

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO MARILYN COHEN

• Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay a well-deserved tribute to my dear friend Marilyn Cohen on her retirement after thirteen years as the Chairman of the Democratic Town Committee of West Hartford, Connecticut. On May 28, 1998, Marilyn will be the honored guest at the annual Harry Kleinman dinner, where Democrats from West Hartford and throughout Connecticut will have the opportunity to show their appreciation for a job well done.

Marilyn has always been a hands-on Chairman; a tireless and dedicated leader who earned the respect and admiration of her entire community. By any measure Marilyn Cohen has been the most successful Town Chairman in the history of West Hartford. During her tenure, Democrats have enjoyed an unmatched period of success and the high degree of satisfaction of citizens with the town's administrative services serves as the best testament to Marilyn's skill as a political leader.

Many of those individuals counseled and supported by Marilyn have found success both in and beyond West Hartford, and I am proud to be a member of that group. Marilyn served as Political Director during my first campaign for the U.S. Senate in 1988. I know for a fact that without her unwavering support and finely-tuned political acumen, I would not be a member of this esteemed Chamber today.

Marilyn may be retiring from her position on the Town Committee, but she will never retire from this lifestyle that she loves so much. Currently, she is serving as Political Coordinator for BARBARA KENNELLY, the Democratic candidate for Governor of the State of Connecticut, and will no doubt provide the same high level of direction and support that has been her hallmark for so many years. I am proud to stand before my colleagues today to thank Marilyn for all that she has done and wish her continued success in the coming years.●

TRIBUTE TO GOODWILL INDUSTRIES ON THE OCCASION OF GOODWILL INDUSTRIES WEEK, MAY 3-9, 1998

• Mr. GRAMS. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Goodwill Industries on the occasion of Goodwill Industries Week, which began May 3 and continues through May 9. Goodwill Industries Week is a national celebration to honor those who have overcome barriers to employment and become independent members of their communities and to honor the organization that helps make those achievements possible.

Goodwill Industries is much more than a business based upon the reselling of used merchandise at a discount price; it is an organization that is

based upon volunteers providing leadership, advice, and assistance to those in need everywhere.

Goodwill Industries was founded by Reverend Edgar Helms around the turn of the 20th Century under the philosophy of "a hand up, not a hand out." Goodwill Industries was officially incorporated in 1910 and was originally envisioned by Rev. Helms as both an "industrial program as well as a social service enterprise . . . a provider of employment, training, and rehabilitation for people of limited employability, and a source of temporary assistance for individuals whose resources were depleted." Today, Goodwill Industries has expanded upon Rev. Helms' original mission to include people with physical, mental and emotional disabilities, as well as those trapped by socio-economic barriers such as illiteracy, homelessness, advanced age, past substance abuse, lack of work experience or criminal history.

Goodwill Industries has grown from its original location in Boston, Massachusetts' Morgan Memorial Chapel into a \$1.2 billion nonprofit organization with 187 autonomous members in the U.S. and Canada and 54 associate members in 37 countries outside of North America. In 1997, Goodwill served over 200,000 people nationwide who needed assistance in learning job skills and gaining employment.

As for Minnesota, Goodwill first appeared in Duluth, in 1916, and three years later in St. Paul. During its first years in Minnesota, Goodwill provided jobs, low-cost merchandise, and training for young people with disabilities during the Depression era. During World War II, Goodwill Industries aided in the rehabilitation of disabled servicemen.

Goodwill has continued to serve Minnesotans throughout the State and has found ways to remain a successful and a profitable industry. The Duluth Goodwill merged with the Duluth Sheltered Workshop in 1979 and continues to serve Minnesota's northland. The St. Paul Goodwill merged with the Easter Seal Society in 1984 and provides services for the rest of the State. With these changes, in 1997 alone, both of Minnesota's Goodwill Industries offices combined to process over 40 million pounds of donated clothing and household goods for salvage and sale. In addition, Goodwill served over 10,000 Minnesotans in need of assistance.

Mr. President, I commend Goodwill Industries for its continued service to the American people and especially for its commitment to Minnesota. But most of all, I want to pay tribute to both the countless volunteers who provide a "hand up, not a hand out" and all of the participants who use these resources to better themselves.●

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CELEBRATIONS OF ST. STANISLAUS AND MONSIGNOR GABALSKI

• Mr. D'AMATO. Mr. President, I rise today to proudly announce two cele-

brations of major historical achievement. Our first event is the 50th Anniversary of His Ordination to the Service of Our Lord, the Pastor, Reverend Monsignor John R. Gabalski, P.A. The second event is the 125th Anniversary of St. Stanislaus R. C. Church, B.M. The first event will take place on Saturday, May 23, 1998, with a Mass of Thanksgiving in St. Stanislaus R. C. Church at 4:00 p.m. A banquet will follow at the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Peter J. Adamski Social Center, 389 Peckham Street, Buffalo New York. The second event will take place on Sunday, June 7, 1998 at 4:00 p.m. with a Mass of Thanksgiving with his Excellency, Bishop Henry J. Mansell, Ordinary, of the Diocese of Buffalo. A civic reception will follow at the Hearthstone Manor, 333 Dick Rd., Depew, New York.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Gabalski, P.A., attended school at SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary Orchard Lake in February 1945 to May 1948 and was ordained on May 22, 1948 in Buffalo's St. Joseph New Cathedral by Most Rev. John F. O'Hara. The Reverend attended undergraduate studies at Canisius College for math; Norte Dame and Catholic University, Washington for adolescent psychology; and at Manhattanville, New York for music. In June 1948-August 1949 Msgr. Gabalski attended graduate school at De Paul University, Chicago for Polish and in 1949 received his M.A. in Polish. He also attended graduate studies in language at the University of Detroit and obtained a M.E. in education at Canisius in 1968. Msgr. Gabalski has accomplished many achievements too numerous to count and has spent much of his time volunteering with different organizations. He was a Pastor of Queen of Peace from June 1974 to February 1978. Moreover, Reverend Gabalski was a 16-year member at the Orchard Lake Michigan Schools and a faculty member and Director of the Diocesan Preparatory Seminary. Reverend Gabalski started pastoring St. Stanislaus in February 1978. We compliment Msgr. Gabalski with his accomplishments with the church and outside achievements.

The second event is a great milestone in the history of St. Stanislaus R.C. Church which is the 5th oldest parish and the 1st oldest Polish parish in the Diocese of Buffalo. The nucleus of the first Polish parish in Western New York was formed in 1872 under the direction of the Rev. Ivanef Gartner and a recent immigrant, Joseph Kujawski. According to the 1870 United States census, there were no less than 135 natives of Poland within the city limits of Buffalo. John Pitass, on June 8, 1873, organized St. Stanislaus Parish at a meeting of the St. Stanislaus Society. St. Stanislaus B.M. School opened in April, 1874. On August 10, 1882 groundbreaking took place and in 1883 the first level of the church was built. The founding Pastor was Dean Pitass and Rev. Dr. Alexander Pitass was the second Pastor of St. Stanislaus. The