

now racing across our world in the form of war and oppression, hunger and disease and injustice and suffering demands immediate attention and decisive action. It demands selfless preservation and protection, perfectly analogous to that of these men and women tackling the towering blazes of the Los Padres. It requires heroes.

And so, I would ask that in strength and comradery, in thought and in action, we honor those who have honored us. Today I thank the firefighters for their efforts in the Los Padres. We salute you.

CONGRATULATING FATHER
MICHAEL SCANLAN

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 23, 1999

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I commend the following proclamation to my colleagues:

Whereas, Father Scanlan graduated from Harvard Law School in 1956 and served as Staff Judge Advocate in the U.S. Air Force; and,

Whereas, Father Scanlan served as acting dean of the College of Steubenville and as a lecturer in theology from 1964-1966 and later became President of the College of Steubenville, now Franciscan University of Steubenville, in 1974; and,

Whereas, Father Scanlan was honored in 1997 with the *Sacrae Theologiae Magister*, an academic degree beyond the doctorate, and the highest award given by the Franciscan Order; and,

Whereas, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating Father Scanlan on his lifetime of service to his community as well as the College. I am proud to call him a constituent.

A TRIBUTE TO HELEN STANTON

HON. CALVIN M. DOOLEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DOOLEY of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Ms. Helen Stanton, who is retiring this month from her position as executive director of The Creative Center, a performing arts program for developmentally disabled adults in Visalia, CA.

Ms. Stanton began her service at The Creative Center 14 years ago, serving as program manager. In 1993, she was named executive director of the Center. There, she has supervised a staff of 12 instructors who help developmentally disabled adults in the Visalia area to achieve personal growth through expression in visual arts, music, dance and theatrical performance.

Ms. Stanton has made special efforts to develop the Center's instruction in life skills. In these classes, Center instructors address such topics as independence, social graces, dealing with money, and self-advocacy.

Under Ms. Stanton's leadership, the Center has undergone significant growth, expanding from 42 students attending part-time in 1985

to a present enrollment of 84 full-time students.

Ms. Stanton has also overseen the opening of the Center's Jon Ginsburg Gallery. The gallery exhibits artwork produced by the Center's students and community members.

Ms. Stanton's commitment to the performing and visual arts is also evident by her presidency of Arts Visalia, a nonprofit group devoted to developing an art gallery in downtown Visalia.

Creative Center colleagues have been inspired by Ms. Stanton's devotion to the Center and its students. She has treated the Center's students with dignity and respect and provided them with countless creative opportunities.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing Helen Stanton for her devoted service to The Creative Center. She has distinguished herself as a caring visionary and tireless leader. As she completes her service, we wish her a most happy retirement.

SALUTE TO JOHN M. LANGSTON
BAR ASSOCIATION AFRICAN
AMERICAN ANNUAL HALL OF
FAME HONOREES

HON. JULIAN C. DIXON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 23, 1999

Mr. DIXON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to four prominent and distinguished members of the legal community in Los Angeles: Attorney Mary Burrell Fulton; United States District Court Chief Judge Terry J. Hatter; Attorney Elbert T. Hudson; and Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Sherrill Luke. On October 16, 1999, these four exceptional individuals will be inducted into the John M. Langston Bar Association Ninth Annual Hall of Fame. I cannot think of four people more deserving of this distinct honor and am pleased to have this opportunity to publicly recognize their extraordinary contributions to the legal profession.

Attorney Mary Burrell Fulton received her undergraduate degree in government from Los Angeles State College where she was a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. In 1961 she became the first Black woman to graduate from the UCLA law school. She was admitted to the California State Bar on January 9, 1962, and began her career as an associate in the offices of legendary Los Angeles attorney Crispus A. Wright. In 1965 she joined the law firm of Lloyd, Bradley, Burrell & Nelson, whose client list included renowned entertainer Dr. William (Bill) Cosby. She established a solo practice in 1981 and in 1991 teamed with retired Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Henry P. Nelson to found the firm of Nelson & Fulton. Mary has served as a mentor to many young, aspiring attorneys and has contributed much to the Los Angeles community through her participation in numerous career day programs.

Judge Terry Hatter was appointed to the United States District Court for the Central District of California in 1979. On March 1, 1998, he was named Chief Judge, presiding over the court which covers the largest federal

district in the nation, serving some 17 million people. Judge Hatter received his undergraduate degree in government from Wesleyan University in Connecticut and his law degree from the University of Chicago. His exemplary legal career spans more than thirty years, and includes service as an attorney, public defender, Assistant United States Attorney, Executive Assistant to Mayor Tom Bradley, and Professor of Law at the University of Southern California Law Center and Loyola University School of Law. Judge Hatter has presided over some of the most controversial and difficult cases to come before the Central District. Widely respected by attorneys and judges alike, he has served the court with great distinction for twenty years. He is a Trustee of Wesleyan University, and member of the Visiting Committee for the University of Chicago Law School.

Broadway Federal Bank Chairman Elbert T. Hudson has had a distinguished career of service to our community and nation, beginning with his service during World War II in the U.S. Army Air Corps as one of the legendary Tuskegee Airmen. He received his undergraduate degree from UCLA and his law degree from Loyola University School of Law. Prior to joining Broadway Federal, founded by his father, Dr. H. Claude Hudson, Elbert practiced law for 20 years. In 1972 he became the President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Broadway Federal Savings and Loan Association. Although he stepped down as CEO in 1992 and resumed the practice of law, he remains chairman of the bank's Board of Directors. He is a member of the Board of Police Commissioners; the Board of Directors of the Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Company; and President and Board Member of the NAACP "New Careers" JEPTA Training Center. He is a past president of the Los Angeles Branch of the NAACP, as well as the American League of Financial Institutions. He has served on numerous other boards, including the Board of Directors of Drew University Medical School.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Sherrill D. Luke was named to the Superior Court bench after spending nearly a decade hearing cases before the Los Angeles Municipal Court. He received his undergraduate degree from UCLA; his master of arts degree from the University of California, Berkeley; and his doctor of jurisprudence from Golden Gate University. His impressive career includes service as an attorney; Cabinet Secretary to former California Governor Pat Brown; Adjunct Professor of Law at Loyola University Law School; and President of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission. He is a member of several professional and civic organizations, including the California Judges Association, Langston Bar Association, and the California Association of Black Lawyers. He remains deeply involved with his alma mater, UCLA, where he is a member and the past president of the UCLA Alumni Association; member and cochair of the Advisory Board of the UCLA Performing Arts Program, and the Stephens House of Scholarships Association.

Mr. Speaker, these four individuals have made enormous contributions to the system of jurisprudence, and it is especially fitting that they are being recognized by their peers for