

Congressman Rothman's Statement on the Death of Congressman Payne

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Washington, DC – Congressman Steve Rothman (NJ-9) released the following statement:

Congressman Donald Payne was my friend. He was also a giant. History will record that Donald Payne saved literally tens of thousands of lives in his work in the United States, Northern Ireland, and Africa over a lifetime of public service. In his long journey to become a congressman, he traveled many different paths as a father, husband, grandfather, great-grandfather, teacher, longshoreman, among a list too long to describe briefly.

He was a true pioneer and champion for civil and human rights here at home and around the world. And beneath his serious and strong, statesman's demeanor was a warm, charming, funny, smart and great friend to so many. I will miss him deeply. My thoughts and prayers go out to his wonderful family.

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