

Tom also chaired the board of directors of the City/County Association of Governments (C/CAG) of San Mateo County and is now the vice chair of its legislative committee. He sits on the board of directors of the Housing Endowment and Regional Trust of San Mateo County (HEART) and serves on its nominating and by laws committees. Previously, he was on the board of the Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance. In 2007, Tom was the chair of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation Policy Advisory Committee for San Mateo County and is currently chairing its policy committee.

Tom honed his business skills during his 34-year long career at Levi Strauss & Co., where he was the president of the youthwear, men's jeans, and womenswear divisions. In addition, he served as executive vice president of new business development in which capacity he took the company private after 14 years as a public company. Tom was responsible for all information technology for Levi Strauss United States. Today, he continues his connection to Levis Strauss & Co. and serves on the Investment Committee.

Tom has lectured at some of our finest universities, including Stanford, Berkeley, UCLA and San Francisco State University, and he has been a keynote speaker at countless business conferences in the United States and abroad. He is also a frequent guest on television and radio and has been quoted in magazines such as *Fortune* and *Fast Company*. *Computerworld Magazine* named Tom one of the "Premier 100 Information Technology Leader in the U.S." in 2000.

Tom is very active in the Jewish community and volunteers his time and expertise with the Jewish Community Federation of the San Francisco Bay Area and the Jewish Home Foundation.

Originally from Portland, Oregon, Tom received his BS and MBA in Marketing from the University of California at Berkeley.

Tom and his wife, Kendra, have lived in Hillsborough 28 years. They have two children, Jeffrey and Alyssa.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to rise with me to honor Thomas Kasten who has tirelessly devoted his time and energy to the residents of Hillsborough.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE  
OF BISHOP WALTER F. SULLIVAN

**HON. ERIC CANTOR**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 18, 2012*

Mr. CANTOR. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to remember and honor the life of Bishop Walter F. Sullivan, whose recent death saddens the many people whose lives he touched throughout his time as bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

Bishop Sullivan served in churches throughout Virginia since he was ordained in 1953. As the longest-serving bishop in the Richmond diocese's 192-year history, he made a lasting impact in and outside of the Catholic Church. Bishop Sullivan was an advocate for the underprivileged and welcomed people of all faiths with open arms. During his time as bishop, the diocese established various new parishes, advisory committees for the youth,

women, and minorities, homes for the elderly, and retreat centers.

Bishop Sullivan also commissioned the first public Holocaust memorial in Virginia, "Rachel Weeping for Her Children," which celebrated its 25th anniversary in April. Acts like this made Bishop Sullivan a hero and champion to many. He spent his life committed to helping others, and he will be greatly missed.

Mr. Speaker, though we mourn the death of Bishop Walter Sullivan, we come together to pay tribute to and honor the life and work of such an important figure in our history.

CONGRATULATING JIM TURNER  
ON 40 YEARS OF RADIO HOSTING

**HON. DANIEL WEBSTER**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 18, 2012*

Mr. WEBSTER. Mr. Speaker, I take this opportunity to recognize a gentleman who has been a mainstay in the Central Florida community for many years. After 40 years with NewsTalk WDBO as one of Central Florida's most respected and beloved news hosts, Jim Turner has announced his plan to retire.

Mr. Turner joined WDBO in 1972 and has hosted the station's morning segment since 1985. He is respected not only in the Central Florida community but throughout the country. In 2004 he was awarded by his peers in the National Association of Broadcasters the prestigious Marconi Award for Personality of the Year.

Founded in 1924 as a physics project of Rollins College, WDBO is today one of Central Florida's great news and talk radio stations. During his tenure as the morning show host, Turner headed the station's transformation from music to information and talk.

Jim Turner's daily presence on WDBO's morning talk segment will be sorely missed. We are grateful for the years he has spent talking with Central Florida, and we wish him well.

RECOGNIZING ROBERT J. ARNOLD  
ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT  
AFTER 38 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR NATION

**HON. JEFF MILLER**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 18, 2012*

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise to recognize Mr. Robert J. Arnold, Chief Technologist, 96th Test Wing, Eglin Air Force Base, on the occasion of his retirement after 38 years distinguished public service to the United States Air Force and our great nation.

Mr. Arnold's career began in industry, performing and later managing missile, A-7, and F-8 weapons programs at numerous test and evaluation facilities. In previous positions with the Air Force, he led A-10 and F-15 weapons test programs at Edwards Air Force Base, California. During his outstanding career, he managed test and evaluation programs involving practically every type of weapon and aircraft in the Air Force inventory. He formed the

Corporate Plans Office for the Air Force Development Test Center at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, establishing and leading the Center's strategic planning program, institutionalizing modernization planning, and implementing a command-wide "Single-Face-to-Customer" office. Upon formation of the Air Armament Center at Eglin Air Force Base, he established the Plans and Programs Directorate for the Center and led planning for the inaugural Air Armament Summit to shape the future of air armament and joint service test and training infrastructure.

Mr. Arnold's record as a leader and his ability to form partnerships at all levels of government is unsurpassed. He was hand-picked by Air Staff to serve as the Interim Deputy Director for the Defense Test Resource Management Center (DTRMC) where he orchestrated preparation of the initial DTRMC DoD Strategic Plan for test and evaluation resources.

Without his care and stewardship as Chairman of the Eglin Encroachment Committee, mission critical natural resources might never have been preserved. His leadership enhanced community partnerships in the Eglin community and throughout the State of Florida.

Mr. Arnold's contributions to range sustainment, encroachment and the test and evaluation field as a whole have saved millions, brought him national recognition and benchmarked a number of innovative processes that will stand the test of time. His talents and overall knowledge and understanding of the Air Force mission will be greatly missed.

Mr. Speaker, it is only on rare occasions that we find men of such exceptional character as Bob Arnold. He left his indelible mark on the Air Force and the Northwest Florida community. On behalf of the United States Congress, I would like to offer my congratulations to Bob and his wife, Myra. My wife, Vicki, and I wish them the best for continued success.

IN HONOR OF DR. WILLIAM  
PURCELL

**HON. LARRY KISSELL**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 18, 2012*

Mr. KISSELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a true, dedicated leader in my state and in my community, Dr. William Purcell of Scotland County, North Carolina. Dr. Purcell grew up in Laurinburg, North Carolina, just south of my home town of Biscoe, North Carolina. He attended public schools in Laurinburg before graduating from Davidson College, and later, the University of North Carolina School of Medicine. After proudly serving our nation in the United States Army Medical Corps in France, during the Cold War, he returned home to North Carolina where he practiced pediatrics in Laurinburg for 36 years. During this time he also served on the Laurinburg City Council for six years, and as the Mayor of Laurinburg for 10 years. He became a member of the North Carolina Senate in 1997 and has proudly served the 25th District for seven terms before announcing his retirement this year.

If there is any indication of the impact this man has had on his community, it is the numerous awards he has received, including the