

TRIBUTE TO ATTORNEY MARJAN
R. KMIEC

HON. GERALD D. KLECZKA

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 21, 1997

Mr. KLECZKA. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to rise today in tribute to Milwaukee attorney Marjan R. Kmiec, who is being honored by the Polish Legion of American Veterans, Woodrow Wilson Post 11, with their Heritage Appreciation Award.

For over three decades, Marty Kmiec has been actively involved in a variety of Polish heritage groups in my hometown, Milwaukee, including the Polish Legion of American Veterans, the Milwaukee Society and Polish Festivals, Inc. These organizations work to strengthen, preserve, and celebrate Polish heritage, an ethnicity Marty and I share. Marty was a founding member of Polish Fest, Milwaukee's summertime lakefront festival which successfully celebrates Polish-American customs and traditions, and served as its president for 10 years. He was actively involved in the land acquisition for the future construction of the Polish Community Center.

Marty Kmiec is also a respected attorney, specializing in personal injury litigation. He served as president of the Milwaukee Bar Association Litigation Section for 3 years, and has shared his vast experience and knowledge in the field during lectures at Milwaukee Bar Association and State of Wisconsin Bar Association seminars.

I am honored to join the Polish Legion of American Veterans, Marty's colleagues, family, and friends, in thanking him for his years of dedicated service to the Milwaukee community, and our city's Polish community, in particular.

Congratulations, Marty. God Bless and keep up the great work.

HONORING EDDIE AND BETTY
FELLABAUM ON THEIR 45TH
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to rise today to celebrate the 45th wedding anniversary of Eddie and Betty Fellabaum. It gives me great pleasure to congratulate Eddie and Betty on their special day.

In an era where marriages are too often short lived, it is wonderful to see a couple who has endured the trials and tribulations that can cause a marriage to fail. The love and commitment they have demonstrated should serve as an inspiration to couples everywhere.

Mr. Speaker, what an achievement to be married for 45 years. It is an honor to represent a couple like the Fellabaums. I am proud to call them my constituents.

DEDICATED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

HON. JOHN T. DOOLITTLE

OF CALIFORNIA

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Mr. DOOLITTLE. Mr. Speaker, on Wednesday, October 8, 1997, eight employees of the Bureau of Reclamation and a pilot were tragically killed when their charter plane crashed en route from Montrose, CO to Page, AZ. The downed plane was not located until that Friday, at which time it was determined there were no survivors. I would like to offer my deepest sympathies to the families, friends, and coworkers of these dedicated Federal employees and the pilot.

The accident victims were: James L. Bloomfield, electrical engineer, Glen Canyon Field Division, Page, AZ, who was a Reclamation employee since 1983; William H. Duncan, Jr., manager, Glen Canyon Field Division, Page, AZ, a Reclamation employee since 1976; Delphina D. Holliman, computer clerk, Glen Canyon Field Division, Page, AZ, who was a Reclamation employee since 1996; Allen E. Inman, Jr. manager, Curecanti Field Division, Montrose, CO, who had been a Reclamation employee since 1980; Walter A. Kaltmaier, computer specialist, Glen Canyon Field Division, Page, AZ, a Reclamation employee since 1988; Jon E. Nees, safety and occupational health manager, human resources group of upper Colorado region, duty station at Montrose, CO, who was a Reclamation employee since 1979; Jeffrey E. Waite, powerplant operations manager, Glen Canyon Field Division, Page, AZ, a Reclamation employee since 1988; Catrina M. Wall, computer specialist, Glen Canyon Field Division, Page, AZ, a Reclamation employee since 1981; Robert Armstrong of Phoenix, AZ, a pilot with 10 years of experience with the airline.

Nothing can replace these individuals in the lives of those who loved them. I would like their loved ones to know, however, that their service and dedication has been remembered by the Congress. May the friends and family of all these victims be comforted in their time of sorrow.

TRIBUTE TO PASTOR EPHRAIM
WILLIAMS

HON. ROBERT T. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to one of California's great spiritual leaders, Pastor Ephraim Williams of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church in Sacramento.

Today, Pastor Williams will conclude his 5-year tenure as president of the California State Baptist Convention. On this special occasion, I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting the remarkable evangelical contributions Dr. Williams has made while serving in this high position.

During his pastoral career at St. Paul, Dr. Williams has established a stellar reputation as a tireless spiritual and community leader in the Sacramento area. Yet his contributions extend far beyond St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church.

Through his roles as president of the California State Baptist Convention, and vice president of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Dr. Williams has proven to be a religious leader of State and national prominence.

Dr. Williams' accomplishments while president of the California State Baptist Convention include strengthening the spiritual growth of the individual members, pastors, and 230 churches which comprise that association. He has also provided non-pastors and laypeople with important opportunities to participate in the convention's activities and leadership roles.

Pastor Williams' success as president of the California State Baptist Convention is evident in the increasing attendance at the convention sessions, as well as in the mutual financial and evangelical support the member congregations are offering one another.

Under Dr. Williams' guidance, the California State Baptist Convention assisted churches affected by the spate of arson fires which occurred over the past several years. Additionally, he made sure that the congregations impacted by these heinous events received the financial support necessary to continue functioning.

Pastor Williams has furthered his religious and civic activities to include a broad array of important community-based and evangelical organizations. Among these are the California Southern Baptist African-American Network, for which he serves as first vice president, as well as the Christian Education Board, St. Hope Academy, the Sacramento City Unified School District Cluster of Schools, and the St. Paul and Oak Park Community Outreach Program.

In 1996, President Clinton hosted Pastor Williams for a meeting at the White House. He has also been honored by the California State Legislature, Sacramento Mayor Joe Serna, and the Urban League. The breadth of the awards and honors Pastor Williams has received is a testament to his significant community and evangelical endeavors.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Ephraim Williams has contributed greatly to the spiritual and civic health of countless Baptist parishioners throughout the State of California and the entire Nation. As he steps down today as president of the California State Baptist Convention, I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting this truly exceptional religious leader.

HONORING THE OCCIDENTAL
CHEMICAL CORP. HOUSTON
CHEMICAL COMPLEX

HON. KEN BENTSEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate the Occidental Chemical Corp. Houston chemical complex for their selection by the Deer Park Chamber of Commerce as the 1997 Industry of the Year. The Occidental Chemical Corp. Houston chemical complex's commitment to building a better future for our community has made it an example all industry can follow.

The Occidental Chemical Corp. Houston chemical complex [OXY] Deer Park facility has been an integral component of the area economy since its creation in 1948. Located along