

Mayor Hermes' service to Edna includes various board member and committee member positions on the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission, the Jackson County Industrial Foundation and the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, among others.

Mayor Hermes' retirement will afford him the opportunity to spend more time with some of his most important constituents, his three children and grandchildren, all of whom live within two hours of the city. Nevertheless, he will remain involved in the community.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Mayor Joe D. Hermes for his tremendous public service and dedication to the people of Edna. He is a model of generosity and embodies the spirit of Edna, Texas.

RECOGNIZING THE CANANDAIGUA VA MEDICAL CENTER

HON. ANTHONY BRINDISI

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Mr. BRINDISI. Madam Speaker, I rise today on behalf of my constituent to recognize the staff of the Canandaigua, New York U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Center.

Health care for our nation's veterans is truly one of the most important services the federal government provides. All too often however, we read news stories about substandard and unacceptable care that those who served our country in uniform receive. I was heartened recently to receive correspondence from a constituent, Beth Jones of Rome. Beth is the sister of a Vietnam veteran who served a total of six years in the Air Force and Army. He suffered trauma connected to his service, and through the years has resided in several facilities for veterans.

Beth told my office that, for nearly ten years, her brother has resided at the VA's Canandaigua community living center. During that time, he and the other patients there have received individual attention with staff members that take care of any health issues or other concerns promptly; communicate with out of town family members; and maintain the facility so that it is a clean, comfortable environment for its residents.

On Beth's behalf, I would like to commend the staff of the Canandaigua VA Medical Center for providing such devoted and compassionate care to this veteran and his family. Our nation's veterans have earned our steadfast support and respect, and I am glad to hear that this military family has received the care they needed at Canandaigua.

Veterans in New York and across the country deserve this same level of care, and I will continue fighting to ensure that they have the support and resources they need both when wearing our country's uniform, and when they return home.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF MOZELLE W. MYERS

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an extraordinary woman who possessed an adventurous spirit and a big heart. Mrs. Mozelle Myers passed away on Thursday, January 31, 2019, but her legacy remains with us through the many lives she touched during her 82 years among us.

Mozelle, the daughter of the late Reverend Willie Williams and Inez Williams Brown, was born on March 16, 1936. She was an honor graduate of Burke High School and graduated Summa Cum Laude from Claflin University in 1958. She married her college sweetheart and classmate, AME Presiding Elder Samuel L. Myers.

Mrs. Myers had a passion for learning and service that led to a lifelong pursuit of knowledge. She continued her education at the University of Notre Dame, South Carolina State University, the University of South Carolina, and the College of Charleston. Mrs. Myers shared her deep appreciation for knowledge with future generations, devoting 30 years to teaching at Bonds Wilson and North Charleston High Schools. Her desire to learn extended beyond the classroom and inspired her to study the Bible and ancient history.

As a First Lady of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Mrs. Myers supported her husband's mission in ministry while remaining a leader in the church and her community. As a leader in the Women's Missionary Society for over 50 years she supported scholarship and community building efforts.

Her favorite words of inspiration were, "Lord, when it's my time to leave, let me come home to you with a clean heart and a peaceful soul. I have fought a good fight; now let me rest in your loving arms."

In addition to her husband of 61 years, she is survived by her loving daughters, Ms. Angela Myers and Ms. Sarita Myers; a special grandson, Brandon Jackson-Williams; siblings, Rev. Dr. Alfred Williams, Mrs. Luethel McNeil, Mrs. Mildred Williams, Mrs. Leila Daniels, Mrs. Rebecca Small, Mrs. Bessie Simmons, Mrs. Gloria Edwards, Mrs. Susie Williams Manning, Mr. Leon Williams, and nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. She was predeceased by her devoted brother, Isaac Williams, who also served as an aide to me for many years.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you and my colleagues join me in offering our heartfelt condolences to Mozelle Myers' family and friends. Her extraordinary faith and dedication to serving others are the hallmarks of a life well lived.

HONORING MR. JOHN SALTER, JR.

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. John Salter, Jr. on his great contributions to civil rights activism.

Born in Chicago and raised in Flagstaff, Arizona, John began his journey to higher edu-

cation at Arizona State University after serving in the Army. He graduated in 1958 and received his master's degree in sociology in 1960. Mr. Salter alternated between activism and teaching. He pursued his tenure in both education and activism in Vermont, the State of Washington, Rochester, New York, Chicago, at the University of Iowa, Diné College, and the University of North Dakota. His work encompassed a variety of services including Directing the Department of American Indian Studies at the University of North Dakota, teaching, and working with street gangs in Chicago. Mr. Salter worked as a labor organizer in Arizona, the NAACP's Mississippi field secretary, and organized the Jackson Movement.

John Salter, Jr. died on Monday, January 7, 2019, at 84 years of age. He and his wife Eldri Johanson, who died in 2015, had been married for 54 years. He is survived by four children, Maria Salter and Josephine Evans, both of Pocatello, and John Salter III and Peter Salter, both of Lincoln, Neb.; a brother; 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, today I honor the life of Mr. John Salter, Jr. for his many contributions to education and civil rights. Salter made a career of serving others, and his work had a direct and positive influence on the lives of literally thousands.

CELEBRATION AND RECOGNITION OF JUDGE MARY V. ROSADO

HON. ADRIANO ESPAILLAT

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the elevation of Judge Mary V. Rosado to the New York State Supreme Court, the highest-ranking court in the State of New York.

Judge Rosado is a lifelong resident of Manhattan and was raised in the Jefferson Houses in East Harlem in New York's 13th Congressional District.

From an early age, Judge Rosado was an omnipresent contributor to the local community organizing daytime summer camps in East Harlem. Before starting her legal career, she was a committed educator in the New York City Public Schools for seven years teaching Social Studies and English.

As the oldest of ten children born to Puerto Rican migrants to the U.S., Judge Rosado has committed herself to scholastic achievement as a graduate of Hunter College of the City University of New York (CUNY) where she received her B.A. and M.A. and Fullbright Scholar in Cairo, Egypt before receiving her J.D. from Columbia University Law School.

Judge Rosado through her professional and pro-bono work has become an acclaimed community activist and is the Founder and President of Friends of the West 59th Street Recreation Center Inc., Puerto Rican Bar Association, Dominican Bar Association, Women's Bar Association, Harlem School of the Arts, Inc., Amsterdam Action Community Association, Dominican Women's Caucus, and proud participant in the Mentor-Guardian ad litem program with the Civil Court of the City of New York.

Judge Rosado has forged a thirty-year legal career which epitomized with the creation of