

In his passion for these issues, he worked in common cause to bring together people who were often from totally different ends of the political spectrum. Many of us would refer to him as “the great convener” because he had the unique ability to bring together people of disparate beliefs on behalf of these issues he believed in and felt so passionately about.

DON’S career and accomplishments were exemplary. Before he was elected to Congress, he was an educator in the Newark and Passaic Public School Districts. He was the former national president of the YMCA. He became New Jersey’s first African-American Congressman, winning election overwhelmingly in 1988, and was serving, at the time of his death, his 12th consecutive term—this year. He was a senior member of the House Committee on Education and the Workforce, and he was a steadfast vocal advocate for early childhood education. He was instrumental in making K–12 education more affordable. He worked to cut in half the cost of the Stafford loans and increased the Pell grants. He was a tireless champion of working families, always an advocate of increasing the minimum wage, always enforcing workforce protections, because that is the kind of man DONALD PAYNE was. Through his life and service, he was a man of the people, and the people of New Jersey will never forget what he did for Essex, Hudson, and Union Counties or for the State as a whole.

In the end Congressman PAYNE will be remembered for the dignity and honor he brought to this institution and the Congress and the district he represented, always putting the interests of the community, New Jersey, and humanity first, because that is the kind of man he was. DONALD made New Jersey proud, and he will forever be missed by all of us who were touched by his warmth and compassion. I join my colleagues in mourning the passing of a great man.

I visited Congressman PAYNE on Saturday at the hospital and talked to his brother, who said leaders throughout the world had been calling to inquire as to how he was. Leaders throughout the world mourn his passing. They knew how he touched the lives of their citizens.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to DONALD’S beloved children and his entire family and all of those who were touched by him throughout his life. He will be missed and we certainly hope God will bless this great man who gave back much more than he ever received in life.

I yield the floor and suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET). Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### REMEMBERING JAMES LAWRENCE ROSE

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to an individual who worked tirelessly to strengthen Kentucky’s economy through his contributions to the coal and the banking industries. James Lawrence “Jim” Rose of Lexington, KY, passed away on December 19, 2011. He was 73 years old. Although Mr. Lawrence may not be with us today, the legacy he has forged throughout his lifetime will carry on for many years to come.

Jim Lawrence was born in Clay County, KY, but received his education in the small town of Berea, where he graduated from the Berea Foundation High School and Berea College before completing his education at the University of Kentucky in Lexington. Jim was passionate about education and made it a priority for himself, and he set out to make it one for the youth of the Commonwealth as well. He was in large part responsible for the project to construct Lexington Christian Academy’s 75-acre “Rose Campus” in Lexington, KY.

Although Mr. Rose was involved in all sorts of different business aspects, his most noted business accomplishments were those in the banking and coal industries. Mr. Rose returned to Clay County and started a small coal company in 1959. Over the next three decades, his business would receive numerous national awards for conducting the best mining rescues and operating the safest mines in the United States, and the company would eventually grow to be one of the top three producers of coal in the State of Kentucky upon his retirement in 1993.

Mr. Rose made tremendous strides in the world of banking as well. He formed a bank holding company in his hometown of Manchester, KY; the town served as the site where Jim would also open his first bank in 1978. He went on to open seven more banks throughout central and southern Kentucky. Mr. Rose was an exceptional consultant and manager, and under him the many banks he had acquired flourished.

We are all undoubtedly aware that Mr. Rose made a permanent mark on the economy of Kentucky, but let us not forget today that Jim was first and foremost a devout man of God and a beloved family man. Mr. Rose was a husband and a father who is survived by

his wife of 49 years, Judy Sizemore Rose, and by his son James F. Rose and by his daughter Sonya Rose Hiler. Jim also leaves behind eight grandchildren and three step-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, Dwayne Scott Rose.

The legacy left by Mr. Rose is one that will not be easily forgotten. He was able to give so much to the business world, working tirelessly for the people of Kentucky, and he was also able to pour his heart into building relationships with his employees and his family members. Mr. Rose led a life that one could be nothing but proud of.

I would like to ask my colleagues in the United States Senate to join me in commemorating the life and works of Mr. James Lawrence Rose, an innovative, committed and truly genuine entrepreneur.

There was an article recently printed in the Laurel County-area publication the Sentinel Echo on the accomplished life of Mr. James Lawrence “Jim” Rose. I ask unanimous consent that the article be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

[From the Sentinel Echo, Dec. 23, 2011]

BANK, COAL COMPANY FOUNDER DIES AT 73

(By Carol Mills)

James “Jim” Rose, 73, died Monday of complications from a heart attack in Lexington.

Rose, who moved to Lexington in 1988, was a former Laurel Countian. He began his career by starting a small coal company in 1959 in Clay County where he was born. He moved his family to Laurel County in 1975.

Over three decades he grew his coal business dramatically, founding Interstate Coal Company, which had several operations in eastern Kentucky, including one in Laurel County on Ky. 192 where College Park is now. The coal stacks are still on the property, which is owned by the city and the county. Rose retired from the coal business in 1993.

While Rose was still in the coal business, he entered the banking business by buying a bank in his hometown of Manchester in 1978. He formed a bank holding company, United Bancorp of Kentucky, and acquired seven additional banks in London (London Bank & Trust, now PNC), Danville, Nicholasville, Richmond, Versailles, Corbin, and Harlan. United Bancorp merged with National City in 1995.

Lawrence Kuhl went to work for Rose at the London Bank & Trust in 1983 as vice-president and two years later as president.

“He was an outstanding person,” Kuhl said. “He was so compassionate for humanity. He loved to help people in need. He hired a number of people throughout southeastern Kentucky to work in his coal mines as well as in his banks, and he was a very, very caring person. He helped a lot of individuals. His whole family is like that. He has given Cardinal Hill millions of dollars to help recuperate people. He was a super fellow, very intelligent, a good businessman.”

Charles Elza worked for Rose as president of London Bank & Trust for seven years from 1978 to 1985 before Kuhl took the helm.

“He was a great guy, a hard worker,” Elza said. “He was a great family man. He loved his kids. He and his wife really had a heart for people who had a hard time. He worked hard. Before he made a lot of money, I heard

he would go to work in the coal business Monday morning and wouldn't come home until Friday. He would sleep on the job. He provided a lot of jobs for people.

"I was in the coal business, too, before working at the bank," Elza recalled. "My brother and I sold coal to Interstate Coal Company, which he (Rose) owned."

Dr. Paul Smith and his wife, Ann, have been friends with Rose ever since he moved his family to London from Manchester.

"We got acquainted through our children," Ann Smith said. "They were all in the band, some played sports. We went to what our children did and they went to what their children did and we just got together. We had the same values in rearing our family."

"Mr. Rose was a wonderful man," she added. "He was absolutely a good man. He was a hard worker, he was always helping someone out, and he walked the talk. He was nice, and so is Judy (wife). They're both very talented musicians. Jim was a classical pianist, just as well as playing boogie, woogie. They're just a wonderful family. Jim was a good person to work for. He was very well liked by his workers. He was very fair and just."

Rose was a graduate of Berea Foundation High School and attended Berea College and the University of Kentucky. He served in leadership positions in numerous coal and banking organizations. He was also active in civic and charitable organizations such as the Scott Rose Foundation, which was formed in memory of his son, Dwayne Scott, who was killed in an automobile crash in Richmond. The foundation helps mentally and physically handicapped people. Rose also started the Scott Rose Games in honor of his late son. The games, which helped raise money for charity, ran its course after several years and was discontinued.

Rose had served on the boards of UK., Centre College, Lees College, and the U.K. Medical Center, and was a founding member of Kentucky Educational Television (KET).

He leaves his wife Judy Sizemore Rose, a son James "Jamie" Rose, a daughter Sonya Rose Hiler, eight grandchildren, and three step-grandchildren.

Services were Thursday at the Lexington Christian Academy chapel and a private burial will follow at a later date at A.R. Dyche Memorial Park in London.

#### REMEMBERING WILLIAM SCHUBERT

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to remember Dr. William Schubert of Cincinnati, OH, for his many years of outstanding leadership and service to Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center and our Greater Cincinnati community. Dr. Schubert, a Cincinnati native, died on February 25, 2012.

Bill Schubert graduated from Walnut Hills High School and then went on to attend the University of Cincinnati. Shortly after his arrival on campus, he was drafted into the U.S. Navy. After his service in the Navy, Dr. Schubert graduated from the University of Cincinnati and the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine.

Bill Schubert's 33 year career at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center included 13 years of service as the center's president and chief executive officer. Under his leadership, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center was ranked within the top 5

best pediatric medical centers in our country and was also designated as a Level 1 pediatric trauma center. Some of his other notable career achievements include establishing new clinical and research divisions for the center and overseeing the opening of the hospital's first two satellite outpatient centers.

In addition to his service to the Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, Bill Schubert remained active in the Cincinnati community through his involvement in various local and national organizations. In 1993, he was named a Great Living Cincinnati by the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce. He left a legacy of leadership and kindness, and his devotion to his community serves as an example for others to follow.

I would like to remember Dr. William Schubert for his dedication to Cincinnati Children's Hospital and for the extraordinary impact he made on our community.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### RECOGNIZING YOUNG AUDIENCES ARTS FOR LEARNING

● Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. President, I wish to acknowledge the 60th anniversary of Young Audiences Arts for Learning and commend it for its contributions to our Nation's school children. Young Audiences is the Nation's leading source of arts-in-education services. Comprised of 30 affiliates and 5,000 teaching artists, Young Audiences, in 2011 alone, reached 5 million children in over 6,000 schools.

Specifically, I would like to recognize the Young Audiences affiliate in my home state of Ohio, Young Audiences of Northeast Ohio, YANEO. Serving 18 counties, YANEO has enabled over 2,000 students in urban, rural, and suburban Ohio school districts to benefit from arts education through more than 7,000 programs during the 2009-2010 school year.

Young Audiences' mission and goal is to help make the arts an essential part of education. For this reason, Young Audiences offers programs for students throughout the P-16 pipeline. From integrating music into a middle school math class to providing poetry writing classes for high school students, Young Audiences takes a comprehensive and innovative approach toward strengthening students' academic experiences.

According to the Arts Education Partnership, art plays a central role in a child's social, emotional, and cognitive development. Over time, this can help make students more engaged in school and thus better learners.

Arts education can alter a student's entire school experience. Involvement in the arts fosters creativity and problem solving—both of which help students during the school day and in their personal lives. From helping a student find a new social group, to pro-

viding a student with a new avenue of achievement, arts-in-education can keep students engaged and enrolled in school. Young Audiences has helped numerous students get back on track in the classroom and on a path towards higher education or the workforce.

Young Audiences not only plays a valuable role in our classrooms, but can benefit entire neighborhoods. Members of the Fullerton School community in Cleveland participated in the 'Parents as Arts Partners' program. With the guidance of a Young Audience artist, community members were able to design and install a mural that now brightens the Cleveland neighborhood. The experience was so positive for the parents, students, and the Fullerton community, they are now looking for funding to create another community mural.

To all the students who participate in Young Audiences, thank you for taking a stake in your education and in your community.

To the teachers and parents like those in the Fullerton community, thank you for your commitment to integrating arts throughout your students' lives. Even during challenging economic times, you go above and beyond your duties to provide your students with a well-rounded academic experience.

And to the dedicated artists of Young Audiences of Northeast Ohio, thank you for your service to the students throughout the region. Your passion and dedication for the arts will help lead to a new generation of artists and musicians—and engaged citizens.

I am proud to celebrate the work of Young Audiences nationwide. Thank you, for your 60 years of service.●

#### TRIBUTE TO BISHOP JOHN R. BRYANT

● Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I wish to recognize the 50th anniversary of the ministry of Bishop John R. Bryant, senior bishop and presiding prelate of the Fourth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal, AME, Church. Bishop Bryant is a native of Baltimore and a graduate of Baltimore City College and Morgan State University. From a young age, he learned the importance of spiritual and civic leadership from his father, Rev. Harrison Bryant, who was a Baltimore pastor and civil rights activist.

After John Bryant graduated from Morgan State, he served in Liberia with the Peace Corps, beginning his lifelong involvement in Africa. He returned to the United States and earned graduate degrees in theology and ministry and served as a pastor in Boston before returning to Baltimore in 1975, where he took on the mantle of leadership at Bethel AME Church, where his father had been pastor. At age 31, he was the youngest pastor in the church's history. He brought incredible energy to the pulpit and the congregation grew by the thousands. He was