

## PASSING OF ANTHONY SHADID

**HON. DAN BOREN**

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 29, 2012*

Mr. BOREN. Mr. Speaker, last week the world lost an incredible journalist, and Oklahoma lost a son: Anthony Shadid. At the time of his death Anthony was covering the turmoil in Syria, despite the many attempts to limit media coverage of the violence. This attitude marked Anthony's entire career—he put the importance of sharing information before his personal safety. For 15 years, Anthony worked relentlessly to investigate and bring to light the events in the Middle East.

Anthony was a two-time Pulitzer Prize winner for his reporting on the US invasion of Iraq in 2004 and for the withdrawal of US troops six years later, but he transcended traditional reporting. He was unafraid as he pushed into the front lines, and he often faced dangerous situations head-on.

While Anthony Shadid will always be remembered for his courageous reporting, he also leaves behind a loving family. Anthony's wife, Nada Bakri, is also a reporter for the New York Times; Anthony also has two young children, Malik and Laila. Several members of his family remain in Oklahoma, including his cousin Ed Shadid, a city councilman in Oklahoma City.

My family's deepest sympathies go out to the Shadid's and everyone else whose life was touched by Anthony.

## IN HONOR OF LARRY HORAN

**HON. SAM FARR**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 29, 2012*

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of myself and my late father, State Senator Fred Farr, to honor the life of a dear family friend, Larry Horan, who died recently at the all too young age of eighty-two following a short illness. Larry became a dear personal friend of my father, and for much of my own life, was like an uncle to me. He was a skilled lawyer and devoted family man whose example of public service and dedication to others served as a model for everybody who has the good fortune to know him.

Larry and his wife of fifty-eight years, Jean, were both University of California graduates. They raised five children who in turn gave them twelve grandchildren. Larry and Jean's deep friendship with my late father made them almost a part of my own family, and I theirs. Indeed, as Larry's melanoma took hold, he and Jean approached my wife Shary to help them work the issues that they faced as the end of Larry's life neared. Horan was a devout Catholic who attended 8 a.m. Mass at the Carmelite Monastery virtually every day. I always knew Larry to be concerned about the others around him. It was never about Larry. I don't think he had a negative bone in his body.

Larry was an attorney for more than fifty years and one of the most respected in Monterey County. During a rich and full life, he directed the Peace Corps in three Central and

South American countries, was a regional director of President Johnson's War on Poverty, served on the board of the Monterey Institute of International Studies, and was a leader of the Special Olympics. Horan's wide-ranging law practice included civil litigation, conservation easements, and land use among other areas. Upon graduation from the Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California, Larry signed on as a prosecutor in the Alameda County District Attorney's office. After five years as a prosecutor, my father, then state Sen. Fred Farr, lured Larry and his wife Jean to the Monterey Peninsula in 1960 to join his law firm. Their partnership and friendship lasted many years. The law partnership grew and transformed and has become one of the leading firms on the Central Coast, with the Horan name at the lead.

The Horans were great admirers of President John F. Kennedy, whose assassination in 1963 spurred them to change their lives. Following JFK's call to service, Larry and Jean became a Peace Corps family. With their four young children, Kevin, Kathleen, Maurine, and Stephen, they set out for Central America. Larry eventually served as agency director in El Salvador and Costa Rica and in Colombia, where their youngest daughter Laura was born and where I was already serving as a Peace Corps volunteer in Medellin. Following the Peace Corps, Sargent Shriver tapped Larry to head the Western Regional office for President Johnson's War on Poverty. Later, Shriver asked Larry to establish and chair the Northern California Chapter of the Special Olympics.

Mr. Speaker, I know I speak for the whole House in recognizing the contributions that Larry Horan made to make this world a better place. We offer our condolences to his family and friends. Those of us who had the good fortune to have known Larry are better people for the experience.

## IN HONOR OF KAY HIND

**HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 29, 2012*

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding community leader and good friend to me and the community of Albany, Georgia—Mrs. Kay Hind of the Southwest Georgia Council on Aging. On Thursday, February 23, 2012, the Georgia Council on Aging honored Mrs. Hind at a reception in the Georgia State Capitol Rotunda after she received the Distinguished Older Georgian Award on the floor of the Georgia House of Representatives.

The Distinguished Older Georgian Award was created in January 2003 by the Georgia Council on Aging and is bestowed to a Georgian who is at least 80 years of age and has made significant contributions to society through their occupational or volunteer efforts.

Mrs. Hind hails from Albany, Georgia and received her BS degree in Home Economics at the University of Georgia in 1951. After she graduated from college, Mrs. Hind worked as a Home Economist Extension Agent in Crawford County, Georgia and a year later she accepted a similar position in Lee County, Georgia.

For 44 years, Mrs. Hind has admirably served as the Executive Director of the Southwest Georgia Council on Aging, an agency that oversees programs for senior citizens in 14 counties in Southwest Georgia. This distinguished agency was incorporated in 1966 to address the needs of older people in Dougherty County, Georgia. Over the years, Mrs. Hind has successfully led the agency to meet the needs of the ever-increasing number of senior citizens living in southwest Georgia.

Due in large part to her successful professional career and her unyielding advocacy on behalf of America's seniors, Mrs. Hind has been recognized repeatedly for her occupational achievements. Mrs. Hind has received the Trailblazer Award from the 100 Black Men of Southwest Georgia; the Georgia Gerontology Society's John Tyler Mauldin Award; the Darton College Woman of Worth Award; and the Elsie Alvis Excellence in Aging Award. Additionally, she has served as a delegate to the White House Conference on Aging on four separate occasions.

Mrs. Hind has achieved numerous successes in her life, but none of this would have been possible without the support of her late husband of 39 years, Mr. John Carswell Hind and her three loving children—Richard, Ken and Gail.

On a personal note, Mrs. Hind has served as an advisor and friend to me for many years and she has frequently given me wise counsel and sound advice. I am especially grateful to her for her unyielding advocacy and ongoing efforts in trying to secure a new, state of the art senior center in Albany, Georgia. Her tireless efforts in fighting for this new facility is just one of the many reasons that people throughout the state of Georgia and across our country have come to admire and respect Mrs. Hind.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in paying tribute to Mrs. Kay Hind for her life of selfless service to the seniors and working families in Georgia and throughout our United States of America.

RECOGNITION OF THE PEACE  
CORPS' 51ST ANNIVERSARY**HON. JESSE L. JACKSON, JR.**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 29, 2012*

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Peace Corps on its 51st anniversary and to recognize the anniversary and to recognize the outstanding work the organization has done in its years of service. Since 1961, the Peace Corps has placed over 200,000 volunteers in 139 countries. While abroad, volunteers make significant contributions in developing nations through assistance with agriculture, business development, information technology, education, health, HIV/AIDS, youth development, and the environment.

I am honored to congratulate the Peace Corps. Currently, the Corps has over 9,000 volunteers throughout Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Central America, South America, Europe, the Pacific Islands, and the Middle East. As a member of the Foreign Operations Subcommittee I make a consistent effort to ensure the Peace Corps has adequate funding to fulfill its mission. Peace Corps volunteers have