

Mr. Speaker, Bishop Haynes is a pillar of the Dallas community, and his life's work has been devoted to improving the lives of others. Bishop Haynes is joined in his service by his wife, Ms. Vivian King Haynes. The couple has two daughters, Pia and Vrai, and two sons-in-law, Supt. Reginald Williams and Mr. William C. Morris. Bishop Haynes is the proud grandfather of 4 children: Darius Craig Morris, J. Neaul Williams, Chandler Ellington Williams and D'Aria Jesslyn Morris.

IN HONOR OF CHIEF RICK BRAZIEL

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2013

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Chief Rick Braziel as he retires from the Sacramento Police Department, an organization he served admirably over three decades. As the Chief of Police since 2008 and a member of the department since 1979, Rick has been pivotal in upholding and carrying out the mission of the Sacramento Police Department and his leadership will be missed. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring one of Sacramento's finest public servants.

Prior to serving as Chief of Police, Rick, who is a graduate of California State University-Sacramento and the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School, was appointed as the Deputy Chief of the Offices of Operations, Investigations, Technical Services, and Homeland Security and Emergency Services. Rick is a co-author of the book titled *Cop Talk: Essential Communicating Skills for Community Policing* and is nationally recognized for his instruction in communication skills on this topic.

Over the past three decades with the department, Rick has rose through the ranks, holding a variety of positions including K9 Handler, Patrol Sergeant and Watch Commander, and Captain of Special Units and Narcotics. He has also received several professional commendations including the Silver Medal of Valor, Distinguished Service Award, and a Unit Citation. Rick is often noted by his colleagues for his innovative leadership guiding the police force to more effective ways of addressing and preventing crime.

Outside of the police department, Rick enjoys competing in marathons and triathlons, and participating in both the Ironman Triathlon World Championships in Hawaii and the three thousand mile, Race Across America, bicycling race in 2012.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the numerous contributions made by Chief Rick Braziel during his service to the people of Sacramento and our nation. As Rick, his wife Karen, their children, his friends, and colleagues celebrate his retirement, I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking and recognizing him for his many years of service.

MR. DEAN CORGEY APPOINTED TO PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY COMMISSION

HON. AL GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2013

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I would like to acknowledge the appointment of Mr. Dean Corgey to the Port of Houston Authority Commission, on January 16, 2013. Mr. Corgey is well-suited to the position of Port Commissioner, based on his decades of community service, outstanding leadership, and stellar credentials.

Mr. Corgey is a humble man who has worked in various capacities on all four coasts, before he became vice president of the pre-eminent Seafarers International Union's Gulf Coast Region and now a Port Commissioner. I know he will use his numerous talents to ensure the Port of Houston remains a world-class port.

Mr. Speaker, I am blessed to have the opportunity to pay tribute to a dear friend of over ten years. A man of character who can be an extraordinary agent for change. Mr. Corgey is an indefatigable and hardworking individual, who will continue to serve the city of Houston well.

INTRODUCTION OF FEDERAL EMPLOYEES PAID PARENTAL LEAVE ACT

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2013

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, on February 5, 2013 we celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Family and Medical Leave Act. Millions of American families have benefitted from this landmark law that allows workers to take up to 12 weeks of unpaid, job protected leave to care for a new child, a sick family member, or an injured service member in their family.

As we mark this anniversary we also must acknowledge that two decades later our nation's family leave policies have not kept pace with changes to America's families and workforce. FMLA provides unpaid leave, which means families must choose between foregoing a paycheck and caring for a new child or sick loved one.

The Federal government is our nation's largest employer and as such should be leading the way on family-friendly workplace policy. Today, I am introducing the Federal Employees Paid Parental Leave Act, legislation that provides federal employees with 4 weeks of paid leave following the birth, adoption, or fostering of a child. By extending paid parental leave for new parents this bill helps diminish the risk of real economic hardship for the 2 million federal employees following the birth or adoption of a child.

In 2009, the House successfully passed the bill with the bipartisan support of 258 Members. I urge my colleagues in the 113th Congress to focus on job creation efforts while also ensuring that federal leave policy reflects the realities of our nation's workforce in the

21st Century. Thank you to my colleagues Delegate ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON, and Representatives GERALD CONNOLLY, GEORGE MILLER, JOHN CONYERS Jr, and RAUL GRIJALVA for their support of the Federal Employees Paid Parental Leave Act.

RECOGNIZING IAN MONCASTER

HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2013

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Mr. Ian Moncaster, the former President and CEO of the World Affairs Council of Seattle, Washington, for his leadership and achievements over the past eleven years.

Mr. Moncaster has tirelessly devoted himself to enhancing the Seattle World Affairs Council's existing programs and deepening international conversations, helping Americans engage with and understand the world beyond our borders. Under Mr. Moncaster's leadership, over 1,000 public events were generated, including appearances by international notables ranging from United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon and former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, to Nobel Prize winning economist Joseph Stiglitz.

With Mr. Moncaster at the helm, the Global Classroom programs, with their focus on K-12 education, reached more than 23,000 teachers and students in the region. Additionally, the International Visitor Program, supported by the State Department, expanded from 500 to more than 1,000 international visitors per year, contributing an estimated \$2 million dollars in economic impact to the community. More importantly, these programs have helped to break down stereotypes, prejudices and promoted greater understanding while building memorable, lasting relationships across the world.

Last but not least, under Mr. Moncaster's guidance, two new initiatives, the World Affairs Fellows Program and the Young Professionals International Network, have matured to identify and cultivate ideas, talent, and leadership potential.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I honor Mr. Ian Moncaster. His eleven year tenure as the CEO of the World Affairs Council of Seattle has inspired and invigorated thousands of citizens in Washington State and around the world to realize a more secure and peaceful world through dialogue and mutual understanding. I wish Mr. Moncaster the very best on his future endeavors.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2013

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 3, 2009, the day I took office, the national debt was \$10,627,961,295,930.67.

Today, it is \$16,475,048,398,165.79. We've added \$5,847,087,102,235.12 to our debt in 4 years. This is a \$5.8 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a Balanced Budget Amendment.