

I will miss Sherrill Stafford as a public servant, but I will miss him even more as a good friend.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CORRINE BROWN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 18, 2000

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall nos. 180, 181, 182, and 183 I was unavoidably detained and missed these votes. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on all four votes.

HONORING THE CAREER OF LINDA N. CLARK

HON. THOMAS M. DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 18, 2000

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, today I honor Mrs. Linda Clark, principal of Flint Hill Elementary School in Vienna, Virginia. She has been the principal of Flint Hill Elementary for the past 25 years and will be retiring this week. From her humble start as a Third Grade teacher in Illinois to her being named the principal of Flint Hill Elementary in 1975, she has exemplified all that is good about the educational profession.

As principal of Flint Hill Elementary, Linda demonstrated and encouraged creativity and innovation in the classroom. She continually encouraged the staff, students and parents to stretch their talents and strengths and attempt new goals and endeavors, while always respecting the personality, teaching, and learning styles of staff, students, and parents.

Linda has always tried to foster cooperation between her school and her students' community. She held monthly parent coffees in various Flint Hill neighborhoods, and she created "Curriculum Nights" for various grade levels to share with parents. Linda also created "Highlights," a quarterly newsletter sent to all Flint Hill Elementary School families, which provides information on grade level curriculum activities for the upcoming school quarter. While strengthening ties between the school and the community, Linda also was an integral part of maintaining continuing dialogue between the faculty and staff in Flint Hill Elementary. Linda met regularly with staff members to discuss their professional growth and concerns. She always participated in morning and afternoon Flint Hill news programs, and she enjoyed meeting with individual and groups of students to discuss various issues, all-the-while encouraging feedback from students and staff regarding school programs and procedures.

While making Flint Hill Elementary School a friendlier place to learn, Linda took steps to keep herself, her staff, and faculty abreast of new developments in the field of education. To do this, she solicited feedback from many areas of expertise in formulating the school's curriculum. She shared reading material with the staff dealing with educational issues in particular child development: learning styles and brain development. Linda and Flint Elementary are also the proud hosts of the Area

Ill Technology Expo, where Fairfax County School staff and students share and learn about the latest developments in the fields of computer and technological instruction related to POS and SOL objectives. I have had the opportunity to attend this expo on several occasions and can attest to its depth and substance.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I wish to thank Principal Clark for all she has done for Flint Hill Elementary School over the past 25 years. She has been a role model for her students and colleagues, and she exemplifies the ideal of being a "lifelong learner." Her obvious curiosity about the world, its cultures, its people and her love of learning and sharing of knowledge are contagious. I know my colleagues join me in honoring Linda for her 25 years of dedicated service to educating our children and improving our community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. THOMAS M. BARRETT

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 18, 2000

Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to vote Monday, due to family obligations requiring my presence in Milwaukee. I was also present for a vote on Tuesday evening and believe I voted, but my vote was not recorded.

On rollcall No. 187, concerning an amendment (H. Amdt. 709) offered by Representative GEKAS to the Comprehensive Budget Process Reform Act (H.R. 853), I was present but my vote was not recorded. I was present but my vote was not recorded. I had intended to vote "nay."

On rollcall No. 182, Expressing the Sense of the Congress with Regard to In-School Personal Safety Education Programs for Children (H. Con. Res. 309), had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

On rollcall No. 181, regarding the Congressional Oversight of Nuclear Transfers to North Korea Act (H.R. 4251), had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

On rollcall No. 180, regarding Naming a room in the House of Representatives wing of the Capitol in honor of G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery (H. Res. 491), had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

HONORING ROBERT C. MCGANN,
ACTING JUSTICE OF THE NEW
YORK STATE SUPREME COURT

HON. JOSEPH CROWLEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 18, 2000

Mr. CROWLEY. Mr. Speaker, today I honor Judge Robert McGann for his long career of service to the city and state of New York. Judge McGann will be the Guest of Honor at this year's Catholic Lawyers Guild annual dinner on May 24th.

Born on June 11th, 1948, Judge McGann is a native of Queens County. He is a 1969 graduate of Fordham University, where he received a degree in Political Philosophy. He served on the Editorial Board of the Law Re-

view at New York Law School where he was awarded a Juris Doctor degree in 1972.

Upon graduation from law school, Judge McGann was appointed as an Assistant District Attorney in Queens County in 1972, serving under Thomas Mackell, Michael Armstrong and Nicholas Ferraro. In 1976, he was appointed Special Assistant Attorney General in the office of Special Prosecutor John F. Keenan. From 1981 to 1986, he was an Inspector General in the administration of New York City Mayor Edward Koch.

Mayor Koch appointed him to the New York City Criminal Court in 1986. He has served as Justice of the Supreme Court by Designation since 1995.

Judge McGann has been an Adjunct Associate Professor of Criminal Justice at St. John's University since 1977. He has lectured nationally on arson and other Fire Service related issues. He attended the National College of District Attorneys and the Cornell Organized Crime School.

He is a member of the Queens County Bar and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. Judge McGann is also a member of the Catholic Lawyers Guild and is active in his parish, St. Andrew Avellino.

Judge McGann and his wife, Jane, are the proud parents of two daughters, Laura and Elizabeth.

Mr. Speaker, please join me recognizing Judge Robert C. McGann on a distinguished career, and his lifetime of commitment to Queens County and New York City.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL BIKE TO
WORK WEEK AND THE CON-
TRIBUTION OF THE LONG BEACH
BIKESTATION

HON. STEPHEN HORN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 18, 2000

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, May 14–20 is National Bike to Work Week. As a longtime supporter of bicycling, I encourage Americans to participate in this week of safe cycling as an alternative way to commute. As concerns rise about congestion on our roads and more air pollution, many workers forget about an alternative that is good for the soul and the environment.

Many commuters must rely on cars or public transit to get to work or school. However, for many, biking to work represents an often overlooked alternative. The bicycle represents a clean and convenient method of travel that more Americans are utilizing to stay fit, avoid traffic jams, parking hassles and expense, and promote clean air.

One development that is helping to make biking more attractive to commuters is located in the district I represent. The Long Beach Bikestation offers a public bike/transit center strategically located in downtown Long Beach to help people ride their bikes to work. Fifty thousand bikes have been used by satisfied customers. This facility won the Federal Highway Administration's Environmental Excellence award for Excellence in Community Livability in 1999. The Bikestation connects to more than 30 miles of suburban bike paths, downtown employment, shopping and a dining district. Modeled after facilities in Europe and