

to ensure we continue to provide for and support the best naval force, its members and their families, in the world.

Mr. Speaker, Harry Rouse has made numerous sacrifices during his illustrious naval career in order to provide a significant contribution to the outstanding naval forces upon which our country relies so heavily. He is a great credit to both the Navy and this country he has so proudly served. As he now departs the Navy to pursue challenges in civilian life, I call upon my colleagues from both sides of the aisle to wish him every success as well as fair winds and following seas.

A TRIBUTE TO LITERARY SCHOLAR AND CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER,  
BERNARD BARSHAY

**HON. CHARLES E. SCHUMER**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 6, 1995*

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an extraordinary citizen, Mr. Bernard Barshay. His literary accomplishments and social contributions have truly made a significant impact on the lives of millions. Like many poor Jewish immigrants who worked hard to achieve the American dream, Professor Barshay survived on meager resources while growing up in Brooklyn. However, these circumstances did not prevent Barshay's remarkable determination to succeed and overcome impossible odds.

Throughout his life, Professor Barshay struggled with his vision, eventually becoming legally blind. He continued to pursue his literary goals and at the age of 28, became the youngest syndicated writer in America. After winning several academic scholarships, Barshay continued to prove himself as a writer, playwright, storyteller, and novelist despite his failing eyesight. Even as his doctors urged him to discontinue his journalistic career, Barshay began teaching, and soon after became the chairman of the journalism department at Long Island University. At LIU, he was a mentor of the Journalism Honor Society, and a member of the Polk Committee, which awards outstanding individuals on newspaper writing. Later Barshay went on to produce dramatic readings and plays for radio broadcast programs. His love of writing and reading developed into yet another successful career as a mystery storyteller, poet, and oral dramatist. His works were recorded in an album titled "Four American Murder Mysteries."

At the height of his teaching and broadcast career, Barshay paid a visit to Louisiana to report on voting rights for blacks. He was then arrested and jailed with other civil rights supporters. Inspired by the voting rights struggle of African-Americans, Barshay began devoting his work toward community activism and educational empowerment. He requested a voluntary position as a teacher in Harlem and continued reading his poetry and children's stories on radio programs. Ever since he moved to the Kensington section of Brooklyn, Professor Barshay has worked tirelessly to promote racial harmony between the Jewish and black residents. The positive impact he has made on all New Yorkers is worthy of national recognition. I am proud to have such an insightful and courageous activist residing in Brooklyn.

A TRIBUTE TO THE HOWARD MARTIN RICHARDSON VFW POST 5394

**HON. WALTER R. TUCKER III**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 6, 1995*

Mr. TUCKER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an organization established for the men and women whose desire it was to serve and protect our great Nation. They are individuals who fought valiant battles in foreign lands, many of whom gave the ultimate sacrifice—their lives.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to stand before you today to recognize the significant contributions and the 30th anniversary of the Howard Martin Richardson VFW Post 5394.

From an initial group of 38 men, the post's membership has grown to almost 1,400 members, men and women veterans of foreign wars. The post is the largest in the Fourth District and the fourth largest in the State of California. The post acquired its present name when it decided to honor one of its late commanders in 1982 and petitioned for a name change from the Wayne Emerson Bungard Post to the present name—Howard Martin Richardson Post.

During the 30 years of its existence, Post 5349 has labored toward its goals and objectives of serving the Compton and surrounding communities, veterans of the United States, their widows and orphans; all this while remaining solvent and self-supporting.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an organization that continues to make a difference. I rise today to pay tribute to the Howard Martin Richardson VFW Post 5394 in the city of Compton, CA.

A TRIBUTE TO CORRINE WILLIAMS DUNN

**HON. CARRIE P. MEEK**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 6, 1995*

Mrs. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to bring to the attention of my colleagues one of my constituents who exemplifies what it means to be a concerned community leader and activist—Corrine Williams Dunn.

Mr. Speaker, great neighborhoods don't just happen. They are created through the vision and hard work of hundreds and thousands of community members joining together in common cause.

Bunche Park, Opa-Locka, and Carol City in North Dade are just such neighborhoods and Corrine Dunn is one of the major reasons why. She is one of the most dedicated, most caring members of the community who has helped to make life better for generations of North Dade residents through her extensive community involvement.

Mrs. Dunn has been a major mover in helping to bring much needed county services to North Dade neighborhoods through her pioneering work with Bunche Park Elementary, North Dade High School, and the North Dade Improvement Association. Mrs. Dunn helped to create a community credit union for local residents.

Her remarkable record of community involvement over the years has included positions on many community boards and important commissions. She has served on the boards of Community Coordinated Child Care; EOPI, Inc.; the Community Action Agency; Legal Services of Dade County; Health Systems Agency of South Florida, Inc.; and the North Dade Health Center. In 1977, in recognition of her dedicated and untiring efforts on behalf of others, Corrine Williams Dunn was recognized by her neighbors in North Dade as Citizen of the Year.

Mrs. Dunn has now focused her attention on issues and activities involving senior citizens. She volunteered her time as a health aide to senior citizens and serves as chairperson of the Dade County National Parent Federation for Day Care and Child Development, Inc.

A member of Crooms Temple Church of God in Christ, Mrs. Dunn is also an ardent church worker who has served for 20 years as church secretary and has been active in the Young Women's Christian Council, Mother's Board, and the Missionary Board.

Mr. Speaker, I know that my colleagues join with me in saluting Mrs. Corrine Williams Dunn, a dedicated wife, mother, church leader, and community activist, for her more than 40 years of untiring efforts on behalf of her community.

INTRODUCTION OF H.R. 1742, THE  
FDA MODERNIZATION ACT OF 1995

**HON. RON WYDEN**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 6, 1995*

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. Speaker, the technology of drugs and medical devices has reached a new frontier. Through emerging sciences such as bioengineering we can anticipate truly monumental breakthroughs in the way we treat, and conquer, dread diseases which for centuries have plagued mankind.

It is crucial, absolutely critical, that the Federal regulatory system so integral to the development and commercialization of these new products change, improve, and advance in step with this technological revolution.

In support of this effort, I am today introducing H.R. 1742, the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1995. This bill offers reasonable, progressive, and user-friendly approaches toward making the FDA drug and device approval process more efficient and cost effective.

Most importantly, it accomplishes these goals while preserving the Agency's critical mission to assure the safety and effectiveness of new drugs and medical devices.

It ensures that our multibillion-dollar medical products industry continues as the preeminent international competitor.

Here are the salient features of this legislation:

The bill grants the agency authority to grant early, conditional approvals for promising drugs and devices which appear to be effective in fighting serious or life-threatening disease. Full and final approval would rest upon the manufacturer's ability to demonstrate that the initial promise of effectiveness was proven out in broader use.