

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN MEMORY OF HAMPTON
CAUGHMAN

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 3, 2019

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, Lexington County and South Carolina were blessed with the Caughman Twins, Hampton and Raymond, as extraordinary civic leaders. Sadly, Raymond passed away March 28th and now Hamp passed away June 1st. Below is the loving obituary of June 3rd from The State newspaper.

HAMPTON CAUGHMAN (1927–2019)

Hampton Sox Caughman—Lexington. Funeral services for Hampton Sox Caughman, 92, of Lexington, SC will be held at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at Saint David Lutheran Church with interment to follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends on Monday, June 3, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Caughman Harman Funeral Home, Lexington Chapel. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. David Lutheran Church Building Fund, 132 St. David's Church Rd., West Columbia, SC 29170 or to "Take One Make One" c/o SCDNR, P.O. Box 167, Columbia SC 29202 with funds designated to Thomas Caughman Memorial. Hampton passed away on Saturday, June 1, 2019. He was born on January 10, 1927 to the late Willie Morgan and Mary Catherine Sox Caughman. In addition to his parents, Hampton was also preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Betty Dye Caughman, sisters Evelyn Segelken, Zela Boozer, Sue Shull, Henry Etta Frye, Virginia Shull and brothers Henry Morgan Caughman, Elford Caughman, Raymond Caughman and Kenneth Caughman. He was also predeceased by his beloved grandson, Army Specialist Thomas Day Caughman. Hampton is survived by his son Hampton S. Caughman Jr. and his wife Jane Day Caughman and their daughter Lisa Caughman. He is also survived by his daughter Carol Caughman and her son Connor Caughman Hild. Hampton was a WWII Army Veteran who served in China from 1945–1946. In 1949 he began a 32 year career in the retail grocery business as a partner in Frye & Caughman Grocery in West Columbia. He opened the first supermarket in Lexington in 1964, Hamp's Red and White. Hampton was one of the organizers of the Food Retailer Association of South Carolina, serving as its President from 1958–1959 and was, South Carolina's Grocer of the Year in 1974. In 1961, Governor Fritz Hollings appointed Hampton to the South Carolina Dairy Commission and in 1975 when he tried to resign, the Governor appointed him Chairman and he served in that capacity until 1981. Hampton was one of the organizers of the Lexington Rotary Club, served as its first President, was Rotarian of the Year in 1971, and named as a Paul Harris Fellow in 1990. He served as the Chairman of the Rotary Club Horse Show for 30 years and was recently honored for his 50 years of service to that club. He and his twin brother Raymond's hobby was tiding and showing Tennessee Walking Horses. Every morning at 5:00 a.m., they would get up to ride, feed and

water their horses. Hampton was a member of and President of both the South Carolina Walking Horse Association and the South Carolina Horse Show Association, and was named Horseman of the Year in 1977. Upon closing Hamp's Red & White, he and his wife Betty opened Caughman's Catering and were well known for their country style steak and gravy and delicious banana pudding. Later Hampton earned his real estate agent license and worked with McGee Realtors until he retired in 2012. Hampton was very active in the Boy Scouts of America and was given the Silver Beaver Award for Distinguished Service to Boyhood in 1974. Hampton was twice awarded the "Key to the City" by the Town of Lexington and "The Order of the Silver Crescent" by Governor Nikki Haley in 2015. Hampton was a very active member of St. David Lutheran Church for 92 years. He was Chairman of the Property Committee for 60 years, sang in the choir and was very active with the St. David Lutheran Men. Hampton was a very loving, caring husband, grandfather, father, brother and friend who will be remembered for always putting the concern of others before him. He will be greatly missed by many people.

HONORING CYNTHIA MILLER

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 3, 2019

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I recognize a dear friend and former long-time member of my staff, Ms. Cynthia Miller. Every Member of Congress knows they are only as good as the staff that surround them. I was very fortunate to have Cynthia standing with me for many years.

Cynthia was born in Harlem, New York but was raised in the Bronx. She attended schools in the Bronx and graduated from Theodore Roosevelt High School in 1971.

Cynthia's first job came in that same year, 1971, with Metropolitan Life, where she worked for 14 years. In 1973 she married Keith Miller and moved to Mount Vernon, New York. She then moved to Yonkers in 1981 to raise her three children, and she has been living there for the last 38 years.

I first got to know Cynthia some 24 years ago. She had been volunteering with Mary Gaines at the Nepperhan Community Center, dealing with children in the after-school program. With Mary's influence, I hired Cynthia as an Assistant Aide to help lead my team in Westchester.

Cynthia's work mainly focused on helping constituents with federal issues and problems. And help she did. Thousands of people over the course of two and a half decades were aided by Cynthia Miller, with problems ranging from immigration to Social Security and everything in between. In addition to her work in my office, Cynthia was also an active member in several community groups, including the Black Women's Political Caucus, Aquehung Women's Democratic Club and the Focus Group.

After recently retiring, Cynthia is now enjoying her volunteer work more than ever and loves traveling. This year, the Hudson River Community Association is honoring Cynthia at their annual Spring Dinner. Perhaps I'm a bit partial, but I don't believe they could have found a better honoree. Congratulations to Cynthia, and I thank her for her years of service to the community.

IN HONOR OF RETIRING SAN
FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY
PRESIDENT LES WONG

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 3, 2019

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Dr. Leslie Wong, the retiring President of San Francisco State University. Dr. Wong leaves San Francisco State after seven fruitful years, and it is a stronger, bolder university due to his leadership.

Dr. Wong's calm and effective manner, his warm smile and enthusiasm won me over the first time I met him. We compared notes about the Upper Peninsula where he had just moved from as the President of the Northern Michigan University. Mind you, NMU is in Marquette, a town of 35,000 mostly white people. His new home, SFSU, is in San Francisco, one of the most diverse cities of 880,000 people. He immediately adapted and became part of the fabric of the school and community.

San Francisco State is an urban jewel located in my Congressional District. Its graduates fill the ranks of the state's leadership circles, and its 130+ academic areas, 27 credential programs, multiple certificate, master's degree and doctoral degree programs fuel the regional economy. It is also the home of a multi-cultural student body from around the globe. If you go to San Francisco State, you will receive a world-class education simply by listening to debates in the public areas of the campus or attending one of the many political, cultural and civic affairs programs held annually.

It was into this mix of diversity and activism that Dr. Wong walked when he assumed leadership of San Francisco State in 2012 as its 13th President. He came from Northern Michigan University, where he also served as President from 2004 to 2012. Earlier, he held a variety of leadership posts at universities in North Dakota, Colorado, and Washington State.

He was successful in raising scholarship funds, renovating the San Francisco State gym, and building the Mashouf Wellness Center. At present, the university is also building the new Liberal and Creative Arts Building, the first new academic building on campus in a generation. Dr. Wong was instrumental in bringing the Holloway Mixed-Use Project to fruition to provide for more student housing and to provide for street-level businesses.

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