

elected as delegate to the 1964 Democratic National Convention (DNC) in Atlantic City, New Jersey which he was unable to attend due to having been jailed following a meeting held to register a group of African American voters. However, the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party's actions and involvement at the convention would charter in the desegregation of future conventions and an expansion on the inclusion of minorities within the Democratic Party.

After serving as a delegate of Mississippi's first integrated delegation to the Democratic National Convention in 1968, Guyot graduated from Rutgers Law School in Newark, New Jersey, served as an Advisory Neighborhood Commissions' (ANC) Commissioner in Washington, District of Columbia, and continued his efforts as a Civil Rights activist working tirelessly to educate numerous young people about the importance of voting and voting rights up until his death on November 23, 2012.

Mr. Guyot was a soldier of the people and a mentor of the youth. He spent a lifetime vigorously fighting to increase access to the voting booth and the rights of all to have their voice heard in the electoral process.

Mr. speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to the outstanding life time achievements and legacy of Mr. Lawrence Thomas Guyot, Jr. His dedication and unwavering service to the underserved, underprivileged and the youths of tomorrow is laudable and more than worthy of our recognition.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO COLONEL
(RETIRED) HERBERT A. COLEY
FOR EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE TO
THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND
TO OUR NATION

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 5, 2012

Mr. CARTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Colonel (Retired) Herbert A. Coley, a member of the Senior Executive Service, for his exceptional dedication to duty and service to the United States Army and to the United States of America. On December 31st, Colonel (Retired) Herbert Coley will be leaving Federal Service after a total of 39 years of selfless and dedicated service to our Nation as an Army Officer and as a government civilian. His distinguished career is culminating as the Chief of Staff of the Army Medical Command where he ensured that Army Medicine met the needs of our Soldiers, their Families, and others entrusted to the Army's care.

The son of an Army Medic and an Army Nurse and a native of San Antonio, Texas, Colonel (Retired) Coley had more than 28 assignments over his 39 years of government service. He entered active duty in 1970 commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Army Medical Service Corps after graduating from Trinity University. He served 28 years as an Army Officer as an aero medical evacuation pilot, healthcare administrator and commander. His active duty Army assignments included: Air Ambulance Section Leader at Fort Stewart, Georgia and Camp Mosier, Korea; Operations Officer and Platoon Leader for the 507th Medical Company (Air Ambulance);

Commander, Headquarters and Support Company, 25th Medical Battalion, 25th Infantry Division; Commander, 507th Medical Company (Air Ambulance); Commander, 41st Combat Support Hospital; Chief of Manpower Programming and Analysis, Office of The Army Surgeon General; and, Director, Program Analysis and Evaluation, Army Medical Command. While on active duty he received a Master of Health Administration from Baylor Staff College and was a fellow at the RAND Arroyo Center. Herbert Coley returned to government service shortly after retiring from the military and provided another 11 years of service. He had served as the Chief of Manpower Division, Army Medical Command and in 2009 he entered the Senior Executive Service as the Chief of Staff, Army Medical Command.

Colonel (Retired) Herbert A. Coley has devoted his life to the Army and our Nation's men and women in uniform. As the Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army Medical Command his skilled leadership was essential to improving the care of our Wounded Warriors and the readiness of our Army. He led this global organization with unwavering energy and compassion that endeared him to all, inspired trust and improved millions of lives. Herb Coley is one of the main reasons that Army Medicine is a preeminent system for health care in America.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful nation, I join my colleagues today in recognizing and commending Mr. Herbert Coley for a lifetime of service to his country. We wish Herb and his wife Stephanie all the best as they continue their journey in retirement.

HONORING COUNCILMEMBER
NANCY PYLE UPON HER RETIREMENT
FROM THE SAN JOSE CITY
COUNCIL

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 5, 2012

Ms. LOFGREN of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise with my colleagues, Congresswoman ANNA ESHOO and Congressman MIKE HONDA, to acknowledge and honor Councilmember Nancy Pyle upon her retirement from the San Jose City Council.

Nancy has been the San Jose City Councilmember for District 10 since 2005, representing approximately 100,000 residents from Almaden and Blossom Valley. She graduated from LeMoyné College in Syracuse, New York, where she majored in French. She received her Masters Degree in Educational Administration from the U.S. International University in San Diego. In 1960, Nancy moved to San Jose with her family where she served as a teacher, Community Relations Manager, and Legislative Analyst for San Jose Unified School District. Nancy is a former San Jose/ Evergreen Community College Board Trustee.

On the City Council, Nancy worked hard to maintain our streets and parks, keep our neighborhoods safe, invest resources in youth and senior programs, and make city government more accountable. When the City's general fund deficit threatened to eliminate the Domestic Violence Prevention Program, Nancy pledged \$20,000 from her office budget

to help temporarily fund the City's Domestic Violence Prevention Coordinator position. When San Jose Family Camp was struggling to meet the cost-recovery requirements set by the City Council, she sought the help of Congresswoman ESHOO, Congressman HONDA, and myself. At her request, we sent a letter to the National Forest Service for a special five-year permit for San Jose's Family Camp at Yosemite. In November 2010, in order to increase public safety, Nancy proposed that San Jose adopt a Social Host Ordinance to hold adults accountable for underage drinking on private property. After advocating for nearly a year and a half, the City Council passed the ordinance last spring.

In 2010, Nancy worked with the San Jose Redevelopment Agency to open the first Whole Foods in San Jose. The opening brought new life and energy to the area and paved the way for many other businesses to successfully open their doors in the same shopping center. Nancy was honored this spring to accept the City's largest gift to date, \$4.2 million dollars privately donated to help fund a City partnership with the San Jose Unified School District for two more turf fields at Allen at Steinbeck School.

Councilmember Nancy Pyle is retiring and we wish her all the best in the years to come. We commend Nancy for her valuable service. The community is very fortunate to have benefited from her advocacy, passion, and commitment. She has left her mark in San Jose and we know she will continue to play a positive role in our community during her retirement.

REMARKS CELEBRATING THE 85TH
BIRTHDAY OF HIS MAJESTY
KING BHUMIBOL ADULYADEJ

HON. EDWARD R. ROYCE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 5, 2012

Mr. ROYCE. Mr. Speaker, on December 5th His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand celebrated his 85th birthday. I would like to take this opportunity to express my well wishes and best regards to him and to the people of Thailand.

Throughout his 66-year reign, King Bhumibol—currently the world's longest reigning monarch—has been a strong proponent for Thailand's development. Since the 1950s, he has initiated more than 4,000 development projects throughout Thailand, ranging from public health, agriculture productivity, environment, flood and drought, education and job creation.

These activities have helped raise the standard of living of Thais, particularly those in rural and difficult-to-reach areas.

King Bhumibol's hard work and contributions have earned him admiration worldwide. In 2006, the United Nations Development Programme awarded King Bhumibol its first-ever Human Development Lifetime Achievement Award.

Born in Cambridge, Massachusetts on December 5th, 1927, King Bhumibol has played an important role in promoting Thai-U.S. friendship, including his two state visits to the United States in 1960 and 1967.

As we celebrate King Bhumibol's birthday, it is an opportunity to look forward to next year's

celebration of the 180th Anniversary of the U.S.-Thailand treaty alliance. Thailand is our longest standing ally in Asia, and has been a reliable partner and friend in the region.

The United States and Thailand's partnership is wide ranging; we are economic partners, we participate in military training exercises together, and our cultural and people-to-people exchanges are on the rise. The two

countries have cooperated on counterterrorism.

As our relationship continues to strengthen, we are delighted to join our friends in Thailand in celebrating the 85th birthday of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej on December 5, 2012.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION**HON. CHARLES F. BASS**

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 5, 2012

Mr. BASS of New Hampshire. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 616, had I been present, I would have voted "nay."