

he first ran for Congress in 1978, he started as a distinct underdog, representing much less of the district than one of his opponents, much less well-known than the other. (Julian had mastered the art of remaining relatively unknown to the general public)—or so I thought until today. His friends came through for him like gangbusters. They set new records for fund-raising within the African-American community, providing the resources and the volunteers to send him to a substantial victory. He never forgot them.

I never met an elected official who was so attentive to people who could do nothing for him politically. He always had time to share a word with the Rayburn subway driver, the elevator operator, the committee secretary. There was always enough time to help the former staffer. He was not one to look over your shoulder to see if someone else in the room had more money, more power, more influence.

One of the true joys of my life in Washington were my frequent dinners with Julian. We glided from House business to local politics to our families effortlessly. From those dinners, Bettye, I know how much you meant to him, how strong you were, how proud he was of your tremendous success in business.

Julian was filled with good advice—but he was not infallible. One evening he indicated that he had begged Johnnie Cochran not to take the O.J. case, there was no way he could win and it would destroy his career.

Julian was a throwback to a different political era, where discourse was civil, where adversaries at work could have a drink together in the evening, where not every interaction was defined by whom was benefitted in the next election.

Perhaps, just perhaps, Julian Dixon's career and life can be instructive to us as we embark on a new Congress with a new President. I think the American people want what Julian offered—true to his beliefs and still able to see the other side, solving problems and working to make our community and country a better place—and even having a little fun while we're doing it. Dr. King once said "If a man is called to be a streetsweeper, he should sweep the streets even as Michelangelo painted or Beethoven composed music or Shakespeare composed poetry. He should sweep streets so well that the hosts of heaven and earth will pause to say, 'here lived a great streetsweeper who did his job well.'"

Julian—you were a great Congressman, and you did your job well. We'll miss you more than you could have imagined.

H.R. 4868

**HON. BILL ARCHER**

OF TEXAS

**HON. PHILIP M. CRANE**

OF ILLINOIS

**HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 15, 2000*

Mr. ARCHER. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of myself, and my colleagues, Mr. CRANE and Mr. RANGEL, we would like to submit the following statement for the RECORD.

It has come to our attention that a clerical error occurred during the preparation of the

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final version of H.R. 4868, the Tariff Suspension and Trade Act of 2000. H.R. 4868 was enacted as Public Law 106-476 in November of this year.

The error occurred in Section 1425 of the bill. Section 1425 was intended to exempt certain entries of roller chain from additional dumping duties assessed by Commerce more than 2 years after importation. Unfortunately, as passed, a phrase was inadvertently omitted from Section 1425. We therefore wish to clarify for the record Congressional intent.

Section 1425 was intended to direct the U.S. Customs Service to liquidate certain entries of roller chain "as the rate of duty in effect at the time of entry." This phrase, "at the rate of duty in effect at the time of entry," was contained in the original draft of Section 1425. That language was omitted in the final version of the bill due to a clerical error.

In passing this provision, we believed that there would be no benefit to the government to collect these supplemental duties because the particular dumping case on these products has been "sunset," or terminated by the government, for any future imports. It was our intent that the entries at issue in Section 1425 be reliquidated by Customs at the rates of duty in effect at the time of entry.

IN HONOR OF THE LATE JUDGE  
JOSEPH N. FALBO

**HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 15, 2000*

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, today I honor Judge Joseph N. Falbo, who passed away on October 27, 2000. Mayor Brian Stack and the Union City Board of Commissioners will hold a memorial service today to honor Judge Falbo and his distinguished career.

Judge Joseph N. Falbo was born and raised in Union City. After graduating from John Marshall Law School, he served in the Army Airforce during World War II. In the 1960s, Judge Falbo served as municipal and county prosecutor, and was appointed to serve as municipal judge in 1969 by Mayor William V. Musto.

At 83 years of age, Judge Falbo was one of the oldest judges in the State of New Jersey. While state judges are required to retire at the age of 70, there is no age restriction for municipal judges.

Judge Falbo served with great honor and integrity. Throughout his career, he continually demonstrated the deepest commitment to the laws of the United States and to the residents of Union City. He was a deeply compassionate man, who understood the differences and challenges faced by the people he served.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and career of Judge Joseph N. Falbo. This is a great loss for the community, and he will be deeply missed.

*December 15, 2000*

THE FARRI FAMILY

**HON. VAN HILLEARY**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 15, 2000*

Mr. HILLEARY. Mr. Speaker, over three years ago I proudly announced the birth of Richard Vincent Farri, born to my good friend, U.S. Capitol Police Officer Vincent Farri and his wife, Christina. I am especially pleased to announce the birth of their second child, Paul Christopher Farri, on November 13, 2000, at 11:54 AM. Paul Christopher weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces.

As Vincent, Christina and their toddler, Richard, adjust to the new addition to the family, I want wish them the best. Paul Christopher is a lucky young man. Not only does he have a terrific mother and father raising him, but he has a big brother who will be his lifetime friend.

Sgt. Farri is a valued friend. It gives me pleasure to submit these remarks into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD recognizing the Farri family.

IMPOSING AMERICA'S VOTING  
SYSTEM

**HON. THOMAS M. DAVIS**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 15, 2000*

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I, along with my fellow colleagues, Representatives STEVE ROTHMAN, PATRICK KENNEDY and HEATHER WILSON, are pleased to introduce meaningful, bipartisan legislation to reform the administration of our nation's elections. The Election Reform Act will ensure that our nation's electoral process is brought up to twenty-first century standards.

The Election Reform Act will establish an Election Administration Commission to study federal, state local voting procedures and election administration and provide grants to update voting systems. The legislation combines the Federal Election Commission's Election Clearinghouse and the Department of Defense' Office of Voting Assistance, which facilitates voting by American civilians and servicemen overseas, into the Election Administration Commission, creating one permanent commission charged with electoral administration.

The Commission will be comprised of four individuals appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Commission will conduct an ongoing study and make recommendations on the "best practices" relating to voting technology, ballot design and polling place accessibility. Under this legislation, the Commission will recommend ways to improve voter registration, verification of registration, and the maintenance and accuracy of voter rolls.

It is vital that we establish this Commission as a permanent body. Many issues and concerns surrounding elections necessitate a continual review of ever-changing technologies. A permanent Commission will be best suited to