

Reverend Evans was the inspirational icon and tireless servant to his church, to his community, and to the people of Chicago and borders beyond. His untimely passing has left us all with yet another stunning and unimaginable loss.

Born in Brownsville, Tennessee, Reverend Evans founded the Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church in 1950. For the next 70 years, he would nourish and strengthen the souls of his flock with his unwavering wisdom, his incorruptible courage, and his unyielding devotion to the Word of the Lord, the Good News, the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Bible, Madam Speaker, says at Psalms 119:105: "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

Reverend Evans lived his faith humbly. He was a prophet to both parishioners and pastors alike. When the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King brought his movement to Chicago, Reverend Evans had the courage to welcome Dr. King into his church against the objections and the retribution of then-Mayor Richard J. Daley and many others.

Reverend Evans was instrumental in founding the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition alongside the Reverend Jesse Louis Jackson, Sr. As chairman of the board of PUSH from 1970 to 1976, Reverend Evans worked diligently to establish Rainbow/PUSH as a national powerhouse in the fight for civil rights.

Madam Speaker, Reverend Evans leaves behind a long legacy of pastors who greatly benefited from his teachings, including Reverend Jesse Jackson, Sr. and Mother Consuella York, the first Chicago woman to be ordained in the Baptist denomination. In total, Reverend Evans ordained 93 preachers and pastors, inspiring them to go forward and spread the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

No celebration of Reverend Evans' life would be complete without mentioning the innovative role music played in his ministry. His radio broadcast reached far and wide into our Nation, into the homes of millions of Americans. Reverend Evans recorded 11 gospel albums and creatively infused gospel music into his sermons, evoking even more truth and life into the Scriptures from which he was preaching.

In October 2007, Reverend Evans graced this very Chamber with his powerful presence, serving as a guest chaplain. It was my deep honor to sponsor Reverend Evans. Even today, I can still feel his presence in the same way that I felt it all those years ago when he took us to church here in this very Chamber.

Madam Speaker, although we all feel deep pain with the passing of Reverend Evans, I am comforted in knowing that he is now with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and with our Father in Heaven.

Reverend Evans' wife, Lutha Mae; his daughters, Gail Claudette Pye and Faith Evans; his sons, Michael and Ralph; and all who loved him are in my

deepest prayers and have my greatest sympathies as they mourn the loss of this truly great religious giant, Reverend Clay Evans.

#### RECOGNIZING COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION WEEK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) for 5 minutes.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Computer Science Education Week.

Ten years ago, this awareness week was established to highlight the important skill set and the role it plays in all industries.

Every year, Computer Science Education Week serves as an opportunity for students in kindergarten through their senior year of high school to learn about the importance of computer science and the opportunities that abound with a skills-based education.

As the co-chair of the bipartisan House Career and Technical Education Caucus, or CTE Caucus, I am proud to support Computer Science Education Week.

Our Nation is facing a skilled worker shortage. With more than 7 million open jobs in the United States, CTE opportunities can offer rewarding professional futures for learners of all ages while simultaneously closing the Nation's skills gap.

One field in particular that needs workers trained in computer science is cybersecurity. I was pleased to cosponsor H.R. 1592, the Cybersecurity Skills Integration Act, alongside my fellow CTE Caucus co-chair, Congressman JIM LANGEVIN from Rhode Island. H.R. 1592 will aid in the development of a critical infrastructure workforce that is well trained to handle cyber threats from bad actors.

The bill authorizes \$10 million to create a competitive grant program within the Department of Education to incorporate cybersecurity education into new and existing CTE programs. Additionally, the bill requires the Department of Education to coordinate with the Department of Homeland Security to better support cybersecurity education programs.

A successful career in any field starts with effective counseling. Far too many students begin their educational careers without fully understanding their options, but empowering students with counseling resources can better prepare learners of all ages for the workforce.

That is why Congressman LANGEVIN and I introduced H.R. 5092, the Counseling for Career Choice Act. H.R. 5092 would authorize \$40 million for grants to be used by States and local education agencies to assess counseling services and create new counseling frameworks.

The bill also provides professional development opportunities to counselors

so that they can better improve their skills to assist their students. We need a workforce that can meet modern technical demands, and students who choose a career in technical education are best suited for that challenge.

Through career and technical education programs like computer science, we can begin to close our Nation's skills gap with helping learners of all ages take control of their professional futures.

#### RECOGNIZING KWAME ONWUACHI

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York (Mr. ESPAILLAT) for 5 minutes.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, New York City is recognized for both its tenacity and its profile as an incubator of elite talents. Perhaps no one embodies these Big Apple virtues more than chef Kwame Onwuachi, a Bronx native.

Chef Kwame's early life was branded by adversity, his early career marked by missteps. However, as a true New Yorker and as a true son of the Bronx, he bounced back.

A fusion of Bronx grit and culinary acuity has catapulted this young man, chef Kwame, from a subway candy salesman to winning a James Beard Award, perhaps the most prestigious award in the culinary world.

Now, as executive chef of the renowned Kith and Kin restaurant right here in Washington, D.C., at The Wharf here in our Nation's Capital, chef Kwame is a shining example of perseverance, prestige, and promise bred in the Bronx.

Go try his curry goat. Go try his oxtails. You will go back again.

Chef Kwame is an exceptional individual, and he continues to make us all proud. He is an inspiration to many.

He is right here with us, Mr. Speaker, in the gallery, and I welcome him to the House of Representatives. He is a Bronx native and now resides here in Washington, D.C. We are proud to have him. He is a young talent. You will be hearing a lot about him in the future, not only in written media, but you will be tasting his fine cuisine in many places around the world.

I congratulate him for having won the James Beard Award and for being a true example of how a young man of color from the Bronx can get up and shine. As the former great champion of the world Muhammad Ali said, he shook up the world.

Congratulations, chef Kwame.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. TONKO). The Chair would remind Members to refrain from making reference to occupants of the gallery.

#### HONORING OFFICER BILL CLARDY III

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. BYRNE) for 5 minutes.