

Spring as both an agent and as the Acting Chief of the Office for a period of three months.

Gene has been the example of a public servant who routinely gives 100 percent towards his responsibilities. His enthusiasm, dedication and energy level are widely known. His corporate knowledge, fisheries expertise, common sense, interpersonal skills and gracious humility are all traits that are exemplary and have facilitated his contributions to NOAA and our nation's resource missions. The accomplishments of the Office of Law Enforcement in the areas of Vessel Monitoring Systems, Sanctuaries Enforcement, Accreditation, and Cooperative Enforcement were all strongly facilitated through the support of Gene's vision and leadership.

Gene's work with the national Cooperative Enforcement program and the State Joint Enforcement Agreements have provided a long-lasting foundation for this important program. In particular, the state of South Carolina and its fisheries resources have benefited greatly through his work. In large part, Gene was responsible for convincing South Carolina that working jointly with NMFS could serve to substantially improve protection of our fishery resources far beyond the level we could achieve working separately. His initiative led to a Joint Enforcement Agreement that is improving the management and protection of South Carolina's precious marine resources. This program has proven so successful that it is now the "gold standard" model of marine resource enforcement, and it is being established in coastal states around the nation. These cooperative programs and relationships will be the legacy of Gene's leadership.

In closing, although we hate to see him go, I once again wish to congratulate Agent Proulx on his exemplary career. Through his tireless efforts, he has made a difference in protecting the marine resources of South Carolina and the Nation.●

IN MEMORY OF THE HONORABLE DERAN KOLIGIAN

● Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the recent passing of Fresno County Supervisor Deran Koligian, an extraordinary public servant and Californian who died on December 11th at the age of 74, after a two-year battle with cancer.

Deran Koligian was a Fresno County icon, having served as a Supervisor for two decades. He faithfully served his constituents up until the day of his death.

Deran Koligian set a high standard of integrity and decency. He was a man of great determination and dedication who worked tirelessly for Fresno County and California and was loved and respected by so many. He was a farmer, a

World War II veteran, a family man and an honorable Fresno County Supervisor. He will be greatly missed by all.

I ask that the Fresno Bee editorial from December 13, 2001, be printed in the RECORD. And, on behalf of the Senate, I extend our thoughts and prayers to the Koligian Family on the loss of an extraordinary man.

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

[From the Fresno Bee, Dec. 13, 2001]

DERAN KOLIGIAN—A POWERFUL VOICE IN
FRESNO COUNTY, STATE POLITICS FALLS SILENT

The odds suggest we shall not soon see the likes of Deran Koligian in public life. The longtime Fresno County supervisor, who died Tuesday at the age of 74, embodied a rare set of skills and virtues. He was a bluntly honest farmer, a man of the soil who so deeply loved his roots he lived his entire life on his family's original 40-acre homestead. He was also a talented and shrewd politician, in the very best sense: clear about his philosophy and objectives, civil in his behavior and capable of inspired compromise when conditions demanded it.

Koligian spent most of his adult life in public service. He enlisted in the Army at age 18, fought in the Philippines in World War II, and came home to attend Fresno State. The family farm sustained him, but could not contain him. He served many years on local school boards and was first elected to the county Board of Supervisors in 1982. In doing so, he became the first Armenian-American elected to public office in the county.

Defending Valley agricultural lands against urban encroachment was among Koligian's most important principles. He almost single-handedly pushed Fresno's growth away from his district, mostly lying to the west of Freeway 99, and out to the northeast. He was immensely popular among farmers for his defense of agriculture. He wasn't able to stop westward sprawl completely—no one individual could—but it is only recently that significant residential development has taken place on his turf.

Koligian was deeply opposed to the county using bonds to raise money for capital expenditures, arguing that it was fiscally irresponsible. He usually managed to persuade the rest of the board to support that position. It was one of the bones of contention between Koligian and The Bee, and he won the argument more often than he lost.

But—as with most of his adversaries—we always had a deep respect for Koligian. His combination of honesty and political savvy is one we do not often see, and we are all the poorer for that.●

HONORING DR. DONALD J. COHEN

● Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, today I honor Dr. Donald J. Cohen, a doctor, an author, an outstanding psychiatrist, a true professional, and caregiver and friend to the thousands of people who had the good fortune of knowing him. Today I grieve for my friend, as he recently passed away after only 61 short years on this Earth. I could think of no better tribute to this great man than to name the very pro-

gram he envisioned so many years ago to help the victims of violence-related stress in his honor. Thus, I submitted an amendment to the Labor, Health and Human Services appropriations bill to amend Section 582 of the Public Health Service Act to rename this critically important grant program, the "Donald J. Cohen National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative." I am proud to say that this amendment has been accepted by both the House and Senate and for that I thank my colleagues.

Dr. Cohen did more in his 61 years than most anyone else could ever hope to accomplish in a lifetime. He started at Brandeis University in 1961 on the course to a medical career and then went on to graduate from Yale University School of Medicine in 1966. Over the following 35 years, Dr. Cohen dedicated his life to helping children and adolescents. Donald spent virtually all of his adult life working tirelessly to develop and promote programs to assist children. I recently learned from my colleague, Senator DODD, that Dr. Cohen was the first person to suggest a special health insurance program for children that ultimately became the Children's Health Insurance Program. Today, this program throughout the Nation provides health care for millions of children who would otherwise go without the basic care they need to grow up healthy and flourish.

Dr. Cohen was a well-respected and world-renowned physician and teacher. Over the course of his illustrious career, he held many faculty positions at the Yale University School of Medicine, culminating with his appointment as the child Psychiatrist-in-Chief of the Yale Children's Hospital and Director of the Child Study Center at Yale School of Medicine. He held these positions for the past 18 years, which, as anyone in medicine will tell you, is an incredible testimony to his stature and leadership.

He has been honored by the Institute of Medicine, the National Academy of Sciences, the National Commission on Children, and the American Psychiatric association for his outstanding work. He received numerous lifetime research awards, including the Strecker Award from the Institute of the Pennsylvania Hospital and the Agnes Purcell McGavin Award for Prevention from the APA. He was recognized as a Sterling Professor of Child Psychiatry, Pediatrics and Psychology. He served as President of the International Association of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Allied Professions since 1993 and published over 300 papers and books. Dr. Cohen was also awarded a Doctor of Philosophy, *Honoris Causa*, from the Bar Ilan University in Israel.

As you can see, Dr. Donald Cohen was quite a remarkable man. So many people have been touched in some way by this great man's dedication.