

SALUTE TO THE HONOREES OF  
THE INTEGRITY MASONIC TEMPLE'S  
PAST MASTERS' BANQUET

**HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 24, 1998*

Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to call to your attention the Past Masters' Banquet of the Integrity Masonic Temple of Paterson, New Jersey. Honored at the banquet will be Bob Bolling, Leroy Walker, Willie Harris, Levi Price, and Harrison Adams.

Bob Bolling, was born to the late Sidney and Olivia Bolling on May 25, 1940 in Baltimore, Maryland. Bob lived in Buffalo, New York from which he enlisted in the U.S. Army on April 22, 1958, and served a total 10½ years on active duty.

Upon completion of basic and advance training, Bob served two tours of duty in West Germany from 1958 to 1960 and 1961 to 1965. After completion of heavy helicopter maintenance supervisor training, he was assigned to duty in South Vietnam from 1966 to 1967. Returning stateside, Bob was assigned to duty at Fort Sill, Oklahoma until October 30, 1968 whereupon he was discharged from the Army. Joining the Army Reserve program in 1974 as a Staff Sergeant, he served in the 2nd brigade, 76th and 78th divisions. On January 18, 1997, Bob was promoted to Chief Warrant Officer 4 and is presently serving with the 800th Military Police Brigade in Long Island.

Bob, a resident of the City of Paterson, worked at a variety of jobs, including the state Department of Corrections (1973-1975). In early 1975, Bob joined the Passaic County Sheriff's Department and was given many assignments at the County Jail including Floor Control Officer, Day Shift Supervisor of the Jail's Satellite Housing Unit at Preakness Hospital, and Supervisor of the Ombudsman's Office, from which he retired in April 1994 with the rank of Lieutenant.

Bob received an Associate's Degree in Police Science from Bergen Community College 1978, and a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from William Paterson College in 1980. He enjoys membership in numerous organizations including the Reserve Officer Association, the Reserve Warrant Officer Association, the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, the Passaic County Mental Health Association, the William Paterson College Alumni Association, and the Paterson NAACP.

Bob is married to the former Ester Palmer and together, are the proud parents of Damia Ann, a graduate of Clark University, and Ajamu Sekou, a student at Passaic County Technical Institute.

Leroy Walker was born on January 23, 1949 to Janie May Walker and the late Roy Walker, and is married to Minnie Walker. He attended Paterson Public School #12 and graduated from Eastside High School in 1966 whereupon he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. Leroy served tours of duty in the United States, Vietnam, and Japan and was honorably discharged as a Sergeant. Upon returning to Paterson, he worked at a variety of jobs including Broadway Bank and the *Bergen Record*.

In 1972, Leroy joined the Paterson Police Department where he served for the past 25

years and has received several awards for valor as well as community service. He is also a Certified Police Instructor for the State of New Jersey and is a member of PBA Local #1. In 1995, Leroy was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and is now presently serving as Detective Sergeant with the Paterson Juvenile Division. While working for the Paterson Police Department, Mr. Walker attended William Paterson College and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Public Safety Administration.

Willie Harris was born in Camden, South Carolina to Logie and Bertha Harris. He graduated from the Mather Academy in Camden upon which he worked at Brown's Funeral Home as a licensed funeral director. Willie joined the Air Force in 1956 and served four years on active duty. He came to Paterson in 1960 and joined the Air National Guard Reserve and was honorably discharged in 1962.

Willie and his wife, Joyce Wilson, are the proud parents of two children, Tona Peel, and Tyson, and the proud grandparents of four grandchildren, Marquis, Ashley, Naja, and Tiana.

Levi Price was born in Lexington Park, Maryland, the son of Robert and Maggie Price. He graduated from G.R. Whitfield High School in Grimesland, North Carolina. After graduating from high school, Levi worked in a variety of jobs, and presently works for the Marangi Sanitation Company of Paterson. Levi is married to Mattie Price, and together are the proud parents of three children, Tony, Angelie, and Janita, and proud grandparents of seven grandchildren.

Harrison Adams was born in Ridgewood, New Jersey and attended school in Paterson. He is a graduate of Passaic County Technical and Vocational High School in Wayne and the Barnet Temple Culinary Institute. Harrison has worked for Marcus Jeweler for 9½ years, and the Meadowslands Sport Facility for six years.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me, our colleagues, the family and friends of Bob, Leroy, Willie, Levi, and Harrison, and the City of Paterson in recognizing the many outstanding and invaluable contributions to our society of Bob Bolling, Leroy Walker, Willie Harris, Levi Price, and Harrison Adams.

TRIBUTE TO NEW YORK STATE  
MILITARY FORCES AND THE  
10TH MOUNTAIN DIVISION (LIGHT  
INFANTRY)

**HON. JOHN M. MCHUGH**

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Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I want to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the New York State Division of Military and Naval Affairs and the Army's 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) at Fort Drum, New York for their extraordinary efforts on behalf of the people of Northern New York during one of the worst ice storms to ever hit the region. Their efforts represent the finest tradition of joint training and missions.

In January, a devastating storm swept through the northeast, paralyzing most of Northern New York. The ice storm toppled trees, grounded power wires, created flooding and left more than 100,000 homes, businesses, schools and other public and commu-

nity facilities without power and communications in the bitter cold. The devastation was so severe that six counties were declared a Federal disaster area.

The New York State Division of Military and Naval Affairs' immediate National Guard response and continuous coordination with the Army's active 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) provided full coverage of the disaster area throughout the crisis. Thousands of men and women from the New York Army National Guard, Air National Guard, New York Guard and Naval Militia, and 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) were committed to the emergency.

The 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) and New York State military forces worked tirelessly to bring needed help to North Country residents. Most people were without heat, water and other basic necessities, some for days, others for weeks. Military personnel delivered generators to homes, shelters and businesses crucial to Northern New York and went door-to-door checking on the well-being and health of residents and bringing food and water. For many, their round-the-clock efforts, in conjunction with that of thousands of local volunteers and county emergency management personnel, and the Fort Drum civilian workforce, meant the difference between life and death.

I am proud and honored to have as neighbors such fine men and women serving New York State and our Nation. Throughout the crisis, the North Country witnessed first-hand the high caliber and professionalism of our military personnel. We owe them a debt of gratitude for all that they do and all that they have done. I am pleased to have this opportunity to extend my most sincere thanks to them for making a difference under dire circumstances.

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to share with you the following letters from two of my constituents, Sanford Jones of Black River and Martha Hartle of Potsdam, addressed to Major General Lawson Magruder, Commander of the 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) and Fort Drum. These two letters are illustrative of scores of tributes which have been sent to him, the New York National Guard, local newspapers and my office.

*Potsdam, NY, January 19, 1997.*

Maj. Gen. LAWSON W. MAGRUDER, III  
*Secretary of General Staff, Fort Drum, NY.*

DEAR SIR: As coordinator of disaster medical services at the Maxcy Hall Shelter in Potsdam during Ice Storm '98, I am writing to thank you and your Fort Drum troops who came to help us out at the shelter. The first few days of the storm offered several challenges that were frightening, to say the least. And then, in came the Fort Drum people. My sense of relief and that of my fellow volunteers can not be overstated when we realized that help had arrived in the guise of military uniforms.

I want to specifically commend the actions of Sergeant John Ott, Lieutenant Cathleen Shultz and Chaplain Swain who continually offered administrative support and skilled medical assistance to me and the volunteers, as well as emotional and personal care support to our elderly. Without them, I am certain that the services we offered at the shelter would have been substantially diminished.

Sergeant Ott served as my administrative support and never wavered in his duty. He was always respectful and quick to offer knowledgeable and helpful advice. He taught me a lot about delegating and yet never