

history. I remember his leadership on the Judiciary Internet subcommittee, where he advocated for protecting online content and worked tirelessly to make illegal streaming a felony.

Though I disagreed with him often on policy, we became great friends, most particularly through our official travels. I am now occupying his former office in the Rayburn House Office Building. In public, Congressman Coble had a sterling reputation as a man of integrity and principle, a representative who stood by his commitments. In person, his deep character was outweighed only by his affability. Perhaps that is one of the reasons he became the longest-serving Republican in North Carolina history.

Mr. Speaker, tonight Congress has lost the presence of one of its most humble and hard-working representatives. Congressman Coble's loss will be deeply felt among many, but his work will not. His caring nature and hard work he possessed will live forever.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO TUNISIAN NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNERS

##### HON. DAVID E. PRICE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 4, 2015*

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, as Ranking Member of the House Democracy Partnership, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Tunisian National Dialogue Quartet for receiving the Nobel Peace Prize. This remarkable group of Tunisian leaders and advocates has worked tirelessly to transition their country into a robust democracy after the Jasmine Revolution of 2011.

The Arab Spring sparked hope throughout the international community at the possibility of a new day for democracy and human rights in the Middle East. Unfortunately, in many countries that underwent revolution, the hope of positive change has not come to pass. Tunisia, however, has made great progress, and the Tunisian people have had great success developing their own parliamentary democracy in the wake of the Arab Spring. Much of this progress is thanks to the work of The Tunisian National Dialogue Quartet.

The Tunisian National Dialogue Quartet is composed of four different civic groups: the Tunisian General Labor Union, the Tunisian Confederation of Industry, Trade, and Handicrafts, The Tunisian Human Rights League, and the Tunisian Order of Lawyers. These four organizations represent a broad coalition that has sought to create and sustain a new democracy. Throughout the process of adopting a new constitution, holding elections, and governing responsively, Tunisia has depended on the values of toleration and inclusion, and a willingness on the part of contending parties to forgo extreme or exclusive demands—exactly what the National Dialogue Quartet has espoused.

As a National Democratic Institute election observer, and working through the House Democracy Partnership, I was privileged to witness a product of the Quartet's work last year when Tunisia held its first successful presidential elections. The Tunisian people went to the polls proudly and peacefully, engaging in the building of a parliamentary democracy that has already achieved a substantial amount and shows great promise for the future.

To be sure, great challenges remain, and the international community, including the House Democracy Partnership, must continue supporting Tunisia in its first steps as a new democracy. As the Tunisian people work to ensure effective and open governance and functioning democratic institutions, they are fortunate to have the leadership of advocates like the National Dialogue Quartet.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF THE LIFE OF SIR MICHAEL BERRY

##### HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 4, 2015*

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, on November 8th, I will attend the commemoration services for Sir Michael Berry; an icon and leader in the Michigan community. Michael Berry was a son, a devoted father, a loving husband, and a pioneer in the community.

Sir Michael Berry graduated from Fordson Junior College and Wayne College and in 1949, he became the first Muslim American to become a practicing attorney in the State of Michigan. He then formed a legal practice Berry, Hopson & Francis with his associates. In 1967, he won election to the Wayne County Road Commission, where he served for sixteen years, ten of which, he served as the chairman. Sir Michael Berry used his energy and enthusiasm to always give back to the community. He endowed a scholarship at the MSU College of Law, and he gave generously to so many of our great local universities, hospitals, and cultural institutions. Believing that education is a key to success, he was pivotal in the creation of the Michael Berry Career Center at the Dearborn Public schools and worked tireless to improve access to education for our children.

Sir Michael Berry gave so much to the community over the years, without ever asking anything in return for himself. His hard work and continuous involvement with the Detroit Metro Airport inspired the Airport Authority to name the Berry international terminal in his honor. He was awarded the Ellis Island Medal of Honor from the National Ethnic Coalition Organization and was given the Knight of the National Order of the Cedar of Lebanon which is considered one of the highest and most prestigious awards for his humanitarian aid to his homeland, and for which, he came to be called Sir Michael Berry.

Perhaps the most lasting legacy that Sir Michael Berry leaves is on the people he mentored and people he loved. He was an activist, a mentor, and advisor to many. He helped mold several generations of educators, elected officials, attorneys, and other professionals. In our community, he was considered an icon, but to his family he was known as a loving husband, father, brother, grandfather and great-grandfather. Based on the values of hard work, faith, and love, I know that his family will proudly carry on his legacy into the future.

Mr. Speaker, Sir Michael Berry lived a life worth celebrating. No words can ease the loss that is felt by his family or this community, but we take solace in the knowledge that his example will live on for many generations. I ask my colleagues today to honor Sir Michael

Berry on his extraordinary life and accomplishments.

#### OUTSTANDING TEACHER IN KATY, TEXAS

##### HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 4, 2015*

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Rebecca Lacquey of Katy High School for receiving the 2015 Outstanding Teaching of the Humanities Award.

Mrs. Lacquey is one of only twelve humanities teachers in all of Texas to receive this prestigious award. Her dedication to bringing history to life through unique methods such as role-playing and virtual field trips makes history more fun and relatable to her students. Mrs. Lacquey's methods continually enrich the lives of her students. Katy High School is lucky to have her. We wish her continued teaching success for many more years to come.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations once again to Mrs. Rebecca Lacquey for winning this Outstanding Teacher award.

#### HONORING RETIRED JUDGE JOHN McCANN, 2015 WESTBOROUGH GOOD SCOUT HONOREE

##### HON. JAMES P. MCGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 4, 2015*

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor retired Judge John S. McCann, who will be recognized at the 2015 Westborough Good Scout Award Dinner held by the Knox Trail Council of the Boy Scouts of America in Westborough, Massachusetts.

At the heart of the Scout Oath that Boy Scouts take is the pledge to 'help other people at all times.' Throughout his career, Judge McCann has been a shining example of this commitment to always serving others.

A resident of Westborough, Judge McCann is a graduate of the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester and the University of Vanderbilt School of Law in Tennessee. He and his wife Suzanne are active members of St. Luke the Evangelist Parish in Westborough, were foster parents for five years, and have three children, Sean, Gaylen and Aidan.

Judge McCann knew from an early age that he wanted to pursue a career in law. His first grammar school composition as a third-grader at the Blessed Sacrament School on Pleasant Street was titled, "Why I Want to Become a Lawyer."

Following law school, Judge McCann practiced law in California, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Maine. Judge McCann returned to Massachusetts in 1970 and has since resided in Westborough. Before he became a judge, he maintained law offices in Westborough and Worcester.

It wasn't until 1993 that he aspired to become a judge, when fellow members of the Worcester County Bar Association encouraged him to apply for the Westborough District