

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE HONORING DR. R.A. GREGG, COMMISSIONER, NYSCAB

HON. MAX ROSE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Mr. ROSE of New York. Madam Speaker, I respectfully ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in honoring Dr. R.A. Gregg for his consistently remarkable dedication to community affairs, community-police relations and his longstanding commitment to improving our community.

While Dr. Gregg has a varied professional portfolio ranging from Commissioner and Chief Executive Officer of a community affairs nonprofit organization that serves New York State to political campaign committee Chairman to Director of Operations for a family established boutique law firm, his dedication to providing community affairs and improving community-police relations can be seen in all his endeavors. Most recently, Dr. Gregg was appointed the first Commissioner of the New York State Community Affairs Bureau, a nonprofit organization, by its Board of Governors. The NYSCAB is a volunteer organization comprised of community, nonprofit and clergy leaders as well as current, former and retired law enforcement officers and law enforcement and government officials that provides quality community affairs services to New York State, New York City and its residents.

Beyond his dedication to ensuring that quality community affairs services are provided to New York State, New York City and its residents, Commissioner Gregg has a passion for community-police relations. He is active in the law enforcement community and serves as a Chaplain or Chaplain (ex-officio) for numerous organizations including the New York City Department of Correction's Correction Officers' Benevolent Association (COBA), the New York State Court Officers Association, the New York City Police Department's Detectives Endowment Association (DEA) and the New York City Police Department's Patrolmen's Benevolent Association (PBA), among others. He also serves as the Chief of the Chaplains Unit for the Law Enforcement Employees Benevolent Association (LEEBA). Upon being appointed Commissioner of NYSCAB, he established the NYSCAB Volunteers in Police Service Unit to oversee and run the VIPS Program which is a locally-driven Citizen Corps program that allows community members to offer their time and talents to NYSCAB and local law enforcement agencies. The VIPS program is managed and implemented by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and has registered the NYSCAB VIPS with the national VIPS program.

For many years Dr. Gregg has been active in civic organizations. He serves as a Member of the Board of Directors or as a Member of the following organizations: Archdiocese of New York (Regional Advisory Board Member and School Advisory Board Member), African

American Clergy & Elected Officials—Brooklyn (Member), Bronx Clergy Task Force (Member), the Global Alliance of Hispanic Law Enforcement Professionals (Chair, Board of Chaplains), God's Whisper Burial Fund (Vice Chairman), the International Conference of Police Chaplains (Member), the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) (Member), National Baptist Convention (Member), the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) (Regular Member), Clergy Leaders Council (Member) and Occupy the Block (a Founding Member).

Each aspect of Dr. Gregg's service to the community speaks to his complete nature and his dedication to improving the quality of life for the residents of the community as well as for the police community. I am proud to say that we have someone like Dr. R.A. Gregg living in our community and am very grateful for all the work he has done and continues to do to improve our community.

Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure and admiration that I stand before you today to honor Dr. R.A. Gregg for his many years of selfless and compassionate service to the Staten Island and Brooklyn community, and to all of our community's residents and acknowledge his latest recognition which he shall receive at the 2019 Somos Albany Conference held March 8–10, 2019 as well as recognize Dr. Gregg's milestone birthday which is on March 9th.

CLARIFYING REMARKS ON H. RES.

41

HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Mr. KING of Iowa. Madam Speaker, on January 15, 2019, the House of Representatives considered H. Res. 41, a resolution rejecting white nationalism and white supremacy as hateful expressions of intolerance that are contradictory to the values that define the people of the United States. I voted for the resolution because it cited accurately the misquote of my words by The New York Times and because I wholeheartedly agree with the rejection of white nationalism and white supremacy.

I write today to emphatically correct the quote once again to align with what I actually stated to The New York Times reporter and on the floor of the House of Representatives. As I stated on the House floor, what I actually said was “‘White nationalist, white supremacist—(there is a dash here as a pause) Western civilization, how did that language become offensive? Why did I sit in classes teaching me about the merits of our history and civilization’—that is the end of the quote—just to watch ‘Western civilization’ become a derogatory term in political discourse today?”

According to my actual words, the question “how did that language become offensive?”

clearly referred only to the term “Western Civilization”. I was not asking how the terms white nationalist and white supremacist have become offensive. If there is any doubt as to the accuracy of this accounting, I would direct you to the CSPAN video of my floor remarks from that day, January 15, 2019.

As the descendant of abolitionists and Union soldiers who fought and died to purge this land of the crime of human slavery, I well know why certain terms—such as white nationalist and white supremacist—are offensive. And I always have and always will reject them completely.

I stipulate that the RECORD reflects precisely my words, which are those of a man who loves his country and all its people and will continue to work for the betterment of our society for all Americans, who are all endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights and are equal under the law.

HONORING JUDY HAWLEY

HON. MICHAEL CLOUD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Mr. CLOUD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Judy Hawley, who devoted her life to serving the people of Corpus Christi, Texas.

Ms. Hawley received the 2018 nomination for the Texas Transportation Hall of Honor, due in large part to her commitment and advocacy for transportation infrastructure investment and policy decisions.

Some of Ms. Hawley's community involvement includes: eight years in the Texas House of Representatives, Commissioner for the Port of Corpus Christi Authority from 2004 to 2016 (serving as Chair during the last two years), chair of the Corpus Christi Regional Economic Development Corporation, chair of the Texas State Aquarium Board, and co-chair of the Chamber Infrastructure Committee.

Furthermore, Ms. Hawley served as the former chair of the I-69 Advisory Committee. During her tenure, she played a pivotal role in guiding the growth of essential trade corridors linking ports, waterways, trains, airports, and highways from the Rio Grande Valley and the Coastal Bend, creating opportunities for local jobs and commerce.

If not for Judy Hawley, critical issues, such as the need for a rail master plan, an enduring replacement for the Harbor Bridge, and the development of Interstate 69 would not have received the kind of attention they warranted.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Judy Hawley for her incredible service and devotion to the people of Corpus Christi and the 27th District of Texas.

• This “bullet” symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.