

To fight the darkness, you see!
 And on this day, as you hold your family so
 very tight . . .
 And all seems so very right!
 All because a Hero, for us all has so died this
 night!
 Because, Freedom is not free!
 But, bought and paid for . . . by all of these
 most selfless souls indeed!
 By men like Kyle, our most brilliant of all
 lights!
 And families who now so cry, in tears of
 heartache tonight!
 So, hush little baby Kinleigh Ann . . . don't
 you cry!
 For one day, up in Heaven you will look into
 your Father's eyes!
 And you, Katherine . . . his lovely wife!
 Your Hero Kyle, but wants you to have a
 happy life!
 For there will be an eternity together, up in
 Heaven so very bright!
 So this night as you lay your head down to
 rest, but remember all of our best!
 Take Comfort, all in how our world they
 bless!
 Amen!

IN RECOGNITION OF SAC-
 RAMENTO'S BUSINESS LEADERS

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Ms. MATSUI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the many outstanding Sacramento business leaders who will be honored at the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce's 115th Annual Dinner & Business Awards Ceremony. The men and women who were honored on Friday, February 5th, are dedicated to the success of Sacramento and have worked tirelessly to advance the region's economic vitality. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring these fine Sacramentans.

David Higgins, a commercial construction icon and retired CEO of Harbison-Mahony-Higgins Builders, has been named "Sacramentan of the Year" for his life's work and commitment to philanthropy in the region. He has been actively involved in the leadership of HMM Builders, a general building contractor, for more than 40 years.

For decades, David has advocated for the sustainable growth of the region, most recently as past president of the Sacramento Area Commerce and Trade Organization. He has also been widely recognized for his local charitable endeavors, including his longtime support of Jesuit High School, health and social service and youth programs, and the arts.

Ron Mittelstaedt, Chairman and CEO of Waste Connections Inc., has been named "Businessman of the Year." Ron founded Waste Connections in 1997. When he took the firm public the following year, Waste Connections had approximately \$40 million in revenue and about 400 employees. Today, the company serves about 2 million business and residential customers throughout 26 states, employs nearly 5,400, and has reported revenue of more than \$1 billion. It is a true success story.

Jonna Ward, CEO of Visionary Integration Professionals, has been named "Business-

woman of the Year." Jonna started VIP 12 years ago out of her spare bedroom and has grown it to be the largest woman-owned business in our region. Through her leadership, VIP is also one of the fastest growing businesses in the country—making the Inc. 500 list for the past two years.

Other award winners include "Volunteer of the Year," Martha Clark Lofgren from Brewer Lofgren LLP. Robert Tobin, President and CEO of Cottage Housing, winner of the "Al Geiger Award," will be recognized for his work providing housing for homeless. The "Peter McCuen Award for Civic Entrepreneurs" will be presented to Rick Fowler for his work with The Community College Fund.

The "Small Business of the Year" award will be presented to Patrick Mulvaney and Mulvaney's B&L, for growing into one of Sacramento's top restaurants. Patrick is a marvelous chef, who supports local farmers and is active with a number of local non-profits.

Four outstanding local institutions have been inducted into the "Sacramento Business Hall of Fame" for their longtime and significant contributions to the economic and civic growth of the Sacramento region. Being inducted are Kronick, Moskovitz, Tiedemann & Girard; Owen-Dunn Insurance Services; SAFE Credit Union; and Western Contract. Recognized for its success as a long standing, 100-year-old business in Sacramento, Lionakis has been inducted into the "Centennial Business Hall of Fame."

Madam Speaker, I am honored to recognize these individuals and businesses for their economic and civic contributions to the Sacramento Region. On behalf of the people of Sacramento and the Fifth Congressional District of California, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring them for their unwavering commitment to our region.

HONORING THE RECIPIENTS OF
 THE PROSECUTOR'S SPECIAL
 RECOGNITION AWARD

HON. JOHN H. ADLER

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. ADLER of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mr. Matt Skahill and Ms. Rosemary Clark, as they are honored with the 'Prosecutor's Special Recognition Award' for providing significant assistance to law enforcement in Burlington County, NJ. For their outstanding efforts, they will be recognized at the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office 22nd Annual PROCOPS Award Banquet. PROCOPS, or Prosecutor's Recognition of Citizens or Public Servants, recognizes members of law enforcement and civilians whose significant actions, bravery and concern for the well being of society have made Burlington County, NJ a safer place to live.

I would like to extend my sincere congratulations and thanks to Mr. Matt Skahill, Assistant U.S. Attorney, for his efforts in successfully prosecuting major drug traffickers in the South Jersey region. Thanks to his efforts, men intent on distributing illegal narcotics are

now off our streets. I would also like to recognize Ms. Rosemary Clark of Willingboro, NJ for providing compassion, strength, and support as a foster parent to two children who were witnesses in a case against their own father.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in thanking these individuals for their assistance to law enforcement in Burlington County, NJ. I am proud to represent such exemplary citizens, and I hope others follow their example by helping those in need.

PASSING OF JIM BOREN

HON. DAN BOREN

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. BOREN. Madam Speaker, for any politician interested in a word of wisdom on how to conduct themselves; Dr. James "Jim" H. Boren—father, husband, author, teacher, and philanthropist—had this advice to those in public service; "mumble when uncertain, delegate when in distress, and ponder when in command."

Madam Speaker, the state of Oklahoma lost a true public servant recently—Jim Boren, who drew attention to his political causes with excitement, determination and color, died April 24th, 2010 at the age of 84.

Jim Boren joined the Navy during WWII at the age of 17. As a midshipman on the Destroyer Escort, William C. Cole, Jim served his nation with distinction and honor; including time in the 1945 Battle of Okinawa.

After the war, Jim received his degree from the University of Texas and began his first stint as a teacher at Oxnard Union H.S. in Oxnard, California. During that time, Jim earned a Master's degree at Cal State at Long Beach and a Master's at the University of Southern California. Eventually, Jim would return to the University of Texas to earn his PhD.

Later in life, Jim Boren would become the campaign manager, and eventually the chief of staff, for Senator Ralph Yarborough of Texas. During his time with Senator Yarborough, Jim worked side-by-side with him on legislation such as the National Defense Education Act, Cold War GI Bill, Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, Padre Island National Seashore, and the Mental Health Bill.

After working in the U.S. Senate, Jim Boren received a State Department appointment in 1960 to serve in an official capacity in South America under the Kennedy Administration, eventually obtaining the position of Deputy Director of the Economic Mission in Peru. After leaving government work, Jim began to teach again and write from his position as scholar-in-residence at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, OK.

Jim possessed his own original brand of political satire, authoring literature in that genre, not the least of which is exemplified by a pair of books entitled "When in Doubt, Mumble: A Bureaucrat's Handbook" and, "How to be a Sincere Phony: A Handbook for Politicians and Bureaucrats."

Through his unique style and substance, Jim Boren had a tremendous impact on his