

IN HONOR OF TOMASZ WYSZYNSKI

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 30, 1999

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Tomasz Wyszynski as he is being honored for promoting his Polish Heritage through his outstanding accomplishments by the Polonia Foundation.

Tomasz Wyszynski is a man of many personal and career accomplishments. After joining the Army, Tomasz had the opportunity to live in Russia, Iraq, India, South Africa, France, and England. In addition, he has exhibited a tremendous aptitude for languages, he learned to speak not only his native Polish, but English and enough Russian, German, and Hindi to make himself understood to communicate.

When Tomasz Wyszynski later settled in Akron, Ohio, he joined the Polonia of Akron Lodge and took his first position as a Trustee. Soon after, he developed an interest in insurance sales to assist others in providing necessities and security.

Tomasz Wyszynski has been a tireless worker, coordinator, and recruiter for the Polish National Alliance. To date he has recruited over 2,000 people to the Polish National Alliance membership in addition to being a member since the organization's inception. His contributions to the Polonia Society have been continuous and awe-inspiring, he has always been willing to help others.

I ask that my distinguished colleagues join me in commending Tommy Wyszynski for his dedication, service, and leadership in the Cleveland community. Our community has certainly been rewarded by the true service displayed by Tomasz Wyszynski.

RECOGNIZING DALE CURTIS

HON. JAMES M. TALENT

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TALENT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dale Curtis of Ellisville, Kenneth Jewson of St. Charles, and Richard Stevens of Fenton, who have completed their rigorous training at the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. The National Academy's 11-week training program prepares men and women in law enforcement to meet their challenges of the future.

The FBI's National Academy students are selected from the managerial ranks of the state, local, and international police agencies. The academy's graduates set the standard for integrity, competence, and dedication throughout the law enforcement profession. I am pleased that these law enforcement officers from the second district attended the FBI National Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I hope you will follow me in offering these outstanding officers our congratulations, and the best of luck in their future endeavors as law enforcement professionals.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CASS BALLENGER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 30, 1999

Mr. BALLENGER. Mr. Speaker, on September 23, 1999, on the first Lofgren motion (rollcall No. 438) to instruct conferees on H.R. 1501, the Juvenile Justice Reform Act of 1999, I was recorded as voting "yea" when I intended to vote "nay."

TRIBUTE TO ALBERT CHEN

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 30, 1999

Mr. GARY MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Albert Chen of Chino, California, a constituent of mine from the 41st congressional district.

Mr. Chen is the founder and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Telamon Electronics, which provides pre-installation assembly, material management and other services to the high-tech industry in Southern California. This 10-year old company has annual revenues in excess of \$140 million and is headquartered in Chino. As one of the highest tax-generators of the 2,100 businesses in the region, Telamon Electronics currently adds approximately \$1 million annually in tax revenue to our area.

Under Mr. Chen's capable leadership, Telamon Electronics recently brokered a \$120 million business deal with two other leading national high-tech companies, GTE and Nortel Networks. This new working relationship will provide new jobs, new opportunities, and new services for the residents of Chino, western San Bernardino County and eastern Los Angeles County. I believe this is a perfect example of big business working with small business to the mutual benefit of the economy and our diverse society.

I congratulate Mr. Chen on his recent successes, and I welcome the new business partnerships between Telamon, GTE and Nortel Networks to my congressional district. Together, this new "team" will be providing a valuable service to the high-tech industry, while continuing to develop and implement cutting edge Internet technology.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION
TO PROTECT OUR GREAT LAKES**HON. DAVE CAMP**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 30, 1999

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, I rise to introduce legislation that will protect our Great Lakes and ensure an effective strategy for conserving our water resources.

One hundred and sixty-six million people in 18 countries are suffering from water scarcity. Almost 270 million more in 11 additional countries are considered water stressed. By 2025, one fourth of the world will suffer from lack of water. These are a few of the reasons that experts are hypothesizing that water will soon change from a resource to a commodity.

Given these disturbing statistics, it's becoming very clear that we need to develop a better strategy for water management. One problem that is facing environmentalists, scientists and policy makers is the lack of sufficient and reliable information on water availability and quality. Efforts to balance supply and demand, and plans for a sustainable future, are severely hampered by this lack of information. That is why this legislation is so necessary.

The Great Lakes comprise 1/5 of the Earth's fresh water resources. Over the past few years, there have been numerous proposals to withdraw bulk quantities of water from the Great Lakes Basin. The Great Lakes hold over 6 quadrillion gallons of water. However, before we begin mass exports of bulk water from this giant resource, we must be very clear on how this will impact the Great Lakes region. We cannot allow commercial exploitation of such a precious resource.

Last year, the House passed a Resolution calling on the President and the other Body to work to prevent the sale or diversion of Great Lakes water in mass quantities. That resolution was an important first step. The legislation that I'm introducing today takes the necessary second step. This bill will impose a two year moratorium on exports of bulk fresh water. The moratorium will give the governors of the Great Lakes, who for the past fifteen years have effectively managed the Basin, the opportunity to effectively evaluate how and if bulk exports from the Great Lakes Basin should proceed.

Prudent management of our natural resources means looking ahead and planning for the future. As we enter a new millennium, we need to be responsible stewards of our environment, to ensure that our children are not denied the resources that we today are able to enjoy. Our water resources must be carefully conserved, and this legislation will allow the Great Lakes governors to develop an effective strategy to ensure our water supply and ecosystem are protected. I urge my colleagues to join me in support of this legislation.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JEANNE
CAMERON'S CLASS AT OGDEN
MIDDLE SCHOOL**HON. JAMES V. HANSEN**

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 30, 1999

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. Speaker, I wish to bring before the Congress a marvelous example of a classroom of children at the Mt. Ogden Middle School in Ogden, UT. Mt. Ogden is an inner city school of approximately 880 children from both wealthy and economically disadvantaged homes. It is predominately Hispanic. Last year, the school wanted to create a new reading program for those students whose reading level is below that of their age level. That program would have cost \$20,000, and the school simply didn't have the money. That's where the kids came in.

This year, the Channel One Network, and educational program provider for schools around the country sponsored a current events knowledge competition, with a prize of \$25,000 to the school with the winning class. The contest involved identifying and describing the context of a series of current events images from around the world over a period of