

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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During his tenure, the six year graduation rates for black and Latino students increased.

Also during his leadership, San Francisco State was designated a Hispanic Serving Institution and is recognized as an Asian American, Native American, and Pacific Islander Serving Institution. It is a little-known fact that the school's faculty and students regularly discover new planets. This is the kind of inquiry that Les Wong inspires throughout the university.

No university worth the title, however, is forever without controversy. In the rich tradition of San Francisco State, Dr. Wong listened to faculty, students and to other stakeholders. His thoughtful dialogues assured the San Francisco State community that the beliefs of all would be listened to and addressed, if possible.

Dr. Wong serves on multiple academic association boards, including the Board of Directors of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, the Bay Area Council and the National Collegiate Athletics Association Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity. He's received numerous national and community awards including the 2014 Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education President's award for Leadership and Contributions in Higher Education.

With his wife, Phyllis, Dr. Wong has three sons and eight grandchildren. He now will step down after 46 years in academia and become grandpa, perhaps his most challenging position yet.

Madam Speaker, San Francisco State was first established in 1899. Since its founding as a school to educate future public school teachers, the university has branched out into science, engineering, business, and the liberal arts and humanities, in addition to education. Each year, it currently graduates 8,000 students, a number so large that, when coupled with parents, friends and other loved ones, necessitates a graduation ceremony in the park where the San Francisco Giants play ball.

For those of us who know and love the university, it comes as no surprise that its departing President came to this university as the final stop along his professional career. When the M Ocean View next stops at Holloway and 19th Avenue, its passengers will eagerly disembark in order to enter the hallways of a fine university made stronger by the leadership of this man.

Thus, we celebrate the irony: One man's final professional stop on a life's journey is the next generation's early stop in pursuit of professional and personal dreams. In his departure, let us salute Leslie E. Wong, PhD. He has been a faithful steward of the phenomenal dream machine known as San Francisco State University. Ultimately, it fulfilled his dreams and those of its students. He is a fortunate man, and we wish him well in the years ahead.

RECOGNIZING CATHY HUGHES

HON. JAMIE RASKIN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 3, 2019

Mr. RASKIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Cathy Hughes, who was recently

inducted into the National Association of Broadcasters Hall of Fame, making her the first African American woman to receive that honor. Cathy's world-famous business, Radio One (now Urban One), is headquartered in my district, in Silver Spring, Maryland, and I am very proud of her and the more than 1,000 people employed there by Urban One.

Cathy began her radio career at KOWH-AM in her hometown of Omaha, Nebraska. In 1971, she became a lecturer at the newly established School of Communications at Howard University, and served as general sales manager at WHUR, Howard University Radio.

She also became the first female Vice President and General Manager of a station in the Nation's Capital and pioneered the format known as the "Quiet Storm," which aired on more than 480 stations nationwide. In 1980, Cathy purchased her flagship station WOL-AM, in Washington, D.C., and pioneered yet another innovative format—"24-Hour Talk from a Black Perspective." With the theme, "Information is Power," she served as the station's morning show host for 11 years.

In 1999, Cathy became the first African-American woman to chair a publicly-held corporation. Along with her son and business partner, she grew what was then Radio One into a multi-media company that became an urban radio market leader with more than 60 stations across the country. It became the first African-American company in radio history to dominate several major markets simultaneously, and Cathy became the first woman to own a radio station that was ranked number one in a major market.

I commend Cathy Hughes for her pioneering contributions over the course of her career and congratulate her on her induction into the National Association of Broadcasters' Broadcasting Hall of Fame.

HONORING GREG MOORE

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 3, 2019

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today, along with Speaker NANCY PELOSI and Representative JACKIE SPEIER, to recognize Greg Moore, an extraordinary park advocate and community leader who has served as President and CEO of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy (GGNPC) for over three decades.

A native of San Francisco, Greg graduated from the University of California, Berkeley, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Conservation of Natural Resources, and he later earned a mid-career fellowship in Environmental Planning from the University of Washington. Greg spent his early career in a variety of planning and management roles with the National Parks Service and other conservation-focused public agencies before becoming the chief operating officer of GGNPC in 1985.

A non-profit membership organization, GGNPC was founded in 1981 to help preserve the now 37 distinct park sites and 80,000 acres that comprise Golden Gate National Parks and to ensure universal access to them. Over the course of Greg's 34-year tenure, GGNPC has become one of the most successful organizations of its kind, having re-

cruited and managed over 250,000 volunteers, restored over 130 miles of trails, preserved 700 historic structures, developed innovative stewardship and education programs, and provided over half a billion dollars in contributions for park programs and projects.

A large part of this success is due to Greg's ability to build relationships within and outside the parks' community. These relationships have led to numerous cross-sector collaborations, community-led stewardship programs, and successful philanthropic campaigns that fostered greater access and support for the Golden Gate National Parks. The post-to-park conversion of Fort Baker, the Presidio of San Francisco, and Crissy Field are all examples of this. Greg played a catalytic role in these locations, transforming decommissioned military facilities into iconic destinations of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

Madam Speaker, Greg Moore's leadership has been integral in preserving a collection of parks that are unparalleled in the National Park System. With a combined volume of yearly visitors that outstrips Yosemite, Yellowstone, Grand Canyon, and Olympic National Parks put together, Golden Gate National Recreation Area has continued to thrive in part because of the program support and culture of stewardship that has been fostered under Greg's leadership. Therefore, please join us in honoring Greg Moore as he steps away from his leadership role and in wishing him success on his future endeavors.

RETIREMENT RECOGNITION FOR
ROBERT A. ALTENKIRCH

HON. MO BROOKS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 3, 2019

Mr. BROOKS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Robert A. Altenkirch of Huntsville, Alabama upon his retirement as President of the University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH). I join Dr. Altenkirch's family, friends, and the UAH community in congratulating him on his exemplary career in academia.

As so many of his students and colleagues can attest, Dr. Altenkirch has had an extraordinary career full of accomplishments. Dr. Altenkirch earned a B.S. from Purdue University, an M.S. from the University of California, Berkeley, and a Ph.D. from Purdue, all in mechanical engineering.

Dr. Altenkirch served as a faculty member and department chair for the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Kentucky from 1975 to 1988. He was then appointed Dean of the College of Engineering at Mississippi State University and served in that position from 1988 to 1995. From 1995 to 1998, Dr. Altenkirch served as Dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture at Washington State University. From 1998 to 2002, Dr. Altenkirch served as Vice President for research at Mississippi State University. After that, he served as President of New Jersey Institute of Technology for nine years. In 2009, he was recognized as one of the hundred and one most influential people in the state of New Jersey.

Dr. Altenkirch was named UAH President on September 2011. Dr. Altenkirch was chosen