionals and the success of Colorado's medical community for generations to come. His selfless devotion to his students has provided an exemplary standard of service.

In addition to his work at the University of Colorado, Dr. Grover distinguishes himself as a caring member of the community by striving to aid numerous professional organizations. His dedication to the field of medicine and contributions can be seen across Colorado and our nation. He has been a strong advocate for healthcare policy at the national level by serving as President of the Society of Thoracic Surgeons. Additionally, the work he has done within the Veteran's community of Colorado as the Chief of Surgical Services at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Denver and his pioneering of the VA Cardiac Surgery Database as the Medical Director has been very beneficial to Veterans in Colorado. He chaired the United Network for Organ Sharing Thoracic Committee, and has served on the UNOS Board of Directors. He was the co-principal investigator of a large VA multi-center clinical trial comparing off-pump to on-pump coronary artery bypass, which was published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

I extend my deepest thanks to Dr. Frederick Grover for his service to the people of Colorado and across the nation. I am certain the effects of his service will continue to benefit our communities for decades to come. I thank Dr. Grover for being a remarkable member of the Colorado medical community.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF THE LATE CONGRESSMAN
MAURICE HINCHEY

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 17, 2018

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of the late Congressman Maurice Hinchey, our beloved colleague. He departed this life on November 22, 2017 after honorably serving two decades in the United States House of Representatives from 1993 to 2013, and serving in the New York State Assembly from 1975 to 1992. He was a Navy veteran, an honorable and dedicated public servant, and stalwart for the working class people of New York. Of Ukrainian-American heritage, he was a founding member of the House Ukrainian Caucus.

Recently, we were reminded of Congressman Hinchey's contributions to his people and our country. On Tuesday, July 24, 2018,

President Trump signed into law H.R. 4722—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 111 Market Street in Saugerties, New York, as the "Maurice D. Hinchey Post Office Building". With the naming of this USPS office building, Maurice's family and his grateful constituency will proudly honor and remember a treasured son of Saugerties.

I had the distinct honor and privilege of working alongside Maurice on the House Appropriations Committee. Through the Committee, he fought to protect student aid by supporting higher education for all worthy students and championed Pell Grants. He secured funding that would help art revitalization for the Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art at SUNY New Paltz. He understood governing started at the local level, and did all he could to direct federal support for a more prosperous life for his people.

A fierce and notable environmental advocate, Maurice was dedicated to protecting his area's powerful and precious natural resource, the Hudson River. Through his dedicated work on the Appropriations Committee, he secured funds to modernize and develop environmental science laboratories at his district's local colleges. He also fought against the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's lax initiative on cleaning up polychlorinated biphenyl (PCBs) pollution in the Hudson River. As a member of the House Appropriations Interior Subcommittee, and having my own congressional district surrounded by the Great Lakes, I found his leadership on renewable energy and cleaning up water ways both exemplary and inspiring. We are in his debt for his tireless environmental advocacy as he moved America along the path of progress.

A man to stand up for blue collar workers, Maurice was very loyal and adored by the labor community. Having worked as a toll collector to pay his college tuition, and then a cement plant worker, he understood the economic difficulties of the working class people in his district. In the 106th Congress he introduced H.R. 2759, the Older Workers Pension Protection Act of 1999. This bill would have helped safeguard employees from age discrimination against their benefits. He also fought against funding cuts to Job Corps, a vital entity for young people in his area who need skill and job assistance. As we continue to fight for the rights and protections of our working women and men, may we continue to be inspired by Maurice's spirit and vision.

Maurice and I shared a deep love for Ukraine and our central European roots. We served in the bipartisan Ukrainian Congressional Caucus and trumpeted a vision of an independent Ukraine, free of Russian aggression. Maurice uniquely understood the importance of a democratic, prosperous, and free Ukraine, as the edge of liberty on the European continent. He was a true champion of democracy both home and abroad.

Maurice's leadership and indefatigable efforts on behalf of working people are sorely missed. May his life's work be an inspiration to the people of the Hudson Valley and his memory be cherished always. Rest well, my dear friend and colleague. May the angels of mercy usher you to a peaceful place where your genius and goodwill shower our planet.