

that Rich Guadagno and his tremendous successes in life will always be remembered.

Mr. GILCHREST. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. GILCHREST) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3334.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GILCHREST. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous matter on the three bills just considered, H.R. 2187, H.R. 107, as amended, and H.R. 3334.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Maryland?

There was no objection.

EXPRESSING SENSE OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL MOTIVATION AND INSPIRATION DAY

Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 308) expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the establishment of a National Motivation and Inspiration Day, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 308

Whereas motivation and inspiration have played important roles in the greatest achievements of civilized society and are characteristics common to all great leaders;

Whereas both children and adults need motivation and inspiration in order to achieve success and happiness in their lives;

Whereas the inspiration to define goals at school, home, and work and the motivation to achieve those goals is critical to achieving success and happiness;

Whereas all children and young adults need mentors to inspire them to achieve their goals and to motivate them to direct their energies toward positive and constructive activities and goals;

Whereas adults who mentor children and young adults become inspired and motivated themselves;

Whereas a renewed focus on motivation and inspiration is particularly important in the wake of the tragedies of September 11, 2001;

Whereas the beginning of the year is often a time of reflection, planning, and goal setting;

Whereas the establishment of a National Motivation and Inspiration Day would provide an opportunity for the people of the United States to focus on the importance of maintaining motivation and inspiration in their lives; and

Whereas prominent citizens of Long Island, New York, are attempting to establish Janu-

ary 2 as National Motivation and Inspiration Day; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives supports the goals of a National Motivation and Inspiration Day.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from Virginia (Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS) and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Virginia (Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous matter on House Resolution 308, as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of House Resolution 308, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives in support of the goals of a National Motivation and Inspiration Day.

Furthermore, I commend my distinguished colleague, the gentleman from New York (Mr. GRUCCI), for introducing this important resolution.

Mr. Speaker, motivation and inspiration have played important roles in the greatest achievements of civilized society, and are characteristics common to all great leaders.

Both children and adults need motivation and inspiration in order to achieve success and happiness in their lives. Children and young adults need mentors to inspire them to achieve their goals, and to motivate them to direct their energies toward positive and constructive activities and goals. Furthermore, the adults who mentor the children and young adults become inspired and motivated themselves.

Mr. Speaker, a renewed focus on motivation and inspiration is particularly important in the wake of September 11 tragedies. The inspiration to define goals at school, home, and work, and the motivation to achieve those goals is critical to achieving success and happiness in our current trying circumstances.

Mr. Speaker, the beginning of the year is often a time of reflection, planning, and goal-setting. For that reason, prominent citizens of Long Island, New York, are attempting to establish January 2 as National Motivation and Inspiration Day. This would set a good example for the rest of our Nation, and provide all with the focus of maintaining motivation and inspiration in their lives.

If successful, their efforts would provide an opportunity for the people of the United States to focus on the importance of maintaining motivation and inspiration in their lives.

Mr. Speaker, I urge all Members to support this important resolution, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise to endorse House Resolution 308, a resolution expressing the support of the House of Representatives of the goals of a National Motivation and Inspiration Day.

I commend my colleague, the gentleman from New York (Mr. GRUCCI), for introducing such a resolution, and call upon all Members of the House to begin to focus on the importance of motivation and inspiration, especially as we embark upon a new year, 2002.

After reading House Resolution 308, I was immediately reminded of an important passage in the Bible: First Corinthians, Chapter 13. This passage discusses the love man can have for his fellow man, and how we should not worry about ourselves, but worry about others.

The ideals embodied in the First Corinthians passage not only embrace the message contained in House Resolution 308, they also speak to two legislative proposals we will consider today: H.R. 3072 and H.R. 3379.

H.R. 3072 seeks to honor Mr. Vernon Tarlton, a man of great faith and dedication to his community, by naming a post office after him in his hometown. H.R. 3379 names a post office after New York City Fire Department Chief of Rescue Operations, Mr. Ray Downey. Chief Downey, a firefighter for 39 years, died in the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001.

These two men are and were great leaders who directed their energies towards positive and constructive activities and goals. Chief Downey led a New York fire department special unit to assist in recovery efforts at the Murrah Building in Oklahoma City. He directed rescue efforts at the 1993 attack on the World Trade Center, and helped the Federal Emergency Management Agency found a national network search and rescue team.

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He truly motivated and inspired and led the way for his team. He did not worry about himself; rather, he directed his efforts to save others.

Mr. Tarlton spent his lifetime working on behalf of others in his community and along the way being recognized for his efforts. In a time of uncertainty in the world and here at home, at a time when we as a Nation are called upon to show greater compassion and appreciation for the diversity of our people and religious faith, we need to take stock and focus on the importance of maintaining motivation and inspiration in our lives.

As part of that, we must open our arms wide and embrace and educate our children and young adults. They too must learn the value of helping others, not for glory, but because it is the right thing to do.