

RECOGNIZING EAST MT. ZION  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ON  
ITS 180TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. JEFF MILLER**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 19, 2008*

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, it is an honor for me to rise today in recognition of East Mt. Zion United Methodist Church on its 180th Anniversary.

For the past 180 years, East Mt. Zion has continued to inspire people throughout the Northwest Florida area. The church has withstood the societal, geographical, and archeological changes that have occurred over its long history, thus authorizing its member's constant faith and enduring dedication.

Opening amidst humble beginnings, East Mt. Zion was initially a rudimentary structure built out of logs. After fire destroyed the building, its members rebuilt the church with whatever materials were available. Logs from a nearby forest were used for the walls and slabs from a local sawmill were made into the pews. In the early twentieth century a more modern church was constructed. Services were held in that location until 1956, when the present church began construction. Since then, the congregation has continued to grow exponentially as worshippers throughout the Northwest Florida area travel to East Mt. Zion.

Over the years, East Mt. Zion has served as a great source of inspiration for its members, who have always helped participate in the betterment of the church. Bake sales, quilt sales, and various other fundraisers were held by the members to raise costs for the various construction projects that the church has held over the years. Their enduring dedication serves as testimony to the excellence of East Mt. Zion and this milestone anniversary is evidence of the greatness the church has achieved.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I am proud to recognize East Mt. Zion on this outstanding achievement.

TRIBUTE TO MELVIN MCCREE

**HON. DALE E. KILDEE**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 19, 2008*

Mr. KILDEE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Melvin Phillip McCree. Melvin passed away on November 12th following a long illness and a tribute will be held tomorrow in remembrance of his life and work.

After graduating from Flint Northern High School, where he was the Student Council President, Melvin went on to graduate from Mott Community College. He continued his studies at Western Michigan University and the University of Michigan-Flint. In 1981 he was elected to the Flint City Council for the Fifth Ward. During his service on the Council, he was elected to a record-setting 5 consecutive terms as Council President.

Appointed to the position of Register of Deeds in 1990, Melvin was re-elected for 4 more terms. During the 18 years he served as

Register of Deeds, Melvin sought to bring the office into the 21st century. He was diligent in implementing new technologies to provide better service to the public. Melvin developed an office website, a system to scan and store all documents digitally, and the ability to provide documents to the public in a variety of media. Through his foresight, the Genesee County Register of Deeds office is a model for other county offices to image and store records.

Melvin McCree was an enthusiastic, conscientious public servant, an insightful innovator, and a thoughtful humanitarian. I knew Melvin since he was a child and I watched him grow and develop into a good man, and a kind friend. I valued his counsel, his sense of humor, and his community spirit.

Madam Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to rise with me and honor Melvin Phillip McCree. The people of Genesee County have lost a dedicated public official and I mourn his passing.

IN CELEBRATION OF DENIS  
O'SULLIVAN'S 75TH BIRTHDAY

**HON. JIM COSTA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 19, 2008*

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 75th birthday of Mr. Denis O'Sullivan, a wonderful brother-in-law, husband, and father. He is married to Elizabeth O'Sullivan, and has made his home in Moun-tain Lakes, New Jersey for the past 35 years.

Denis was born December 2, 1933 in New York City at Lennox Hill Hospital. He was educated in New York State Schools and was founder-owner of O'Sullivan Menu Publishing. His company started small, with a staff of less than 10, and grew to employ over 200 people in the United States and England.

O'Sullivan Menu Publishing had a groundbreaking impact on the airline industry by providing the first comprehensive service for the creation and production of printed menus. These international menus were translated into 84 different languages.

Since retirement in early 2008, Denis has been intently working for charitable and philanthropic causes. He currently serves on three individual boards in various capacities, including President. For many years he supported the fundraising activities of St. Clare's hospital in Denville, New Jersey. He is currently Vice-Chairman of the Board of the Visiting Nurse Association of Northern New Jersey, and maintains special interest in their Alzheimer's disease support facility.

Denis is a loving and generous father of three as well as a step-father of three. His unstinting support of education for all of these children has produced six college educations and three post-graduate degrees. Denis' six grandchildren are an enduring source of love, pride, and pleasure in his life.

I thank Denis for the countless lives that he has touched through his many accomplishments. It is for these reasons that I join Denis O'Sullivan's family and friends in wishing him a blessed 75th birthday and continued health and happiness in the years to come.

ROBERT CRIBBS

**HON. JOHN T. DOOLITTLE**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 19, 2008*

Mr. DOOLITTLE. Madam Speaker, on October 30, 2008, Robert Cribbs passed away in the presence of his loving family. Bob was a true innovator who successfully developed five high technology companies. He was also deeply committed to his personal interests, most notably in the area of Egyptian culture. Bob was recognized throughout his life for his great work, and his presence as an entrepreneur, professor, scientist, father, husband and friend will be sorely missed.

Bob came to California after graduating from the Carnegie Institute of Technology with a degree in physics. He arrived with his wife, Donna, and two infant boys, Mark and Bob, to work at Aerojet General Corporation. Soon after, Bob and Donna's daughter, Sherry, was born. In 1967, Bob left Aerojet to form Electra-Physics Laboratories (EPL), located in Folsom. After General Electric became interested in EPL and purchased the rights to work with part of the company, the remaining division was named Folsom Research Inc. (FRI) and moved to Rancho Cordova. FRI was bought by Barco, and soon after Bob formed SoniPulse, Inc., in El Dorado Hills. Bob also co-founded a medical company, LipoSonix, Inc.

Bob was an expert in ultrasound technology. He used this knowledge not only to further important medical research, but also for discovery as he explored the pyramids in the Valley of the Kings in search of the burial chamber of pharaoh Seti using ultrasound and RF equipment to locate the tomb. Bob's keen interest in Egyptian music also led him to prove that Pythagoras actually stole the musical scale from the Egyptians.

Bob's life was full of accomplishments, and those of us who were fortunate enough to know him will miss him dearly. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife of 51 years, Donna; his children Bob, Mark and Sherry; his grandchildren Tensor Chen, Weijing Chen, Jason, Sommer, Royce, Anneleise and Gretchen; and his great-grandchild Adam.

HONORING MANCINI'S CHAR  
HOUSE ON THE OCCASION OF ITS  
60TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 19, 2008*

Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota. Madam Speaker, it is my great pleasure to rise to pay tribute to the Mancini family and all employees of Mancini's Char House and Lounge in Saint Paul in honor of their 60th anniversary year. Mancini's restaurant has earned a legendary reputation for hospitality, serving a gathering place for generations of Saint Paul families, friends, as well as quite a few local and national sports stars and celebrities. Anybody who comes to Mancini's looks forward to having a great meal and a special occasion.

It all began with Nick Mancini, who opened his first small tavern on Saint Paul's West 7th