

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF PETER
STROHM'S 65TH BIRTHDAY

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mr. Peter R. Strohm of Mantoloking, New Jersey as his friends and family gather to celebrate his 65th birthday on August 14, 2011. Mr. Strohm has exemplified outstanding dedication toward the members of the community through his professional and civic endeavors. His achievements are truly worthy of this body's recognition.

Mr. Peter Strohm is a successful product of Ocean County, New Jersey. By 1968, Mr. Strohm graduated cum laude from Washington and Lee University with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics. Concurrently, he enlisted in the United States Army Reserve in 1968. He served honorably as a reservist for twenty-eight years, retiring in 1996 as a Lieutenant Colonel. Mr. Strohm further enhanced his education, earning a Juris Doctorate (JD) from the Columbia University School of Law in 1971 and a Masters of Laws (LL.M.) from New York University School of Law in 1981. In 1988, he graduated from the United State Command and General Staff College of Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Mr. Strohm has served as principal with the law firm of Rothstein, Mandell, Strohm, Must & Halm in Lakewood, New Jersey since 1971 and currently serves and chairs several committees on the Ocean County Bar Association and the New Jersey Supreme Court. As a result of his outstanding efforts, he was awarded the 2000 Professionalism Award from the New Jersey State Bar Association.

Since 2006, Peter Strohm has served as a Councilman in the Borough of Mantoloking. He currently maintains this position and continues to represent the interests of the residents of his town. In 2005, Mr. Strohm was appointed by the Governor of New Jersey to serve as a State Officer on the Tidelands Resource Council. He currently serves as State Committeeman, representing the Ocean County Democratic Committee.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in thanking Mr. Peter Strohm for his valuable contributions to the Ocean County Community and congratulate him for 65 outstanding years of commitment.

REFLECTIONS ON SEPTEMBER 11

SPEECH OF

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 9, 2011

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in observance of the tenth anniversary of the tragic events of September 11th, 2001.

First, I would like to take a moment to remember those who lost their lives in the terrorist attacks, and offer my sincerest sympathy and prayers for their families and loved ones.

I would also like to honor the many heroes of that day—the brave men and women who risked life and limb to help those in need. Our first responders never cowered in their call to public service, and were joined by perfect strangers in their efforts. It made me proud to see Americans from diverse backgrounds come together in a common sense of purpose, reminding everyone that our diversity is what makes our country great.

However, I am also reminded of the costs of hate, intolerance, and warfare through any means which is why we must reaffirm our commitment to each other as fellow citizens. We must band together to better our communities and strengthen our country.

Though Sunday is the 10th anniversary of the attacks that took the lives of so many Americans, Sunday also serves as the third time our nation commemorates 9/11 as a national day of remembrance and service. And although it is a day to look back and remember, it is also a day to give back to enable us to move forward.

Volunteerism and service have been themes our country has built on for generations. And now is a time for rebuilding and making our country stronger—brick by brick, block by block.

As we continue our efforts as a legislative body to keep our country safe, I urge all of you who can to honor those whose lives were taken on 9/11 by volunteering in your community this Sunday.

I believe, as Members of Congress, it is important to pass this Resolution, but also as citizens it is important we join together with Americans from all backgrounds in a day of service.

I encourage you all to visit www.serve.gov to find a volunteer opportunity near you.

IN RECOGNITION OF PARMA FIRE
DEPARTMENT'S 9/11 MEMORIAL
DEDICATION CEREMONY

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the City of Parma Fire Department's 9/11 Memorial dedication ceremony. The Parma Fire Department will also be revealing an I-beam from the World Trade Center that will serve as a memorial to the victims of the events on September 11, 2001.

The Parma Fire Department is one of fifteen Northeast Ohio fire departments that have received portions of steel from the fallen World Trade Center. Parma firefighters will dedicate and unveil the beam at the Parma Fire Department training center at Parmatown Mall on Saturday, September 10, 2011. Parma fire-

fighter, Doug Turner says, "This artifact will serve as a memorial to the innocent victims of the attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and Shanksville, Pennsylvania."

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring and remembering some of the country's bravest heroes, the fallen firefighters and all those who sacrificed their lives on September 11, 2001 at the City of Parma Fire Department's 9/11 Memorial dedication ceremony.

IN HONOR OF DR. I.L. MULLINS,
SR.

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Dr. I.L. Mullins, Sr. for his fifty years of dedicated civic leadership and pastoral service to the communities of Thomas County, Georgia. On Saturday, September 24, 2011, Dr. Mullins' family, friends and the First Missionary Baptist Church of Thomasville, Georgia will recognize his half-century of outstanding deeds by hosting a "Golden Jubilee Extravaganza" in his honor.

Dr. Mullins is one of the most courageous and committed individuals that I have ever encountered. He has been a source of counsel and advice as well as a fountain of inspiration for me over the last several years. I have been truly blessed by his warm friendship and support.

Throughout his illustrious career, Dr. Mullins has been a preeminent role model for local government officials and community leaders in Georgia and across our great nation. During the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s, Dr. Mullins marched with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and was instrumental in organizing the local Thomasville branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). Additionally, Dr. Mullins served effectively as a Thomas County Commissioner for five-terms that spanned over two decades.

Over the course of his lifetime, Dr. Mullins has masterfully balanced his civic responsibilities with his academic accomplishments and religious commitments. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Morehouse College in 1957 and went on to obtain his Masters of Divinity from the Interdenominational Theological Center & Gammon Theological Seminary in 1960. Furthermore, Dr. Mullins acquired his Doctor of Divinity degree from Faith College in Birmingham, Alabama in 1979.

Ordained as a minister on December 29, 1957, Dr. Mullins has served as the Pastor of the First Missionary Baptist Church in Thomasville, Georgia since 1961. Through his ministerial service, Dr. Mullins serves as the Dean of the Thomasville Extension Center of the American Baptist Theological Seminary and is a Volunteer Chaplain at Archbold Memorial Hospital.

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