

Patrol Homeless Outreach Program, which provides professional guidance to homeless people and also feeds 200 people daily in the nation's capital. Additionally, Mr. Lakhani studied both Christian and Muslim texts in grade school, which is where he garnered an interest in diverse beliefs and religious tolerance. Social Vision, the self-funded philanthropic arm of his company, ML Resources LLC., focuses on establishing stronger interfaith relationships, and additionally Mr. Lakhani strongly advocates for defeating terrorism.

Mr. Lakhani's childhood lessons coupled with his work ethic and strong business practices have allowed him to make a great impact on today's society. He has had the opportunity to speak in Rabat, Morocco at the Forum for the Future meeting on behalf of the Arab Business Council, and has received impressive awards, such as the InterFaith Bridge Builders Award at last year's InterFaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing Mr. Lakhani. It is a privilege to represent him and I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

#### IN HONOR OF THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF BEE SWADER MALONE

#### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 8, 2017*

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention today to recognize the birthday of Bee Swader Malone. She will turn 100 on March 30th.

Jessie Beatrice Swader Malone was born on March 30, 1917 in the Pine Grove community on Sand Mountain in DeKalb County, Alabama. Born to Robert and Addie Swader, she grew up on her parents' farm and attended school in nearby High Point and Valley Head, graduating from Valley Head High School in 1937.

Bee was working at J.C. Penney when she first met Marvin E. Malone, Jr., who worked in the shoe department there. They married and settled in Fort Payne, Alabama where Marvin worked for Southland Sox, Inc. They had three daughters: Kay, Ann, and Susan; and three grandchildren: Shannon, Oliver, and Halle; and now Bee is the great-grandmother of two girls: LizaBanks and Bea.

Bee and Marvin ran Malone Mills, a hosiery finishing mill in Fort Payne, for many years. First Presbyterian Church in Fort Payne honored her with a life membership for her active role there over many decades. Bee is still known in the church and far beyond for her excellent cooking, gardening, sewing, and handwork. She has voted in every single presidential election since she turned the legal voting age, which was then 21, and she was profiled in the Times-Journal last November for being one of the oldest registered voters in DeKalb County.

Bee still lives on her own today, in her house of almost 57 years on a hill overlooking Fort Payne. This month Bee will be celebrating her 100th birthday with a gathering of family and friends. Please join me in wishing this centenarian a very happy birthday.

REMEMBERING ENI F. H.  
FALEOMAVAEGA

#### HON. MARK SANFORD

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 8, 2017*

Mr. SANFORD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of our friend and colleague, Eni F. H. Faleomavaega of American Samoa, who passed away on Wednesday, February 22, 2017. He was the longest serving delegate to the House of Representatives, and I had the honor of serving with him over the past few years and when I was first in Congress from 1995 to 2001. It was at the beginning of that chapter that we, freshman members of the class of 1994, soon realized what a wise man he was, and we often looked to him for wisdom and institutional knowledge throughout the years we served together. I will miss that, and I know all of us here in the House extend our deepest sympathies to his wife, Hinanui Hunkin, their 10 children, and their 15 grandchildren. Know that you remain in our thoughts and prayers and that we grieve with you.

#### CONGRATULATING ERNEST AND JOAN RISTER ON THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 8, 2017*

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, while January 1967 brought record-breaking snowstorms to Chicago, Texas had temperatures in the mid-70s. This was perfect for Ernest and Joan Rister of Round Rock, Texas, who joined hands on January 22, 1967 at St. Cyril Methodist Catholic Church in Granger, Texas to become husband and wife.

Decades have passed and the Risters are as devoted to one another as the day they wed. They recently celebrated their 50th anniversary with over 400 guests honoring their Czech and German roots. All in attendance celebrated the Risters' longevity and deep love for one another.

They met in grade school while living in Granger, TX and started dating their freshman year. These two high school sweethearts have been inseparable ever since. Following their wedding, Ernest graduated from Southwestern University in Georgetown and served in the United States Marine Corps. They returned to Texas and moved to Round Rock in 1975, living in the same house ever since.

Ernest currently works as a research chemist and Joan is a retired real estate appraiser. They love the outdoors, gardening, hunting, and fishing. They especially enjoy spending time with their son Ernest Lee Rister, III and his wife Annie, daughter Shelley and her husband Malcolm Middlebrook, and two grandchildren Camryn and Zachary Middlebrook. There's no doubt the Risters have built a happy life together.

Marriages like the Risters are the foundations of one of our most cherished institutions and give us all an ideal to which we can aspire. Their undying love for one another makes both Texas and our nation strong. I congratulate Joan and Ernest on 50 years to-

gether and wish them the best in the years to come.

#### IN MEMORY OF THE HON. ENI F.H. FALEOMAVAEGA

#### HON. BRAD SHERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 8, 2017*

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to include in the RECORD an official statement and tribute written by the family and staff of our former colleague, Congressman Eni F.H. Faleomavaega of American Samoa. Congressman Faleomavaega was a good friend, an outstanding colleague, and a fighter for the people of American Samoa.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF CONGRESSMAN ENI F.H. FALEOMAVAEGA OF AMERICAN SAMOA BY HIS FAMILY AND STAFF

The Honorable Eni F.H. Faleomavaega was American Samoa's longest-serving Delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives, and the first Asian-Pacific American to serve as Chairman of the influential House Foreign Affairs' Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global Environment. He held the matai, or chieftain, orator title of Faleomavaega.

Eni Hunkin, Jr. was born in the village of Vailoatai, American Samoa on August 15, 1943. He was raised in lovely Laie, Hawaii where the skies are blue and "the rainbows spread their shining wings." He played full-back for the Red Raiders at Kahuku High School, graduating in 1962. At the Polyneesian Cultural Center (PCC), he was a canoe paddler and a dancer. In 1964, he graduated from the Church College of Hawaii (BYU-Hawaii) with an Associate of Arts (AA) Degree. He earned a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Political Science from Brigham Young University (1966); a Juris Doctor (JD) from the University of Houston Law School (1972); and a Master of Laws (LLM) from the University of California, Berkeley Boalt Hall School of Law (1973). English was his second language.

From 1973-1975, Eni Hunkin, Jr. served as Administrative Assistant to Paramount Chief A.U. Fuimaono, American Samoa's first elected Representative to Washington, DC. From 1975-1981, he served as Staff Counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, chaired by Congressman Phillip Burton who entrusted Eni with drafting legislation to provide American Samoa with an elected Governor and an elected Delegate. At the advice of late Senate President Paramount Chief Letuli Toloa, Eni returned home to American Samoa to "eat the dust and walk on the rocks" so that he could feel more directly the pains of the people in order to serve them more completely. From 1981-1984, Eni Hunkin, Jr. served as American Samoa's Deputy Attorney General and, from 1985-1988, he served as Lieutenant Governor of American Samoa. In 1988, Eni was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives where he served the people of American Samoa for some 26 years (1989-2015), and would still be serving today if not for illness.

Congressman Faleomavaega wore out his life in the service of his fellow beings and, by extension, he wore out his life in the service of our God. Faleomavaega's works brought American Samoa a Veterans Affairs (VA) clinic, a new Army Reserve Center, more funding per capita than any other State or Territory across many sectors (including education),

over \$4 billion in federal funding from 1995–2012 (with over \$2 billion as a direct result of his advocacy), Medicaid increases, computer labs, dialysis machines, village road improvements, ferries, fire trucks, ambulances, a hotel, funding for an airport tower and other capital improvement projects totaling over \$200 million, assistance for American Samoa's tuna canneries that extended the life of the industry in the Territory, WIC, food stamps, improved water systems, and military academy nominations and scholarships.

Congressman Faleomavaega also guaranteed the voting rights of American Samoa's military men and women, protected and expanded American Samoa's National Park, saw to it that American Samoa was included in the Commemorative Coin Program with a circulating quarter dollar honoring American Samoa's long and proud commitment to the United States, and made sure a postage stamp was issued in honor of American Samoa's Centennial. He was responsible for implementing a law that authorized free medical flights for American Samoa's veterans. He established an American Samoa Economic Development Commission. He obtained money to build high school gymnasiums, renovate and construct a harbor facility in Manu'a, and improve American Samoa's weather station. He also extended direct home loans to American Samoa's veterans.

When American Samoa was hit by a tsunami in 2009, Congressman Faleomavaega turned to his long-time friend, Chairman Kim Seung Youn of the Hanhwa Group, to provide funding to bury American Samoa's dead. Chairman Li Ka-shing of Hutchinson Whampoa also came to Faleomavaega's aid and provided significant private sector funding.

Congressman Faleomavaega also served his constituents individually—handling hundreds of veterans, visa, immigration, Social Security and military cases per year. He sponsored and cosponsored thousands of Bills and Resolutions during his service in the U.S. Congress. According to the Congressional Research Service (CRS), during the 101st–113th Congress, Faleomavaega participated in more than 1,100 U.S. Congressional full committee and subcommittee hearings of the Foreign Affairs and Resource Committees—and chaired and/or spoke in more than 800 hearings. His Floor statements, recorded in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD for historical purposes, are too numerous to count.

Still, this is only a small and known part of the great work he did. From American Samoa to Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Malaysia, South Korea, India, China, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Chile, Taiwan, West Papua, Vatican City, Greece, Norway, Australia, New Zealand, Tonga, Western Samoa, the Marshall Islands, Fiji, Tahiti, Palau, Kiribati, Vanuatu, Micronesia, the Cook Islands, Rapa Nui, and so on and so forth, Congressman Faleomavaega was a statesman like no other. He was a trailblazer, a peacemaker, and a skilled and respected world leader.

He was also a hero, especially to those known to the world as “comfort women”—to those who as young women were coerced into sexual slavery during Japan's colonial and wartime occupation of Asia and the Pacific Islands from the 1930s through the duration of World War II. Congressman Faleomavaega

referred to these victorious survivors as his “grandmothers” and, every time he was in South Korea, he visited and danced with those who lived at the House of Sharing. He cared deeply for them. He dared to hold a hearing for them. He invited them to testify on House Resolution 121, introduced by Congressman Mike Honda and cosponsored by Faleomavaega and others, which called for Japan to formally acknowledge, apologize, and accept responsibility for its Imperial Armed Forces' atrocities. While Resolutions had been offered before, no hearing had ever been held in the U.S. Congress for these women until Faleomavaega held his first hearing as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment. The hearing was historic. It lit the world on fire—and changed the outcome for the surviving “grandmothers,” who finally got an apology from Japan. Congressman Faleomavaega was conferred an Honorary Doctorate Degree by Chonbuk National University in South Korea and was named an Honorary Citizen of Jeollabuk-do.

For Vietnam, Faleomavaega also stood strong and immovable—calling for the U.S. to clean up the mess it left behind after the Vietnam War. As a young soldier in the United States Army, Faleomavaega served in Vietnam from 1966–1969 where he, too, was exposed to Agent Orange—complications from which eventually claimed his life. As Chairman of the Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment, he returned to Vietnam for the first time after 40 years. He returned to Nha Trang where once he was a soldier, and was so moved by the experience that he held historic hearings about Agent Orange remediation, which included testimony from Vietnamese victims and briefings by Vietnam government officials. Although only a Delegate representing the smallest constituency in the U.S. Congress, Faleomavaega was given the high honor by the Socialist Republic of Vietnam of hosting President Truong Tan Sang during his historic visit to Washington, DC in 2013. And while in Vietnam, Faleomavaega and his wife, Hinanui Bambridge Cave Hunkin, were hosted by Prime Minister Nguyen Tan Dung and members of the National Assembly, including Vice Chairwoman Madam Tong Thi Phong, also a Politburo member. Faleomavaega praised Vietnam for great strides in religious freedom, and remained forever grateful for Vietnam's official recognition of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saint, of which he was a member.

Beyond Vietnam, Faleomavaega was a hero to Native Americans, to people in Cambodia whose families were killed by the Khmer Rouge, to the people of West Papua, to the people of Laos whose lands were destroyed by cluster bombs. He was a friend to Prime Minister Narendra Modi of India at a time when Shri Modi needed a friend. Congressman Faleomavaega helped Myanmar, Bahrain, Pakistan and Afghanistan. President Nursultan Nazarbayev of Kazakhstan awarded Faleomavaega the country's highest civilian honor for championing the cause of nuclear nonproliferation and drawing the world's attention to the people of Semipalatinsk and those in the Pacific Islands who had been subjected to Cold War nuclear testing. Although Congressman Faleomavaega was arrested by French commandos when he sailed on the Rainbow Warrior to protest French nuclear testing in Polynesia, he was not deterred. Faleomavaega was a warrior and voyager at

heart—and served as a crew member aboard the Polynesian voyaging canoe, the Hokule'a, which sailed from Tahiti to Hawaii in 1987 with Native Hawaiian navigator Nainoa Thompson at the helm. Faleomavaega was the author of *Navigating the Future: A Samoan Perspective on U.S.-Pacific Relations* (1995). Before his passing, he was writing his second book, which may be printed in memoriam.

He also proudly served in the United States Army Reserve as a Captain, U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps Member, 100 Battalion 442nd Infantry Reserve Unit from 1982–1989, and he always went for broke. Congressman Faleomavaega served on the House Committee on Resources and the Subcommittees on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife (which had broad jurisdiction for matters affecting American Samoa); Indian and Alaska Native Affairs; Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans; and National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands. He also served on the Committee on Foreign Affairs (previously known as International Relations) and the Subcommittees on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment (known as Asia and the Pacific); and the Western Hemisphere. He was a member of the Small Business Committee. Faleomavaega established the Congressional Caucus on U.S.-India Trade and Investment, the Friends of Vietnam Caucus, and the Congressional Caucus on Central Asia.

He was loved both by Democrats and Republicans in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. Upon his passing, many of his colleagues as well as leaders from around the world paid tribute to Congressman Faleomavaega for his extraordinary service and powerful contributions at home and abroad. At home, Congressman Faleomavaega built American Samoa on a foundation of solid rock so that those who follow might be successful. Around the globe, he met with Heads of State—with kings, presidents, rulers and magistrates—but in all his doings, he never forgot the poor and needy. He was a friend to all to the end. He was noble, kind and true.

When interviewed by the United States Capitol Historical Society, Congressman Faleomavaega said he wanted to be remembered for doing his best, that's it. He succeeded. From Tutuila to Manu'a, from one far corner of the earth to another, he will be remembered for doing and being his best. He will be remembered because we hold him dear. We have lost a treasure. We have lost a father, brother, papa, uncle, friend. Surely, the sun has fallen from the sky.

As one pioneer put it, “The journey home ain't always easy. We'll have a hard time getting there. But along the way, we'll see things we've never before seen—great herds of buffalo and big cedar trees on the hills, and maybe even vast expanses of sunflowers in bloom.” For many of us, Eni was like a vast expanse of sunflowers in bloom. We miss him, and love him.

Surrounded by his loved ones, Eni Hunkin, Jr. passed away peacefully on February 22, 2017. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Mrs. Hinanui Bambridge Cave Hunkin and their five children—Temanuata (Mike Laussen), Taulalai (Kolotau Vaitu'ulala), Ra'imana (Malia Rivera), Vaimoana, and Leonne (Taufui-e-valu Vakapuna)—ten grandchildren (Lonne, Eni, Kolotau, Kenzo, Dexter,

Taimana, Taiatea, Tutehau, Maiana, and Robbie)—his sisters (Vaitinasa Salu Hunkin-Finau, Ed.D. and Mrs. Masinaatooa Magalei)—his brother, Mr. Albert Hunkin—and his adopted, or hanai sisters, Mrs. Diane Sauers and the late Mrs. Susie Osborn. His siblings, Mrs. Tuilua'ai Vanisi, Mrs. Arlene McBraun and Mr. Taulauniu Hunkin, as well as his parents, Mr. Eni Hunkin, Sr. and Mrs. Taulalai Manu Hunkin, preceded him.

Leone High Chief Senator Faiivae Iuli Alex Godinet of the American Samoa Legislature (Fono), who formerly served as Faleomavaega's Chief of Staff in American Samoa, and Dr. Lisa Williams, Faleomavaega's Chief of Staff in Washington, DC and his Staff Director for the House Foreign Affairs' Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment, joined with the family in preparing and issuing this statement so as to honor their great mentor who shaped their lives and careers in untold ways. They did so on behalf of the many other staff members who also faithfully served with Congressman Faleomavaega both in American Samoa and Washington, DC, including but not limited to Tavita Richmond, Vili Le'i and Leilani Pimentel.

Mr. and Mrs. Don and Linda Saaga, Major General Robert G. Lee, and many other individuals and organizations too numerous to name, have also paid tribute, including BYU-Hawaii. Noting that one of its most notable alumni has passed away, the university stated, "Eni's life embodies President David O. McKay's prophecy about BYU-Hawaii educating 'men and women whose influence will be felt for good toward the establishment of peace internationally.'"

Although Congressman Eni F.H. Faleomavaega has returned home to the God who made him and now rejoices with his many friends and loved ones on the other side of the veil, his influence remains with us. And so, we take comfort knowing that Jesus Christ is the Light of the world (John 8:12). He is the Promised Messiah. He is our Savior and our King. "He is risen" (Matthew 28:6). As Elder Joseph B. Wirthlin testified, "The Resurrection is not a fable." "On Sunday, the resurrected Lord burst the bonds of death." And because He lives, we will live again. We will meet again. Until then, Jesus Christ "will wipe away all tears from [our] eyes" (Revelation 7:17). Tell it out with joyful voice. All is well.

#### IN HONOR OF THE LIFE OF COLONEL BILL JENRETTE

#### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 8, 2017*

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention today to recognize the life of Colonel Albert W. "Bill" Jenrette who passed away on February 27th.

Colonel Jenrette was born on November 6, 1937 in Conway, SC. He attended the Citadel, and upon graduation, he became a career Army officer.

While he was stationed in Germany for the first time, Colonel Jenrette married Ursula Klauer. Together they had two children, Jennifer and Kevin. Tragically, Kevin was killed in combat in Afghanistan in 2009.

Colonel Jenrette served two tours in Vietnam. After his second tour, he became the JROTC Senior Army Instructor at Lyman ward Military Academy in Camp Hill, Alabama.

Colonel Jenrette received the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star.

After retiring from the Army, Colonel Jenrette returned to Lyman Ward Academy as Commandant of Cadets. In 2007, after a brief stint in the private sector, he returned to Lyman Ward as President. Upon his retirement as President, Colonel Jenrette became Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Chancellor of the Academy at Lyman Ward.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the life and achievements of Colonel Bill Jenrette.

#### RECOGNIZING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY AND CELEBRATING THE IMPORTANCE AND IMPACT OF WOMEN ON AMERICAN SOCIETY AND ECONOMY

#### HON. PAUL TONKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 8, 2017*

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the occasion of International Women's Day. You may also notice that I am wearing red, a symbol of solidarity with the A Day Without Women campaign. This is an important occasion for us to recognize the economic power and impact that women have in our economy and in our lives.

It is long past time that we as a nation provide for fairness in the workplace by ensuring equal pay for equal work, defend the right to choose, end violence against women, secure access to affordable childcare and healthcare for working families, and strengthen paid family leave.

I was proud to march with thousands of my constituents and millions of women all across the country during the Women's March. We showed that we are united and that together we will stand up for one another and speak out for anyone being trampled over, run through or pushed aside. Women are not objects to be owned, objectified or treated as second class citizens. Women's rights are human rights and human rights are women's rights.

The Women's March was an important moment to secure our rights to speak and be heard. Today, on International Women's Day, as many observe the Day Without a Woman Strike, remember that women's voices are the voices of our coworkers, our mothers, sisters, daughters, leaders, community members, consumers, and major economic players.

I stand with the many women today taking part in the Day Without a Woman strike, and the millions more in New York State and throughout the nation who share these values.

#### RECOGNIZING ROBERT STRINGER

#### HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 8, 2017*

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the dedication of Robert Stringer of Gainesville, Georgia. Mr. Stringer exemplifies the hardworking, persevering spirit of the people of Northeast Georgia.

Mr. Stringer retired from his job of 55 years at Oakwood-based Clipper Petroleum on his 80th birthday, February 22nd. He worked as a service technician and construction worker, and, through the years, Mr. Stringer helped maintain gas pumps and tanks at Clipper stores across Georgia and South Carolina.

During his long career, he also raised a beautiful family. Married at 27, he and his wife had two sons and one daughter. He is now a grandfather to six. In his family room at home, Mr. Stringer displays the plaques that he's earned throughout his career next to his many family photographs. His daughter, Betsy Ross, says she is "so proud and thankful that my dad was able to retire when he felt the time was right for him. He is a true inspiration to me and my brothers."

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the diligence and dedication of our own Robert Stringer. He has set an example for Hall County and northeast Georgia with his hard work. I wish him a relaxing and restful retirement—he has earned it.

#### COMMEMORATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF WOODBURY, MINNESOTA

#### HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 8, 2017*

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Woodbury, Minnesota. Located east of Saint Paul on the picturesque high ground between the Mississippi and St. Croix River Valleys, Woodbury has quickly grown from a small farming community to a bustling suburb of 68,000 residents. The city of Woodbury enters its 50th year as a thriving community for all ages, with excellent schools, vibrant businesses and beautiful neighborhoods, lakes and parks.

In the 1840s, settlers primarily from the eastern U.S. and Germany arrived to the area, then called Red Rock by the native Dakota. Settlers soon incorporated the area as a township and named it after former U.S. Senator, Secretary of the Navy and Treasury, and Supreme Court Justice, Levi Woodbury. Much of the wooded land was converted into farmland, and agriculture dominated the area over the course of the next century. As development pressures increased, in 1967 residents chose to incorporate as the city of Woodbury to retain local control over rapid development of the community.

Today, Woodbury is one of the fastest growing Minnesota communities and is currently the state's ninth largest city. Twenty-thousand new residents flocked to the city between 2000–2016 and many more are expected to arrive in the coming years, attracted by its tremendous amenities and easy access to free ways and planned transit connections. Woodbury is home to a flourishing health and wellness industry, and has also drawn countless other businesses to the area, which benefits from one of the most highly educated workforces in the nation. It is no surprise that Woodbury is regularly rated one of the "Best Places to Live" in national rankings.