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TRIBUTE TO OFFICER DAVID LYON

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. FOLEY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, too often in Washington and in our districts we are greeted with news stories of public apathy and senseless death. It seems that we are constantly bombarded with accounts that reflect negatively upon humanity.

When we do hear stories of people selflessly helping their fellow man, they are few and far between. For that reason, I would like to take a moment to commend David Lyon, a 2½ year veteran of the U.S. Capitol Police Force.

At around 7 p.m. on January 18, Officer Lyon, who was off duty, was suddenly startled by the sound of a car careening into the river near his home on the Washington waterfront. Without hesitation, he dove into the frigid, winter-chilled water and saved the life of one of the vehicle's passengers.

Like his neighbor, Mr. Courtney Thomas, who saved the other passenger, Officer Lyon displayed enormous character and selflessness.

When confronted with someone in need, Officer Lyon unhesitatingly lent a hand; and his valor should be recognized and applauded.

As a United States Congressman, I am proud that Officer Lyon is part of the distinguished U.S. Capitol Police Force; and, as an ordinary American, I am proud that he showed such concern for his fellow man.

I think it is important to note that the Capitol Police Force who man security around this building are of the finest caliber and quality. They do serve the public and the people of the United States of America in not only protecting our guests and visitors, which number in the millions on an annual basis, but also the property that we consider sacred, this Chamber, the monuments that surround this wonderful complex.

So it is not just Officer Lyon that I speak of today who deserves a great deal of thanks from this body and from all citizens of the United States for his bravery in this very unique and wonderful opportunity to help a fellow human being but, more importantly, that we salute all members of law en-

forcement, both our Capitol Police Force and those that serve around our country.

Mr. Speaker, it is a very, very dangerous job. Many men and women who don uniforms and the badges that they wear go out of their homes and oftentimes their families do not know whether, in fact, they will return safely because of the dangers of just doing their job.

They are not the best paid in our society. In fact, they are paid far too little for the job that they do protecting the civil order of our country.

So tonight in this Chamber in our Nation's Capitol, I salute Officer Lyon for his bravery; and I salute every member of the U.S. Capitol Police Force for their protection of this great Capitol of ours and also all men and women throughout the Nation who honor us by service as law enforcement personnel for this country of ours.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. FORD) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. FORD addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE RON DELLUMS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Mr. DIXON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. DIXON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a gentleman who is leaving this House on this weekend. It is the Honorable RON DELLUMS from Oakland, California.

RON DELLUMS is a very unique person. We could see from the special orders last night that this gentleman, although he may have political differences with many in this House, became a friend to all in this House.

He is unique in that few people can leave this House and say they have made a real contribution to the security of our country. RON DELLUMS has fought diligently for the reduction of defense budgets and has won that battle.

Few of us can say that we have done much to spread democracy around the

world, but his diligence has been proved in Grenada, in Haiti and in South Africa that he has made his mark for democracy and to free all people.

He is unique in that most Members of this House consider him a personal friend. We should be happy for RON DELLUMS making the decision, for he leaves this House with good health and his integrity, and he leaves this House with a mark of pursuing justice for all people.

So I say to you, RON: Godspeed. You have made your mark here in Congress, and we know that you will continue to serve your country well.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of my good friend and long-time colleague, RON DELLUMS. RON has served the people of California's Ninth Congressional District honorably, ably, and with great distinction. He is a powerful champion of the progressive cause who has been at the forefront of many important efforts—from dismantling apartheid to instituting humane social policy. At a time when debate in this body has become acrimonious and at times uncivil, the loss of RON's thoughtful, respectful, calming presence will be widely felt. His voice in this chamber will be sorely missed by this member and this institution.

A product of Oakland, CA, RON DELLUMS is not only a prominent legislator, but an outstanding role model for the young people of his Northern California district. RON rose to his present stature through hard work and dedication to his beliefs and goals. Following service in the U.S. Marine Corps, RON attended Oakland City College where he received an associate of arts degree. RON went on to earn a bachelor of arts degree at San Francisco State University and a master of social welfare degree at the University of California at Berkeley. Upon graduation from Berkeley, RON embarked on a career in social work, job training, and community development. In 1967, he ran successfully for the Berkeley City Council, winning in his first foray into electoral politics. Three years later, in 1970, he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives.

RON DELLUMS' tenure on the Armed Services—now National Security—Committee is indicative of his rise in the House. RON came to the House a strong and outspoken opponent of American involvement in Vietnam and has continued through 26 years to strongly advocate reduced defense spending. RON saw governmental neglect of the educational, economic and health needs of the urban population as a significant threat to our national security. Twenty-two years later, Chairman DELLUMS was presiding over the full Armed Services Committee in the 103rd Congress.

Some in this House were wary when RON became Chairman of Armed Services, but he soon put those reservations to rest. He set an example for fairness from which all members can take a lesson.

While his views on defense spending differed from many of his colleagues, RON faithfully constructed and reported defense authorization bills that reflected the will of his committee and of the House.

RON's leadership in the effort to end apartheid in South Africa stands as just one of his numerous accomplishments during his distinguished House career. Starting in 1971, his first year in the House, RON consistently introduced bills to impose economic sanctions on

the brutally racist apartheid government of South Africa. Fifteen years later, in 1986, Congress enacted South African sanctions over President Reagan's veto. I am proud to have worked with my colleague toward that end, and again commend his leadership on the issue.

Throughout his service in this body, Representative RON DELLUMS has earned the respect, admiration, and friendship of many members on both sides of the aisle. He has witnessed great changes, in the world, the nation, and certainly in this institution. Despite these changes, he has remained steadfast and loyal to his beliefs that our nation must care for all of her citizens if she is to survive as a nation. His has been the moral conscience of a Congress that too often has lost sight of the impact of our policies on all of humankind. As he leaves this institution, he leaves us with a legacy and a mandate to continue our advocacy for peace and for the welfare of all our citizens. His contributions to the House of Representatives, through his intellect, dedication, integrity, and collegiality cannot be overstated. While I regret the loss of a distinguished colleague, I wish RON DELLUMS great happiness and success in his future endeavors.

CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF DR. THOMAS KILGORE

Mr. DIXON. Mr. Speaker, it is also my duty to inform the House that one of the outstanding clergymen in Los Angeles, California, Dr. Thomas Kilgore, passed away this morning. He served as the minister for the Second Baptist Church from 1963 to 1987. He was a confidant of Dr. Martin Luther King. We will miss his leadership in Los Angeles, and we send condolences to his family.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. RUSH) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. RUSH addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

TRIBUTE TO DR. JOHN MORTON-FINNEY, FROM INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Ms. CARSON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. CARSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise on a very humble occasion to pay tribute to the life and work of Dr. John Morton-Finney, a 108-year-old gentleman of my district, and for whom family, friends and admirers paid final tribute on last Saturday.

Dr. John Morton-Finney, the son of George and Mattie M. Gordon Morton-Finney, was born in 1889 in Uniontown, Kentucky. He was the son of a former slave. His ancestors migrated from Ethiopia to what is now Nigeria before becoming enslaved in America. He was reared in a family in which the old people never forgot about their African heritage.

Mr. Morton-Finney was the last surviving member of the World War I Army unit of black soldiers known as

the Buffalo soldiers. Dr. Morton-Finney was also the oldest veteran in the State of Indiana. He never spoke of his involvement as an infantryman in World War I, except to note with pride that he had a citation from General John J. Pershing. During World War II, he was cited for work in the distribution of rationing tickets.

After being honorably discharged from World War I, Dr. Morton-Finney began teaching languages in black colleges, including Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, and Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri.

In 1922, he learned there were openings in the Indianapolis public schools. He decided to join Crispus Attucks High School, of which I am a proud graduate; and he was hired to teach Latin, Greek, German, Spanish and French, some of the languages that he spoke fluently. His career spanned 47 years as teacher, department head and administrator, enriching the lives of his students and colleagues.

Mr. Speaker, I often tell my grandsons, Andre Carson and Sam Carson, that I wish they had an intimate opportunity to meet Dr. Morton-Finney, because they certainly could have learned a lot from a man who had five earned degrees in law. He had a JD from Indiana University School of Law, AB from Butler, and the list of his earned certificates span probably most of my life.

Then he was also cited with a lot of awards for the good work that he did in touching the lives of young people. He often reflected on the tangible awards and citations that he received and his achievement.

Dr. Benjamin Mays, formerly at Morehouse and now Mr. Morton-Finney having joined him in the hereafter, once said, "How can I articulate the depth of my respect and the degree of my admiration for a young man who excelled in life beyond the reach of anyone else?"

And Dr. Mays said that, "It must be borne in mind, however, that the tragedy in life does not lie in reaching your goal. The tragedy lies in having no goal to reach. It is a calamity to die with dreams unfulfilled and it is a calamity not to dream."

□ 1915

"No vision and you perish; no ideal and you are lost; your heart must ever cherish some faith at any cost."

I think that it is imperative for the Congress of the United States to recognize the life and work of Dr. John Martin Finney, who could have easily been a Member of the United States Congress or could have easily been President of these United States, given the amount of attributes and academic achievements that he amassed in his 108 years that he was among us, a very fine individual.

I wanted to pay a special tribute to his daughter Gloria Martin Finney who taught in the Indianapolis public school system for many years and

worked in the administration of the Indianapolis public schools, but I think it is important as well that Dr. John Martin Finney from Indianapolis, Indiana, be saluted for all of the fine work that he did do during his lifetime.

Mr. Speaker, I rise on this most humble occasion to pay tribute to the life and work of Dr. John Morton-Finney, a 108 year old gentleman of my district and for whom family, friends and admirers paid final tributes on Saturday, January 31, 1997.

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After being honorably discharged from World War I, Dr. Morton-Finney began teaching languages in black colleges including Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, and Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Missouri. In 1922, he learned there were openings in the Indianapolis public schools. He decided to join the system and was hired to teach Greek, Latin, German, Spanish, and French, some of the languages he spoke fluently. His career spanned over forty-seven years, as teacher, department head and administrator, enriching the lives of students and his colleagues in the system.

He arrived from St. Louis, Missouri, newly married to the former Pauline Ray, a native of Geneva, New York, and a graduate of Cornell University. Together they enjoyed over fifty-two years of marital contentment, and a daughter, Gloria Ann, was born to their union.

A learned man, Dr. Morton-Finney's education included:

Pd.B., Lincoln Institute, 1916
 A.B., Lincoln Institute, 1920
 A.B., State University of Iowa, 1922
 A.M. (Ed.), Indiana University, Bloomington, 1925
 A.M. (French), Indiana University, Bloomington, 1933
 L.L.B., Lincoln College of Law, 1935
 L.L.B., Indiana Law School, 1944
 L.L.B., Indiana University, 1944
 J.D., Indiana University School of Law, 1946
 A.B., Butler University, 1965
 Litt. D., Lincoln University, 1985
 L.H.D., Butler University, 1989
 Diploma Trial Advocacy, NITA, 1987
 L.L.D., Martin University, 1995
 Certificate of Meditation in Indiana, ICLEF, 1992
 Certificate of Meditation in Indiana, Indiana Bar Association

In addition to the immeasurable rewards a teacher gets from touching the lives of young people, Dr. Morton-Finney often reflected on the tangible awards and citations that he received and his achievements:

Superintendent's License, 1st Grade, Life, Indiana Public Schools