

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF FLOOR DOCUMENTS

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Ms. PELOSI. Madam Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Dear Colleague letter I sent Members on April 6, 2020, in response to the current public health crisis:

APRIL 6, 2020.

DEAR COLLEAGUE: During this time of crisis, House leadership and institutional staff continue to examine all possible steps to protect the health and safety of Members and our staffs, so that we are best able to serve our constituents.

In that spirit, in consultation with the Rules Committee, Committee on House Administration, Office of the Clerk and Office of the Parliamentarian and in accordance with current social distancing guidelines, the House will soon take additional action to reduce the physical presence of Members and staff in the Capitol, by formalizing a new system for submission of documents related to Floor action.

Beginning Tuesday, staff must electronically submit all Floor documents—including bills, resolutions, co-sponsors and extensions of remarks—to a dedicated and secure email system, rather than deliver these materials by hand to staff in the Speaker’s Lobby or Cloakrooms. At this time, Members may still drop off materials in person. Electronic submissions will be accepted when the House is in pro forma session, as well as 15 minutes immediately before and after. This upcoming week’s pro forma sessions will be held Tuesday at 11:30 AM E.T. and Friday at 9:00 AM E.T. Pro forma sessions for the remainder of the month are expected to follow a similar schedule. Later today, the Clerk’s Office will send out detailed guidance on where and how to submit materials.

Please be advised that this policy will be effective through April 19 and may be extended if continued disruption of House operations remains necessary due to the pandemic. Normal practice for Floor submissions will resume once the House returns full-time to the Capitol for regular business.

During this Holy Season for people of many faiths, let us pray for those families who have lost a loved one, those who are sick and those who are ministering to their needs.

Take care, be well and stay strong.

Sincerely,

NANCY.

JADEN HUYNH

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jaden Huynh for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Jaden Huynh is a student at Arvada West High School and received this award because

her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jaden Huynh is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jaden Huynh for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ALEXANDRIA OCASIO-CORTEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Madam Speaker, had there been a recorded vote on H.R. 748 the CARES Act, I would have voted “NO”.

JORDAN ARCHULETA

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jordan Archuleta for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Jordan Archuleta is a student at Arvada West High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jordan Archuleta is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jordan Archuleta for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

REMEMBERING GEORGIA SENATOR JACK HILL

HON. RICK W. ALLEN

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Mr. ALLEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember the life of a Georgia legend, State Senator Jack Hill.

Jack represented his home of Reidsville in the State Senate since 1991. For decades he ensured Georgia’s budget was balanced, fair, and served the people well. The State of Georgia is a better place thanks to his leadership.

His love for his hometown was evident in everything he did, from running his grocery store business as owner and operator of Hill Shopping Center, to serving in the Georgia Air National Guard for over three decades, including as a unit commander and State Inspector General.

While some will say he was a pillar of the community, I believe he wasn’t just a pillar; he was the foundation upon which the pillars were built.

Jack Hill was a true statesman and he will be sorely missed by many, but especially by his wife Ruth Ann, their children, and grandchildren. However, I am confident his impact on our great state will be felt for generations to come.

JACOB GAVALDON

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jacob Gavaldon for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Jacob Gavaldon is a student at Arvada K-8 and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jacob Gavaldon is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jacob Gavaldon for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MAYOR RONNIE DIXON

HON. RICK W. ALLEN

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Mr. ALLEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of one of Georgia’s best, Vidalia Mayor Ronnie Dixon.

Following in his father’s footsteps, Ronnie took office in January 1994 and has dedicated his life to serving the city. Prior to his tenure as Mayor, he served as a member of the City

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Council for 16 years. His commitment to serving the community should inspire us all.

Vidalia is a special place, known for growing the sweetest onions in the world—a distinction which Ronnie was immensely proud. His support of our farmers will be remembered for generations, as agriculture is Georgia's top industry.

Ronnie's passion for service has left a lasting impact on the Vidalia community, and it has been felt throughout the entire state of Georgia. It is my privilege to honor his life and legacy before the United States House of Representatives.

IVAN ROMERO

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Ivan Romero for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Ivan Romero is a student at Arvada West High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Ivan Romero is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Ivan Romero for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MICHAEL WITKOWSKY

HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of Michael Witkowski—a beloved father, grandfather, husband, and friend—who passed away on March 30, 2020, at the age of 80.

Mike was born in Los Angeles on January 14, 1940, to Rebecca and Irving Witkowsky. He graduated from Hamilton High School in 1957 and married Hope Witkowsky in 1959. Last year, I was honored to attend their 60th wedding anniversary.

Mike was an accomplished and well-respected health insurance agent who was committed to providing exemplary service and care to American families. He became an insurance agent with Farmers Insurance Group in 1961 and planned to retire on March 31, 2020. During his extensive and impressive tenure, he received numerous awards from Farmers Insurance, including the Presidents Council, the company's most elite honor for the top one-percent of agents and district managers.

Mike later became a United Healthcare agent in 2008 and continued to receive

awards every year. He was helping people right to the very end, even from his hospital bed. Mike passed away with the largest book of business in Los Angeles County.

In addition to his professional work, Mike was an active member of his local community and a dedicated family member. Hope served as a Torrance City Councilmember and Mike was his wife's biggest supporter. He also volunteered at many local events in Torrance, including running a booth at the Fourth of July celebration and announcing and riding in the annual Armed Forces Parade. From 1968 to 1977, he coached several Little League teams and later volunteered to become an umpire.

Mike never missed an activity that his children or grandchildren participated in. Over one summer in 1999, he took his granddaughters to visit every park in Torrance—one park every day. A die-hard Dodger fan, Michael carried a warm smile wherever he went.

Mike is survived by his wife Hope, his son Daniel, his daughter Debra, his grandchildren Nicole, Stacy, Denise, Max, Elizabeth, and great grandchildren Chloe and Devin. I hope they take comfort in the way Mike lived his life as a patriotic and caring citizen. My wife Betty and I dearly miss our friend Mike. May his memory be a blessing to us all.

JOHN BRAHOSKY

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud John Brahosky for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

John Brahosky is a student at Oberon Middle School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by John Brahosky is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to John Brahosky for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

REMEMBERING AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF SAMUEL LEWIS LIEBERMAN

HON. DINA TITUS

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 10, 2020

Ms. TITUS. Madam Speaker, I rise to remember and celebrate the life of a dear friend, Sam Lieberman.

First, let me say how honored I am today to speak in memory of a fine man, Sam Lieberman, and in celebration of his remarkable life. I want to thank Clifton Whitehurst, who I know was like a brother to Sam and such an amaz-

ing caregiver, Rabbi Mintz who inspires us all with her grace and wisdom, and Sam's mother Sara from whom he inherited so many admirable qualities.

I first met Sam at UNLV in the mid-eighties when he took a political science class from me. He soon became more than just a student passing through. He loved to tell how I threw an eraser at him one time when he fell asleep in class and how I told him he'd have made an A if he hadn't napped through half my lectures—but that is just urban myth. Sam was really a good student, though in no hurry to graduate, a political junkie, and, I soon learned, a die-hard Democrat.

Along with several other students, Sam is pictured in a political brochure from my first election to the State Senate. And he spent many a Saturday in my garage handing out walking packets and directing volunteers.

Sam's diligence and hard work for lots of candidates were rewarded when the Democratic Party elected him Chair from 2008 to 2011. From that position he led the party through some rough patches and some incredible victories. And what fun we had in Tonopah at central committee meetings and especially at the Democratic Convention. Sam was always there: tending to business, helping others, and moving us all in the right direction. He did it with humor, with steadfastness, and with compassion.

He brought those same traits to his position as Regent—and I think he got a chuckle out of now being my boss. He believed so strongly in the value of education and fought to extend its reach to disadvantaged communities. He never let his own disability get in the way—he was everywhere—ball games, regent meetings, public addresses. Everybody knew and loved Sam.

I also saw Sam in Washington when he came to the Hill to advocate for organizations, like NVPEP (People Encouraging People) and Easterseals, that serve those living with disabilities and their families. He was a powerful voice because he spoke from experience; he never bemoaned the fact that he wasn't more mobile; and he proved how someone with conviction could accomplish anything.

Sam was such a good friend—he even once gave me his famous lemon bar recipe but made me promise not to tell anyone the secret ingredients. His passing came as a shock and it is hard to imagine that I won't be seeing him—everywhere I turn—asking his advice, introducing him at some award ceremony (he received many), or sharing a funny story that happened out on the trail. Tom and my mother Betty and I will miss him so very much. His passing is a great loss to Nevada, to the Democratic Party, and to his many friends.

I include in the RECORD the words of Dr. Marta Meana, President of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, in her memorial of Sam Lieberman, along with his official obituary.

Dear University Community,
UNLV lost one of its greatest champions on Friday with the untimely passing of alumnus and Regent Sam Lieberman.

Sam was quite simply a force for good. In so many ways.

His involvement as a UNLV student in the early 1980s set him on a path to pursue, and be a champion for, higher education. After graduating from UNLV with a degree in social work in 1996, Sam served as a member of the UNLV Alumni Association Board and helped start the alumni chapter for the College of Liberal Arts. He would later be