

young men in America attain the rank of Eagle Scout. This high honor can only be earned by those scouts demonstrating extraordinary leadership abilities.

In light of the commendable leadership and courageous activities performed by these fine young men, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the above scouts for attaining the highest honor in Scouting—the Rank of Eagle. Mr. Speaker, let us wish them the very best in all of their future endeavors.

HONORING REVEREND SACQUETY

HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 29, 2000

Ms. SANCHEZ. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to the Reverend Canon Charles W. Sacquety on his retirement from the ministry of the Episcopal Church.

Reverend Charles was born in Detroit, Michigan. He attended the University of Michigan where he received a Bachelors of Arts degree and a Masters of Arts degree in Music. After teaching music in the Ann Arbor Public Schools, he served in the United States Army for two years where he was stationed in the Canal Zone, Panama.

Upon returning from his tour of duty, Reverend Charles attended the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley, California. Upon completing his theology courses, Reverend Charles was ordained as a deacon and priest in the Diocese of Michigan. He served two congregations before being called to St. Mark's Parish in Glendale, California. Reverend Charles then moved to Germany where he served as Rector of the Parish Church of Christ the King in Frankfurt. After six and a half years, Reverend Charles was again called to California where he became the Rector of St. Wilfrid's in July of 1978.

Reverend Charles brought so many gifts to St. Wilfrid's. He is best-known for his ebullient sense of humor and his ability to reach out to the members of the parish by listening to their needs. He has developed and implemented the plans for construction of the beautiful new church and community hall which now bears his name, Sacquety Hall. Reverend Charles was a friend to the members of the church. His sermons on Sundays touched the lives of all who attended with his inspirational wisdom and his eloquent words.

After leaving St. Wilfrid's, Reverend Charles served as an Archdeacon for the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles. Reverend Charles will receive an Honorary Doctorate degree of Divinity from Church Divinity School of the Pacific, in Berkeley, California this year.

Colleagues, please join me today as we recognize the Rev. Canon Charles W. Sacquety on his many years of ministry and the many contributions that he has made to the community and the Episcopal Church and to the parishioners who came to know him as a man of understanding and inspiration.

HONORING MR. MARK MORELLI

HON. CURT WELDON

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a man whose life-saving work demands our attention and respect. Mr. Mark Morelli, a dedicated member of the Folcroft, Pennsylvania Fire Company has recently been honored for his heroic work during a tragic time. I come before my colleagues to recognize the heroic efforts to Mr. Morelli and congratulate him for being awarded the Valor Award by the Delaware County Firemen's Association.

Mr. Morelli is being honored for his selfless efforts during last September's Hurricane Floyd that caused destruction up and down the east coast. Mr. Morelli was chosen for the Valor Award for saving the lives of three citizens trapped by the flooding waters. He called upon his skills gained during his assignment with the United States Navy by maneuvering a rescue boat against the overwhelming currents to ensure the safety of the stranded people. His courageous duties went beyond the call of duty. All Americans should applaud him for his efforts.

Too often the heroic efforts of our nation's volunteer firefighters go unnoticed by the public. Mr. Morelli's actions exemplify the spirit and dedication of the men and women in the fire service. At a time when many lament the absence of heroes in today's society, I can attest that we can find role models right in our own backyards.

As a fellow firefighter, I applaud Mr. Morelli's unselfish bravery. I want to extend my gratitude to him for putting his life on the line in order to secure the safety of local residents.

HONORING GRAND JUNCTION CITIZEN OF THE YEAR, JAMIE HAMILTON

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a moment to recognize the 1999 Grand Junction Citizen of the Year, my friend, Jamie Hamilton.

A man that knows no end when it comes to serving his community, Jamie was awarded the Citizen of the Year award by the Grand Junction Chamber of Commerce. He has donated his time and talents to a list of over twenty-five community and state organizations. This past year alone Jamie served on the Grand Junction Park and Recreation Board, Community Hospital Board, Sober Grad Committee, Lions Club, Grand Junction Chamber of Commerce, JUCO and the Board of Trustees for the State Colleges of Colorado.

Jamie and his wife, Debbie, share a dedication to the community that does not stop with boards and committees. After volunteering all of his time to these organizations, Jamie still finds time to coach little league baseball and baseball clinics for area youths.

He leads by example, never asking an employee to do something that he would not do

himself. This outstanding leadership and dedication is a leading factor in the success of Home Loan Insurance where Jamie is the CEO and President.

It is with this, Mr. Speaker, that I would like to offer this tribute to a great community leader and a good personal friend, Jamie Hamilton, in honor of receiving the 1999 Grand Junction Citizen of the Year Award. The Grand Junction community owes him a debt of gratitude for his leadership and selfless service.

CONDEMNING RACIAL AND ANTI-CATHOLIC BIGOTRY

HON. GRACE F. NAPOLITANO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 29, 2000

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to be a co-sponsor of the concurrent resolution, introduced by my colleagues JOHN CONYERS, Jr. and JOSEPH CROWLEY, that condemns the discriminatory practices prevalent at Bob Jones University and all individuals who espouse similar beliefs. As members of a diverse society who desire mutual respect for and by all, we should never let bigotry go unchecked. Bob Jones University has been perpetuating its anti-Catholic and racially bigoted practices and beliefs for decades. It is about time that the institution be condemned.

Bob Jones University claims it is neither racist nor anti-Catholic. However, the University's policies and preachings create an environment where it is permissible to view those of different religions and races as inferior. Once that environment is established, all other forms of discrimination can ensue. In my own state of California, we have witnessed all too often what such an environment can lead to: police brutality, such as that endured by Rodney King; the passage of harsh anti-immigrant measures, such as proposition 187; and the grinding, persistent prejudice that blocks too many hardworking families and individuals from realizing their full potential.

Many people throughout California and across the nation have been working hard to counteract the damage done by thoughts and acts of hatred and intolerance. At a time when we as a nation should be focusing our efforts on healing our wounds, it is troubling that an academic institution would be dedicated to unraveling the fabric of our multicultural society. Our nation will only be weakened if we fail to speak out against policies that seek to divide, segregate and denigrate people on the basis of race or religion.

HONORING JUDGE GERALD SNODGRASS

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 29, 2000

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a longtime community leader, Judge Gerald Snodgrass. On March 2nd, community leaders will join family and friends to celebrate the career of Judge Snodgrass as he marks his retirement after 20 years of service in the

field of law, and to the citizens of Burton, Michigan.

In 1969 Gerald Snodgrass began his distinguished legal career, receiving his Juris Doctorate Degree from Texas Southern University. Two years later, he received a degree in Criminal Prosecution from the University of Houston. He eventually made his way to Michigan, where in 1978 he received a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice and Sociology and also post-graduate degrees from the University of Detroit, Western Michigan University, and a degree in Industrial Management from Cleary College in Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Armed with this impressive educational experience, Gerald decided to pursue both law and education. He began a career as an educator, working as an Adjunct Professor at Charles Stewart Mott College, Western Michigan University, and the University of Detroit. He also began his legal career in 1971 as a Senior Assistant Prosecuting Attorney in Genesee County. He was then chosen to serve as a Judge in Genesee County's 67th District Court. During this time he also served as an Alternate Circuit Judge for the 7th Judicial Circuit, a position he held for 18 years. After 20 years of service as a judge, he continued his legal career as a Trial Attorney specializing in criminal law and personal injury cases.

Mr. Speaker, Judge Snodgrass has always tried to ensure that justice was provided to all Americans. That is why every person who appeared before him was treated with the utmost dignity and respect. But I believe what always made Gerald such a special judge and person was the time he spent in the community, visiting the churches, meeting with people of all economic, ethnic, and racial backgrounds. He is responsible for making our community a much better place. It is for this reason that I ask my colleagues in the 106th Congress to join me in congratulating Judge Snodgrass on his retirement.

CONGRESSIONAL TRIBUTE TO
FAYE BOYD, ANNA JO HAYNES,
COUNCILWOMAN EDNA MOSLEY,
STATE SENATOR GLORIA TANNER
AND HAZEL WHITSETT

HON. DIANA DeGETTE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 29, 2000

Ms. DeGETTE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the splendid efforts and notable accomplishments of five outstanding women in the African American Community within the 1st Congressional District of Colorado. It is fitting and proper that we recognize these leaders for their exceptional record of civic leadership and invaluable service to our community. It is to commend these outstanding citizens that I rise to honor Faye Boyd, posthumously, Anna Jo Haynes, Councilwoman Edna Mosley, State Senator Gloria Tanner, and Hazel Whitsett.

Faye Boyd touched the lives of many people and made a tremendous impact on our community and those who knew her and worked with her. Faye fulfilled both the spiritual and humanitarian needs of our community through her church, the Shorter Community African Methodist Episcopal Church. She was president of the Women's Missionary So-

ciety and shared an international ministry in Central Africa with her husband, Reverend Jesse Langston Boyd. She worked in communications and media and was the author and producer of Christian Music and drama productions.

Faye Boyd devoted herself to protecting the interests and rights of working people as the Deputy Director of the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment and she was instrumental in creating both the Physicians Accreditation and Independent Medical Examiners Programs. She was also well known for working conscientiously and effectively in addressing the needs of various groups and constituencies as the Director of Constituency Outreach for Governor Roy Romer. It comes as no surprise to our community that Faye Boyd was recently honored as one of the "Women of Distinction—2000" by Macedonia Baptist Church for her devotion and extraordinary service to our community.

Anna Jo Haynes has devoted a lifetime to improving the condition of children and families in Denver. She currently serves as the Executive Director of the Mile High Child Care Association and under her direction, the agency now operates thirteen child development centers that truly serve families in Denver's inner-city neighborhoods.

Ms. Haynes began her distinguished career in early childhood during the mid-1960's where she served in a variety of capacities with Head Start. As an educator, she developed a college credit course for training family child care home providers with the Community College of Denver and subsequently developed and provided training for two hundred family child care homes which served as satellites to the Mile High Child Care centers. She directed the development of the nationally recognized television series, "Spoonful of Lovin'."

Anna Jo Haynes has an impressive history of civic leadership. She was the founding Chairperson for the Colorado Children's Campaign and is a past President of the Women's Foundation of Colorado. Ms. Haynes was appointed to the Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues by then Congresswoman Patricia Schroeder and served as a consultant to the White House Conference on Children and Youth. She is the Co-Chair of the City/School Joint Council for Early Childhood Care and Education and chairs the Mayor's Child Care Advisory Committee. Her devotion and service to our community has earned her several accolades and major awards including the YMCA's Martin Luther King Human Dignity Award and the Children's Health and Welfare Award given by the Colorado Chapter of the American Association of Pediatrics.

Councilwoman Edna Mosley has amassed a distinguished record of leadership in our community and with the City of Aurora. She currently serves as an At-Large Member of the Aurora City Council and in that capacity has provided the needed guidance and public policy direction pertaining to city management, finance and budget, transportation, planning and development, and environmental affairs. She has been on the forefront of redevelopment for former military installations in the 1st Congressional District of Colorado and serves as the Vice Chair of the Fitzsimons Redevelopment Authority and has served as an Executive Committee Member of the Lowry Economic Recovery Project.

Councilwoman Mosley has also been an effective advocate for equal opportunity in Colo-

rado and served as the Director of Community Relations for the Colorado Civil Rights Commission, as well as the Director of Community Development and a Board Member for the Urban League of Metro Denver. Her broad range of activities and interests has been a great service to the community as well. She was a founder and board member of the Women's Bank, and has served as the Chairperson of Denver Sister Cities International, the Denver Civic Theater, the Morning Star Senior Day Care Center and Adams County Economic Development, Inc. She has served as a member of the Governor's Trade Mission to the People's Republic of China and the Colorado Supreme Court Nominating Commission.

Her commitment and service has earned her several awards including the Aurora Chamber of Commerce "Woman of the Year Award", the Colorado Broadcaster's Association "Excellence in Broadcasting Award" for Best Sustaining Public Affairs Program, the Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday Commission Humanitarian Award.

State Senator Gloria Tanner has an eminent history of civil leadership. I had the great privilege of serving with her in the Colorado State Legislature. Senator Tanner has been a trailblazer and is the first African American woman to serve in the Colorado Senate. Currently, she is one of six legislators to serve on the powerful Joint Budget Committee, which formulates the budget for the State of Colorado. Senator Tanner has been a voice for progress in Colorado and has sponsored and passed significant legislation pertaining to civil rights for women and minorities, marital discrimination in the workplace, parental responsibility, worker's compensation cost savings and parental rights for adoptive parents.

In 1998, Senator Tanner was elected President of the National Organization of Black Elected Legislators/Women. She is the founder and past Chairperson of the Colorado Black Women for Political Action and the Chairperson of the Colorado Caucus of Black Elected Officials. She has served on numerous commissions and boards including the Commission on Women, the Governor's Job Training Council, the Economic Development Commission and the Juvenile Justice Committee.

Her devotion and service to the community has earned her numerous awards for her civic and social contributions including the Metro Denver Chamber of Commerce "Leadership Denver" Award and the Colorado Association of Community Centered Boards "2000 Legislator of the Year" Award.

Hazel Whitsett has been on the front lines of progress for over thirty years. She is one of the co-founders and is currently the Executive Director of the Northeast Women's Center. This Center works with women and families to increase opportunity and build self-sufficiency through education, training and employment.

Hazel Whitsett has been a long time activist and has an extensive record of designing and conducting educational programs in the community. Her membership on several boards and commissions including Colorado Kids Ignore Drugs, The Black Church Initiative, The Colorado Black Women for Political Action, The Black Women's Network and the National Council of Negro Women exhibits her strong commitment to community, families and youth. Her devotion and service to our community has earned her several local and national