

and vision. I am sad to say that Susan just lost her life to cancer, but, until her very last weeks, she used her life to make a difference in the lives of others. From her work as a founder and director of an innovative neighborhood nursery school and her visionary leadership of the largest and oldest women's political club in Maryland, to her service as a Peace Corps volunteer, Susan sought to enlighten and engage others through education and activism.

Born in North Bay, Ontario and raised in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Susan graduated from Chatham College for Women in 1962. She came to Washington as a young college graduate, working for the Washington Urban League and then the Peace Corps, where she met her husband Richard. They served in the Peace Corps together in Niger. After returning to the Washington, D.C. area and starting a family, Susan became a founder and the first director of the Chevy Chase Baptist Church Children's Center for children aged 6 months to 5 years. An innovative school, CCBC Children's Center became a much sought-after nursery school.

Susan was an active member of the Chevy Chase Historical Society Board. In 2007, she launched a new Historical Society program called "History Go-Round," a series of programs for residents who love to learn about our community's history. The series offered neighbors with similar interests guided visits to historical sites, roundtables led by distinguished speakers, and exploration of historical sites both in the neighborhood and throughout the larger community.

Susan brought the same creativity and enthusiasm to her leadership of the Woman's Suburban Democratic Club, Maryland's oldest and largest political group, which celebrates its 55th anniversary this year. As a board member and president, she led the group to unprecedented growth and activity, encouraging a broader membership and mentoring younger members.

In addition to these achievements, Susan was a Master Gardener, the founder of the Chatham College for Women's Washington Area Alumnae Club, a Democratic precinct chair, and a lifelong activist. In 2005, she was awarded the William Trimble Beatty Award, which is presented to a Chatham College volunteer who embodies the spirit and hard work of that college's founder, Reverend William Trimble Beatty. Even as she has fought her own battle with cancer, she spoke out against the shortage of some cancer drugs and the terrible impact these shortages have on those who so desperately need them.

Mr. Speaker, I was honored to know Susan and to represent her in Congress. As an elected official, I benefitted from her idealism, wisdom, and hard work. More importantly, her strong sense of community and her dedication to building a better, more educated and thoughtful community made the world a better place, and she will be deeply missed.

I send my deepest condolences to her husband Richard and son Martin, stepsons David, Joe, and Peter, and daughter-in-law, Josie, and ask that my colleagues join me in paying tribute to this remarkable woman.

CONGRATULATING GOLD EAGLE
CO. OF CHICAGO FOR RECEIVING
THE PRESIDENT'S "E" AWARD

HON. DANIEL LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2012

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the owners and employees of the Gold Eagle Company of Chicago, Illinois. On May 17, 2012, they will receive the prestigious President's "E" Award from the Department of Commerce. The "E" Award is presented to select American companies that demonstrate excellence in their ability to export American goods abroad. I appreciate the work of the employees and management at this company who have demonstrated leadership and resilience over the past several years.

Creative and successful in its business growth model, Gold Eagle utilizes innovative international marketing strategies that have led to four years of dynamic export expansion. Moreover, Gold Eagle has demonstrated its ability to overcome export barriers, selling its products in more than 75 countries and five continents. To reward rising global sales and its commitment to entering international markets, the Department of Commerce will recognize Gold Eagle at its 50th Annual President's "E" Award Ceremony. The Secretary of Commerce, John Bryson, will present the award. For strengthening America's trade portfolio and creating high-paying jobs, I commend everyone at Gold Eagle for their hard work in pioneering product development and market expansion.

Located on Chicago's Southwest side, Gold Eagle has been an unwavering stalwart of the local economy. The company, founded in 1932, is an industry leader in the manufacturing of automotive and marine engine additives, fluids, and cleaners. This is not the first time Gold Eagle's excellence has been recognized: the company was named by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity as 2008's Manufacturer of the Year, and Chairman Bob Hirsh and Vice President Rich Hirsh were named Ernst & Young's Illinois Entrepreneurs of the Year in 2002. In its mission to create innovative chemical products that help "protect, preserve, and perform," Gold Eagle has been committed to community development, sustainability, and employee satisfaction for over eighty years.

For their efforts in creating manufacturing jobs and providing quality products around the world, I am proud to have Gold Eagle in my district. I wish them my sincerest congratulations as they receive this prestigious award, and thank them for their efforts in driving export growth in this challenging global trade environment.

HONORING MR. GORDON
HIRABAYASHI, RECIPIENT OF
THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF
FREEDOM

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2012

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the late Mr. Gordon Kiyoshi

Hirabayashi and to celebrate his Presidential Medal of Freedom, the Nation's highest civilian honor. As a student at the University of Washington during the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Mr. Hirabayashi resisted the internment of Japanese Americans by refusing to board a bus to an internment camp and by questioning the constitutionality of an imposed curfew.

Mr. Hirabayashi challenged Executive Order 9066, which authorized the Japanese American internment during World War II. Along with Mr. Hirabayashi, Fred Korematsu and Minoru Yasui brought lawsuits before the Supreme Court. Though Mr. Hirabayashi lost his first case in 1943, he would go on to win in 1987 as the evidence proved there was no military reason for the exclusion order.

As Mr. Hirabayashi noted "there was a time when I felt that the Constitution failed me, but with the reversal in the courts and in public statements from the government, I feel that our country has proven that the Constitution is worth upholding. The U.S. government admitted it made a mistake. A country that can do that is a strong country. I have more faith and allegiance to the Constitution than I ever had before."

As the representative of Seattle, I am proud this high honor will be presented, albeit posthumously, to Mr. Hirabayashi. He had the bravery and strength to stand up for civil rights during a time when racism was widespread against Japanese and people of Japanese descent. I join many in honoring Mr. Hirabayashi for his courage.

MAJOR GENERAL ROBERT SCOTT
FRIX

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2012

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Major General Robert Scott Frix, and recognize his 34 years of service in the United States Army. General Frix will be interred May 11, 2012 at Arlington National Cemetery.

Major General Frix served in the United States Army for 34 years as a combat infantryman, Ranger instructor, master parachutist, and master aviator. He served tours in the Vietnam War, Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, and was deployed to Pakistan, Afghanistan, Kenya, and Somalia. Among Major General Frix's decorations are the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star Medal, Air Medals for valor, Meritorious Service Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal.

Major General Frix passed away Thursday, December 15, 2011, at his home in Sequim, Washington. He is survived by his loving wife, Maureen; his sister, Joanna; his brother-in-law, Andrew; his son, Alexander; his daughter-in-law, Kathryn; and his daughter, Michele.

Major General Frix lived his life in dedication to his Country, and he has passed that down to his family. Major General Frix's life serves as an inspiration to all of us on living a life dedicated to service to our country and to our fellow man.