

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing the decades of service of William J. "Happy" Fulford. It is difficult to express our gratitude in mere words, but on behalf of Alabama's First Congressional District and the United States House of Representatives, I thank him.

HONORING GEORGE McSHAN AT  
CONGRESSMAN VELA'S BLACK  
HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

**HON. FILEMON VELA**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 30, 2019*

Mr. VELA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor George McShan for his exceptional service to Harlingen, Texas.

Mr. McShan received his Bachelor of Science from Prairie View A&M University, with cum laude honors, and his Master of Education from The University of Texas—Pan American. He also earned a Master School Board Trustee certification from the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB). He spent his early years as an educator in the Brownsville Independent School District, as a high school science teacher, and was also freshman class sponsor.

During an extraordinary 32 year career at Texas State Technical College, Mr. McShan served as Chairperson of Academic Instruction and Faculty, Dean of Instruction, Dean of Enrollment Management, and Dean of External Relations. In 1988, he was elected to the Harlingen Consolidated Independent School District Board of Trustees, and served as president of the board for eight terms. In 1998, he became TASB's first African American president.

Throughout his career, Mr. McShan has garnered awards and recognitions for his tireless efforts to improve the community, including the "School Board of the Year" award in 1993 and the "Abrazo" award from the National Hispanic Caucus of School Board Members in 2006. Additionally, the mayor of Harlingen named him the Chairman of the Harlingen Task Force on Juvenile Crime, Graffiti, and Gang Violence.

Mr. McShan started his own business in 2002, working as an independent consultant providing professional education services, and is a partner with BWP & Associates. He has led school board governance training for over thirty different school districts in Texas. He has also conducted over twenty-five superintendent searches across Texas as well as Arkansas, Alabama, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Ohio, Missouri and South Carolina.

I am pleased to recognize Mr. McShan for his successful career in Texas' 34th Congressional District. He is a role model for our children, and exemplifies the best our district has to offer. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing his journey, his family and friends on this special occasion.

JULIETTE ALKINS HANSEN CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER, HEALTH ADVOCATE, EDUCATOR, CITIZENS, MOTHER

**HON. GREGORY W. MEEKS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MEEKS. Madam Speaker, Juliette Alkins Hansen was born in Washington Heights, reared in Harlem, educated in the New York City public school and university system—Juliette Alkins Hansen is a New Yorker. Her Barbadian parents instilled in her an appreciation and pride in her heritage. Their participation in church activities (St. Ambrose in Harlem) gave her grounding in learning how to "give back" to your community/organization.

In their 47-year marriage, Richard and Juliette, individually and collectively, were involved in civic and community life. Juliette's non-political organizational activity included Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., the Girl Scouts of America, Jack and Jill of America, The Greater Queens Chapter of the Links, Juliette was the organizer for the Queens Chapter of the Links, York College Community Quilt, various scholars hip committees, and Magnet School Mentoring Program. Her board member participation included the American Lung Association; Jamaica Center for Arts and Learning, (JCAL). After several decades of JCAL board participation, Juliette retired. She was named the board's first Emeritus Board Member and remains active in many of the board's activities. This association gives her a continued ability to participate in the growth of this invaluable asset to our borough and city. She also served on the boards of Jamaica Service Program for Older Adults (JSPOA) and Jamaica NAACP. Being the Organizer of The Greater Queens Chapter of the Links brought her a sense of pride and accomplishment. Juliette feels blessed that God granted her the years to become a "Golden" 50-year Soror in her dear Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. She is an Emeritus member of the New York Chapter of the CARATS. Juliette and her family are members of Saint Albans Congregational Church.

Politically, her late husband, Richard led the way. During his tenure as President of the Jamaica branch of the NAACP in the early 1970's, the chapter continued its tradition of activism. As second vice president, Juliette was at his side when the chapter fought for Rochdale, the establishment of York College in our community, fair housing in Forest Hills and NAACP reform, et al. After his term ended, the couple became associated with the political campaigns of several local, city, state, and national aspirants. They worked with others in major fund raising activities for several candidates.

Through her various organizations, Juliette continued her connection with youth. She joined Dr. Gerald Deas in his campaign against "Quarter Water". These sweet colored water drinks have been cited as being asthma "triggers" for young Black and Latino children. As a board member of the American Lung Association and part of the Links Chapter, she addressed New York legislators in Albany regarding the need for regulatory legislation against such products. Unfortunately, these drinks are still on the shelves.

Now retired, Juliette had 23 years of varied experience in the field of education. As a charter faculty member of the Queens Bridge to Medicine program, she maintains an extended family of former students, who have kept her in their lives through graduate/medical schools, marriages and children. Juliette was honored with a nomination and placement to Who's Who Among American Teachers. Juliette's other honors include the Martin Luther King Scholarship—St. John's University; The Many Faces of Queens Women—Newsday; Community Service Award—Borough President Claire Schulman; Community Service Award—Borough President Helen Marshall; Community Service Award—Guy R. Brewer United Democratic Club, City Councilman Leroy Comrie's "Unsung Heroes" and the Queens Chapter of Jack & Jill honored her as one of their past chapter presidents.

"The greatest joy in my life has been my devoted late husband, Richard, our loving, statuesque daughters, Greer and Dionne and husbands, Manuel and Michael. My three munchkins (grandsons): Blake, Spencer, and Richard are my supreme joy! I feel honored to have received several awards from my community and to be blessed with many dear and true friends . . . thanks for giving me my roses while I can smell them."

MOMENT OF SILENCE HONORING  
THE LIFE OF FIRE CHIEF TOM  
SCHULTZ

**HON. J. LUIS CORREA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 30, 2019*

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Fire Chief Tom Schultz, the thirteenth Fire Chief for the city of Garden Grove.

Fire Chief Tom Schultz began his career in firefighting at the age of 21 as a Fire Prevention Specialist with the Fullerton Fire Department. He soon became a firefighter, and later a captain. After 2 decades, he became the Training and Disaster Preparedness Officer, responsible for the department's overall professional Fire training and for updating and implementing the citywide disaster preparedness program.

In 2007, his diligence earned him the position of Shift Battalion Chief which allowed him to oversee the daily activities of the department. In 2011, while serving as the Deputy Chief of Operations, he was assigned to facilitate the management integration of the Fullerton and Brea Fire Departments. His extensive work ascended him to become the acting Fire Chief.

In 2015, after an established 30-year career, he was chosen to be the Fire Chief for the city of Garden Grove. Since then, he had proudly and wholeheartedly served the residents of Garden Grove.

Fire Chief Tom Schultz was known as the "firefighter's firefighter". For more than 25 years, he had been a Fire technology instructor at Santa Ana College, training hundreds of students with a passion for saving lives and serving the community.

Anyone who knew Fire Chief Tom Schultz can attest to his integrity, dedication, and humility. While he is a hero to many, he was also a loving son, husband, and father to his