

Superior Criminal Court back in the 1970s. I knew from the first day we met that he was a special person whose sharp mind, quick wit, and infectious sense of humor stood out immediately. He was born to be a judge and it was wonderful to watch someone find the perfect spot on the bench to express his talents to the fullest.

Mr. Speaker we live in a time when cheap politics and cynical journalism constantly seek to delegitimize the importance of a strong, respected, independent judiciary. Kevin McMahon's life and record are the best rebuttal to this corrosive, dangerous trend. All who came in contact with him could believe in the honesty and goodness of our judicial system by observing the grace and integrity of his service. His example will be one for the ages.

Colleagues, please join me in expressing the condolences of the chamber for his friends and family—particularly his beloved wife Patti.

#### TRIBUTE TO HARVEY SCALES

##### HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 28, 2019*

Ms. MOORE. Madam Speaker, I rise to express my deepest condolences to Mrs. Rochella Scales and her family on the loss of Milwaukee's "Godfather of Soul", Harvey Scales. Harvey was born in Osceola, Arkansas, on September 27, 1941, and passed away on February 11, 2019. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, relative and friend to many here in Milwaukee and around the world.

Harvey's family moved to Milwaukee when he was a young child where his father found work at American Motors. He attended both Roosevelt Junior High and North Division High Schools. For over 60 years, Harvey Scales has entertained us all beginning as a teen with doo wop bands in the 50's with such renowned Milwaukee contemporaries as the late Al Jarreau until he ultimately formed the band, Harvey Scales and the Seven Sounds in 1961. Harvey Scales and the Seven Sounds' first gig was at the Wisconsin State Fair. Har-

vey was able to perform in places in Milwaukee and Wisconsin where African Americans were not allowed and sought to break barriers through his music by playing at venues that drew an integrated crowd.

He was signed at various record labels over the years including the legendary soul labels of Chess and Stax. Harvey was signed by Casablanca Records after co-writing the platinum-selling song "Disco Lady" in 1976 for Johnny Taylor. In fact, it would be the biggest hit of Taylor's career, and the first song certified as platinum by the Recording Industry Association of America. Casablanca Records released Harvey's albums "Confidential Affair" in 1978 and "Hot Foot: A Funque Dizco Opera" in 1979.

Harvey proved himself to be more than an entertainer; he was also a person who endeavored to unite everyone through the love of music. He was both a social and a fun person to be around; he had friends throughout the industry including MC Hammer and the late Aretha Franklin to name but a few. Harvey continued to perform well into his 70s; in fact, one of his last shows was at Summerfest in 2017. The songs he wrote would be later sampled and recorded by a new generation of musicians including the Beastie Boys and Pete Rock.

Harvey leaves family and friends to cherish his memory including his wife Rochella Scales; Children: Tonya Stoudermire, David Vela, Daniel Vela, Dorothea Felder, Theresa Sheppard, Rodney Sheppard, Cornell Scales, Eric Scales, Harvey Scales, Jr., Jewel Henry, Kim Brown, Michael Brown, Rochelle Brown, Michelle Brown, and Bobby Brown; 40 grandchildren and a host of other relatives.

Harvey Scales, my friend and fellow Blue Devil will be greatly missed because of the positive impact he left on the lives of so many. While his death leaves a huge void, he will be remembered for his lifetime as a music artist who continues to inspire future generations. The legacy of his music continues with his son, Harvey Scales, Jr., rapper JR Scalez who collaborated with his father, as well as, the many musicians who continue to both perform and record his music.

Madam Speaker, Harvey Scales has positively impacted the 4th Congressional District,

the State of Wisconsin and the world. As family and friends gather to remember and celebrate the life of this loving and remarkable man; I applaud him and his legacy.

#### CONDOLENCES IN LOVING MEMORY OF CHARLES NUNZIO DELPIZZO

##### HON. MARCIA L. FUDGE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 28, 2019*

Ms. FUDGE. Madam Speaker, Charles Nunzio DelPizzo was one whose life and service enriched us and whose passing continues to leave a void in the community. He is sorely missed.

Mr. DelPizzo's service in the United States Army demonstrated his devotion to our nation. We will be forever indebted to him and all the brave men and women who have put their lives on the line for our beloved country. It gives me great pleasure to give him one final salute.

Mr. DelPizzo modeled a life of love, sustaining a 63-year marriage to Palma Antonia Santoro DelPizzo.

The pleasure of having known Charles DelPizzo is carried in the hearts and minds of his family and friends. Mr. DelPizzo's memory is forever cherished by his daughter Paula; Son-in-law Andrew; Grandchildren Angela, Melissa, and Andrew; great grandchildren Anthony, Talia, and Larissa; and all who knew and loved him.

I hope Paula continues to take comfort in the memories she has made with her beloved father. A person that departs from this earth never truly leaves, for they are still alive in our hearts and minds; through us, they live on. May she continue to find solace in the memory of Charles DelPizzo's love and the celebration of his life.

On behalf of the constituents of Ohio's Eleventh Congressional District, I extend sincere condolences. May God bless and keep the family.