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NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS SMALL BUSINESS ACT

HON. GREGORIO KILILI CAMACHO SABLAN

OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

Mr. SABLAN. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the Northern Mariana Islands Small Business Act, which would ensure small businesses in my district have access to the Small Business Administration's (SBA) Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Lead Center grant program, the Federal and State Technology (FAST) partnership grant program and the Microloan program. The Marianas are the only U.S. jurisdiction not included in these programs, which help small businesses access the knowledge and capital necessary to succeed and compete for federal contracting opportunities.

Last fall, our islands were struck by two catastrophic natural disasters. Typhoon Mangkhut and Super Typhoon Yutu, the second most powerful storm ever in United States history, caused widespread destruction of homes, businesses, schools and infrastructure. Under presidential disaster declarations, the SBA set up temporary disaster recovery centers on Saipan, Tinian, and Rota to assist small businesses to apply for loans and other funds to cover damages resulting from the storms.

We are grateful for the SBA's assistance during these disasters. However, all SBA disaster outreach centers in the Marianas are now closed and our economy is projected to take years to fully recover. The SBA estimates there are over 1,700 small businesses in the Marianas which employ over 18,000 people. These businesses and employees do not have access to the full range of SBA programs to help them fully recover. My bill would correct that by ensuring access on the same basis as their counterparts across the nation, many of whom are also recovering from natural disasters.

Under my bill, the Marianas can apply to establish a Lead SBDC, which would make available around \$600,000 in renewable funding to expand the reach and capacity of the existing SBDC service center on Saipan. With additional funding, small businesses on Saipan, Tinian and Rota will have better access to free or low-cost services such as incubator workspaces for entrepreneurs, assistance with loan applications, business planning, operations, personnel administration, marketing, export assistance, sales and other areas required for small business growth and success.

The bill would benefit aspiring entrepreneurs and small business owners in the Marianas who are not able to access conventional loans at commercial banks. This legislation would provide them access to the SBA's Microloan program which provides loans up to \$50,000 typically not offered by banks for working capital or the acquisition of materials, supplies, or equipment. In addition, the SBA microloan program, which is designed to assist women, low-income, veteran, and minority entrepreneurs, provides marketing, management, and technical assistance to borrowers.

The Northern Mariana Islands Small Business Act would also help our small businesses participate in federal research and development opportunities. The bill includes the Marianas in the SBA's FAST partnership program which funds outreach and technical assistance to small businesses interested in competing for the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs. The SBIR and STTR programs have funded the development of new sources of renewable energy and low-cost technology to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation and help give the aspiring entrepreneurs and small businesses from the Marianas access to the full range of federal resources needed to help our economy recover from disaster and make their dreams of small business ownership a reality.

TRIBUTE HONORING THE LIFE OF JUDGE JAMES DINGLE

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Judge James Dingle. Judge Dingle's life exemplified Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s admonition that "everybody can be great, because everybody can serve." Judge Dingle was great because he spent

most of his life serving the people of South Carolina.

Born November 14, 1929 in Alcolu, South Carolina, Judge Dingle often described himself as a "down home country boy who went off and made good and came back home to work in my community."

Before returning to his hometown, Dingle attended Midlands Technical College in Columbia, South Carolina and continued his education at South Carolina State University in Orangeburg. He spent 30 years as a high school teacher at C.E. Murray High School in Greeleyville, South Carolina. During his tenure at the high school, Dingle strived to positively impact the lives of as many students as he could by working in various capacities—an industrial arts teacher, head football coach, athletic director, and an administrative assistant.

Dingle was appointed as a magistrate judge in Clarendon County in 1983. He was one of the first black magistrates in the state of South Carolina. Dingle loved his job and the people of Clarendon County, where he served for 12 years. Following his retirement as a magistrate judge, he became a city judge in Manning.

As a community leader, Dingle was a constant voice of encouragement for the youth in his community realizing that many of them were not surrounded by the best environments. He motivated them to receive an education and to be productive citizens. Dingle became widely known as always putting "service before self."

Judge Dingle passed away on April 29, 2019. He will be greatly missed by family, friends, and the many people he has influenced during his lifetime.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of this servant leader and teacher and recognizing the positive impact Judge James Dingle made in Clarendon County, South Carolina and surrounding areas.

IN MEMORY OF RILEY CARL HOWELL

HON. MARK MEADOWS

OF NORTH CAROLINA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

Mr. MEADOWS. Madam Speaker, it is with great sadness that I rise today to recognize Riley Carl Howell, a hero from Waynesville, North Carolina. Riley gave the ultimate sacrifice when he saved the lives of his fellow classmates at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte on April 30, 2019.

I am honored and humbled to have represented a young man so full of life, courage, and selfless character. Riley Howell was fatally shot when a gunman entered his classroom at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and opened fire. Rather than fleeing, twenty-one-year-old Riley Howell bravely charged the gunman—knocking him off his feet, which enabled his classmates to find cover and allowed the authorities more time to apprehend the gunman. The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police hailed Riley as a hero and stated that his bravery prevented further violence and saved his classmates' lives. Riley's selfless actions on April 30th clearly demonstrate his courage in the face of adversity—confronting danger to protect those around him—even at the risk of his own life.