

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING COMCAST FOUNDER
RALPH ROBERTS

HON. THOMAS MacARTHUR

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Mr. MACARTHUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a great man, Ralph Roberts, who passed away last week at 95.

Mr. Roberts is a true example of the American Dream. He was born to a family of Russian immigrants, and grew up watching his father manage a chain of drugstores in New York City. He inherited his father's work ethic, and following his service in the Navy, he bought a small cable company in 1963 and founded Comcast.

Today, Comcast is headquartered in Philadelphia, and many of my constituents are proud Comcast employees. It's the largest Internet, cable, and telephone service provider to residential homes in our country, and has led the way in the telecommunications industry.

Mr. Roberts' spirit will live on not only in his successful business, but in his legacy of charity and generosity in the Philadelphia area. He was truly a remarkable and inspiring man, and he will be sorely missed.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LEADERSHIP AND INGENUITY OF STEVEN LEVESQUE

HON. BRUCE POLIQUIN

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. POLIQUIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Steven Levesque on earning the prestigious Community Excellence Award. I join the Association of Defense Communities (ADC) in recognizing Mr. Levesque's tireless efforts to cultivate business and employ Mainers at the former Naval Air Station Brunswick, now known as Brunswick Landing, and the former Topsham Annex, now known as the Topsham Commerce Park.

As Executive Director of Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority (MRRRA), Mr. Levesque has worked with an exceptional team to swiftly transform the base property from military to civilian functionality.

The success of MRRRA's Reuse Master Plans for the former military installation serves as a model for innovative business practice in the state of Maine and beyond. Already, Mr. Levesque and MRRRA have helped to bring 72 total businesses to Brunswick Landing and the result of their extraordinary efforts is 617 new Maine jobs. In addition to the Brunswick Landing, the Topsham Commerce Park provides residential space as well as office, retail and civic uses for residents.

Although the surrounding community of this project is not in my congressional district, I

recognize how critical the work of Mr. Levesque and MRRRA is to my Second District constituents, the businesses that employ them, and the overall health of Maine's economy.

It is an honor to recognize Mr. Levesque on his leadership and ingenuity as the Executive Director of MRRRA. Our great state thanks and applauds Mr. Levesque for his hard work as he accepts the Community Excellence Award.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. NICK MANGANARO ON HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY

HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Mr. Nick Manganaro as he celebrates his 90th birthday. Nick began working at Medico Industries at the young age of 13, and he has continually served my local community in his duties at the company's Hanover Township facility.

The son of Italian immigrants, Nick graduated from Pittston High School in 1943. He proudly went on to serve in the Navy during WWII and was stationed in Panama until 1946. Upon returning to Pittston, Nick immediately resumed his work at Medico Electric Motor Company.

To this day, Nick is still employed by Medico Industries, where he has worked for 77 years. His work ethic is unparalleled. A wearer of many hats, Nick has worked on the rigging crew, operated cranes, drove tractor trailers, and maneuvered all of the construction equipment. Within the company, Nick is considered to be a father figure to many employees, always willing to provide support and guidance to those in need. He is admired by his coworkers and customers for his bright attitude, modest demeanor, and dedication to the company.

Though he cannot perform all the job functions he once could, Nick continues to work seven days per week—a habit that is indicative of his tireless, hard-working character. He still lives at the Manganaro family homestead, where he resides next door to his sister, Maria Capolarella Montante. The two have one living brother, Joe Manganaro. Outside of work, Nick is a member of St. Rocco's Parish in Pittston, and is a life-long member of the San Cataldo Society in Pittston, a social organization that is united in celebrating its member's Italian heritage, familial values, and religious principles.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize Mr. Nick Manganaro on this important milestone, and I admire his diligent work ethic and sense of commitment. I thank Nick for his service to our country and community, and I hope that he will celebrate this year in the company of his family and friends.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY JOHN DUNCAN

HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney John Duncan. Duncan bravely served our nation as a soldier in the U.S. Army before serving our nation in the U.S. Attorney's Office for 27 years. As Mr. Duncan retires, it is my honor to recognize such a distinguished citizen and civil servant.

Assistant Attorney Duncan, after graduating from the University of Buffalo in 1969, served in the U.S. Army from 1969 through 1972, being stationed at the White House from 1970 to 1972. During his time in the military, Duncan earned the Presidential Service Medal and the Joint Service Accommodation Medal.

Following his time in the military, Assistant Attorney Duncan attended Syracuse University Law School where he is still heavily involved today as an adjunct professor. Following his graduation from Syracuse University Law, Duncan began working in private practice in 1975 and continued through 1978. He then moved to the public sector working in the Onondaga County District Attorney's office as the Chief Assistant District Attorney from 1978 through 1988 and was named the Chief Homicide Prosecutor in 1985 and served until 1988. Duncan then moved to the U.S. Attorney's office as an Assistant U.S. Attorney until 1999 when he was promoted to Executive Assistant.

Assistant Attorney Duncan has received numerous commendations and awards throughout his career in Central New York, including: an Onondaga County Sheriff's Department Commendation for the prosecution of *People v. Billy Blake* in 1987, the U.S. Department of Justice, Executive Office of United States Attorneys Director's Award for Outstanding Performance in Law Enforcement in 1994, the Above and Beyond the Call Award from CONTACT Community Services for leadership and volunteer service to community substance abuse prevention in 1996, the Edward J. Speno Award from the New York State Federation of Professional Health Educators for distinguished community service in support of substance abuse prevention programs in 1996, a Department of Defense Office of the Inspector General commendation for the prosecution of Oneida Research Services, Inc. in 1998, the American Bar Association Division for Public Education Award for commitment to Youth Court Programs in 2004, the American Probation and Parole Association award for outstanding service to Youth Courts in 2005, the U.S. District Court Recognition Award for support to the Open Door to Justice Program in 2006, and a Syracuse Police Department Commendation for the prosecution of the "Elk Block" Syracuse street gang in 2006.

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