

School. This elementary school gave many children an opportunity to get an education. Rev. Creshon was proud of the church and school's progress. In 1947, Rev. Creshon's health failed and he resigned his position as a pastor.

Rev. Sylvester Thomas, a young and inspiring minister, was asked to lead the flock. Under his strong hand guided by God, the church was remolded and a blueprint was drawn to rebuild the present structure. Rev. Thomas served for sixteen years and the congregation grew spiritually. Then Rev. Thomas went to his heavenly home.

Rev. Wroten McQuirter, the assistant minister, accepted the position as a full-time pastor. St. Matthew continued to grow and Rev. McQuirter worked with the members to erect the present facility we now worship in each Sunday. St. Matthew M. B. Church stands as a beacon in the community.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing St. Matthew M. B. Church.

COMMEMORATING CARIBBEAN
AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in commemoration of Caribbean American Heritage Month, which celebrates and recognizes the significant contributions made by Caribbean Americans that have strengthened our country and made it better.

This month also marks the 53rd anniversaries of independence for the Caribbean nations of Jamaica and of Trinidad and Tobago.

Although a half century has passed since they gained their independence, the struggle they waged to win their freedom still stands as a testament to the ideals of our own great nation.

I am privileged to represent a large segment of Houston, Texas, which is home to more than 300,000 Americans of Caribbean heritage, making it one of the largest, most diverse, and vibrant Caribbean-American communities in the nation.

Mr. Speaker, Americans of Caribbean heritage have made a positive impact on virtually every aspect of American life, including the arts, science, business, education, athletics, military, and government.

For example, in the area of government and public affairs America has benefitted from the contributions of Colin Powell, a former Secretary of State and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; U.N. Ambassador Susan Rice; former Members of Congress Mervyn Dymally of California, and Shirley Chisholm of New York, and current Congresswoman YVETTE CLARKE of New York; and Kamala Harris, the Attorney General of California.

Caribbean Americans have enriched American art and culture with the legendary performances of Sidney Poitier, Harry Belafonte, Cicely Tyson, Nia Long, and Cuba Gooding, Jr.; the writings of authors W.E.B. DuBois and Malcolm Gladwell; the music of Beyonce Knowles, Lenny Kravitz, Rihanna, and Wyclef Jean; and the prowess of great athletes like Carl Lewis, Tim Duncan, Patrick Ewing, Sandra Richards-Ross, and Ndamukong Suh.

Mr. Speaker, I am very pleased that this Saturday, June 6, the city of Houston will be hosting the 5th annual Caribbean American Heritage Month Festival, which celebrates the rich culture of the Caribbean with a showcase of beautiful costumes, music, food, and enjoyment for all.

I also wish to recognize the leadership of the Caribbean American Heritage Foundation of Texas, which works to assist Texas Caribbean Organizations achieve their goals and to advocate on behalf of the peoples of Caribbean descent.

I congratulate the Caribbean American Heritage Foundation of Texas, the Caribbean Heritage Organization in my home city of Houston, and the many community organizations and volunteers across the nation for their efforts in making Caribbean American Heritage Month the success that it is.

During this month I hope all Americans will join with me in celebrating the remarkable history, culture, and contributions of Caribbean Americans to our nation's past and future.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARK TAKAI

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Mr. TAKAI. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, June 1, 2015, I was absent from the House to attend my daughter Kaila's 6th grade graduation from Waimalu Elementary School in Hawaii. Due to my absence, I am not recorded on any legislative measures for the day. I would like to reflect how I would have voted had I been present for legislative business.

Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on Roll Call 264, Roll Call 265, and Roll Call 266. On Roll Call 267, and final passage of H.R. 1335, I would have voted "no".

30TH ANNIVERSARY OF MO-SCI
CORPORATION

HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 30th anniversary of Mo-Sci Corporation headquartered in Rolla, Missouri. Since 1985, Mo-Sci has been at the forefront of innovation in the glass and ceramic products industry. They are also celebrating the grand opening of their new 22,000 sq. ft. facility, Mo-Sci Precision Materials.

Mo-Sci was founded by Dr. Delbert Day in order to supply glass and ceramic products for niche market applications. Their founding product was TheraSphere, a glass microsphere component that no other company would manufacture and is used to treat inoperable liver cancer. Starting with only one engineer at a rented desk in a university lab, Mo-Sci has since grown into one of the most successful small glass businesses in existence today and serves more than 2,000 customers with exports to over 50 countries.

For their continuous development of new and innovative products, as well as their recent expansion, it is my pleasure to recognize

the 30th anniversary of Mo-Sci and their achievements before the House of Representatives.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF MR.
CLARENCE EWELL MAZE

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a true American hero, a part of the greatest generation, Mr. Clarence Ewell Maze, of Owingsville, Kentucky. He is to be commended for his distinguished military service during World War II. Mr. Maze served our nation in the United States Army.

Mr. Maze, like many other brave young Americans, left the comforts of home and family and answered the call for duty with the United States military. His service took him to the European Theater of Operations. He fought the German Army in Belgium, France, and Germany. He and his fellow soldiers endured harsh weather conditions, fatigue, hunger, and dangerous enemy fire as they ultimately defeated the Germans. He spent time at the end of the war in Munich, Germany.

Following his service in World War II, Mr. Maze returned home to Bath County. He started his own business, a garage and body shop. For Mr. Maze, this was a fulfillment of the American dream. He has been married to Bernice since 1946. He has a daughter Regina and a late son Ricky. Mr. Maze has been a faithful attendee at Polkville First Church of God ever since returning from the war.

Mr. Maze is a true patriot, a good family man, and a servant of the Lord. Because of his courage and the courage of other brave young people from Owingsville and from all across our great nation, our freedoms have been saved for our generation and for future generations. He is truly an outstanding American, a brave patriot, and a hero to us all.

HONORING OLD ANTIOCH BAPTIST
CHURCH

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable historical house of worship, Old Antioch Baptist Church in Sumner, Mississippi.

Old Antioch Baptist Church has been in existence since 1904 in Sumner, Mississippi. The congregation today still consists of many of the founder's children and grandchildren. In earlier years church services were held only on the second Sunday of each month and had a large congregation, primarily because of the vast Black population around the Sumner community. It was one of the only places they had to worship. Today the membership consists of 60 members, three deacons and two trustees. In 1979 a part of the Old West District School building was added to the Old Antioch Church which added five Sunday school classrooms, a baptismal pool, a kitchen and three bathrooms. In 1991, the Old Antioch