

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO REVEREND DR.
WILLIS T. GOODWIN

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Reverend Dr. Willis T. Goodwin, Pastor of Washington United Methodist Church in Charleston, South Carolina, and New Frances Brown United Methodist Church in North Charleston.

On May 15, Reverend Dr. Goodwin was awarded the prestigious "National Service Award" by the Washington Times Foundation. This "Salute to a National Hero" was presented at the third annual National Service Awards Banquet, here in Washington, DC, and I was honored to be present for the occasion.

Reverend Dr. Goodwin was honored for his outstanding record of humanitarian service. Faith-based community leaders from all 50 states were recognized for the wonderful contributions they have made to our society. Reverend Goodwin has spent a lifetime helping the sick, the dispossessed, and the less fortunate of this world, and I am pleased to see that this kind of commitment is recognized and commended.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in paying tribute to Reverend Dr. Willis T. Goodwin for his many years of unselfish service to God and Country.

RECOGNIZING HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY

SPEECH OF

HON. CIRO D. RODRIGUEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2001

Mr. RODRIGUEZ. Madam Speaker, today marks an important date in our Nation's history. Today, the bells of freedom ring in our consciousness and our hearts as we celebrate Juneteenth, the oldest known celebration of the ending of slavery.

On June 19th, 1865, two years following the Emancipation Proclamation issued by President Abraham Lincoln, Major General Gordon Granger of the Union Army read General Order #3 in Galveston, Texas. This order began most significantly with:

The people of Texas are informed that in accordance with a Proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free. This involves an absolute equality of rights and rights of property between former masters and slaves, and the connection heretofore existing between them becomes that between employer and free laborer.

This profound news inspired immediate jubilation and happiness. African-Americans, previously bonded to their owners in slavery,

were now united in their freedom and liberty. Juneteenth, celebrated every June 19th, commemorates this day of emancipation in Texas.

Since 1865, Juneteenth celebrations have taken place throughout the United States. Large celebrations on June 19, 1866 marked the first anniversary of African-American independence day. Many of these events mirrored Fourth of July festivities. In these early days, the celebration included a prayer service, speakers with inspirational messages, reading of the Emancipation Proclamation and stories from former slaves.

Juneteenth festivals spread from Texas to neighboring states as freed African-Americans migrated in search of work and to re-unite families separated by the slave trade. Celebration of Juneteenth revived in 1950 at the Texas State Fair Grounds in Dallas. Legislation passed in the 66th Texas legislature declared June 19 Emancipation Day in Texas, beginning January 1, 1980. Since that time, the celebration of Juneteenth continues across the state of Texas.

Laws can set the stage for change, but actual progress can be slow. As Juneteenth takes on a more national and global perspective, the events in 1865 in Texas cannot be forgotten, for on this fertile soil the inalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness which Jefferson so eloquently crafted and championed in the Declaration of Independence were ultimately made possible—in law though not always in fact—for the former slaves. Today, Juneteenth celebrates African-American freedom while encouraging self-development and respect for all cultures. As we continue to move forward as a nation, we must continue to strive for equality. As Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. states on August 28, 1963 on the steps of the Lincoln memorial:

This will be the day when all of God's children will be able to sing with a new meaning, "My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing. Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside, let freedom ring." And if America is to be a great nation, this must become true.

And so today, let us continue to ring the bell of freedom and renew our commitment to the principles of equality and freedom—in fact not just in law—for all.

TRIBUTE TO THE ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL TEAM FROM NORTHSIDE HIGH SCHOOL IN FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS

HON. ASA HUTCHINSON

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the Academic Quiz Bowl Team from Northside High School in Fort Smith, Arkansas, who recently earned the title of National Quiz Bowl Champions. The students defeated a field of 64 teams last month to win

the 15th Annual Scholastic Tournament of Champions in Chicago.

The Grizzlies, led by Coach Larry Jones, have dominated the quiz bowl circuit this year—placing first in 10 out of 11 tournament appearances. Bringing home the national title has been a year-long quest for team captain Shawn Standefer and senior members Colin Drolshagen and my son, Seth Hutchinson; juniors, Ryan Marsh, Willie Reyenga and Jill Hoang.

The team had a special chemistry from the very beginning as Shawn, Colin and Seth have been best friends since junior high school. The whole team has dedicated countless hours to studying everything from the classics to history to the latest developments in DNA.

After the team won the state championship, I asked my son, Seth, what the plan was for the national competition. Seth replied that the team members all decided to give something up in order to concentrate on preparation for the national championship. I thought to myself, "What do these teens value the most and are willing to sacrifice?" Mr. Speaker, it wasn't television. It wasn't sports. My son told me they were going to give up their personal reading time!

Like the members of the team, Coach Jones also sacrificed a great deal to bring home the title. Without extra compensation or recognition, Mr. Jones has gone the extra mile for this team. He has given up his afternoons, evenings, days, and weekends to help them train. He is a career-minded, student-oriented teacher who has made a difference in the lives of these young people. This team came to the table with a great deal of talent—but it was Mr. Jones who brought them together and inspired a team capable of competing at the national level.

Mr. Speaker and fellow colleagues, please join me in congratulating the Northside High School Quiz Bowl team as they enjoy their reign as national champions. They have made their school, their town, their state and, especially their parents, proud.

HONORING TOM STEARNS

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Tom Stearns for his faithful dedication to improving the lives of others. Mr. Stearns died in a Missoula, Montana hospital on Sunday, May 27, 2001 after suffering a major heart attack.

Tom had an extensive career in public service. Mr. Stearns began his career as a member of the Clovis City Council in 1983 and was named Mayor for two years starting in 1988. In addition to his public service, Mr. Stearns was president of the Clovis Rodeo Association, and represented the city of Clovis on he

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San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. Mr. Stearns also served as president of the San Joaquin Division of the League of California Cities from 1991–1992. While dedicating much of his time to public service and private organizations, Mr. Stearns was employed by Pacific Gas & Electric Co. until his retirement in 1993.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to honor Tom Stearns for his dedication to improving the lives of others in the local community. I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring the memory of Mr. Stearns.

TRIBUTE TO DR. DAVID W.
NELSON

HON. TAMMY BALDWIN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend congratulations to Dr. David W. Nelson from Middleton, Wisconsin. On June 30, 2001, Dr. Nelson will be inducted as the 80th president of the American Optometric Association at its 104th Annual Congress in Boston, Massachusetts. Dr. Nelson's commitment and contributions to his profession have earned him this prestigious recognition.

Dr. Nelson has an impressive record of service at the local, state, and national level showing his dedication and leadership in the field of optometry. He was first elected to the American Optometric Association Board in 1994 and held the elective offices of Secretary-Treasurer and Vice President. He also served as chair of the Membership Development Committee and Computer Network Task Force.

Dr. Nelson is also past president of the Wisconsin Optometric Association (WOA) and the Madison Area Optometric Society. His professional leadership began during his optometric doctorate studies as president of the American Optometric Student Association, a national organization of 5,200 members representing optometry students' interest in their four-year post-graduate programs.

Dr. Nelson has been recognized with the Optometric Recognition Award in 1989 and the Legislative Achievement Award in 1989, 1990, and 1994. He also was named Wisconsin Young Optometrist of the Year in 1995.

In looking at Dr. Nelson's past achievements, it is apparent that his devotion and motivation will meet the leadership demands of the American Optometric Association. I join his many friends and professional colleagues in congratulating him and wishing him well as the new president of the American Optometric Association.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY CLASS OF 2001

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Mr. Speaker I rise today to pay tribute to the 2001 graduating class of Michigan State University. Due

to their hard work and dedication, they are now prepared to make significant contributions to the State of Michigan and the United States of America.

As graduates from the first land grant University in the United States, whatever endeavors the Michigan State class of 2001 may pursue, success is certain to follow.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I respectfully ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the Michigan State University Class of 2001. May this only be the beginning of the great accomplishments they will achieve in their lifetime.

60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST
UAW CONTRACT WITH FORD
MOTOR COMPANY

HON. DAVID E. BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, we are fortunate to live in a country which protects our freedoms and liberties—the right to free speech, freedom of assembly, and free association.

The right to safe working conditions, an 8 hour workday, a 40 hour workweek, the weekend . . . are things prior generations fought, bled and even died for—and we should never forget that.

On the 60th Anniversary of the first United Auto Worker contract with Ford Motor Company, we need to recognize the difference the UAW has made in the lives of working families.

Prior to their UAW contract, Ford workers had no health and safety protections, no sickness and accident benefits, no grievance procedures, and no respect.

When Walter Reuther and Richard Frankensteen led UAW workers in the Battle of the Overpass in 1937, where they were beaten repeatedly, they began the process of bringing Ford Motor Company to the table to recognize the importance of quality union workforce.

The years 1937 to 1940 were full of similar battles where workers fought, and some died, to bring dignity to their workplace and to build a better community.

Back then, every Congress of Industrial Organizations member in the Detroit area was asked to sign up to the Ford worker “who lives next door or goes to the same church or is married to your . . . second cousin.”

On December 30, 1940, 1,000 men organized a strike in the Rouge River tool-and-die department over rest periods. Ford tried to discharge the UAW leaders, but the National Labor Relations Board ordered 22 of them reinstated. When the union members heard the news, they marched triumphantly back into the plant wearing their CIO buttons . . . something they would not have dared to do just a few weeks earlier.

Then in April, 1941, the company refused to meet with any union committees and followed this up by firing eight committeemen. When word of these discharges passed through the River Rouge plant, one worker shouted “strike!” Another voice took up the cry, “strike!” And soon, louder and bolder, the cries rolled through the plants “strike! strike!” There had never been anything like it in Ford history. Workers left their lathes and benches.

Assembly lines ground to a halt. Workers began walking out, first in trickles, then soon in columns, and they marched from the Rouge River plant to a union hall, half a mile away. By nightfall, the hall was filled. The Ford workers couldn't believe what they had done—Ford Motor Company was shut down.

On April 10th, the strike came to an end, as quickly as it had started, it finished. Henry Ford, for the first time in his life, agreed to negotiate with a labor union. On June 20th, the first 24-page contract between the UAW and Ford was signed.

In contract after contract, the UAW has been able to improve upon that original document—in terms of wages, benefits, job protections, pensions, etc.—to the point where the UAW contract with Ford Motor Company ranks among the best in the world.

Today, we should remember those who fought so hard for that first contract 60 years ago . . . and we should draw strength from their perseverance so that 60 years from now our children will look back and see the exponential progress made by current generations.

HONORING ARMY NATIONAL
GUARD COMBAT UNITS DE-
PLOYED IN SUPPORT OF ARMY
OPERATIONS IN BOSNIA

SPEECH OF

HON. CIRO D. RODRIGUEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2001

Mr. RODRIGUEZ. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that we honor the continued commitment of the Army National Guard in supporting peacekeeping operations in Bosnia, as well as recognize the sacrifices made by these brave men and women who so valiantly serve our country. H. Con. Res. 154 commends the gallantry and dedication of these soldiers who have not only restored peace to the Balkans but have facilitated the recent democratization of the former Yugoslavia.

With such distinguished units as the 49th Armored Division, Texas Army National Guard, and the other National Guard combat units deployed to Bosnia in support of the NATO peacekeeping mission, we have met our obligation to our European allies while serving our national interest in maintaining calm and promoting democracy in this part of the world. We must continue our commitment to providing the necessary resources to ensure the continued readiness of the National Guard and Reserve in the future.

The National Guard and Reserve personnel at home and abroad play an instrumental role in the national security of the United States. I am honored to commemorate their efforts with this resolution.

TRIBUTE TO CARRIE SINKLER-
PARKER

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a dear friend, Carrie Sinkler-

Parker upon her appointment to the board of Friends of HelpAged—Ghana International.

Friends of HelpAged—Ghana is a member of HelpAged International, a nongovernmental association established in 1988. Their goal is to assist older persons who are poor, marginalized, or isolated with their daily needs. They seek to promote adequate health care treatment and medicinal availability in rural regions. They work to provide vital services to older persons without care, and enlist volunteers to visit with isolated persons in their homes.

Ms. Sinkler-Parker holds a Graduate Certificate in Gerontology and a Masters in Public Health from the University of South Carolina. Throughout the course of her career, Ms. Sinkler-Parker has focused on eliminating barriers to obtaining quality health care and on addressing social issues that significantly impact older persons. Ms. Sinkler-Parker has been very valuable to me and my staff and I am certain she will use her experiences, dedication, and knowledge to help shape our world views and understanding of the aging population.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in wishing Ms. Carrie Sinkler-Parker good luck and Godspeed in her new position and in honoring her for the incredible service she continues to provide to elderly citizens around the world.

INTRODUCTION OF THE WOMEN IMMIGRANTS SAFE HARBOR ACT

HON. SANDER M. LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, today we join the world community in the first observance of "World Refugee Day." On this day we express solidarity and support for the world's refugees and recognize the contributions refugees make to their newly adopted countries. Against this backdrop, I am pleased to join with my colleagues CONNIE MORELLA, ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN, and NANCY PELOSI in introducing the "Women Immigrants' Safe Harbor Act (WISH)." The WISH Act provides help to women and children who are focused to seek refuge not from an oppressive political regime, but from members of their own families. Victims of domestic violence, like victims of political oppression, are often forced to flee with little other than their children and the clothes on their backs. Battered immigrant women, who are often far from their families and have limited English skills, are particularly alone and vulnerable.

Public benefits have long been a key avenue of escape from family violence. Victims of abuse are generally economically and socially isolated. Many of them believe they cannot leave their abusers because doing so will expose them and their children to economic hardship—in fact, a recent study found that more than two-thirds of battered immigrant women still trapped in abusive relationships said lack of money was the biggest obstacle to leaving. Programs like Medicaid, Food Stamps, and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families help them care for their children until they can get back on their feet. These programs also expand the capacity of our nation's domestic violence shelters and safe houses by providing partial support to their residents.

The economic hardship is compounded because many abuse victims are initially unable to work because they must remain in hiding from their abusers. Congress specifically recognized this barrier in the 1996 welfare reform law, which provided states with a "family violence option" to exempt victims of domestic violence from work requirements. Somewhere between one-third and half of domestic abuse victims are harassed by their abusers while at work. For that reason, some of them have no choice but to avoid the workplace until the abuser is brought justice.

The WISH Act would restore access to critical public programs for a vulnerable group of battered women, many of whom have U.S. citizen children. It would also remove the threat of deportation for those who sought help to protect themselves and their children. Passing the WISH Act would provide these women with a safe harbor from the violence that plagues their families and the kind of fresh start the United States has always offered to refugees of all kinds. I hope my colleagues will join me in celebrating "World Refugee Day" and in supporting an escape route for battered women.

TRIBUTE TO GLORIA FELDT

HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Gloria Feldt on five years of remarkable service as the president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, the world's largest and most trusted voluntary family planning organization.

Like me, most of my colleagues know Gloria very well. She is a knowledgeable and thoughtful leader who works closely with Members, and has repeatedly testified before Congress in the fight to ensure and protect the health of all women and their families. That is why People magazine called her "the voice of experience" and Vanity Fair named her one of "America's 200 Legends, Leaders, and Trailblazers."

Gloria's work deserves our honor and applause. Since becoming president in 1996, she has led Planned Parenthood Federation through a dramatic revitalization. Under Gloria's direction, the organization kicked off the Responsible Choices Action Agenda, a comprehensive advocacy and service campaign to prevent unintended pregnancy, improve the quality of reproductive health care, and ensure access to safe, legal abortion.

In addition, she has been the driving force behind dynamic public awareness campaigns, which have helped put the issue of insurance coverage for contraception on the map, and brought widespread attention to the need for responsible, medically accurate sexuality education in America's schools.

Gloria is a dedicated leader, an inexhaustible activist, and an inspiring role model for all women. We wish her many more successful years as she continues to advocate for women's health and women's rights.

THANKS, TONY ARMSTRONG, FOR
A HEALTHY FUTURE

HON. JAMES A. BARCIA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my close friend, Anthony W. Armstrong, for a truly outstanding and highly commendable tenure as President and Chief Executive Officer of Bay Health in Bay City, Michigan. Tony has held key leadership positions with Bay Health since 1985 and has been a major force in making it one of the premier medical facilities in the region.

After the merger of four hospitals in the 1970s and 1980s, Bay Health became the pre-eminent full-service medical facility for Bay County and many surrounding communities. Since first joining Bay Health, Tony's guiding hand has continued to shepherd vital expansions in widening the scope of medical services offered to the greater community. In the process, he also has been resolute and careful in those efforts never to sacrifice the quality of care provided to patients.

Today, Tony Armstrong and the dedicated professionals who make up Bay Health can be proud of their great success in providing the best and most affordable health care possible. Organizations such as Bay Health depend upon the direction, talent and dedication of those at the helm and Tony's lead-by-example approach has put Bay Health on the right path for a hale and hearty future.

In addition to Tony's significant successes in health care, it is also noteworthy to mention that his contributions to the whole community have gone far beyond his work-related duties. His involvement has extended to a wide spectrum of community endeavors, including Past Chairman of the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce and Chairman of the Alliance for Bay County Schools. He also has drawn high praise for his work with the Lake Huron Area Boy Scouts Council, including spearheading an Explorers program to give high school students exposure to the health care profession. Clearly, he has been a tremendous asset to the civic health of his community; efforts that he certainly could not have accomplished without the love and support of his wife, Barbara, their son, Travis, and daughter, Alicia.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Tony Armstrong for his strong and admirable record of enhancing and encouraging the good health of his community. I am confident that Tony's legacy will ensure that Bay Health will continue for many years to offer a healing hand to those who need care.

LUKE ROBERT WALLACE JACKSON
MAKES HIS MARK ON THE WORLD

HON. BOB ETHERIDGE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Clay and Anna Jackson on the birth of their first child, Master Luke Robert Wallace Jackson. Luke was born on Friday, May 11th, 2001 and he weighed 8 pounds and

7 ounces. My wife Faye and my son Brian join me in wishing Clay and Anna great happiness during this very special time in their lives.

As a father of three, I know the immeasurable pride and rewarding challenge that children bring into your life. The birth of a child changes your perspective on life and opens the world to you a fresh, new way. Their innocence keeps you young-at-heart. A little miracle, a new baby holds all the potential of what human beings can achieve.

With great happiness, I welcome young Luke into the world and wish Clay and Anna all the best as they raise him.

TRIBUTE TO WELDON WILHOIT

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, let me take this opportunity to pay tribute to Colonel Weldon Wilhoit, former Superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, for the service he has given to the state of Missouri for over 30 years.

Colonel Wilhoit graduated from Shelbina High School in 1962. He honorably served in the United States Army from 1962 until 1965 and attended Central Missouri State University. In 1969, he began a long and distinguished career with the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Colonel Wilhoit's first assignment was with Troop H, serving there from 1970 until 1987. Nine years after his first assignment he was promoted to the rank of Corporal and was also designated the Assistant Zone Commander. In 1985, he was promoted to Sergeant and designated Zone Commander. Col. Wilhoit was promoted to Lieutenant and transferred to Troop B in 1987. He attended the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia, from January 1991 through March 1991 and in April of 1992, Col. Wilhoit was promoted, to Captain and designated Commanding Officer of Troop B.

In 1993, Col. Wilhoit was promoted to the rank of Major and was transferred to General Headquarters, Field Operation Bureau. In 1996, he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and designated Assistant Superintendent, and in September 1997, Governor Mel Carnahan appointed Col. Wilhoit as Superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Mr. Speaker, Col. Wilhoit has dutifully served for four years as the Superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

As he prepares to spend more time with his wife Helen and his children, Mark, Brian, Angela, and Kelly, I know the Members of the House, will join me in expressing appreciation for his dedication to the people of Missouri.

HONORS YALE-NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL ON THEIR 175TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to pay tribute to one

of our Nation's oldest and finest medical institutions. Yale-New Haven Hospital. For one hundred and seventy five years, Yale-New Haven has been at the forefront of medical care.

Chartered in 1826 as the General Hospital of Connecticut, it was the first hospital in the State of Connecticut and the fifth in the nation. Throughout its proud history, Yale-New Haven Hospital has enriched the lives of millions of patients and has become a true national landmark. Though we have come a long way from the days of horse-drawn ambulances and physicians carrying little black bags as they made house calls, Yale-New Haven has never lost sight of their original message: to serve those in need.

Over the course of their 175 year history, Yale-New Haven has developed some of the most significant advances in medical research. Their remarkable work has not only made a difference in the New Haven community, but in the lives of millions across the globe. Yale-New Haven Hospital has long been known for its pioneering efforts in medical technology. They were the first hospital in the western hemisphere to use both penicillin and chemotherapy and the first in the nation to offer rooming-in and one of the first to offer natural child-birth. Other firsts have included the first artificial heart pump which is now housed in the Smithsonian Institute and the world's first intensive care unit for newborns. These contributions have changed the course of medical history and made possible the continued advancement of many medical technologies.

More than their contributions to the medical science, Yale-New Haven Hospital has always had a very special relationship with the New Haven community, which I am sure it will work to continue. Their home since the beginning, Yale-New Haven continues to work hard to ensure the growth and development of the New Haven area. Partnering with New Haven schools, they initiated the Partners in Education Program which offers career exploration and volunteer service opportunities for students. In addition, each year the Partners in Education program provides five four-year scholarships to minority students furthering their education in health-related fields. Yale-New Haven also lends its support to a number of local and non-profit organizations. Their numerous contributions to such organizations as the Ronald McDonald House, Habitat for Humanity, the New Haven Public Education Fund, the New Haven Boys & Girls Club, and the Anti-Defamation League have gone a long way in helping them achieve their respective missions in the community.

Yale-New Haven Hospital also offers the New Haven community access to a variety of life-saving tests for cancer. As a cancer survivor myself, I can tell you that these screenings are an invaluable tool in the fight against this devastating disease. The Yale-New Haven Mammography Van has been operating for over a year now, providing mammograms to several underserved groups throughout the community. Yale-New Haven is also one of only sixteen sites in Connecticut that offers comprehensive breast and cervical cancer screening programs free of charge to eligible women over age forty. Their consistent commitment and dedication to ensuring service to those most in need has left an indelible mark on our community.

For its invaluable contributions to medicine and to the New Haven community, I am proud

to rise today to pay tribute to Yale-New Haven Hospital as they celebrate their 175th Anniversary. It is with sincere thanks and appreciation that I extend my congratulations and best wishes on this very special occasion.

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM L. PORTEOUS OF REED CITY, MICHIGAN

HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to William L. Porteous of Reed City, Michigan, who recently received the Reed City High School Distinguished Alumni Award. Mr. Porteous was recognized with this honor because he embodies the characteristics that school districts would like to instill in young people today: dedication to educational excellence and life-long learning; motivation to success; integrity in one's chosen field; commitment to serve the community one resides in; and recognition by one's peers of abilities far beyond ordinary.

I would like to congratulate Mr. Porteous and draw the attention of my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives and my constituents in the 4th Congressional District to Mr. Porteous' distinguished life and career as well as his extraordinary community involvement.

After graduating from Reed City High School in 1937, Mr. Porteous attended Michigan State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration. Then in 1941, he joined the United States Army serving during World War II. After he was discharged from the military, he enrolled at the University of Michigan earning a Masters of Business Administration.

In 1948, Mr. Porteous returned to Reed City with his wife Mable and began his 42-year banking career at the Reed City State Bank, where he eventually became the president and Chairman of the Board. Under his leadership, the small community bank grew to one with nearly \$60 million in assets which Mr. Porteous successfully merged with the First Michigan Bank of Zeeland.

While Mr. Porteous was a success in his professional life, he also made a significant impact on the Reed City community and its children. Mr. Porteous always took a leading role whenever a new school had to be built or when a school building needed improvements. Not only was he generous with his time and talents, but with his financial resources as well.

Mr. Porteous also must be commended for serving his community by volunteering through numerous organizations, including the Boy Scouts, Reed City VFW Post, Rotary International, Eagle Village, Inc. and other civic organizations.

I am honored today to recognize Mr. Porteous as an outstanding citizen whose admirable qualities make him an outstanding role model for his community.

TRIBUTE TO RABBI JACOB
FRIEDMAN

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, Temple Beth Torah of Ocean Township, New Jersey will be losing a leader, friend, and rabbi of over 36 years to retirement next weekend. Rabbi Jacob Friedman has been with Temple Beth Torah since its establishment and has seen his congregation expand to well over five hundred area families.

Rabbi Jacob Friedman was born in Jersey City, New Jersey on January 14, 1933. After graduating high school, he received his rabbinical education from the Rabbi Jacob Joseph School at Yeshiva University in New York City. After five years of service as Chaplain with the army and army reserves, Rabbi Friedman returned to his birth city to become the youth director and assistant rabbi at the Congregation Sons of Israel. Then, in 1965 he relocated to Ocean Township and has since served as rabbi of Temple Beth Torah.

During his years in Ocean Township, Rabbi Friedman has been the President of the Shore Area Board of Rabbis, a member of the board of the Monmouth Jewish Federation, and Vice President and President of the American Association of Rabbis. As a member of the Jewish War Veterans, he worked his way from Post 125 Chaplain to New Jersey Department Chaplain to National Deputy Chaplain, and finally served as National Chaplain from 1985 to 1986. While never losing sight of the importance of Jewish youth, he served on the Youth Commission, International Youth Commission, and the International Kadime Commission at the United Synagogues of America from 1966 to 1981. Using education as his tool to reach out to young people, he was a founding member of the Solomon Shechter Academy of Monmouth and Ocean Counties and served as dean of the academy from 1971 to 1974.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Rabbi Jacob Friedman for his hard work and dedication to his community and congregation.

HONORING CAROLINA SOUTHERN
RAILROAD

HON. HENRY E. BROWN, JR.

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the Carolina Southern Railroad for its efforts and achievements in restoring the Blue Bastille drawbridge spanning the Intra Coastal Waterway in the First District of South Carolina. After one and a half decades standing idle, the giant drawbridge, built in 1935, will finally be lowered. Three vintage Pullman cars pulled by a super chief type locomotive at the Historic Carolina Southern Railroad Conway Depot will travel to Myrtle Beach where the bridge will be crossed by the first passenger train since 1953. The train will then continue to the Myrtle Beach Depot that is currently undergoing restoration by the All Aboard Committee. The Carolina Southern

connects Myrtle Beach to Conway, Loris, Tabor City, Chadbourne, Whiteville, Mullins and the National railroad network beyond. I commend the Carolina Southern Railroad's Road Master, John Allison Gore, and his 20 man track crew who have been working feverishly to refurbish the abandoned two and a half miles of track into the city. I also recognize the Pippin family for its instrumental role in renovating the track and depot of the Carolina Southern Railroad. I again applaud the historic reopening by the Carolina Southern Railroad and acknowledge the benefits it will provide the citizens of South Carolina.

RECOGNIZING CONTRIBUTIONS,
ACHIEVEMENTS, AND DEDICATED
WORK OF SHIRLEY ANITA
CHISHOLM

SPEECH OF

HON. JUANITA MILLENDER-McDONALD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 12, 2001

Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H. Res. 97 honoring Shirley Chisholm, a woman whose self-confidence and faith propelled her to the heights of a pacesetter and trailblazer. She was never afraid to speak out on any issue she felt adverse to. An inspiration to all women, Shirley Chisholm was the first Black woman to be elected to the U.S. House of Representatives as a Democrat in 1968, and was the first Black woman to seek the bid for the Democratic presidential nomination in 1972. Adversity has never been an issue with Ms. Chisholm. Throughout her life she faced diversity, not only for her ethnicity but also for her gender. Undaunted, Shirley Chisholm refused to allow discrimination to deter her mission for equality and justice. In fact, discrimination proved to be a tool she used in motivating her to devote her life to being a civil rights reformer and an ardent equal rights activist.

Ms. Chisholm sought a life of public service primarily to bring an honest and a more vocal servant to her district in Brooklyn, New York. She was such a popular figure among her constituents that she won her seat in each election by substantial margins. Throughout her tenure in Congress Shirley Chisholm was an active member of the Congressional Black Caucus and an outspoken advocate for the interest of the urban poor.

In times of inequality, her persistence led to monumental accomplishments, noteworthy of this historical recognition. She introduced legislation to establish publicly supported daycare centers and to extend unemployment insurance to domestic workers. During the Vietnam War she gained attention as a vocal critic, while most other Members remained quiet. While faced with enormous criticism, she continued to demonstrate strong advocacy of her beliefs.

Mr. Speaker, I'd like to close with an excerpt from "Journey to Justice," the literary work of the late Audre Lorde, an African American woman, saying:

Remain steadfast in the journey to justice
Strip the blindfold from the eyes of justice
Let her see the tears that fall because Justice
ignores inequities looming in plain sight
... Remember that we are the seeds of
great queens, the Daughters of Teresa of

Avila and Nerfertiti Sisters of Rosa and Winnie Mothers and aunts of Nia and Imani—those we love and strive To live the meanings of their names

We can be who we are—Bold to create our own dignity Ready to transform words into action Armed with courage and commitment Steadfast and straight ahead on the —Journey to justice

These words exemplify the strong legacy of Shirley Chisholm. She has given our little girls another role model to emulate and has inspired them and all of us to dream without boundaries.

TRIBUTE TO TOM HUBBARD

HON. BOB SCHAFFER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. SCHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Tom Hubbard of Limon, Colorado, this year's recipient of the Fred Steinmark High School Athlete of the Year award. The Steinmark Award honors an individual who makes a positive and lasting difference in the lives of others while at the same time achieving excellence in athletics. The award is a fitting tribute to a young man who has given of himself immeasurably during the course of his young life.

For four years, Tom Hubbard has achieved excellence. Not many can match his drive and dedication. As a student he graduated valedictorian with a 4.0 grade-point average. While Football is Tom's main sport, for which he has earned all-state honors for the past two years, he has also excelled in track, baseball, and basketball being named to the all-state squad for each sport. Even with all his success Tom has remained humble, finding time to do the necessary chores on his family's ranch as well as being a role model in the Limon community.

In the fall, Tom will be attending the University of Colorado where he will surely continue to push for excellence in academics and athletics. "In high school sports and academics I have strived to keep the importance of each in perspective," said Tom in a recent Rocky Mountain News article "My love of competition has helped me to use my God-given talents in a positive way. But talented teammates and classmates, dedicated coaches and teachers have helped me have an unforgettable high school career." In addition to being an excellent student-athlete Tom is also a natural leader. Tom was senior class vice president, a peer counselor, president of the letterman's club, and participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, all the time helping his family host numerous foreign exchange students from around the world.

Mr. Speaker, Tom Hubbard is a role model to which people of all ages can and should look up to. I think that we all owe him a debt of gratitude for his service and dedication to the community.

Tom's community, state and nation are proud of him and grateful for his leadership.

TO HONOR THE NATIONAL HISPANIC JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION

HON. ED PASTOR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. PASTOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to bring my colleagues' attention to an exciting event that is occurring in my district for the first time ever. On June 20–23, 1,500 members of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists will gather in the Valley of the Sun for the group's 19th Annual Convention: Our Time is Now, *Imagenes Y Voces de Nuestro Tiempo*.

I'm proud that my district will be the site where hundreds of Hispanic journalists and media professionals will converge to continue to promote the mission of this organization dedicated to the recognition and professional advancement of Hispanics in the news industry. NAHJ endeavors to increase the number of Hispanic journalists in print, broadcast and new media industries. The organization works to improve coverage of Hispanic communities so they are accurately portrayed in the news. The annual convention gives members the opportunity to be revitalized by workshop issues on industry trends and ideas that affect careers and the way news is covered. It also gives members the chance to network, train and encourage journalists of the future.

Some of you may be aware that NAHJ has been a leader in improving the quality of journalism as it is now practiced in the United States. Organizations such as NAHJ have been instrumental in assuring that the media accurately reflect the communities they serve, not only through the hiring of diverse personnel, but through their news coverage. Therefore, NAHJ has been a significant force in assuring that media are practicing good and better quality journalism.

Established in April 1984, NAHJ created a national voice and unified vision for all Hispanic journalists. NAHJ is governed by a 16-member board of directors that consists of executive officers and regional directors who represent geographic areas of the United States and the Caribbean. The national office is located in the National Press Building in Washington, D.C.

NAHJ has approximately 1,500 members, including working journalists, journalism students, other media-related professionals and academic scholars. In addition to employment and career development, NAHJ works to organize and provide mutual support for Hispanic journalists in English, Spanish and bilingual media; encourage the study and practice of journalism and mass communication by Hispanics; promote fair treatment of Hispanics by the news media; and foster greater understanding of the culture, interests and concerns of Hispanic journalists.

Besides the national convention and career expo, the organization has dozens of exciting projects and programs, which include mid-career and professional development programs, an online job bank, journalism awards, internship and fellowship listings, student journalism workshops, a newsletter and scholarships.

As you can see, the National Association of Hispanic Journalists is a strong professional

organization that has provided genuine leadership and continues to advocate for Hispanics in the news industry. I congratulate NAHJ on the occasion of its 19th Annual Conference, and I ask my colleagues to please join me in wishing them a successful event and best wishes for the future.

HONORING HOPE NANCARROW FOR HER SERVICE TO THE MENTALLY ILL

HON. GEORGE W. GEKAS

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. GEKAS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor Hope Nancarrow of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, who has dedicated her life to improving the emotional and mental condition of hospital patients. Since the early 1960's, Hope has helped to improve the quality of life for countless patients at the Harrisburg State Hospital. With her innovative therapy methods, she has helped many mentally ill individuals.

As a volunteer at a time when hospitals often ignored the emotional needs of the mentally ill, Hope set out to help those interned at the state hospital. With hymns and Bible readings, Hope lifted the patients' spirits. As the years progressed, Hope found more diverse therapies for dealing with patients.

Her use of pets in the hospital has brought joy to so many patients who yearn for the companionship and love they can only receive from familiar animals. She reached patients who no one else could with her understanding and incredible love for people. In addition to her work at the hospital, Hope helps to enrich the lives of other challenged groups. For example, Hope is a weekly reader at the Tri-County Association of the Blind.

Hope is the epitome of self-sacrifice and devotion to humankind. She has an intense appreciation for the human condition. She strives to personally help as many hospital patients as possible. With her keen insight into the kind of treatment mentally ill individuals need and deserve, she continues to make a difference in the lives of many.

I know that the entire House of Representatives will join me in celebrating the efforts of this outstanding woman for her care of the mentally ill. Hope Nancarrow stands as a guiding light of inspiration for all of us.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING ROBERT L. DILENSCHNEIDER

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I commend the following article to my colleagues:

Whereas, Robert L. Dilenschneider on the 13th day of May, 2001 was awarded a Doctorate of Public Service, conferred upon him by the Muskingum College Board of Trustees; and

Whereas, Robert Dilenschneider as a foremost expert in the fields of public commu-

nications and strategic counseling, has influenced the representation of historic events on the world's stage; and

Whereas, Mr. Dilenschneider provides vital guidance for organizations as they disseminate information to international, national and regional communities; and

Whereas, Mr. Dilenschneider inspires cross-cultural exchanges and facilitates diverse educational opportunities through his leadership in the Institute on International Education, the governing body for the Fulbright Program; and

Whereas, Mr. Dilenschneider has demonstrated a commitment to improving the lives of those around him by serving on the Board of Governors for the American Red Cross and the advisory board for New York Presbyterian Hospital; and

Whereas, Mr. Dilenschneider has maintained a resolute commitment to education through scholarship as reflected in his publication of numerous best-selling books and his willingness to serve as a commentator in the media; and

Therefore, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the impressive accomplishments of Robert Dilenschneider.

A TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL TARIQ MOODY

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Michael Tariq Moody for his tremendous dedication to his church and community during his brief life on the occasion of the Mike Moody and Darian Williams Memorial Basketball Game.

Michael attended the New York City Public School System, graduating from Boys and Girls High School in February of 1998. Immediately prior to his death, he had intended to further his education at St. Augustine's College in Raleigh, North Carolina.

"Mike," the younger of two sons born to Harold and Deborah Moody, was often compared to Andrew in the Bible because he professed and put God first in his life starting at a young age. He believed in the commandment "Honor thy Father and Mother" with deep conviction. He always honored, respected and loved his mother. Michael was an active member of Victory Christian Tabernacle Church.

Michael displayed incredible charisma throughout his teenage years. Mike, an extraordinary basketball player, used his skills on the court not only to win the game, but to help others. Playing for teams such as Black Men Who Care, Bethelite Deacons, ABC Metro Basketball Team and the Hydro Tech League, Michael filled his home with trophies and honors awarded to him for his excellence in basketball.

Mr. Speaker, Michael Tariq Moody devoted his short life to serving his community and church. As such, both he and his family are more than worthy of receiving our recognition today. I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in remembering and honoring the life of this remarkable man.

IN MEMORY OF MR. TINO
FULIMENI

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a great man, Mr. Tino Fulimeni, for his years of dedicated service to the Cleveland and world community.

Mr. Fulimeni, originally from Vestaburg, Pennsylvania, hitchhiked to Cleveland after high school and found a job with Republic Steel Corporation. After joining the union he spent some time in the Army and later married Yvonne, another native from his hometown. The two soon settled in Berea, Ohio and he returned to the steel mill to serve on union committees.

In 1977, Mr. Fulimeni became a full-time staff representative for the United Steelworkers of America. He spent a great deal of time working with women and racial minorities to provide and ensure equality for all steelworkers. He represented over 21,000 steelworkers after he became director of the union's District 28. His hard work and dedication to the rights of workers did not go unnoticed. Mr. Fulimeni soon thereafter was appointed special assistant to the union's international president.

Mr. Fulimeni is truly a man of the people. His dedication and loyalty to all steelworkers earned him the respect of all his colleagues. He was known as a tough negotiator, a strong co-worker, and a close friend to many. In addition to his union work, Mr. Fulimeni was active in the American Legion. His strong leadership and patriotism were apparent to his peers who elected him post commander three times.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring and remembering a truly great man, Mr. Tino Fulimeni. He has touched the Cleveland community and helped many steelworkers. He will be greatly missed.

HONORING TOM HAMILTON

HON. TAMMY BALDWIN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Tom Hamilton, who has been with the Forest Service for the past 37 years. Mr. Hamilton is retiring from federal service after serving as the Director of the Forest Products Laboratory, the nation's leading wood research institute located in Madison, Wisconsin.

Tom has led the Forest Products Laboratory (FPL) in its dedication to solving societal problems related to the forest and its products by using the best scientific resources available. While some may not be aware, FPL is the public side of the public-private partnership needed to create technology for the long-term sustainability of our forests.

Originally from Westfield, Wisconsin, Tom later graduated from UW-Madison, with a B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. from the UW's Department of Agricultural Economics. He spent much of his career with the Forest Service at various forest research stations, and later with the Forest

Service Washington Office. In 1994, Tom was appointed Director of FPL.

As Director, Tom has led more than 250 scientists and support staff conduct research on expanded and diverse aspects of wood use, including pulp and paper products, housing and structural uses of wood, wood preservation, wood and fungi identification, and finishing and restoration of wood products. In addition to traditional lines of research, Under Tom's leadership, the Forest Products Laboratory has responded to environmental pressures on forest resources by using cutting-edge techniques to study recycling, developing environmentally friendly technology, and broadening the nation's understanding of ecosystem-based forest management.

Through Tom's initiative, work is now ongoing at FPL towards new recycling technology, creating a new fiber resource, and reducing pressure on our precious forests.

Tom's leadership of this important research resource has been a national treasure, and his many years of service with FPL and the Forest Service are commendable. As he transitions to a new phase of life following his retirement from public service, he will truly be missed.

HONORING LILLIAN TICK ON HER
100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. GARY L. ACKERMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring Lillian Tick on the occasion of her 100th Birthday.

Lillian Tick was born Lillian Ostrega, the oldest of five children to Isadore (Ichimayer) and Frieda (Frima) Ostrega, in the city of Wyshkov, Poland on the third day of July 1901.

Mr. Speaker, Isadore Ostrega left Poland for the United States in 1908 to search for a better life for himself and his family. In 1912, after years of hard work, he was able to bring his wife, Frieda, to join him. When Frieda left Europe, it was Lillian who obtained and supplied food for her family. It took eight years before Lillian's parents were finally able to save enough money to bring their children to America. Lillian, her three brothers—Louis, David and Hyman—and her sister, Dora, all arrived at Ellis Island in 1920.

Lillian eventually met and married Morris Tick, a lansman emigre from Poland. They had three children: Irving, who passed away in 1988, Theodore (Ted) and Natalie.

Mr. Speaker, Lillian Tick is affectionately called Mama Lilly by all who know her and cherish her. Mama Lily's many friends and admirers include Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes, and Cantor Sol Zim and the other congregants and employees of the Hollis Hills Jewish Center, where she is nearly a permanent fixture.

Mama Lily is a four-foot-nine-inch bundle of energy. To this day, she still cleans and dusts to the level of her own height, maintains her own room, and insists on doing the dishes each evening, as well as the family ironing, despite having fractured both hips and walking with the aid of a quadruped cane.

Mama Lilly reads the newspapers everyday, and attends Shabbat and High Holiday serv-

ices regularly. When she is able, she observes the various Yahrzeit memorials in honor of her dear departed.

Mr. Speaker, if you ask Mama Lilly how she feels, the response is invariably, "I'm fine." When you meet Lillian Tick for the first time, you find a universal mother and grandmother. From then on you will always address her as, and you will always have, a "Mama Lilly."

The Hollis Hills Jewish Center is celebrating Lillian's 100th Birthday on June 23, 2001, so that all of Mama's many friends can share in this joyful occasion. She is beloved by all; her search for a new and better life in America, her independent spirit, and her life of hard work is the essence of our great nation: a land of immigrants yearning to breathe free.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all my colleagues in the House of Representatives to rise and join me now in honoring the 100th Birthday of Lillian Tick, who has touched the lives of so many people during her glorious years with us.

IN HONOR OF WALTER J. BRANT,
JR.

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Officer Walter J. Brant, Jr. for his dedication and devotion to his community.

Walter Brant, born in the Bronx, relocated to Long Island where he graduated from North Babylon High School in 1980. Officer Brant joined the New York City Police Department in August of 1993. Upon completion of the academy he was assigned to Police Service Area #2 where he has served the Cypress Hills Development Community for the last seven years.

While serving as a Community Policing Officer, Walter implemented the C.P.R. Bike Ride, which involved both the community youth, and Officers. Officer Brant has also participated in the 1999 City Wide Recruitment Campaign. He is presently active in the N.Y.P.D. after school program, A.S.P.I.R.E., and is involved with providing protection for the community's senior citizens. In addition, Walter has received the Law Enforcement and Community Achievement Awards and the CPR Award recognizing him for his commitment to the principles of Courtesy, Professionalism, and Respect.

Walter enjoys spending his free time with his friends and family. He devotes himself to the love of his life, Angela and their two children Jaelyn and Christopher. He also enjoys boating, carpentry and coaching his son's Little League baseball team.

Mr. Speaker, Officer Walter J. Brant, Jr. has devoted much of his life to serving his community through his duty as a police officer. He is a very dedicated individual who for many years has devoted himself to the youth of his community. As such, he is more than worthy of receiving our recognition today. I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in honoring this truly remarkable man.

“A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING
JAMES MAHONEY”

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I commend the following article to my colleagues:

Whereas, James Mahoney on the 12th day of May, 2001 was awarded a Doctorate of Public Service, conferred upon him by the Muskingum College Board of Trustees; and

Whereas, Dr. James Mahoney has profoundly influenced the educational experiences of thousands of students in Ohio as an elementary school teacher, a principal, and now as a school superintendent; and

Whereas, Dr. Mahoney successfully orchestrated the merger of three county educational service centers, creating the Muskingum Valley Educational Service Centers for which he serves as superintendent; and

Whereas, Dr. Mahoney was named “Educator of the Year” in January 2001 by the Ohio Association of Superintendents, illustrating his significant impact on the development of more than 25,000 students in his charge; and

Whereas, Dr. Mahoney has maintained a rigorously scholarly agenda during his twenty year career, authoring numerous publications on diverse topics in the educational arena;

Therefore, I ask my colleagues to join with me in recognizing the impressive accomplishments of James Mahoney, an outstanding citizen of Ohio whom I am proud to call a constituent.

HEALTHY SOLUTIONS FOR AMERICA'S HARDWORKING FAMILIES

HON. HILDA L. SOLIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, for centuries immigrants from all over the world have helped make the United States one of the most powerful and wealthiest nations in the world. I am proud to represent a congressional district that is home to a large and vibrant immigrant community.

I am very concerned about the lack of access to health care for immigrants. A recent study by the Kaiser Family Foundation states that low-income immigrants are twice as likely to be uninsured as low-income citizens. Almost 59 percent of our nation's 9.8 million low-income non-citizens had no health insurance in 1999, and only 15 percent received Medicaid.

We need to do more to ensure that our nation's immigrants obtain quality health care. Preventive measures are much more cost effective than allowing individuals to become seriously ill due to lack of access to adequate healthcare services. We can and must provide better outreach to immigrant communities in their languages in order to reduce the barriers that currently make it difficult for immigrants to access health care.

Immigrants pay millions of dollars in local and state taxes and they deserve some form of health care. In fact, according to the National Academy of Sciences, immigrants pay approximately \$1,800 per year more in taxes

than they use in services, yet they never access public health services.

I support the “Healthy Solutions for America's Hardworking Families” Agenda which will remedy some of the problems faced by immigrant communities. That agenda includes the Legal Immigrant Children's Health Improvement Act (H.R. 1143), which will give states the option of allowing low-income legal immigrant children and pregnant women access to Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (S-CHIP). This bill has wide support in Congress, as well as from the American Medical Association and the National Governors Association. Allowing children and pregnant women access to federal health care programs is simply sound public health policy.

The Women Immigrants Safe Harbor Act is another key piece of legislation. This measure would allow legal immigrants who are victims of domestic violence to apply for critical safety net services such as medical and food assistance. Immigrants who are victims of domestic violence are frequently economically dependent on their abusers and isolated from their support networks. Immigrants are even more dependent and isolated because of restrictions passed in the 1996 welfare reform law, which prevent a battered immigrant from access to the resources she needs to leave the abuser.

I also support the Nutrition Assistance for Working Families and Seniors Act (H.R. 2142) which would restore food stamp eligibility for low-income legal immigrants and improve the food stamp program overall. Many tax-paying legal immigrants work low-wage jobs and they need the additional support that food stamps provide.

We must not leave the immigrant community behind, especially the women, children, and elderly who so desperately need appropriate health care. I encourage my colleagues to support the “Healthy Solutions for America's Hardworking Families” Agenda to help the immigrant community. Our great country, as you might recall, was founded upon the great sacrifices that immigrants made for our democracy and economic prosperity.

SHAME ON MR. NATSIOS

HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is a disgrace that a high ranking U.S. government official is still collecting taxpayer dollars after making disparaging, discriminatory, and inaccurate comments about the people of Africa who are suffering from the ravages of HIV/AIDS. President Bush should dismiss Andrew Natsios, the new Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development at once.

Instead of offering the United States' assistance to help the infected people of Africa receive the treatment they desperately need, Mr. Natsios stated that our efforts will not work because Africans “don't know what Western time is,” and thus cannot take drugs at proper times. He went on to say that if you ask Africans to take medicine at a certain time, they “do not know what you are talking about.” How disgraceful. The Administrator of our nation's lead agency for international develop-

ment and assistance should educate himself about AIDS treatment and about the peoples of the world before he reveals astonishing ignorance as well as prejudice. It's time for Mr. Natsios to go and for the Bush Administration to instead appoint a real leader who will bring honor back to this distinguished agency.

I wish to share with my colleagues an op-ed, which appeared in the Washington Post on Friday, June 15, 2001 by Amir Attaran, Dr. Kenneth A. Freedberg, and Martin Hirsch, respected experts in the field of AIDS research and international development. They comment on Mr. Natsios' remarks and proposed plans for U.S. funding and involvement in Africa and they make a very persuasive case for Mr. Natsios' immediate dismissal.

[From the Washington Post, June 15, 2001]

DEAD WRONG ON AIDS

(By Amir Attaran, Kenneth A. Freedberg and Martin Hirsch)

Andrew Natsios, the Bush administration's new chief of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), has made a very bad start with regard to one of his agency's primary missions: dealing with the scourge of AIDS in Africa. Natsios has made comments recently on the prevention and treatment of the disease in Africa that are, to say the least, disturbing, if not alarming.

His comments appeared last week in the Boston Globe and in testimony before the House International Relations Committee. On both occasions he argued strenuously against giving antiretroviral drug treatment (the AIDS treatment used in the United States today) to the 25 million Africans infected with HIV.

Although Natsios agrees that AIDS is “decimating entire societies,” when it comes to treating Africans, he says that USAID just “cannot get it done.” As Natsios sees it, the problem lies not with his agency but with African AIDS patients themselves, who “don't know what Western time is” and thus cannot take antiretroviral drugs on the proper schedule. Ask Africans to take their drugs at a certain time of day, said Natsios, and they “do not know what you are talking about.”

In short, he argues that there is not a great deal the agency he leads can do to help HIV-positive Africans. Under his guidance, USAID will not offer antiretroviral treatment but will emphasize “abstinence, faithfulness and the use of condoms” as the essence of HIV prevention. (He also supports distribution of a drug that blocks transmission of the disease from mother to child, and drugs to fight secondary infections.) While this might save some of those not yet infected with the virus, it in effect would condemn 25 million people to death, and their children to orphanhood.

As the administration's man in charge of international assistance, including helping Africans with AIDS, Natsios should know better. His views on AIDS are incorrect and fly in the face of years of detailed clinical experience.

Take the issue of whether AIDS should be dealt with by prevention or treatment. In backing prevention to the total exclusion of treatment, Natsios favors only modest changes in the strategies that USAID has relied on for the past 15 years, which by themselves have clearly failed to stem the pandemic. This is why expert consensus now agrees that prevention and treatment are inseparable—or, in the authoritative words of the UNAIDS expert committee, “their effectiveness is immeasurably increased when they are used together.”

The same conclusion has been reached by countless other experts, including 140 Harvard faculty members who recently published a blueprint of how antiretroviral treatment could be accomplished. Harvard physicians are now treating patients in Haiti, and others are achieving similar treatment successes in Cote d'Ivoire, Senegal and Uganda.

It is also disturbing that Natsios chooses to exaggerate the difficulties of AIDS treatment, as if to singlehandedly prove it would be impossible throughout Africa. Whether Africans can tell "Western time" or not is irrelevant; nearly all antiretroviral drugs are taken only twice a day—morning and evening. Sunrise and sunset are just as good as a watch in these circumstances. Nor is Natsios correct when he says the drugs have to be "kept frozen and all that." Not a single antiretroviral drug on the market today needs freezing. In fact, some bear warnings not to freeze them.

Natsios also said that "the problem with [delivering] antiretrovirals . . . is that there are no roads, or the roads are so poor." In fact, millions of AIDS patients live in cities such as Cape Town, Dakar or Lagos, where the streets are teeming with cars.

Natsios says that antiretroviral drugs are "extremely toxic," so that as many as "forty percent of people . . . who are HIV positive do not take the drugs . . . because they get so sick from the drugs that they cannot survive." This is a view shared by no one in the medical establishment today. Clinical and epidemiological studies by the Centers for Disease Control and the National Institutes of Health have shown that these drugs are safe for most people and prolong life by many years.

Two facts are clear.

The first is that, in Abidjan and Johannesburg, as in Manhattan, AIDS prevention and treatment must go hand in hand. And we can accomplish this if the Bush administration contributes adequately to an international trust fund for that purpose (it has so far promised only \$200 million, or just 72 cents per American).

The second fact is that Andrew Natsios, by virtue of his unwillingness to acknowledge the first fact and his willingness to distort the true situation in Africa before Congress, is unfit to lead USAID and should resign.

HONORING THE COURAGE OF
MELISSA HOLLEY

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to honor a woman that is the picture of courage, Melissa Holley. Melissa is an inspiration to all, with her determination and desire. She has overcome an enormous obstacle and although the struggle is far from over, Melissa continues to push herself.

On June 25, 2000 Melissa's life was permanently altered. Melissa was involved in a roll-over accident on U.S. Highway 550 a mile south of Ridgway, Colorado. The car damaged Melissa's vital spinal nerves and crushed two vertebrae. Melissa lost all feeling below her chest. The doctor's at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction, Colorado said that her paralysis was irreversible. After a 48-hour search, her father, Rob Holley, found a radical new procedure that regenerates nerve cells. It was a long shot at best, but Melissa showed her

courage by saying, "Only shot I had, what have I got to lose."

On July 9, 2000, Melissa was flown to the Sheba Medical Center in Tel Aviv, Israel and underwent surgery. The doctors braced her spinal cord, and injected her with microphages to promote healing. Melissa's recovery from surgery has been a slow and painful process. She continues to use a wheelchair, and exercises twice a week in a swimming pool. There has been a visible improvement, and Melissa now stands for an hour each day. This remarkable young lady is returning to college this spring at Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas. Melissa has not only managed to take a long shot and turn it to her advantage, but this year she helped prepare another young man for this procedure.

Throughout this experience Melissa has managed to stay upbeat and determined. She has impressed doctors with her attitude and perseverance, and inspired many with her strength of character. Melissa has shown courage that is rare, and for that, Mr. Speaker, she deserves the praise of Congress.

A TRIBUTE TO DARIAN LEE
WILLIAMS

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor and tribute to Darian Lee Williams for his devotion to his community during his brief life on the occasion of the Mike Moody and Darian Williams Memorial Basketball Game.

Throughout his entire education, Darian attended public schools within the New York City School System. He graduated from Erasmus High School in 1995. Darian continued his education after high school by pursuing a degree at Manhattan Community College and most recently attended a Technical Computer Institute.

In addition to playing trumpet in the school band, Darian loved playing sports. He played basketball for the Black Men Who Care team in addition to many other out-of-school athletic programs. Darian was also a member of the Erasmus Hall High School Varsity Basketball team. Throughout high school, Darian received numerous awards and trophies for his excellence in both basketball and football.

Through his childhood friend Ernest Glover, Darian was introduced to the Mount Sinai Baptist Church. He became a member and was baptized in 1997.

"Disco" was known by his friends as having lived and enjoyed life to its fullest. He loved to socialize with his many friends and was adored by all the people who met him.

Mr. Speaker, Darian Lee Williams devoted his short life to serving his community and church. As such, both he and his family are more than worthy of receiving our recognition today. I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in remembering and honoring the life of this remarkable young man.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING
MARTHA C. MOORE

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I commend the following article to my colleagues:

Whereas, Martha C. Moore on the 13th day of May 2001 was awarded a Doctorate of Public Service, conferred upon her by the Muskingum College Board of Trustees; and

Whereas, Ms. Martha Moore has throughout her lifetime, demonstrated a steadfast commitment to teaching and public service across the nation, within the state of Ohio, and in scores of local communities; and,

Whereas, Ms. Moore has exerted principled influence on significant policy initiatives through her role as state and national party committee woman with the Republican Party; and

Whereas, Ms. Moore has encouraged young women to assume important roles in the American political process through her work with The Ohio Federation of Republican Women—work that ultimately generated the Martha C. Moore Mentoring Project; and

Whereas, Ms. Moore's devotion to education and civic responsibility resulted in her induction into the Ohio Women's Hall of Fame; and

Therefore, I ask my colleagues to join with me in recognizing the impressive accomplishments of Martha C. Moore, a citizen of Ohio whom I am proud to call a constituent.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION
OF H.R. 2052, SUDAN PEACE ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. JOSEPH R. PITTS

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 13, 2001

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2052) to facilitate famine relief efforts and a comprehensive solution to the war in Sudan:

Mr. PITTS. Mr. Chairman, the people of Sudan have suffered terrible devastation in recent history, and even today as we sit in this Chamber.

One report tells of a woman who asked visitors surveying the destruction in her village, "Why do people in the West care about saving the dolphins, but not about saving us?"

A poignant, sharp statement asked out of great need for help—A good question about why people in the West for so long have ignored the plight of those sold into slavery, those whose villages, hospitals, schools and churches are bombed by the Khartoum regime that says it wants peace, but does not act that way.

Studies have shown that the devastation and destruction of tribes and peoples in Sudan is genocidal.

Statistics show that over 2 million people have died in Sudan—Do we not care?

I care—and that is precisely why I stand in firm support of Congressman TANCREDO and the Sudan Peace Act. I urge other Members to vote for this act to support the people of Southern Sudan, to fight against the destruction of entire tribes of people, and to fight against slavery that exists today.

A TRIBUTE TO JUDGE STANLEY
MOSK

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today and pay tribute to a dear friend and a legend of the California Supreme Court, Stanley Mosk, who passed away in his San Francisco home yesterday, June 19, 2001.

Justice Mosk, grew up in San Antonio, Texas and attended the University of Chicago as an undergraduate and law student, before receiving his Juris Doctorate from Southwestern University in Los Angeles in 1935. Judge Mosk's long career as a public servant began in 1939 when he was appointed Executive Secretary to California Governor Calbert L. Olson. After serving the Governor for four years, Stanley Mosk was named Justice of the Superior Court at the age of 31, making him the youngest Superior Court Judge in California.

Mr. Speaker, after serving in this position for 15 years, Judge Mosk sought political office, running for California's Attorney General in 1958. He easily won and received more votes than anyone else on the statewide ballot. Judge Mosk's victory was the first for Jewish person on a statewide ballot in California. During his six year tenure as Attorney General, he established a civil rights section, promoted police training and brought landmark anti-trust and consumer actions to trial. He also argued for California water rights before the U.S. Supreme Court. After deciding against running for Senate, Judge Mosk was appointed to the California Supreme Court by Governor Pat Brown. For the past thirty-seven years, he has been a fixture of the state Supreme Court, becoming its longest serving member in the Court's 151 year old history.

Mr. Speaker, Judge Mosk was recently described by the Los Angeles Times as the "the influential, widely acclaimed and contentiously independent senior member of the Court." He was a vigorous advocate of individual liberties and wrote more than 600 opinions that included dozens of landmark rulings that left a unique and far-reaching imprint on both civil and criminal law. Among his most controversial and more famous opinions was the Regents of the University of California vs. Bakke. In this landmark case, Judge Mosk found that race-based university admissions were unconstitutional, a ruling which has influenced public policy for the last twenty-five years. Despite the criticism he received for his ruling Judge Mosk never wavered from his decision.

Mr. Speaker, Judge Stanley Mosk was a true legend of California and he will be sorely missed. I urge all of my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to this outstanding public servant.

IN HONOR OF SPEAKER SHELDON
SILVER, ON THE OCCASION OF
HIS 25TH YEAR OF SERVICE AS A
MEMBER OF THE NEW YORK
STATE ASSEMBLY

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mrs. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to the Hon. Sheldon Silver. Mr. Silver is one of New York's greatest public servants, representing Manhattan's Lower East Side in the New York State Assembly for 25 years where he currently serves as Speaker. Speaker Silver has worked diligently to improve the lives of his constituents, as well as the lives of all New Yorkers. His outstanding legislative achievements will serve as a model for future members of the New York State Assembly for years to come.

In 1976, Speaker Silver was first elected to the Assembly. In 1985, Speaker Silver was named chair of the Assembly Election Law Committee and served as co-chair of the Temporary State Commission on Voting Machine Equipment and Voter Registration Systems. In 1987 he became chair of the prestigious Assembly Committee on Codes. In 1992 Speaker Silver was appointed chair of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee, and on February 11, 1994 he was elected Speaker of the New York State Assembly. Speaker Silver is dedicated to re-establishing the Assembly as the guardian of New York's middle-class and working families.

During his tenure in office, Speaker Silver has had many significant legislative achievements. He has always made education a priority, and his education initiative, LADDER (Learning, Achievement, Development by Directing Educational Resources), led to the enactment of the first statewide prekindergarten program for all 4-year old children in the nation. In addition, LADDER emphasized educational standards to ensure that all students received proper and complete education. It also focused on reducing class sizes to improve teacher to student ratios and reduces overcrowding. Many of us in Congress continue to advocate for these educational policies, Mr. Speaker, but Sheldon Silver of New York implemented them for our state years ahead of the curve.

Additionally, Speaker Silver has made a strong effort to curb drug usage in New York. Under his leadership, the Safe Streets-Safe Cities Program was enacted, which established harsher penalties for drug-related crimes. It also declared money laundering illegal in order to assist law enforcement in their battle against organized crime.

Speaker Silver has also been a vocal supporter of women's health issues, as well as reducing energy costs. He has also been a national leader in ensuring religious freedom for all people. These are just a few examples of literally hundreds of positive legislative actions that Speaker Silver has taken to improve the lives of all New Yorkers.

Mr. Speaker, I salute the life and work of Speaker Silver, and I ask my fellow Members of Congress to join me in recognizing his extraordinary contributions to the State of New York and to our great nation.

HONORING MARK DICARLO, DELA-
WARE COUNTY'S FATHER OF
THE YEAR

HON. CURT WELDON

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. WELDON. Mr. Speaker, with Father's Day weekend just behind us, I'd like to take a moment to congratulate one special dad from my congressional district. Mark DiCarlo of Brookhaven, was recently named the Delaware County Daily Times "Father of the Year." Mark DiCarlo has 3 children, Mark Jr. 11 years old, Danielle 8 and Tara 4. He and his wife Joan have been married for 13 years. In reading the letter that his family sent to the Times, it is clear that Mark shows the dedication and the commitment that it takes to raise a loving and caring family.

Mark DiCarlo's family wrote to the Times stating all of the things that he, Mark, never forgets to do. Such as, coming home from work and helping the kids with their homework, playing with them, and making sure that chores around the house are completed. Mark's family also stated that he is always teaching them new things and working to ensure a bright future for all his children.

But the most important thing Mark does comes last every night. Mark always, each and every night, tells his children, "Daddy loves you." As a father of five myself, I know how important it is for children to hear that simple sentence each and every day. Children need to know that they have the full support and love of their parents. Through his simple decency and dedication to his family, Mark DiCarlo has shown us the true meaning of father's day. By his words and deeds, he has given us an example that all dads can follow.

It is an honor to represent someone like Mark DiCarlo. He is an example for others to follow and no matter what, will always be one to his family.

TIMES DAD OF THE YEAR'S A POSITIVE GUY

(By Bette Alburger)

Brookhaven—Who's the happiest person in the DiCarlo household?

It's a toss-up between the father of the family, 44-year-old Mark, his wife and the couple's three young children.

Mark DiCarlo was chosen as this year's "Daily Times Father of the Year," based on the essay his son and two daughters entered in the newspaper's second annual award competition. He said he was "in total shock" when he learned that their entry was judged the best of at least 500 submitted.

He had no idea they'd nominated him for the honor.

His wife of 13 years, Joan, said 11-year-old Mark Jr., 8-year-old Danielle and 4-year-old Tara decided on a different twist for their essay containing the stipulated maximum 300 words.

"Most kids feel their father deserves to be honored because of all the things he does," she said. "But the children said they thought their daddy should be 'Father of the Year' because of all the things he never does."

For instance, the youngsters pointed out in their essay, their dad never says he's too tired to play with them or help with a school project. He never lets their mom do all the housework and he never sits around the house on his day off doing nothing.

He never loses patience with his family, and he never stops teaching them new

things. He never stops worrying about their future, either, or how he can make his kids' childhood happy and full of good memories.

But most of all, the children wrote, he never forgets to tell them how much he loves them. Every night when he tucks them in and every morning before their day begins, he says the same thing: "Daddy loves you."

The children ended their essay by noting that "if every daddy were as special as ours, then the world would be a better place."

Their winning effort could be called their love note to their father. "It's pretty flattering," said DiCarlo after reading what they wrote. "I guess they really do love me."

Employed in a family business, Delaware County's Number One Dad is a lifelong county resident. He was born and reared in Chester, graduated from St. James High School in 1975 and from Widener University in 1980.

It's the first time anyone in his family has ever won a contest, he said. And that makes everyone in the family very happy.

As the grand prize winner of the "Father of the Year" contest, DiCarlo receives a gas grill from Boscov's in Granite Run Mall, a barbecue pack from Roy Tweedy's, dinner at O'Flaherty's Restaurant, a \$20 gift certificate from Zac's Hamburgers and a massage from Relaxed of Norweek.

He'll throw the first pitch out on the mound at a Wilmington Blue Rocks game, where he and his family will be guests of honor. He'll also get a personal handyman for four hours, courtesy of CountyWide Home Improvement.

First runner-up Garland Johnson of Chester gets a gas grill from Home Depot in Upper Darby. Second runner-up Ken Cilinski of Aldan receives a \$100 gift certificate from Granite Run Mall and third runner-up, John Aldins of Media, gets a \$100 gift certificate from MacDade Mall.

The runners-up also receive an hour of simulated golf from 3G Golf.

TRIBUTE TO JAMES P.
BECKWORTH MOUNTAIN CLUB

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the men and women of the James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club. The James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club is a Denver-based outdoor organization that works with and exposes urban youth to the outdoors through a number of education programs. The group takes inner city children to national parks and wilderness areas to allow them to experience first hand the joys and the challenges of nature. This experience teaches them an appreciation for the natural world that they might not otherwise ever gain.

Those of us fortunate enough to grow up experiencing the outdoors know the invaluable education that can be obtained through these adventures. As director of the Colorado Outward Bound School, I have been fortunate enough to see directly the benefits that young people can take away from their outdoor experiences. The challenges that they face in these types of programs can provide them with the self-respect and sense of accomplishment that are antidotes for much of the anger and frustration that all too often erupts in violence. Groups like the Beckwirth Mountain Club are instrumental in ensuring that our urban youth are exposed to more positive, character-building experiences.

The James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club is part of the Rocky Mountain National Park's Corps of Discovery Program. This program has allowed the group to develop a close, working relationship with the park where numerous youths have participated in hikes, snowshoe walks, and camping trips. As a result of their outstanding work and their ongoing partnership with the national park, the James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club recently was awarded the "Shoulder-to-Shoulder Award" by the National Park Service.

Mr. Speaker, I ask today that my colleagues join me in applauding the efforts of the James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club. At a time when our children are bombarded with images of violence, the James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club strives to replace those images with traits that will allow our children to peacefully coexist with one another. Mr. Speaker, I am attaching a copy of the National Park Service's press materials about this award and the Club.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE PRESENTS "SHOULDER-TO-SHOULDER AWARD" TO THE JAMES P. BECKWIRTH MOUNTAIN CLUB

DENVER. On May 16, 2001, Ms. Cheryl Armstrong, Executive Director, and Mr. Michael Richardson, Program Director with The James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club, were presented a "Shoulder-to-Shoulder Award" in recognition for their valued partnership with the National Park Service.

The James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club is a Denver-based outdoor organization named in honor of famed 19th century trapper and trader, James P. Beckwirth. Born in 1798 in Virginia, the son of a slave woman in the early 1800's, Beckwirth was unwilling to accept the confines of slavery. Instead he set out to make a small place in history for himself. Beckwirth went west into the wilderness of the Rocky Mountains and joined a western expedition led by General William H. Ashley. This was the beginning of his fantastic career as an explorer, Indian scout, fur trapper, prospector, and War Chief of the Crow Indian Nation. His name is memorialized in California where he pioneered a trail in the Sierra Nevada range known as Beckwirth Pass.

The James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club works with and exposes urban youth to the outdoors through a number of programs including educational opportunities and field trips. The Club opened The James P. Beckwirth Outdoor Education Center in 1998. As part of Rocky Mountain National Park's Corps of Discovery Program, The James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club has developed and maintained a close working relationship with Rocky Mountain National Park, where a number of youth and adults have participated in numerous field trips, hikes, snowshoe walks, and camping trips in the park. As a result of this program, children of Denver's African American neighborhoods have had the opportunity to enjoy our national parks, and have gained a good understanding of life and history of James P. Beckwirth.

"I am proud to recognize The James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club as a valued partner of the National Park Service as well as for their hard work in breaking new trails for our children and helping us keep national parks meaningful and relevant to a new generation of Americans," stated Regional Director Karen Wade.

The "Shoulder-to-Shoulder Award" was presented to Ms. Cheryl Armstrong and Mr. Michael Richardson, on behalf of The James P. Beckwirth Mountain Club in Keystone, Colorado, where leaders and managers of the National Park Service met with partners,

tribal representatives, sister agencies of the federal and state government, cooperating associations, foundation and university representatives, and private citizens during the Intermountain Region's General Conference entitled "Stewardships: The Art of Collaboration." Awards were presented to a number of individuals and partners who have worked long and hard with the National Park Service towards accomplishing the common goals of preservation and protection of natural and cultural resources within our national parks.

FCC—A BLACK HOLE

HON. PETE SESSIONS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, seven years ago some enterprising Texans came to the FCC seeking approval to deploy their innovative wireless technology. Alas, all these years later, they still await a ruling from the FCC. Once licensed, Northpoint Technology could offer consumers a low-cost service that would provide multi-channel video programming—including all local television stations—and high-speed access to the Internet.

As many of my colleagues know, incumbent DBS operators carry some local channels, but only in the largest television markets, and in no market do they carry all local stations on a must carry basis. My Congressional District, for instance, falls within two local television markets. My constituents in the seventh-ranked Dallas market can get four stations from DBS carriers, but that's less than one-third of the stations in the market. My constituents in the 94th ranked Waco market are unable to get any local stations from DBS carriers. If the FCC would grant licenses to Northpoint, all the stations in the Dallas and Waco markets would become available to consumers.

I would like to submit for the RECORD an editorial that appeared recently in the Wall Street Journal that examines Northpoint's struggle to obtain regulatory approval but raises broader issues. Namely, are our telecom regulators and regulations serving the New Economy or burdening it? At least in the case of Northpoint, I think we can all agree that regulators should not take seven years to approve the entry of a new competitor into the marketplace.

REVIEW & OUTLOOK: SPACE INVADERS

[From the Wall Street Journal June 5, 2001]

Space, as every Star Trek fan knows, is the final frontier, but Federal regulators behave as though it's already been conquered. All of it.

This behavior takes the form of spectrum allocation, a process by which the Federal Communications Commission decides who gets to use—and even how they must use—the invisible electromagnetic wavelengths that transmit radio, television, satellite and wireless phone signals.

The allocation system may have worked well enough when it was designed 80 years ago to broadcast first radio and later TV. But a proliferation of wireless innovations has led to increased demand for spectrum space, and the current method of doling it out, like all attempts at central planning, has resulted in an artificial shortage.

Wireless technologies, we'll add here, are but another way to shake America's thirst

for broadband Internet access, and we suspect that the slotful deployment of broadband has played a significant role in Nasdaq's struggles of late and the dot-com skid in general. In effect, government control of the airwaves has helped to create virtual queues.

One way that industry has responded to the FCC's frequency-hoarding is by developing ways to increase the capacity and efficiency of available spectrum. The idea is to share and reuse bandwidth with existing spectrum occupants, and without drowning out what's already being transmitted over the same frequency.

Northpoint Technology, for example, wants to offer a low-cost alternative to DirecTV and EchoStar, the direct broadcast satellite giants. Northpoint's plan is to use part of its capacity to offer channels like MTV and HBO, while using the other part to offer high-speed Internet and other data services. But before any of this can happen, Northpoint needs access to the spectrum. DirecTV and EchoStar, which already occupy the spectrum and would have to compete with Northpoint, are defending their turf. That's understandable, even if their claim that Northpoint's signal would interfere with theirs is largely bogus. Repeated independent studies and field tests have provided no evidence of anything extraordinary.

What we don't understand is the behavior of the FCC, which says it's still thinking about it. Northpoint first applied for the license in 1994, so the FCC has been thinking about it for seven years.

A provision of the 1996 Telecommunications Act requires the FCC to act on new technology within 12 months, but never mind that. If fundamental reform of the allocation process isn't in the cards right now, the very least that regulators can do is allow the Northpoints out there to make innovative use of the available spectrum.

The larger issue is whether our telecom regulators and our telecom regulations are serving the New Economy or burdening it. How many would-be innovators have looked at Northpoint's ordeal and concluded, why bother? And how much longer must we wait for mass deployment of broadband? something is in the way of all this happening sooner rather than later, and it's certainly not the technology.

FCC Commissioner Michael Powell has at least signaled an awareness of these problems. Last month, he told House appropriators that spectrum allocation "is on the top of my agenda" and that broadband deployment is a priority. Industry and consumers alike have reason to hope he means it.

WORLD REFUGEE DAY

HON. WILLIAM J. COYNE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. COYNE. Mr. Speaker, I am honored today to join in this special order. In honor of this important occasion and to recognize the contributions of hard working immigrants who have formed the backbone of this great country, I would like to take this opportunity to highlight the importance of restoring food stamp benefits for legal immigrants.

For over 30 years, food stamp eligibility was based solely on need. However, due to the 1996 Welfare Reform legislation, people became disqualified for food stamps based on the immigration status. While this was partially repealed in 1998, there are still many immi-

grants, which include taxpaying parents working low-income jobs, children, disabled people, and many elderly people who arrived after 1996 and are ineligible for food stamps. In a country as great as the United States and where resources are plentiful, hardworking immigrants should not be denied crucial work supports such as food stamps.

As well, many citizen children of legal immigrants are hurt because of these eligibility restrictions. The vast majority of immigrant families are mixed status families that often include at least one U.S. Citizen, which is typically a child. There is a great deal of confusion about who is eligible for benefits and this deters immigrant families with children who are citizens from applying for food stamps. In fact, participation by these children with legal permanent resident parents declined 70% from 1994 to 1998, from 1.35 million to 350,000, more than twice the overall rate of participation decline for this period. A recent study by the Urban Institute reported that nationwide, 37 percent of all children of immigrants lived in families worried about or encountering difficulties affording food. Children are the future of this country and it is a tragedy that the greatest nation in the world would allow them to go hungry.

Congressman WALSH and Congresswoman CLAYTON recently introduced the Nutrition Assistance for Working Families and Seniors Act, which I fully support. This bill would restore Food Stamp Program eligibility to all legal immigrants and make other modest improvements in the program for working families. This legislation is a step in the right direction in fighting the hunger problem in America and I would urge my colleagues to support this bill.

Our country is a nation of immigrants and we should recognize the important contribution they make to this country by restoring food stamp benefits to them. Mr. Speaker, thanks for allowing me to join with my colleagues to speak on this special order.

A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO THE 202ND COMBAT ENGINEERS, COMPANY B

HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a group of World War II Veterans who helped change the course of history in Europe. Their contribution to the American war efforts is significant and they should be recognized for their contribution.

The 202nd Combat Engineers, Company B, was a unique group that was made up of young men from Ohio and the American Midwest. Trained as engineers at Camp Shelby in Mississippi, they preceded the infantry, during invasions, to cut roads, blow up pillboxes, remove mines and build bridges so the infantry could advance. The success of the ground forces was directly linked to the success or failure of the engineers.

During their assignment to the European Theater, the 202nd contributed to some of the most notable battles of World War II. Omaha Beach, Normandy, Battle for Breast, the Break Out of St. Lo, Crossing the Rhine, and the Battle of the Bulge, were just a few of the famous battles in which these men served.

In one battle at Carhaix, France, the 202nd constructed a bridge more than 40 miles ahead of the infantry. This bridge is particularly noteworthy because it was the longest treadway pontoon bridge in the world, spanning 1152 feet. They accomplished this feat all while under heavy enemy fire.

This year the members of the 202nd will be awarded the 'Spirit of Liberty Award' from the French government for their efforts in liberating France during the Second World War. The presentation will take place on June 23, 2001, during a reunion of the 202nd in Middletown Ohio.

Mr. Speaker, this great group of men, in part, were responsible for bringing the conflict in Europe to an end. We thank them for the service to their country and to the world.

TRIBUTE TO DICK GORBY AND ROCKY BARKER

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the good works of two of the residents of my district, Dick Gorby and Rocky Barker, who together make up the staff of the Veterans Employment Office in Bend, Oregon. I could not be more pleased that the efforts of these two dedicated public servants have earned their tiny, yet effective, office of the International Association of Personnel in Employment Security award of "Best Veterans Unit" for the year 2000.

Mr. Speaker, the Bend Veterans Employment Office assists local veterans in finding meaningful employment. But of course, it does much more. It reminds the men and women who have worn America's uniform that their nation and community are grateful for their service. The tireless efforts of Dick Gorby and Rocky Barker have sent this message loud and clear to the veterans in and around Bend. Their success has meant the difference between frustrating unemployment and a sense of dignity and purpose for the thousands of veterans they serve. I salute their commitment to Oregon's veterans and thank them for their selfless devotion on behalf of the men and women who have served our nation so honorably.

TRIBUTE TO JOHN WADE

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an environmental champion and respected leader—John Wade. On Thursday, May 17, 2001, John passed away from injuries he sustained from a fall during a hiking trip in the mountains of Colorado. He was 81. All those in Colorado who respect the natural world and our duties to the environment will greatly miss John and his passion for people and the landscape.

John was a Presbyterian pastor and a university counselor. He had a pastorate in Utah and Colorado. During his time as a university

counselor in Utah, he provided guidance to young men during the Vietnam War and organized the first Earth Day celebration on the University of Utah campus. After that, John returned to his native state of Colorado where he became director of the San Luis Valley Christian Community Services in Alamosa. He retired to Pueblo, Colorado in 1984 and later moved to Denver. But he never slowed down, not even in retirement.

John carried his strong spirit of public service and his belief in the spiritual component of environmentalism into his retirement. He was the living embodiment of the connection between spiritual growth and caring and respect for the natural environment. He understood that these two concepts and ways of acting are complimentary and in fact work in concert. He made it his mission to help others understand this connection and take action to fulfill man's obligations to the natural world. As a result, he joined local Colorado chapters of the Sierra Club where he volunteered vast amounts of his time and energies. In so doing, he became a leader in conservation work for the Sierra Club in Colorado.

John also was a member of the Presbyterians for Restoring Creation, a national group which, among other things, works to place environmental educators in each of the nation's 175 Presbyterian leadership groups. It was John's goal to see this accomplished.

John himself described the importance of this goal, not only for Presbyterians but all faiths, when he said, "Conservation is an integral part of Christian discipleship, and the scriptures teach us to both till and keep the earth." In keeping with these beliefs, John was also chair of the Colorado Council of Churches' Environmental Commission, which continues to help instill greater awareness of the preservation of the environment as a spiritual obligation in denominations throughout Colorado.

In addition to his work with the Sierra Club and religious groups on environmental efforts, John's strong sense of civic responsibility was demonstrated in other ways. He was outspoken on social justice issues through his work on university campuses throughout the Southwest. He joined marches for labor and human rights—especially as those issues arise in connection with the growing, interconnected global economy. He was concerned about urban sprawl and growth and its attendant impacts to the environment and communities. In addition, he served on a panel, created by Governor Roy Romer in 1994, to address issues related to the grazing of livestock on the federal public lands. His work here, along with the other members of the group, helped steer a new course on these issues and led to the successful creation of public advisory boards which provide input to the U.S. Bureau of Land Management on resource

management issues. He did all of this and more in retirement.

Especially impressive was John's energy and vigor. He climbed 32 of Colorado's 54 fourteen thousand-foot peaks. He continued to hike, march and contribute right up until his unfortunate accident. His robust condition and positive outlook clearly helped shape his views and helped inspire many to join his causes.

John died doing what he loved—enjoying the splendor and beauty of the natural world. His legacy rests with those who knew him, shared his beliefs and were influenced by his teachings, inspiration and leadership. In the heated debates over environmental policies and issues, the underlying—and overarching—principle of stewardship and our spiritual relationship to the Earth is too often overlooked. John understood this spiritual connection implicitly. He understood that the health, sustainability and stewardship of the environment not only sustains and enriches our lives, but brings us closer to our obligations under religious teaching to care for and not squander the natural bounty that has been entrusted unto us. John's life stands as a reminder that we cannot forget the importance of our place in the world and our obligations to it and to provide an enhanced environment for future generations to inherit.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, June 21, 2001 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 22

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To hold hearings on the nomination of Alberto Jose Mora, to be General Counsel and William A. Navas, Jr., to be Assistant Secretary for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, both of Virginia, both of the Department of the Navy; the nomination of Diane K. Morales, of Texas, to be Deputy Under Secretary for Logistics and Materiel Readiness and the nomination of Michael W. Wynne, of Florida, to be Deputy Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, both of the Department of Defense; and the nomination of Steven John Morello, Sr., of Michigan, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army.

SR-222

JUNE 26

10 a.m.

Appropriations

Foreign Operations Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine International Democracy Programs.

SD-192

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings on the nomination of Donald E. Powell, of Texas, to be a

Member and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

SD-538

Governmental Affairs

Investigations Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine federal funding allocated to fight diabetes, the impact of the disease on society and current research opportunities to find a cure.

SH-216

Armed Services

Strategic Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management.

SR-222

10:30 a.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold oversight hearings to receive the goals and priorities of the Great Plains Tribes for the 107th Congress.

SR-485

11 a.m.

Appropriations

Legislative Branch Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Architect of the Capitol.

SD-124

11:15 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings on the nomination of Pierre-Richard Prosper, of California, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues; the nomination of William A. Eaton, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Administration; and the nomination of Francis Xavier Taylor, of Maryland, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, all of the Department of State.

SD-419

2:30 p.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings on the nomination of Margaret DeBardleben Tutwiler, of Alabama, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco; the nomination of C. David Welch, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt; the nomination of Robert D. Blackwill, of Kansas, to be Ambassador to India; and the nomination of Wendy Jean Chamberlin, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

SD-419

JUNE 27

9:30 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business, to be followed immediately by a hearing on the nomination of Vicky A. Bailey, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for International Affairs and Domestic Policy; and the nomination of Frances P. Mainella, of Florida, to be Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

SD-366

10 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the protection of the innocent, focusing on competent counsel in death penalty cases.

SD-226

Budget

To hold hearings to examine the outlook of the U.S. economy.

SD-608

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Economic Policy Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funding for the Defense Production Act.

SD-538

10:30 a.m.

Rules and Administration

To hold hearings to examine a report from the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights regarding the November 2000 election and election reform in general.

SR-301

2:30 p.m.

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings on intelligence matters.

SH-219

JUNE 28

10 a.m.

Rules and Administration

To hold hearings to examine election reform issues.

SR-301

CANCELLATIONS

JUNE 26

10 a.m.

Judiciary

Administrative Oversight and the Courts Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine concerns of ideology relative to the judicial nominations of 2001.

SD-226