

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF MILLER-KEYSTONE BLOOD CENTER GRAND OPENING

HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

Mr. GERLACH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Miller-Keystone Blood Center on its Grand Opening Celebration of its donor center in Lionville, Pennsylvania and to honor this healthcare institution for its commitment to serving the community.

In the forty years since its establishment in 1971, Miller-Keystone Blood Center has delivered the safe, reliable, and vital blood supply that our community needs. Miller-Keystone is the exclusive supplier of blood products to twenty-one hospitals in ten Pennsylvania and New Jersey counties, including having been the sole supplier to Pottstown Memorial Medical Center since 1997. In July 2010, the Center was announced as the exclusive blood provider to Brandywine Hospital and Phoenixville Hospital. No other blood organization supplies these facilities and only blood donated through Miller-Keystone is being transfused at these facilities.

Miller-Keystone Blood Center's new Lionville Donor Center will offer appointments both days and evenings, weekdays and weekends, providing residents throughout the Chester County region with many convenient opportunities to make a like-saving blood, platelet or plasma donation.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in recognizing Miller-Keystone Blood Center on the occasion of the Grand Opening Celebration of its donor center in Lionville, Pennsylvania and to honor this healthcare institution for its commitment to serving the essential blood product supply needs of its community.

ELIMINATING TAXPAYER FINANCING OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

SPEECH OF

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 26, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 359) to reduce Federal spending and the deficit by terminating taxpayer financing of presidential election campaigns and party conventions:

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Chair, I rise in opposition to H.R. 359, which would repeal the presidential public funding system. Thanks to Wall Street, unemployment is nominally at 9.4 percent but in actuality is much higher and foreclosures continue to defy efforts to get them under control. Thousands die from no or inadequate access to medical care every year be-

cause the health insurance companies have given rise to one of the most expensive, least accessible, and lowest quality health care systems in the developed world. Defense companies profit handsomely off of two major wars, one of which is still expanding almost 10 years on. Fossil fuel companies continue to alter the planet at a pace that has been declared not only a major environmental and economic issue, but also a national security issue. According to the Congressional Research Service, "in 2007, the top 5 percent of wealth owners accounted for about 60 percent of all wealth accumulated by households."

These are also industries who happen to contribute mightily to campaigns of both parties. The Center for Responsive Politics estimates that special interests spent \$281.6 million during the 2010 election cycle. These industries are not contributing out of the goodness of their hearts, but because their large investments pay dividends. It is the cost of doing business.

This is not a situation in which it is a good idea to give the wealthy more influence over the public's governance. But H.R. 359 will do that. By reducing the opt-in, voluntary contribution to presidential campaigns, this Congress will declare that the vast majority of Americans should have less influence over the selection of its government and the corporations should have more.

Instead, we should be demanding full public financing of elections with small maximum contributions. We should be amending the Constitution to clarify that our founders did not intend to create a system in which one dollar equals one vote. And we must reverse the corrosive decision to grant corporations the same rights as people in the eyes of the law.

We can do better. A thriving democracy demands it.

PADRE EUSEBIO FRANCISCO KINO, S.J. "THE NOBLEST SOUTHWESTERNER OF ALL"

HON. RAÚL M. GRIJALVA

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, former Secretary of the Interior and Arizona Congressman Stewart L. Udall captured the essence of the life and legacy of Jesuit missionary and explorer Eusebio Francisco Kino when he wrote "His vision—and his ability to command the affection and loyalty of the native peoples he encountered—made him the preeminent pathfinder and mission builder in the West. . . . [He] dared to believe that, armed only with love, he could mount a horse and discover new lands and peoples and at the same time serve his Lord by extending the boundaries of Christendom."

Padre Kino was a mission builder and itinerant priest who made 50 expeditions totaling over 19,000 miles beyond the then Span-

ish frontier into today's Arizona and California. Kino's phenomenal horseback rides of great distance and breakneck speed required all the physical and mental strength that only the best of the world's horsemen could possess. For this reason Padre Kino is historically known as "The Padre on Horseback."

Padre Kino was born Eusebio Chini in 1645 in the village of Segno located in the Italian Alps—twenty miles from the birthplace of the grandfather of Arizona's former U.S. Senator Dennis DeConcini. Padre Kino gave up his career as an Old World university professor to become a missionary in the New World. For his last 24 years he labored tirelessly as a Catholic priest in his Sonoran Desert parish—the 50,000 square mile Pimería Alta (now southern Arizona and northern Sonora).

Before this assignment, Padre Kino worked for 3 years in the inhospitable deserts of Baja California but the ill-fated settlement effort was abandoned under order of the Spanish King. Padre Kino was saddened to leave the native people of Baja, but for the rest of his life Padre Kino never forgot them. He helped renew the missionary efforts and supplied much needed food and supplies from his missions farms and ranches on the other side of the Gulf of California.

As part of his work, Padre Kino was an accomplished builder, agriculturist, and cattleman.

He founded 24 missions including the beautiful Arizona mission San Xavier del Bac near Tucson—still an active parish church in the heart of the San Xavier District of the O'odham Nation. He also founded the missions at Tumacacori and Guevavi which are now part of our national park system's Tumacacori National Historical Park. He was among the first Europeans to see the Casa Grande Ruins—now another of our country's national monuments.

Padre Kino introduced horses, cattle and other herd animals, and the cultivation of Old World fruits and wheat into Arizona. Under his instruction the native people quickly learned new agricultural practices which stabilized their food supply. By his words in official reports to his superiors and by his actions in his work Padre Kino expressed his heartfelt conviction that missionary efforts begins with respect for the native people and the physical betterment of their lives.

Padre Kino was also a frontier diplomat who promoted peace among the warring tribes he encountered, and between the native people and the Spanish military. He demanded that the Spanish military and settlers respect the native people as their fellow humans. Before his arrival to the Pimería, Kino obtained a decree from King Carlos II that prohibited the native people from being enslaved to work in the Spanish mines and haciendas. He defended the native people from the claims of powerful interests who coveted their lands and labor and who relentlessly attempted to undermine his missionary efforts right up until his final days on earth.

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Padre Kino was a gifted scientist and cartographer having been a student and a professor in Europe's greatest universities. His careful scientific observations made during his journeys of exploration resulted in the first reliable definitive historical chronicles and accurate maps of these previously unknown lands. His maps of the Pimería Alta and its adjacent regions were widely published in Europe during his lifetime and were used for over a century afterwards.

During Padre Kino's lifetime it was the commonly held belief that California was an island and separated from the North American mainland. At the Blue Shell Conference at San Xavier Mission he consulted with the native people throughout the region about the widespread trading of abalone shells. He heard from them that the shells originated on the Pacific Ocean coast of Baja California. Padre Kino then hypothesized that California was not an island and that a land route to Baja California did exist. Numerous expeditions to the Colorado River and its delta were necessary to prove his hypothesis. His discovery led to renewed efforts to build new missions serving the destitute native peoples of Baja California during his lifetime. It also prepared the way for the founding of the City of San Francisco, in present day California, by the De Anza expedition. These undertakings could have only succeeded with the support provided by the extensive chain of missions, farms and ranches built by the native people and Padre Kino.

Padre Kino died in Magdalena, Sonora on March 15, 1711 after saying the Mass for dedication for a new chapel for St. Francisco Xavier, his patron saint. His death bed consisted of his usual bed on the ground. His bed was made from his horse blankets with his saddle as a pillow. Padre Kino died at the age of 66.

Through his great faith and intellect, his gentle charisma and stamina, Padre Kino forever transformed the lives and hearts of all people living in the Pimería Alta and the Californias. The native peoples of the region still revere and love their Padre on Horseback.

In 1965 Padre Kino was honored by the citizens of Arizona as the State's founder and its preeminent pioneer by the dedication of his statue in the Statuary Hall of the U.S. Capitol Building. The ceremony was attended by dignitaries from all over the world. This event was the catalyst to the Federal Government of Mexico to successfully complete in May 1966 Padre Kino's mortal remains. This ended a 40-year search for his grave. In May 2006 the Archdiocese of Hermosillo submitted the official documents to the Vatican to start the process of Canonization for Padre Kino's formal recognition as a saint by the Catholic Church.

Now on this day, March 15, 2011 which is the 300th year anniversary of his death, the Kino Heritage Society is issuing its own designed private U.S. postage stamp and cancel mark. This stamp will be cancelled by the United States Postal Service at a community-wide event honoring Padre Kino at the Postal History Foundation in Tucson, Arizona.

Other extensive celebrations of Padre Kino's life and legacy are being held this year in Italy, Mexico and other communities in the United States for this heroic man described by the noted historian Lawrence Clark Powell as "the noblest Southwesterner of all."

HONORING DALTON VERNON MARTIN FOR HIS LIFETIME OF SERVICE TO AMERICA

HON. BILL CASSIDY

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

Mr. CASSIDY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Dalton Vernon Martin, Chief Petty Officer, United States Navy (Ret.), and Sherriff's Deputy, East Baton Rouge Sherriff's Department, who passed away on January 23, 2011.

Born in St. Francisville, Louisiana on November 11, 1921, Mr. Martin first excelled as a high school boxer, compiling a record of 63 victories in 65 bouts. He dedicated that resolve and fighting spirit towards serving and defending his country, enlisting in the U.S. Navy to fight in World War II and the Korean War, including the Pacific battles of the Gilbert and Marshall Islands, Tarawa, and Okinawa.

After a distinguished 38 year career in the Armed Forces, Mr. Martin retired from active duty and embarked on a new mission of service as a Deputy of the East Baton Rouge Sherriff's office. Here, Mr. Martin spent 23 years protecting his fellow citizens and upholding the rule of law.

Mr. Martin lived a life of service, but he never sought to label himself as the hero he truly was. He spoke honestly and openly about the fear and sadness that are inseparable from the glory and honor of serving in combat. He was grateful for the opportunities afforded by his service to visit the farthest reaches of the world, but he served for no other reason than to defend his country and one day return home to his beloved Louisiana.

If the measure of a person is by what they leave behind, then Mr. Martin sets a standard to which we should all aspire. His life's story is yet another testament to the strength and legacy of the Greatest Generation. And for his wife, Christy, his children, Paul, John and Susan, and his grandchildren, Erin, Tristan, Madeleine, Jack, Lauren and Caroline, his spirit and legacy live on. The country he helped to preserve as the greatest beacon for freedom and opportunity in the world remains forever grateful.

HONORING THE BROADWAY THEATRE OF PITMAN, NEW JERSEY ON ITS PERRY AWARDS

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Broadway Theatre of Pitman, New Jersey and its production of "All Shook Up" for the honors it received at the New Jersey Association of Community Theater's Perry Awards.

Opened in May 1926, the Broadway originally operated as a fully equipped movie and vaudeville theatre. Thanks to a strong community effort, the Broadway Theatre of Pitman reopened its doors in 2007. The theatre's owner Peter Stack has worked with the Greater Pitman Chamber of Commerce to preserve the theatre's history.

Each year the Broadway Theatre presents six main stage productions including comedies, dramas, and musicals. This historic 900-seat house is unique, combining the allure of the old-time theatre experience with modern themed shows and performances.

The theatre received several awards at this year's New Jersey Association of Community Theater's Perry Awards. The production of "All Shook Up," a lighthearted musical comedy based on Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night," was named Best Production of a Musical. In addition, the show's female star, Nicole Mangano, won the award for Best Youth Lead Actress in a Musical. The production also won awards for Best Lighting and Best Sound Design of a Musical thanks to the work of Shawn McGovern and Chris Rodig.

Mr. Speaker, the Broadway Theatre of Pitman and these individuals should be recognized for their achievement at the Perry Awards. I look forward to the Broadway Theatre of Pitman educating and entertaining the South Jersey community for many years to come.

RECOGNIZING THE PASSING OF COLONEL GREG MALLOY

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, it is with great sadness that I rise today to recognize the passing of Colonel Greg Malloy. Colonel Malloy exemplified the character and commitment of a true law enforcement officer. His tragic passing is an enormous loss for the northwest Florida community.

Colonel Malloy started working for the Florida Department of Corrections in 1988. He served the state of Florida with honor and distinction, and in 2010, his leadership and esteemed service was recognized when he was promoted to the rank of Colonel, the highest designation for a corrections officer.

Colonel Malloy was working as part of the Holmes Correctional Institution K-9 tracking team assisting in pursuit of a suspect in a double homicide case. Law enforcement officers were alerted to the presence of the suspect by a local hunter who, after being shot at by the suspect, called 911. Colonel Malloy and the responding officers tracked the suspect in the woods for an hour when the suspect doubled back and ambushed the tracking teams. Colonel Malloy was mortally wounded in the ensuing gunfire.

Our law enforcement officers put themselves in danger to protect the families, friends, neighbors and citizens of their local community. Colonel Malloy paid the ultimate price; however, his bravery and dedication to serving the residents of his community and the state of Florida live on.

Colonel Malloy remains in the hearts and minds of those around him, not only as a well respected law enforcement officer, but as a loving husband, father, and son. He is survived by his wife Donna, daughter Payton, father Lynton, mother Sue, step-father Michael and sister Deidra.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I extend my deepest condolences to Colonel Malloy's family. A committed community leader and loving family man, he paid