

New Orleans Saints as one of National Football League's first round drafts picks. After 1 year with the Saints and being selected to the all rookie team, Kenny was traded to the Houston Oilers in exchange for 5 players.

While in Houston, he left the league in receptions for 7 years and yards gained for 5. As he concluded his 13-year NFL career, Kenny's success with Houston had earned him four trips to the Pro Bowl.

Currently, Mr. Burroughs lives in the Houston, TX area where he works as a motivational speaker with an emphasis on public relations and sales. In his spare time, Mr. Burroughs speaks at local schools and recruits major corporations to sponsor community development programs.

It is a true honor for Mr. Burroughs to be one of nine former collegiate and professional stars inducted. Mr. Burroughs' accomplishments, present and past, clearly demonstrate why he is so special and deserves to be a member of the Southwestern Athletic Conference Hall of Fame. Congratulations to Mr. Burroughs and to his family on this most special of occasions.

HONORING THE TRUE VINE  
BAPTIST CHURCH

**HON. KEN BENTSEN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 22, 1997*

Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate the True Vine Baptist Church of Houston, as they celebrate their 58th anniversary. This church has dedicated itself not only to the enlightenment of its parishioners, but to providing guidance and leadership to the young people of our community.

The True Vine Baptist Church has for years drawn parishioners from across the State with inspired sermons, but is now recognized also for its dedication to providing discipline and support for our young people. Pastors Jesse Johnson, Jr. and Harry Jackson well know how simple instruction and guidance from the church can make a huge difference in young people's lives. Mr. Johnson likes to tell the story of a young boy who told him of his dream to become a doctor. When pastor Johnson asked what field he wanted to study, the boy was unsure. Johnson told the young boy that vagueness and lack of direction would not get him far in the field of medicine. Only with focus and sense of purpose can you achieve success in life.

Pastors Johnson, Jackson, and the people of the True Vine Baptist Church are building a better future for Houston because they are instilling in these young people a sense of purpose and duty to their community. The church works with those who fear they cannot make anything of their lives and gives them a better sense of self and a stake in the future of their community. Pastors Johnson and Jackson use their hands-on approach to build a congregation of good citizens, one parishioner at a time.

Pastors Johnson and Jackson know it is not enough just to talk to young people and tell them to feel better about themselves. To build a sense of self-worth and duty, they know that opportunities and activities must be available to our young people, to keep them off the

streets. To this end, they hope to purchase property adjoining their church to build a gymnasium so that they can sponsor more activities for the neighborhood and provide more kids with a place to enjoy themselves in safety. They hope to establish a true vine scholarship program to give more youth the opportunity to get the education they need to succeed in life. By working so hard to build a brighter future of young people, the True Vine Baptist Church is showing us all what it takes to build better communities.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the True Vine Baptist Church as they celebrate their 58th anniversary. I wish them further success in providing the young people of Houston the leadership and spiritual guidance they need to build a better future.

SISTER VIANNEY RETIRING

**HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 22, 1997*

Mr. KANJORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a beloved educator and religious leader from my district in Pennsylvania, Sister M. Vianney, O.S.F. Sister Vianney is retiring from her position as principal of Holy Rosary School in Duryea, PA. Sister Vianney has served in this position for almost half of her religious life.

A native of Altoona, PA, Sister Vianney began her career as a first-grade teacher. Before coming to Holy Rosary she worked in several other schools in the Northeast. Of all the schools, she considers the staff and children of the Holy Rosary School her family. Beloved by all, Sister Vianney can frequently be found tossing a ball in the playground or engaging in a game of jump rope with the students.

Along with being a friend and role model to the students Sister Vianney has led the school through two major expansion projects in 1989 and 1991 to accommodate preschoolers and a kindergarten.

Mr. Speaker, Sister Vianney has made caring a concern and quality education a tradition at Holy Rosary. We all know how important the role of a good teacher is in providing a strong education to our children. Sister Vianney personifies these important core values. When area residents offer praise to a well-mannered child, they often say "Oh you are so good, you must go to Holy Rosary."

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased and proud to join with her many friends, colleagues and the children and parents of Holy Rosary in thanking Sister Vianney for her years of service and congratulating her on a job well done. I wish her continued success in her retirement.

BEST WISHES TO TAIWAN  
PRESIDENT LEE TENG-HUI

**HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 22, 1997*

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, on May 20, 1997, the people of Taiwan celebrated President Lee Teng-hui's first anniversary in office.

Lee Teng-hui, the ninth President of the Republic of China on Taiwan, is a Cornell-educated statesman, who strongly believes in economic and political growth. During his years in office, first as the appointed President and later as the first elected President in the history of the Republic of China, he has given the people of Taiwan confidence in themselves and the hope of an even better tomorrow.

President Lee is a leader with vision. Thanks to him, the people of Taiwan are able to enjoy high standards of living and personal freedoms, privileges unknown to their brethren on the Chinese mainland.

Congratulations to the people of Taiwan.

IN HONOR OF FATHER LEO L.  
MARCIL

**HON. GERALD B.H. SOLOMON**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 22, 1997*

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to a great man and a great community leader, Father Leo L. Marcil, who will have served in the priesthood for an incredible 50 years this May 31, 1997. Father Marcil will be celebrating his years of service at a public ceremony on Sunday, June 1, 1997, in Hudson Falls, NY, of my congressional district.

Mr. Speaker, Rev. Leo Marcil is a product of beautiful upstate New York where he has resided virtually his entire life. From his birth in Cohoes, to his being ordained by the revered Bishop Edmund Gibbons in Albany, to his first assignment in June 1947 at St. Alphonsus Church in my hometown of Glens Falls, NY, where he served until 1963, to his amazing 28 years of service at St. Paul's in Hudson Falls, Father Marcil has been a mainstay in each and every community. Currently, Father Marcil makes his home at the now joint St. Mary's/St. Paul's rectory in Hudson Falls where he continues his activities on behalf of that community and nearby Glens Falls even after his retirement in 1992. And I use the word retirement loosely, Mr. Speaker. That's because the good Father can't help but keep a busy schedule, celebrating daily mass, twice on Tuesday, visiting the Glens Falls Hospital twice a week, and delivering communion to the home bound.

Mr. Speaker, that's what makes Father Marcil so special to those whose lives he has touched over his 50 years in the cloth. And believe me, he has impacted countless people in those times and does to this very day. People who go out of their way to share a kind word, flash a loving smile, and help those without expecting anything in return always do make a lasting impression. That's why I have always admired people like Father Leo Marcil who offer their services to neighbors in the community, especially to those who may not have the privilege of hearing his words of wisdom regularly.

Actions like these are what makes Father Marcil a pillar of the Hudson Falls and Glens Falls communities. We would all do well to emulate his brand of respect for one another and public service. On that note, Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and all Members of the House rise and join me in tribute to Father Marcil's living legacy and in wishing him many more years of happiness and success.