

in 1973. They moved to New Mexico, and then Chicago, before settling back in Pennsylvania where Professor Lee was hired at Moore College of Art and Design.

He was the loving and devoted father to Romana (Cliff), whom they named after the city of Rome where he and Linda first met, son Raymond, and doting grandfather of Hanalee, a naturally talented artist. He raised his children with every devotion and detail, ensuring they had resources, support, guidance and care to grow up well. He sacrificed much to give them a good life and the promise of futures they would be proud of. He was very proud of them all.

Chen Lok Lee passed away on December 13, 2020. Professor Lee leaves behind a legacy of strength, courage, honor and devotion, and touched the lives of all who knew and loved him.

On behalf of the 3rd Congressional District of Pennsylvania and the city of Philadelphia I extend gratitude to the late Chen Lok Lee for his dedicated support and service to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

HONORING LIEUTENANT VEDA FLEETON

HON. NORMA J. TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, December 21, 2020*

Mrs. TORRES of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Lieutenant Veda Fleeton of the California Highway Patrol (CHP) for her 25 years of service. The calling to be a peace officer is one of the highest vocations of public service. An individual who accepts this calling is worthy of the highest respect and honor from their community, the State, and our nation.

Lieutenant Fleeton's career with the California Highway Patrol began on November 6, 1995, and after successfully completing her Academy training, she reported to the East Los Angeles Area as a CHP officer. She was later assigned to the Southern Division, where she excelled in connecting with the public in her many roles. As part of the Southern Division Recruitment Unit, she was dedicated to recruiting the best candidates to protect and serve our communities. While at Southern Division, she also contributed to the Public Information Unit through her interactions with the news media and to numerous Dignitary Protection details where she provided security for top-level dignitaries from around the world. Lieutenant Fleeton also dedicated her time and skills to the Southern Division Background Investigative Unit, a temporary assignment that occurred during her road patrol tenure at Baldwin Park that began in 2003. Within this unit, Lieutenant Fleeton conducted thorough and comprehensive backgrounds for hundreds of applicants who were later chosen to begin their careers with the State highway patrol. Because of her deep engagement with the community in these assignments, Lieutenant Fleeton received multiple accolades for her hard work.

Lieutenant Fleeton was promoted to Sergeant on August 1, 2007 and was assigned to the Morongo Basin Area, later transferring to Rancho Cucamonga Area. As Sergeant, she focused on providing her field officers with in-

valuable direction and guidance. On July 1, 2013, Lieutenant Fleeton was promoted to Lieutenant and was assigned to the Santa Fe Springs Area for two years before transferring to the San Geronio Area. In March 2016, Lieutenant Fleeton was appointed Lieutenant Commander of the CHP's Inland Communications Center in Fontana, where she provided unwavering leadership and guidance to over 75 dispatch and Transportation Management Center (TMC) personnel, including the Riverside and San Bernardino County Freeway Service Patrol programs. Lieutenant Fleeton's unequivocal passion to mentor and develop field officers shined throughout all these roles.

Lieutenant Fleeton officially retired from her service with California Highway Patrol on November 17, 2020. For her remarkable accomplishments and 25 years of commitment to public service as a peace officer in the greater Inland Empire, it is my honor to recognize Lieutenant Veda Fleeton on this day.

HONORING KATHRIN (KATE) SEARS

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, December 21, 2020*

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Kathrin (Kate) Sears for her outstanding career in public service as Marin County's District 3 Supervisor.

Kate has been a resident of Southern Marin for most of her life, and it is the place where she developed the principled values that have guided her private and public careers.

She earned a bachelor's degree in Asian studies at Carleton College in Minnesota, a master's degree in Chinese studies at the University of Washington, a doctorate in political science from the University of Michigan, and a law degree from Harvard University. In 2005, after working as an attorney in a private practice for 16 years, Kate joined the Consumer Law Section of the California Attorney General's Office. In 2011 Governor Jerry Brown appointed Kate to the Marin County Board of Supervisors after the heartbreaking death of Charles McGlashan. She was reelected in 2012 and 2016.

Throughout her tenure on the Board of Supervisors, Kate represented the residents of Marin, its renowned public lands and the environment with passion and skill. She worked to improve public transportation, strengthen services for older adults, and increase affordable housing opportunities. Kate has helped to plan and implement key Marin initiatives including Bay WAVE and Drawdown: Marin. As Chair of Marin Clean Energy, Kate worked to develop energy efficiency programs and expanded electric vehicle charging stations in Marin.

From Angel Island to Muir Woods, Kate has also fought for Marin's parks and open spaces. I am proud to have worked with her to find compromise in resolving community issues, including through the Muir Woods Parking Reservation System.

Kate is a champion for the people and places of Marin County and leaves an appreciable legacy as she retires from the Board of Supervisors. Madam Speaker, I respectfully ask that you join me in honoring Kate for an accomplished tenure, and extend to her best wishes in her future endeavors.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, December 21, 2020*

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I was not present for the following roll call vote. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 248.

REINTRODUCTION OF H.R. 8768, THE "KEEPING AMERICA'S ENERGY RESOURCES MOVING ACT"

HON. SYLVIA R. GARCIA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, December 21, 2020*

Ms. GARCIA of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to echo the words of my Texas friend and colleague, Mr. WEBER, to support the reintroduction of H.R. 768, the "Keeping America's Energy Resources Moving Act". This is vital legislation needed to support a vital industry, the U.S. lightering industry. In turn, this legislation will support our domestic refining industry and its workers and help support U.S. energy security and independence. It is a small technical fix to the law that will allow seafarers aboard lightering vessels to continue to do the vital work they do—import and export crude oil and natural gas to and from our refineries in Texas and the Gulf Coast, Delaware and Southern California. We have bipartisan support for the legislation and the approval of the agencies who will administer and implement this legislation when it becomes law. As my colleague Mr. WEBER has said, we simply ran out of time to move the bill—but we will continue our efforts and press forward in the next Congress. I thank my colleagues for their support of this legislation and look forward to enacting this important technical fix in the next Congress.

HONORING HYNDMAN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF RONALD ALLEN SPIKER

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, December 21, 2020*

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Hyndman Volunteer Fire Department Chief Ronald Allen Spiker, who passed away on December 1, 2020.

Chief Spiker selflessly served the Hyndman Volunteer Fire Department for 30 years. He also was an EMR for the Hyndman Rescue Squad. For this work, he gained a reputation as a man who was always willing to offer help to anyone who needed it. Chief Spiker also generously invested time in teaching and mentoring younger firefighters.

In addition to his service as fire chief, Chief Spiker was a truck driver for his entire professional life and worked at Croner Inc., New Enterprise Stone and Lime, and Rice Tire. He was also a member of the Kennells Mill Sportsmen's Club and the National Rifle Association.