HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF EDWARD PANGELINAN

HON. GREGORIO KILILI CAMACHO SABLAN

OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

Mr. SABLAN. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the life and legacy of the Honorable Edward De Leon Guerrero Pangelinan, a founding father of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, who passed away on February 3.

Mr. Pangelinan was the very first Chamorro from the Northern Marianas to graduate from law school and, so, became the natural leader of our islands in seeking to end the post-World War II United Nations Trusteeship and to become part of the United States. As Chairman of the Marianas Political Status Commission, Mr. Pangelinan with his fellow Commissioners successfully negotiated the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America, which was approved by plebiscite in 1975 and codified in federal law the following year.

His work as reflected in the Covenant agreement then led to United States citizenship for the people of the Marianas during the Administration of President Ronald Reagan and, ultimately, to their representation here in the United States Congress.

Edward Pangelinan's work on behalf of the Marianas did not end with the Covenant. In 1978, he was elected to be our first Resident Representative to the United States, a position that advocated for and foreshadowed representation in Congress. In 1985, President Ronald Reagan appointed Mr. Pangelinan to the Northern Mariana Islands Commission on Federal Laws, where he helped identity areas of the law that should be amended in light of the inclusion of the Marianas into the United States. Later he served as legal counsel and special advisor to Resident Representative Juan N. Babauta and then as advisor to Resident Representative Pete A. Tenorio before retiring from public service in 2009.

Throughout his life, Edward Pangelinan worked tirelessly to bring respect and equity to the indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian communities of the Marianas. In addition to the successes he achieved for his people, Mr. Pangelinan will also be remembered for his unfalteringly optimistic approach to public service. No matter how long the days, or difficult the fights, Mr. Pangelinan by his example will always remind us that change—slow or even impossible though it may seem—can and will happen through perseverance.

Few people use their lives to make as enduring and beneficial an impact on the lives of others as did the Honorable Edward De Leon Guerrero Pangelinan. Please join me in recognizing Mr. Pangelinan's outstanding contributions to the people of the Northern Mariana Islands as we honor his memory.

HONORING THE LIFE OF HARRY BOSWORTH

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, February 7, 2023

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Harry Bosworth in celebration of his extraordinary life and longstanding community involvement.

Born in Geyserville, California in 1938, Mr. Bosworth graduated from Geyserville High School in 1956. He enlisted in the United States Army and was trained in electronics. Following his service in the Army, Mr. Bosworth moved back to Geyserville, married his wife, Karen Bosworth, and opened a hardware store.

When his father passed away in the 1980s, Mr. Bosworth merged his hardware store with his parents' historic Bosworth and Son store, which was opened in 1911. Over the years, the store served many purposes and has become a local institution. Currently it provides hats, apparel and gifts, and appropriately, it houses the Geyserville Historical Society Museum

Like the store and his family, Harry Bosworth became a fixture in the community, and Sonoma County has benefited greatly from his extensive community involvement. Mr. Bosworth, in fact, was often referred to as the "unofficial mayor" of Geyserville. He served on the Geyserville School Board, the Geyserville Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club, the Odd Fellows, the Gevserville Community Foundation, Geyserville Historical Society, and the board of the Geyserville Fire Protection District (now the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection

Mr. Bosworth also served as President of Friends of Lake Sonoma from 2013 through 2015, where his extensive community relationships and passion for local advocacy were instrumental in the completion of an on-site fish weir. He is known locally by his friends and peers for his endless energy and passion for the community. He is survived by his wife, Karen, brother, Charles Beers, his 2 daughters, Rachel and Gretchen, and grand-daughters.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bosworth's enduring and positive impact throughout Sonoma County and decades of public service are worthy of commendation. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor his legacy and express our deep condolences to his family and friends on his passing.

RECOGNIZING 115 YEARS OF THE TIMES LEADER

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, today I honor The Times Leader, a 7 day newspaper covering Northeastern Pennsylvania, on its 115th anniversary. The flagship of the Times Leader Media group, it is a collection of print and digital mediums covering the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre metropolitan. area.

In 1907, Fred C. Kirkendall of The Wilkes-Barre Times and Colonel Ernest G. Smith of The Times Leader combined their newspapers. This new paper operated as The Times Leader until a major strike in 1939 forced the paper to merge with the Wilkes-Barre Record and Evening News. Together, these 3 papers formed The Wilkes-Barre Publishing Company. Col. Smith, John A. Hourigan, Dr. Frederick Johnson and Harrison Smith all contributed to running the successful news company, producing 2 highly read, competing papers: the morning-circulated Wilkes-Barre Record and The Times Leader Evening News

In 1972, as the region was recovering from the effects of the Agnes Flood, the newspapers faced yet another merger, forming a new publication under the name The Wilkes-Barre Times Leader/The Evening News/Wilkes-Barre Record. This long and cumbersome name only lasted until 1978 when Capital Cities Corporation purchased the paper, and once again, it was to be called The Times Leader.

The late 20th century saw significant growth and changes for The Times Leader. In 1987, they began circulating a highly successful Sunday edition, and in 1989, they acquired Greater Pittston's Sunday Dispatch. In 1997, the paper purchased a state-of-the-art printing press that offered the latest printing technologies. By the end of 2000, the Times Leader had also acquired The Dallas Post and The Abington Journal.

Today, The Times Leader, under the direction of publisher Kerry Miscavage and executive editor Joe Soprano, continues to uphold its impressive reputation as an award-winning source of local and regional news. Offering essential news coverage and thoughtful, incisive reporting, the paper has a robust and loyal readership in the region. I wish the entire team at The Times Leader all the best as they celebrate 115 years of outstanding journalism.

CELEBRATING GEORGE HEKOWCZYK'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of heroic American veteran, George Hekowczyk. On February 18th, Mr. Hekowczyk will turn 100 years old. It is my distinct privilege to wish him a happy 100th birthday, especially because it is rare that I find someone older than myself.

Mr. Hekowczyk served in the United States Navy as a Boatswain's Mate Second Class from 1942 through 1946. During his tenure, he served as a deep-sea diver. Mr. Hekowczyk would regularly disable torpedoes on the ocean floor that had failed to detonate. Mr. Hekowczyk's courageous service warrants tremendous praise and recognition; the entire Nation is indebted to him and his generation's commitment to freedom over tyranny.

Our Nation's men and women in uniform are America's greatest assets, and Mr. Hekowczyk's value to this Nation is priceless. That's why, Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct privilege as the United States Representative of the 4th District of Colorado to recognize the