

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### COUNCIL OF KHALISTAN MARKS 15 YEARS OF SERVICE

#### HON. DAN BURTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, this week the Council of Khalistan, which leads the fight to free the Sikhs from the repression of India, marked its fifteenth anniversary. It was founded on October 7, 1987, when the Sikh Nation declared its independence and named their new country Khalistan.

The repression that has been inflicted on the Sikhs and other minorities in India before and after that declaration is well documented. The Indian regime has murdered over 250,000 Sikhs since 1984, according to the book "The Politics of Genocide" by Inderjit Singh Jaijee. A report from the Movement Against State Repression notes that over 52,000 remain in Indian jails as political prisoners without charge or trial. Some of them have been held since 1984. Another 50,000 have simply been made to "disappear."

Sikhs are not the only ones. Christians, Muslims, Bodos, Assamese, Manipuris, and others have felt the brunt of Indian oppression, with tens of thousands of them losing their lives. That is why there are seventeen freedom movements in India. The Council of Khalistan, while it focuses on the Sikh struggle, has spoken out for freedom and an end to the repression for all these peoples and nations.

Mr. Speaker, I would just like to take the occasion to congratulate the Council of Khalistan on its 15 years of service.

### AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF MILITARY FORCE AGAINST IRAQ RESOLUTION OF 2002

SPEECH OF

#### HON. JOHN CULBERSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 10, 2002*

Mr. CULBERSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of our President and this resolution that will authorize him to use the United States Armed Forces to confront the threat posed by Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein. I believe that this is a vote about trust. As many of my colleagues have stated, the Constitution of the United States grants Congress the power to declare war, and designate the President as the Commander in Chief. I trust President Bush and his Administration to make the right decisions with our armed forces. He has shown that he is a thoughtful and deliberate wartime president, and Congress should give him the authority to continue performing his duty on behalf of all Americans. This vote is our expression of trust in the President, and I hope that all Americans will

express their trust in the President when they go to vote in November.

Mr. Speaker, this resolution gives the President the necessary flexibility to confront the threat posed by Saddam Hussein through diplomatic or military means. I will support any diplomatic efforts taken by the Administration, but I am convinced that military action will be necessary in the end. In the past, Saddam Hussein and his regime have only responded to military force, and this resolution will guarantee that option to the United States.

Mr. Speaker, we must not wait until Saddam Hussein or terrorists that he has supported have the capability to attack the United States with weapons of mass destruction. Today, with this vote, Congress will give the President the discretion and the freedom to act whenever he thinks it is necessary to protect all Americans. At this critical point in history, inaction is not an option. We must destroy the capability of this evil dictator to hold his own people and the people of the world hostage. He must be stopped, and he must be stopped now. I would encourage all of my colleagues to join me in voting for his historic resolution. The safety of the United States hands in the balance.

### MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES ON H.R. 4546, BOB STUMP NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003

SPEECH OF

#### HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 10, 2002*

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of this motion to instruct, and I thank my friend from Mississippi for offering it tonight. This motion would call on the House conferees to support a Senate provision in the defense authorization bill to allow disabled military retirees to receive concurrent payment of retired pay and disability compensation.

This is truly an issue of basic fairness. We owe our veterans a debt that we can never repay. They did not hesitate to answer their country's call, and stand up to defend our freedom. But current law ignores that sacrifice, and requires disabled military retirees to actually fund their own disability compensation by waiving a portion of their retiree benefits. 400,000 veterans sacrifice their retirement pay every month.

Earlier today, this House voted to allow the President to use military force in Iraq. Now is our chance to tell the men and women who may very well serve in Iraq that we appreciate their service, that we will never forget their sacrifice. Now is our chance to show through actions, not just words, that we honor the work they do for our country.

We owe our veterans a debt of gratitude, but more than that we owe them our unwavering support. I urge my colleagues to support

this motion to instruct so that veterans can collect their full retirement pay and their disability compensation. They have certainly earned it.

### HONORING HOLLIS BIDDLE OF WACO, TX

#### HON. CHET EDWARDS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. Speaker, we live in a time when Americans change jobs as frequently as every five years. The kind of loyalty that used to be commonplace between employers and employees, when people more often than not spent their entire career with one organization, is rare today. That fact makes today's observance of Mr. Hollis Biddle's fifty years with the Waco Tribune-Herald indeed remarkable.

The Waco Tribune-Herald is my hometown daily newspaper in Waco, Texas, a member of Cox newspapers and the largest publication in the 11th Congressional District.

Following a high school class in journalism, Mr. Biddle, a native of Waco, began his career in 1952 as a copy boy with the morning newspaper, the News-Tribune, and the afternoon Times-Herald. He worked hard and won a Fentress Foundation Scholarship to Baylor University, where he majored in Journalism. Biddle worked as a reporter and went to school, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism in 1958.

Hollis Biddle worked his way into the Sports Department, eventually becoming Assistant Sports Editor. Traveling to small towns across Central Texas, he wrote about the teams, the bands, the cheerleaders. In Small Town Texas then and now, youth sports are a major source of pride for any community, and Hollis Biddle became very well known through his coverage. He wrote about high school and college football, baseball, basketball and any other athletic competition.

He became best known, however, as an advocate and promoter for Little League Baseball. As the organization was just beginning to grow, his stories excited interest across Central Texas, from youngsters who wanted to play, from the parents and from community leaders who learned from Biddle's stories about the benefits of such healthy competition.

Biddle worked to establish the state's Little League headquarters in Waco, and the Tribune-Herald was the official "paper of record" for Little League results for two decades. Grown men stop him on the street today to tell him, "You took pictures of me playing Little League Baseball years ago and I still have that newspaper."

Hollis finally gave up sports reporting, and is now an integral part of the Trib's Marketing Department. He is in charge of special newspaper sections and promotions, including weekly publication of the Baylor Insider in cooperation with the Baylor Foundation.

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For half a century today, Hollis Biddle has been involved in making the Waco Tribune-Herald a valuable daily record of area accomplishments. And, for half a century today, Hollis Biddle has been working to make Waco a better community.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in honoring and celebrating Hollis Biddle's fifty years of service to his employer and to the people of Central Texas.

INABILITY OF CONGRESS TO  
CONDUCT ITS REGULAR BUSINESS

**HON. MAX SANDLIN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. SANDLIN. Mr. Speaker, yesterday, the House of Representatives passed yet another continuing resolution to keep the federal government running through October 18, 2002. Once again, Congress was forced to pass a continuing resolution funding the federal government because this body has failed to do its most basic work.

Instead, the majority party has decided to abrogate our constitutional responsibilities and go home and leave the people's business unfinished. I voted against this resolution because we need to be here working and solving the vast economic problems facing this country. I supported a continuing resolution that would have funded the federal government for one additional day. This would have forced us to remain here and address the critical issues facing our nation. Our domestic problems are not insurmountable. I will not accept the fact that this Republican-controlled Congress cannot simultaneously address national security needs while also addressing pressing domestic problems. When united in action, we can solve the problems facing everyday citizens.

In the course of the last two weeks, the stock market has plummeted to a five-year low, another 417,000 Americans filed unemployment claims at the end of last month, and consumer confidence fell to a nine year low. In addition to the hundreds of thousands on new unemployment claims, hundreds of thousands of out-of-work Americans have or will soon exhaust their unemployment compensation. The Republican majority has not brought any legislation to the floor to extend unemployment insurance for those who desperately need these benefits. Because the majority has failed to do its job, countless individuals will not be able to feed their families, seek new employment, or pay their upcoming winter heating bills.

In addition to not addressing legislation to assist unemployed workers, the House has failed to fund important initiatives in education, healthcare, and veterans—leaving society's most vulnerable members at risk. The lack of action means schools cannot plan for next year, hospitals wonder if they will have funds to remain open, seniors will go without a comprehensive prescription drug plan, and veterans will continue to see unacceptably long waits for access to care.

By ignoring the situation, the majority pretends that this Administration's failed economic policies have not had devastating consequences for average Americans. This Congress just has addressed the most compelling

national security issue facing the nation. It is time that we face the economic crisis facing America—rising unemployment, increasing job insecurity, growing budget deficits, and the lack of affordable health care.

By postponing action on passing the remaining eleven appropriations bills, the majority undermines the ability of the government to carry out its basic missions. By adopting continuing resolution after continuing resolution, we undermine our law enforcement agencies to combat terrorism, prevent the Immigration and Naturalization Service from increasing inspections and patrols, threaten efforts to improve homeland security, prevent new grants to first responders, weaken our ability to respond to bio-terrorism, provide basic services to our veterans, increase enforcement of our securities law to catch corporate misdeeds, and force state and local governments from making critical public infrastructure investment.

Because the majority has failed to its job, average Americans pay the price of our inaction. Republican economic policies have been bad for this country—ignoring those policies will not make them better. Congress' inaction touches every part of our daily lives. Yet, Congress will take another week off—leaving millions of Americans without hope that we will address the problems they face every day. It is for this reason that I in good conscience could not support another weeklong continuing resolution.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING  
FRANKIE LEE CARNES

**HON. ROBERT W. NEY**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, Whereas, Frankie Lee Carnes is celebrating her 60th Birthday today October 8, 2002; and

Whereas, Frankie Lee Carnes is a member of First Christian Church; and

Whereas, Frankie Lee Carnes has six children and nine grandchildren;

Whereas, Frankie Lee Carnes must be commended for her service to the community serving as Chair of the Belmont County Election Board and actively participating in the Miracle of Life Group, and the Girl Scouts; and

Therefore, I join with the residents of St. Clairsville and the entire 18th Congressional District in congratulating Frankie Lee Carnes as she celebrates her 60th Birthday.

HONORING KAREN OSTDIEK

**HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an outstanding teacher who has exemplified the ideal of assuring that "No Child is Left Behind." Karen Ostdiek, a second grade teacher at St. Anthony's school in Fresno, California, went above and beyond the call of duty for Hunter Jameson, a student in her class, when he was diagnosed with cancer in early September 2001.

Hunter's parents, Mike and Catherine Jameson, and St. Anthony's principal, Shawn

Carey, credit Ms. Ostdiek with keeping Hunter up to date with his work even though he was out of the classroom for the majority of the school year. Thanks to Karen's extra effort and commitment to her students, Hunter will be able to go on to third grade in the fall.

Karen made sure Hunter was included in all classroom activities, posting his work in the classroom alongside the other students' and delivering him personal pizzas when the class earned a party. Hunter was able to return to school on May 6 and was warmly greeted by his fellow second-graders in Ms. Ostdiek's class. Karen was awarded an Angel on Earth award, for her work with Hunter, at a teacher appreciation luncheon. The praise is well deserved, although she does not see that she has done anything special, just her job. Her humility only serves to underline why Karen is so deserving of the appreciation and honor she has received.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Karen Ostdiek for her dedication to the education of our young people and her commitment to excellence. I invite my colleagues to join me in thanking Karen for her outstanding service and compassionate response to Hunter Jameson and his family.

H.R. 5400

SPEECH OF

**HON. EDWARD R. ROYCE**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 10, 2002*

Mr. ROYCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the unanimous consent request to pass H.R. 5400, a bill authored by my friend and colleague from Nebraska, the chairman of the Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy, Congressman DOUG BEREUTER. This legislation is a well-crafted, thoughtful and bipartisan bill that is certainly worthy of passage by unanimous consent.

This legislation will help the North American Development (NAD) Bank to accomplish its stated goal of improving the potable water supply, wastewater treatment and municipal solid waste management services within America's Mexico border region more efficiently. Addressing the problem of an inadequate water supply along our nation's southern border is a laudable goal, and one that is certainly worthy of the support of every member of Congress.

I would also like to acknowledge my gratitude to Chairman BEREUTER for allowing me to include in this legislation an amendment that recognizes the particular difficulty that southern California has in meeting its potable water needs, and directs the NAD Bank to support:

(1) The development of qualified water conservation projects in southern California and other eligible areas in the four United States border States, including the conjunctive use and storage of surface and ground water, delivery system conservation, the re-regulation of reservoirs, improved irrigation practices, wastewater reclamation, regional water management modeling, operational and optimization studies to improve water conservation, and cross-border water exchanges consistent with treaties; and,

(2) New water supply research and projects along the Mexico border in southern California

and other eligible areas in the four United States border States to desalinate ocean seawater and brackish surface and groundwater, and dispose of or manage the brines resulting from desalination.

In California, over the last two decades the population has grown by more than 30 percent while the water supply has increased by only 2 percent. But as California's need for water increases, the number of available sources for drinking water are shrinking. For example, Lake Mead (on the Colorado River), has dropped 28 feet in the last two years and is on track to soon be at a 30 year low, a situation that has been exacerbated by the recent drought.

Mr. Speaker, I strongly support the North American Development Bank's mission of providing clean and safe water to all of America's southern border areas, especially southern California. By passing this legislation by unanimous consent, Congress has acknowledged southern California's dire need for ensuring an adequate water supply and the important role that the North American Development Bank can play in accomplishing this objective.

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PAYING TRIBUTE TO JACK VALLELY

**HON. SCOTT McINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Jack Valley of Newton, Massachusetts—a man who lives his life with a selflessness and unmatched dedication that have made him an inspiration to countless others. As Jack celebrates his eighty-third birthday later this month, I would like to join with his friends, family and former players in congratulating him on this milestone and in wishing him all the best in the many years to come.

Jack was born on Halloween Day back in 1919 in Waltham, Massachusetts—one year after his beloved Red Sox last won the World Series! The oldest of seven children, Jack learned responsibility at a young age, making sacrifices to help his mother Mary take care of his brothers and sisters after the tragic death of their father from an illness brought on by his work in the local watch factory. Holding odd jobs to help replace his father's lost income, Jack found recreation on Waltham's local basketball courts and baseball diamonds. He was an avid participant in many sports back then, a passion that he would eventually turn into his life's work.

In 1948, Jack took a job as the head baseball coach at Curry College in Milton, Massachusetts, a position he would hold for the next fifty-one years. Over that time, Valley would build an impressive record of accomplishments, with over 700 wins and nearly a .730 winning percentage. However, with Coach Valley it was never about the game's statistics; the only statistic that mattered to him was that in all of his 51 years at Curry College virtually all of Coach Valley's players have graduated. As Jack likes to say, "the people are what I remember . . . The yardstick isn't numbers, it's how much the kids have improved, how much have you helped them physically

and mentally. How much good have you done." It is for this attitude, and his impressive record of accomplishments, that Collegiate Baseball recognized Valley as the NCAA Division III "Coach of the Century" in 1998. And it is for this approach to sports, and life, that I wish to bring Jack Valley to the attention of my colleagues here today.

In February of 1999, on the eve of his record fifty-second season at the helm of the Curry College Colonels, Jack was struck with a major stroke that paralyzed his right side and hindered his speech. The hard work and dedication that Valley exhibited throughout his coaching career—never missing a game or practice in over 51 years—has carried over into his stirring recovery effort. The progress he has made in regaining the functionality lost due to the stroke has been significant. The determination with which Jack has tackled this challenge so late in life has been inspirational.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to bring the powerful example of Jack Valley to the attention of this body of Congress and our nation. Jack Valley's grandson, Jason Reese, serves as one of my legislative assistants, and it is through their devoted relationship that I have learned of the obvious character, compassion and love with which Jack has led his life. I am proud to join with family, friends and generations of former players in wishing Coach Valley a very happy 83rd birthday.

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TRIBUTE TO ZENAIDA MELGOZA ON BEING AWARDED THE 2002 ST. MADELEINE SOPHIE BARAT AWARD

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Zenaida Melgoza, a distinguished citizen and a resident of San Mateo County, who is being honored on October 16, 2002, by the Sacred Heart Schools of Atherton, California, with the 2002 St. Madeleine Sophie Barat Award.

Zenaida came to the United States from Aguillilla Michoac[aacute]n, Mexico, when she was just thirteen years old, moving with her family to Redwood City, California. In 1978 when she first began working at what was then known as Convent of the Sacred Heart, Menlo, she was already a young wife and the mother of two. Zenaida worked with and for the Religious, helping in the boarding school, the cafeteria, and with general housekeeping for the growing community of Sisters and students. She loved the children at the school and developed warm relationships with everyone she met. When graduates stop by to visit the campus today, Zenaida recognizes and remembers them, often surprising them when she calls them by name after 15, 20, or almost 25 years. She still visits regularly with the Religious she has known so well who are now in the retirement home on the campus.

Sacred Heart is Zenaida's second home and she embraces everyone at the Schools as her family, as they do her. She has brought many of her relatives to the campus to work, finding someone to help the Sisters with what-

ever was needed. Her uncle and four of her cousins have worked at Sacred Heart over the years and some still do. Zenaida and her husband Rafael still live in Redwood City where they have raised their family of four children. Their youngest daughter Cristina just graduated from the grade school last year. Their oldest grandchild Rafael is in the first grade, and his sister Jocelyn is in the preschool. Zenaida's relationship with Sacred Heart is a story of love and dedication that is rare indeed.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great privilege to honor Mrs. Zenaida Melgoza as she receives the 2002 St. Madeleine Sophie Barat Award. I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting her and thanking her for her extraordinary service to the Sacred Heart community and for strengthening our country through her countless contributions.

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HONORING THE HEROISM OF MR. KENNETH W. MERRERO OF HERSHEY, PENNSYLVANIA

**HON. GEORGE W. GEKAS**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. GEKAS. Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure today to recognize Mr. Kenneth W. Merrero, a constituent of mine from Hershey, Pennsylvania, for his bravery and heroism. Mr. Merrero saved the life of his co-worker, Mr. Michael F. Tomlin, on July 30, 2001.

Mr. Tomlin was seated in a pickup truck parked on the shoulder of a highway when another vehicle struck it from behind. The impact forced Mr. Tomlin's truck into a drill rig parked in front. Fires broke out at the front and rear ends of Mr. Tomlin's truck. The collision caused Mr. Tomlin to strike his head. He sat in the truck dazed and surrounded by fire.

Fearlessly, Mr. Merrero approached the pickup truck to look for Mr. Tomlin, but because of the dense smoke, he could not see Mr. Tomlin. Mr. Merrero opened the passenger door of the truck, climbed inside, and attempted to pull Mr. Tomlin across the seat. However, Mr. Tomlin was caught in the wreckage and Mr. Merrero had to re-enter the truck to free him. Finally, Mr. Tomlin was pulled to safety as the fire engulfed the truck.

Mr. Tomlin was hospitalized but soon recovered.

For his astonishing heroism, Mr. Merrero was recognized recently by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission. The Commission awards the Carnegie Medal to those individuals who have risked their lives to an extraordinary degree while saving or attempting to save the lives of others.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to recognize Mr. Merrero for his great courage and on behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, congratulate him for being awarded the Carnegie Medal. Just as Mr. Tomlin is a blessed man for having Mr. Merrero so close that day, so too is the entire Central Pennsylvania community for having their own noble and exemplary hero.

THE NATIONAL SOLEMN  
ASSEMBLY

**HON. ROBIN HAYES**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. HAYES. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring to your attention to an important event that took place earlier this week here in our Nation's Capital. On October 8 & 9th, the Center for Spiritual Renewal hosted the National Solemn Assembly at Constitution Hall. During these two days, church, governmental, military and business leaders from around the nation, including many from the D.C. area, came together for a time of prayer and fasting in support of our nation's leaders. Special sessions of prayer were conducted for the President, White House staff, Members of the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate, the U.S. Supreme Court and our Governors and state and local leaders. The Assembly, based on the scriptural admonition of Joel 2 and 2 Chronicles 7:14, is to return the Nation's spiritual focus on repentance, reconciliation and revival. Most notably, this meeting and its purpose were scheduled and established before the events of September 11, 2001, and well before any House debate of the Iraqi war resolution was scheduled for these same two days.

The Center for Spiritual Renewal, under the leadership of Dr. Robert E. Fisher, has been established to bring before the Church on a continuing basis the primary need for revival and renewal, both personal and corporate. The Center is a non-profit organization that works with all denominations, as well as non-affiliated local churches and ministry agencies to promote an understanding of the need to respond to the move of God through humility, worship and the embodiment of three sequential elements: spiritual integrity, scriptural unity and social responsibility.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to commend Dr. Fisher and the Center for Spiritual Renewal for their leadership in the establishment of the National Solemn Assembly, and for their prayerful support of the Members of this body and the many others in positions of leadership within our government.

TRIBUTE TO S. PHILIP CABIBI

**HON. SCOTT MCINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep respect that I recognize the life and passing of S. Philip Cabibi of Pueblo, Colorado. Mr. Cabibi recently passed away and, as his family mourns his loss, I would like to pay tribute to his life and the contributions he has made throughout the years.

Mr. Cabibi was born in Pueblo on August 12, 1914, and graduated from Central High School. He served in the United States Navy during World War II and then returned to Pueblo after the war. Philip Cabibi served as Pueblo's District Judge from 1955 to 1973 and was well respected throughout the community for honesty and integrity. Mr. Cabibi made many significant decisions as District Judge,

including approving the creation of the South-eastern Colorado Conservancy District, which aided in the passage of the Fryngpan-Arkansas water project. After his tenure on the bench, Mr. Cabibi went into private practice until his retirement in the 1980s.

Despite a busy career, Mr. Cabibi always found the time for his friends and family. Along with his wife Margaret, Philip would often travel to California to visit his grandchildren, and loved playing gin rummy with his friends.

Throughout Pueblo, everyone seemed to know Mr. Cabibi and he could seldom enter a store or a restaurant without being recognized by someone in the neighborhood. No one could resist the genuine interest and affection that he bestowed upon everyone throughout the community.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great admiration that I recognize the life and passing of Philip Cabibi and all his contributions to the community of Pueblo, Colorado. I extend my sincere condolences to his wife Margaret, his daughter Marilyn, sister Virginia, and his grandchildren, John and Michelle. Mr. Cabibi lived his life with honor and distinction, and his love for his fellow citizens won him the respect of all who knew him. Philip Cabibi's loss will be deeply felt throughout the Pueblo community and all of Colorado.

TRIBUTE TO MARILYN LUOTTO ON  
BEING AWARDED THE 2002 ST.  
MADELEINE SOPHIE BARAT  
AWARD

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Marilyn Luotto, a distinguished citizen and a resident of Santa Clara County, who is being honored on October 16, 2002, by the Sacred Heart Schools of Atherton, California, with the 2002 St. Madeleine Sophie Barat Award.

Marilyn is a native of Chicago, Illinois, where she received her bachelor's degree in Psychology from Mundelein College and her master's degree in Clinical Psychology from Loyola University. In 1967, she came to California with her husband and their five children, and soon after, Marilyn began working at Sacred Heart Preparatory. She taught English, Psychology, and a course in Marriage and the Family through the Religion Department at the school. She also acted as a school counselor, at the high school and the elementary school. After five years of dividing her time between her family and the schools, Marilyn began spending more of her work time as a counselor at St. Joseph's School, continuing to teach at least one psychology course at the high school because she enjoyed her involvement with students of all ages. During this time, Marilyn also began pursuing her second master's degree in Marriage and Family Counseling at the University of Santa Clara. With that degree she received her M.F.T. license as a Marriage and Family Therapist in the State of California.

Throughout her tenure at Sacred Heart Schools, Marilyn shared her time and her talents with the entire community of faculty, staff, and students. Last year she retired after 25

years of extraordinary service to the Sacred Heart Schools. With her characteristic spirit of generosity, she thanked everyone for their support and all that they had contributed to her personal and professional growth. She promised to find a way to share the love that she had received with others as she embarks on a new phase of her life.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great privilege to honor Mrs. Marilyn Luotto as she receives the 2002 St. Madeleine Sophie Barat Award. I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting her and thanking her for her extraordinary service to our community which has made us a better country.

HONORING BENJAMIN BLUSTEIN  
AND HEBREW UNIVERSITY

**HON. GEORGE W. GEKAS**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. GEKAS. Mr. Speaker, on July 31, 2002, a Palestinian terrorist left a 22-pound hate bomb hidden in a bag on a table at Hebrew University's Frank Sinatra International Student Center cafeteria. The bomber and those who assisted him had two objectives.

By placing the bomb in an area popular with young people, students from around the world and renowned scholars in many disciplines of academic study, the terrorist hoped to kill and injure as many people as possible, without regard to their nationalities, religion or political persuasion. In this, those responsible for this heinous attack were successful. Ultimately, the blast killed nine people, including five Americans, and injured approximately 80 others.

But the attackers had more far reaching motives. They wished to send a message that they had no interest in legitimate efforts to resolve Israel's conflicts with Palestinians. In addition, by selecting this particular university as their target, the terrorists also wanted to send the message that they believed that academic discourse, scientific research, and medical care provided to people of all ethnic and religious backgrounds are not legitimate endeavors in Israel.

Let there be no mistake about this. On this second point, the terrorists are wrong. President George W. Bush immediately condemned this attack, and expressed his "fury" at the attack on this particular university that had killed five American students. He stated, "I'm just as angry as Israel is right now. . . . I'm furious about innocent life lost. However, through my fury, even though I am mad, I still believe peace is possible."

I believe the President's words were exactly correct to condemn this act of terrorism, just as he had condemned the over 70 homicide bombings aimed at Israel since September 2000. But, despite expressing anger and vowing to find and punish those responsible, the President also restated his quest for an eventual lasting peace between Israelis and Palestinians.

While I am equally angry and upset at all such attacks, this one touched me personally in a way that none had before. One of the five American victims, Benjamin Blustein, was my constituent.

Benjamin Blustein was only 25 years old when this bomb took his life. He came from

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, the heart of my Congressional district. At the time of his death, he was in a two-year study program designed so that he could earn a Master's degree from Hebrew University's Rothberg International School's Division of Graduate Studies and was also enrolled in the Educator's Program at the Pardes Institute for Jewish Studies.

He had previously earned his B.A. in Religion and Judaic Studies from Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. I mention this with pride, as Dickinson is also my alma mater.

Benjamin was more than a good student. He enriched all those around him, both those who knew him well and those with whom he had only limited contacts. He had assisted the entire Jewish Community throughout Central Pennsylvania through his work with the United Jewish Communities. In Israel, he enlivened the lives of many as a disc jockey at local dance clubs.

It is impossible to adequately verbalize the tragedy that occurred when Benjamin Blustein was randomly killed. I still find it hard to accept the loss of this vibrant, dedicated, passionate young man with such a wonderful sense of humor and caring for others.

Immediately following this hateful attack I sent a letter to President Bush, supporting his condemnation of the attacks. A copy of that letter follows these remarks.

As a result of Benjamin's death, I was motivated to learn more about the Hebrew University, the institution that drew Benjamin and so many others to study there.

It is important for all Members of Congress, as well as all Americans, to know that Hebrew University is the oldest comprehensive institution of higher learning in Israel and is considered to be among the world's truly great universities. The Hebrew University of Jerusalem has stood for understanding, tolerance, open discourse and academic excellence since it opened its doors in 1925.

Albert Einstein was one of its earliest supporters. From the very beginning, the university has carried on the dream of its founders, namely academic excellence, culture, science, learning and, most important, inclusion rather than exclusion of people from many religions, nations and ethnic backgrounds. Its students come from diverse cultural, religious, and geographic backgrounds with 10 percent of the student body of Arab descent. This diversity is what contributes to the university's strength and purpose.

It is sad, and ironic, to note that the unconscionable acts of inhumanity that took place at Hebrew University marked the second time that this remarkable academic institution has been devastated by a violent attack. In 1948, Arabs massacred a group of doctors and nurses in a bus going to the Hebrew University Medical School Hospital campus, perhaps a half-mile away from where this most recent bombing occurred.

Yet, despite the violence in 1948 and despite the fact that its original campus was cut off from the rest of Jerusalem until the city was united in 1967, the University continued to grow, to prosper and to gain international recognition for the high quality of its researches, teachers and physicians.

One of the most remarkable aspects of this institution is its efforts to reach out to Israel's

neighbors, including the Palestinians. It is important to stress Hebrew University's regional cooperative programs with Palestinians and Arab countries in health, agriculture, water, environment, marine sciences, and the search for peace.

Rather than discuss its many programs, it would be symbolic to mention just one as the paradigm of the entire University.

I thought it worthwhile to detail the Sanford Kuvin Center for the Study of Infectious and Tropical Diseases at the Hebrew University's Medical School, because of my direct linkage to medical research through the many medical facilities located in Central Pennsylvania, especially the Penn State University Hershey Medical Center, and the Congressional Biomedical Research Caucus, which I helped found and now co-chair.

The Kuvin Center currently has more health programs with surrounding Arab countries than any other university in Israel. It addresses diseases that affect public health and its physicians and scientists are currently working with Arab scientists from Al-Quds, the Palestinian University in the eastern part of Jerusalem; Ain Shams University, in Cairo, as well as with scientists from universities in Jordan, Tunisia and Morocco.

The Congress fully recognizes and supports these types of cooperative Israeli-Palestinian health initiatives. The Foreign Operations bill for fiscal year 2003, which has passed through the Appropriations Committee includes, language on the Kuvin Center/Al Quds cooperation. I am pleased that the Committee included the following paragraph in the report accompanying this bill:

The Committee acknowledges that one of the primary objectives of the West Bank and Gaza program is to create viable infrastructure in Palestinian Authority-controlled areas to ensure the health and welfare of the Palestinian people. Al Quds University, in cooperation with the Kuvin Center for Infectious Diseases of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, has proposed the establishment of a regional health and disease program, which would work to build an effective infrastructure to deal with serious health and disease problems among the Palestinian people. The Committee understands that cooperative programs of this nature are rare in the current environment, and urges AID to work, through the West Bank and Gaza program, to help Al Quds and the Kuvin Center begin this initiative.

This project is designed to enable the United States to provide \$15 million over five years to this cooperative effort to deal with infectious diseases.

Let me add that this program does not require any additional appropriations. The proposed expenditure of these funds is an indication of Congressional intent on just how American money that has already been allocated can best be used in a productive capacity for Israel, the West Bank and Gaza. Thus, the Kuvin Center-Hebrew University/Al Quds University cooperative effort will serve as a model of how the United States, Israel and the Palestinians can work together on projects that will benefit the entire region.

It is key to mention that such efforts will absolutely continue despite the terrorists' murderous intent, and, in fact, it underscores both

Israel's and America's conviction not to let the terrorists succeed.

The murders on the Hebrew University campus shocked all decent people.

This is not a University problem, nor is it a Jewish problem or a territorial problem. This is a threat to all civilization. These events cannot be allowed to go on, and can only be dealt with when good people stand up and speak out against this inhumanity.

We must not only remember those who were killed and injured, but we must all be proactive in favor of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem as a beacon of light unto all nations, peoples and universities around the world.

Hebrew University sets a standard of excellence for the nation of Israel of the Jewish people all over the world. The clouds of hatred and violence against Israel, the Jewish people and the West are clearly spreading. Certainly those who want to prevent discourse and co-existence at the Hebrew University will not and must not succeed.

In the aftermath of the murders at Hebrew University, the school's President, Menachem Magidor, said, "We must not let them kill our dream of peace". This same sentiment was stated by President Bush in his response to this attack when he concluded that "we must keep the vision of peace in mind."

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, August 2, 2002.

President GEORGE W. BUSH,  
*The White House,*  
*Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: We sadly learned recently that a valued member of a community in my congressional district was taken from us. Benjamin Blustein, of Susquehanna Township, Pennsylvania, a young scholar studying abroad in Israel, was killed in the latest homicide bombing in Israel. Benjamin was in the midst of a two year course in Jewish studies at Hebrew University. Benjamin died along with other Americans and several other people when Hamas brutally targeted another group of innocent victims in Israel.

Benjamin was a dedicated, passionate young man with a sense of humor that all who knew him will greatly miss. He was active at school, my old alma mater, Dickinson College, and at his synagogue. With great commitment he assisted the United Jewish Communities to advance their good work throughout Central Pennsylvania. Benjamin enriched many lives during his life. All those who were touched by him will count themselves fortunate for sharing in his life.

I commend you for your strong condemnation of this latest homicide bombing. I support your decision to list Hamas and Hizbollah as terrorist organizations, and your firm support of Israel. Since September 2000, there have been 70 homicide bombings aimed at Israelis, taking the lives of countless innocent people. These attacks are unjustifiable and clearly unproductive. Israelis, free peoples living in a democracy, have not been cowed by the last two years of extremist acts of terror. Peace can only come to the Holy Land through dialogue and mutual understanding. I join with you in your quest for a lasting peace between Israelis and Palestinians.

Very truly yours,  
GEORGE W. GEKAS,  
*Member of Congress.*

TRIBUTE TO PAUL LINN, EARL CANTOR JR., AND JAMES DAUGHERTY

**HON. SCOTT MCINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great enthusiasm that I recognize Paul Linn, Earl Cantor Jr. and James Daugherty before this body of Congress and this nation. Paul, Earl, and James are all brothers who, due to unfortunate circumstances early on in their lives, have not seen one another in over sixty years. As the three brothers celebrate their reunion, I would like pay tribute to their dedication and resilience in reuniting to once again become a family.

The three brothers were born into a family along with nine other siblings in Boulder, Colorado during the 1930s. After their mother Georgia was abandoned by her husband, her children were separated and placed in foster care because she no longer had the means to support them. Paul was adopted by Arthur and Dorothy Linn, ranchers from Collbran, Colorado. James was placed with another family who owned a ranch just outside of Craig, Colorado. As the elder of the three, Earl remained in Boulder, determined to reunite with his brothers as quickly as possible.

Unfortunately, due to the confidentiality with which adoption records are held, Earl soon lost track of his brothers and did not have the resources to relocate them. Paul was able to locate Earl after finding his name in a Boulder phone book in 1955, but it took the work of Bobbi McKeivitt, a professional who tracks down this type of information, for James to locate his two older brothers. Today, the three brothers are determined to find the rest of their siblings and rejoice in yet another family reunion.

Mr. Speaker, I am delighted to recognize Paul Linn, Earl Cantor Jr., and James Daugherty before the body of Congress and this nation for their profound determination and resilience in their mission to reunite their family. Their story is one of great satisfaction and inspiration, and I wish them all the best in their mission to reunite the rest of their family.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR'S EFFORTS TO INTEGRATE FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS INTO EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SERVICES

**HON. ROBIN HAYES**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. HAYES. Mr. Speaker, I want to recognize the Department of Labor's efforts to integrate faith-based and community organizations into employment and training services and encourage the department to continue and expand this initiative.

In order to most effectively deliver services, especially in the hardest to reach communities, it is essential that the federal government partner with groups that have credibility in needy neighborhoods. Small community and faith-based organizations have a long-

term, personal investment in the community, and are known and trusted to effectively deliver results.

This approach is a necessity because for many of our most needy neighborhoods, faith-based and community organizations are frequently the strongest and most dynamic institutions available. Often, in the most distressed neighborhoods, they are not just the best partner, they may be the only partner available to us.

I want to recognize the work that has already taken place at the Department of Labor. The Department has created several pilot programs and innovative grant programs designed to better utilize the unique skills of community and faith-based organizations in its employment and training efforts. I urge the Department to continue and expand these efforts and I call on the Senate to pass H.R. 7 to ensure that the Federal government no longer ignores this critical partnership.

**DR. MICHAEL W. PARKER**

**HON. EARL F. HILLIARD**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. HILLIARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share with my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives a story of Dr. Michael W. Parker, Sr., a citizen of the state of Alabama who has served our country with bravery, commitment, and distinction in the armed services and continues to serve us with his work as a professor and researcher at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Members of our military are unique individuals who put their lives on the line to protect the very freedoms that many of us take for granted. Since September 11, 2001, we have been reminded of the perils of war and the dedication of those who fight to protect us. I want to remind the House that many of our veterans return to civilian life and do great deeds for our country in various professions.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Parker, LTCR, DSW, BCD (Board Certified Diplomate) has been named a John A. Hartford Foundation Faculty Scholar in Geriatric Social Work and serves our community in many ways. He is a National Institute on Aging (NIA) Post Doctoral Fellow from the University of Michigan. He is currently on faculty at the University of Alabama Medical School, Center for Aging, Department of Geriatrics and Gerontology & the University of Alabama, School of Social Work. He is a research scientist with the U.S. Air War College in Montgomery, AL. Dr. Parker is the founding Chair of Aging Veterans and their Families which is part of The Gerontological Society of America, and serves as the Primary Investigator on NIA and Department of Defense funded research related to health promotion, successful aging, and spirituality.

Dr. Parker has also been recognized for his classroom abilities and is a recent recipient of the University of Alabama's Frank R. Egan Award for teaching and exemplary practice. His military honors include the Order of Military Medical Merit and the Legion of Merit. Dr. Parker is dedicating his civilian career to addressing the long-term care needs of our society.

Today, I would like to discuss the Military Parent Care Project on which Dr. Parker and

his colleagues are working. I want to describe the family care plans that the United States military uses to assist surviving family members, a modification of that plan that Dr. Parker is researching to include older and disabled loved ones, and how this may lead to better planning for caregiving for all American families.

Mr. Speaker, all military personnel with dependent family members are required to complete, prior to deployment, a family care plan that makes provision for the medical, legal, and spiritual welfare of surviving family members in the event the service member—soldier, sailor, airman, or Marine—does not return. Dr. Parker believes that the composition of the family care plan must be expanded to make it an intergenerational family care plan to assist in the care of the aging parents of military personnel who do not return from service to our country.

We know that the demographic changes in the U.S. population have significant implications for all of us, including military families. Women, the traditional caregivers, have increasingly entered the military. It is my understanding that women—wives, daughters, and daughters-in-law—provide seventy percent of home care. Forty percent of women providing care to aging relatives are also providing care to children at the same time because of delayed childbearing. In addition, nowhere are the effects of parent care more apparent than with senior military members and their families because they typically live long distances from their aging parents.

Mr. Speaker, I think most of our colleagues would agree that it is imperative that we all work with our aging and disabled loved ones to plan for future care needs. This is particularly important for at-risk military personnel. Otherwise, care might not be provided the way we would like.

Under the sponsorship of the John A. Hartford Foundation and The Gerontological Society of America, Dr. Parker and his team have developed tools to help active duty military careerists complete a family care plan that includes aging parents. They have used focus groups of military personnel and experts from the fields of medicine, law, theology, and caregiving to create and test a Parent Care Readiness Assessment Instrument. This tool assists a family in identifying and prioritizing specific tasks associated with providing care to their aging family members.

As you know, Mr. Speaker, this Congress has conducted many hearings exploring the long-term care crisis in this nation. A long-term care crisis at the family level can thrust military and civilian family members into a bureaucratic maze of trying to make successive care arrangements in a badly fragmented long-term-care system. The nation's patchwork of nursing homes, foster homes, adult day centers and home health care agencies offer a dizzying array of often-unsatisfactory options. Practical help is needed so that a formal family care plan can be developed that could be put into place even if an adult son/daughter was not present to help execute the plan. Our Parent Care Readiness Assessment Instrument can serve as the first step toward this end.

They have also developed a two-hour educational workshop covering four key aspects of preparing an intergenerational family care plan. They are medical, legal/financial, social/

familial, and spiritual/emotional plans. Families are also given access to an interactive Website with caregiver information, and compact disks with caregiving information and additional resource material.

Mr. Speaker, we do not have the all the results yet, but Dr. Parker's project has tested these products and workshop on military careerists and spouses at midlife. This research includes the use of a control group and a post-assessment of the test and control groups. Many of these tools have the potential for assisting millions of American families prepare for unforeseen events.

It is impossible to fully prepare for the consequences of an act of terrorism like 9/11. However, military families have already taken steps through our family care plans to reduce the long term consequences of any trauma, whether it is a result of military service, auto accidents, or other health crises. The civilian population could adopt this approach. Planning for such contingencies with the addition of the intergenerational component could become one of our individual contributions to homeland security and our family's security.

Mr. Speaker, helping civilian families take the same precautions as military personnel who enter harm's way has great potential for millions of American families. I believe that this good work taking place in the great state of Alabama will lead to better preparation for those unforeseen events in our lives and to protecting the future of our aging parents. I am proud to bring this important development in the field of aging and the distinguished work of Dr Michael Parker to the attention of my colleagues in the House.

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TRIBUTE TO KEVIN WAGNER

**HON. SCOTT McINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great admiration that I recognize Kevin Wagner of Grand Junction, Colorado for his courage, optimism and generosity in the face of some of life's most disheartening circumstances. Kevin has been battling cancer for several years but remains determined to overcome his illness and refuses to let it interfere with his daily life. While Kevin continues his fight toward recovery, I would like to pay tribute to this dynamic individual and to the irreplaceable contributions he has made to the community of Grand Junction.

Kevin moved to Grand Junction in 1967, where he attended St. Joseph's Elementary School and Fruita Monument High School. He graduated from Mesa State College in 1983 and got his masters degree from Colorado State University in 1985. Throughout his childhood, Kevin always remained active in sports and, like a true Coloradan, is one of the Denver Broncos' biggest fans.

Besides being a devoted Broncos fan, Kevin also remains loyal to his fellow citizens and community through active civic participation. Kevin joined the Grand Junction Lions Club in 1997, which is a volunteer organization that raises money for local community programs. In his first year in the organization, he was named the top fundraiser among all of the club's new members. Since then, Kevin has

been the leading fundraiser for the entire organization for the last five years, and has served on the club's board of directors and on many committees.

Mr. Speaker, it is with deep respect that I recognize Kevin Wagner before this body of Congress and this nation for the unrelenting commitment he has displayed toward the betterment of his fellow citizens and community. Even amid the most challenging of personal circumstances, Kevin has never been deterred from putting others before himself, and has never demanded or expected any personal rewards or recognition. Courage and generosity are Kevin's hallmark—he lives his life with unusual determination. I wish Kevin the very best of luck in his treatment and recovery.

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TRIBUTE TO SISTER JOAN McKENNA, RSCJ ON BEING AWARDED THE 2002 ST. MADELEINE SOPHIE BARAT AWARD

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sister Joan McKenna, a member of the Religious of the Sacred Heart and a distinguished educator and citizen. Sister McKenna is being honored on October 16, 2002, by the Sacred Heart Schools of Atherton, California, with the prestigious 2002 St. Madeleine Sophie Barat Award.

Sister McKenna is a truly remarkable woman who has given much to education in ways almost too numerous to recount. She was born and raised in San Francisco and educated in a parish school. As a high school student she was given a full scholarship to Sacred Heart Schools Broadway where she continued to excel and where she developed her deep respect for the Religious of the Sacred Heart and their dedication to educating the "whole child."

Sister McKenna received her B.A. and her M.A. in History from the San Francisco College for Women. She later received her M.A. in Theology and her J.D. from the University of San Francisco. From each of these institutions she received training that developed her inborn talents, and to each of them she returned what she received tenfold, or more.

After joining the Religious of the Sacred Heart, Sister McKenna taught history and religious studies at Sacred Heart Schools in El Cajon, San Francisco and Atherton. In addition to her teaching, she was Dean of Students and Assistant to the President at the San Francisco College for Women. After receiving her law degree she spent three years working as a legal assistant for the San Francisco City Attorney's Office in the Juvenile Court. She served as Principal at Sacred Heart Broadway and Director of Schools at Sacred Heart Atherton. Over the years she has served tirelessly on the Boards at each of these institutions, as well as the Oakwood retirement home for the Religious and for Catholic Charities of San Francisco. She is currently a lecturer in theology and religious studies at the University of San Francisco. Hers has been a life of learning and helping others to learn, in a tradition of values-based education that she treasures.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great privilege to honor Sister Joan McKenna as she receives the 2002 St. Madeleine Sophie Barat Award. I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting her and thanking her for her extraordinary service to our community which has made us a stronger and better nation.

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TRIBUTE TO ANGELINE LOUISE SAMUELSON

**HON. SCOTT McINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep sadness that I recognize the life and passing of Angeline Louise Samuelson of Glenwood Springs, Colorado. Mrs. Samuelson recently passed away in October and, as her family mourns their loss, I would like to pay tribute to her life and the exceptional way in which she lived it.

Angie Samuelson was born in Osage City, Kansas, where she spent her childhood days living on her family's cattle ranch. She attended Osage City High School where she was a cheerleader and a member of the drama club. In 1940, Mrs. Samuelson graduated from nursing school and began working at Children's Hospital in Kansas City and at the University of Kansas Clinic. In 1944, she enlisted into the Naval Nursing Corps, and served in Coronado Island in San Diego, California through the duration of World War II.

In 1947, Mrs. Samuelson, along with her husband John Samuelson, began publishing the Glenwood Post newspaper. Mr. and Mrs. Samuelson were co-owners of the paper until they sold it in 1970, but Angeline stayed on with the paper until her retirement in 1982. Outside of work, Angie Samuelson stayed busy participating in a variety of volunteer activities. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Valley View Hospital Auxiliary, and was a volunteer at the Frontier Historical Museum. She also liked to spend her free time in the company of friends and family, skiing, playing golf, and traveling. With a personality befitting a nurse, Mrs. Samuelson was constantly helping people and freely gave her time and energy to those she in need.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great admiration that I recognize the life and passing of Angeline Louise Samuelson before this body of Congress and this nation for the outstanding contributions she made to the Glenwood Springs community throughout her life. I extend my sincere condolences to her husband John and their children Lauraine, Chris, David, Paul, and Glen. Angie Samuelson lived her life with enormous energy and passion, and her goodwill and optimism are an inspiration to all who knew her.

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RECOGNIZING COACH BOB BENNETT

**HON. CALVIN M. DOOLEY**

OF CALIFORNIA

**HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. DOOLEY of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my fellow colleagues to join

me in recognizing Coach Bob Bennett on his retirement as the head coach of the Fresno State baseball team.

Coach Bennett has served as the head coach of the Fresno State Bulldogs since 1970, and he recently joined an exclusive club by becoming only the seventh coach in NCAA Division I history to win more than 1,300 games in his career. Prior to his appointment as head coach in 1970, Coach Bennett spent 11 years coaching high school baseball and was a standout catcher for Fresno State from 1952–1955.

During his coaching career, Bob Bennett enjoyed consistent success. This past season marked his 26th straight winning season as head coach. His teams have won or shared 17 divisional titles, advanced to the NCAA regionals 21 times and have gone to the College World Series twice, in 1988 and 1991. In 1988, the Fresno State Bulldogs were the top ranked team in the nation after a 32-game winning streak. Bennett has earned conference Coach of the Year honors 14 times and was named NCAA Coach of the Year by the *Sporting News* in 1988.

Beyond coaching success, Coach Bennett has helped build Pete Beiden Field into a well-respected venue for college sports. Under Coach Bennett's leadership Fresno State has become a consistent national leader in attendance and fan support.

Coach Bennett's service to Fresno State and the greater community has been outstanding. He is a role model that all coaches should look up too.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Coach Bob Bennett of the Fresno State Bulldogs, and congratulate him on his 45 years of service as a head coach in my community.

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TRIBUTE TO JOHN H. TRIMBLE

**HON. SCOTT MCINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep respect that I recognize the life and passing of John H. Trimble of Fruita, Colorado. Mr. Trimble recently passed away in September and, as his family mourns their loss, I would like to pay tribute to the many contributions he has made to his community and to his country.

Mr. Trimble was born and raised in Pine Ridge, South Dakota where he lived on his family's farm. At age 17, John enlisted into the United States Army and eventually served in both the European and Pacific Theaters. He remained on active duty as part of the Occupational Forces in Germany until November 1946. The patriotism and valor of veterans like John have given our country's military a reputation for honor, distinction, and courage.

After the war, John returned to South Dakota and worked in farming and construction. In 1954, John began working for the National Park Service at Badlands National Park and then, in 1968, moved to Colorado where he would spend the next 21 years assigned to the Colorado National Monument. Outside of his job, John spent his free time working on cars, traveling and spending time with his wife and ten children. He was a lifetime member of

the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Fruita Town Council from 1986 until 1989, and the Public Works Commission from 1986 to 1996.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great admiration that I recognize the life and passing of Mr. John H. Trimble before this body of Congress for the service he has given to his country. My sincere condolences go out to the Trimble family, his wife Eva, their children Jerry, Larry, David, Karen, Steve, Tim, Mitch, Judy, John, and Betty, and all of their grandchildren and great grandchildren. Mr. Trimble served his country in a time of great need and uncertainty, and then continued to serve it as an outstanding steward of our National Parks; his loss will be deeply felt and our grateful nation will be forever in his debt.

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HONORING CENTERPOINT ENERGY

**HON. KEN BENTSEN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, the La Porte-Bayshore Chamber of Commerce will present CenterPoint Energy with the 2002 Industry of the Year Award at their Annual Salute to Industry. CenterPoint Energy and its employees have been faithfully serving the La Porte community for nearly 77 years, providing residents, businesses and industries with safe and reliable energy services.

The Industry of the Year Award, the highest honor presented by the La Porte-Bayshore Chamber of Commerce, is awarded each year to an area business whose mission emphasizes a strong commitment to the community.

CenterPoint Energy was first organized in 1882 as Houston Electric Lighting & Power. It was reorganized and renamed Houston Lighting and Power Company in 1905. In 1999, Reliant Energy HL&P/Entex, a division of Reliant Energy, was formed, and is the electricity and natural gas provider for the Houston metropolitan area. In 2001, Reliant Energy HL&P/Entex was renamed CenterPoint Energy in recognition of the vital role the company plays in the center of the energy chain between producers and the consumers. CenterPoint Energy is one of the largest electric utilities in the U.S. in terms of kilowatt-hour sales. It serves more than 1.6 million electricity customers over a 5,000 square mile area in and around Houston and more than 730,000 natural gas customers in the Houston area.

A true connection exists between CenterPoint and the La Porte-Bayshore community. Demonstrating their generosity and connection to community, the company's employees have logged more than 5,000 volunteer hours on projects in the La Porte-Bayshore area, including the Trash Bash at the San Jacinto Monument, Boy Scout's Osprey Project, and the Bayport Container Port Expansion Project. CenterPoint Energy has been a major sponsor of the Bay Day Festival held at Sylvan Beach in La Porte. Every year employees assemble Reliant Energy Village, a wetland project, in an effort to provide participants with hands on learning about the importance of habitat restoration, and habitat education.

CenterPoint employees' active involvement in the La Porte community can be traced through its participation in a wide variety of

civic organizations, including the Citizen Advisory Group, La Porte Chamber of Commerce, and several community-based nonprofit organizations.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the employees of CenterPoint Energy on being named the La Porte-Bayshore Chamber of Commerce 2002 Industry of the Year. This honor is well-deserved for their work in expanding business and job opportunities, establishing safer conditions for workers, and initiatives to protect the environment. This award indicates that CenterPoint has demonstrated a commitment to strengthening community relations by supporting employees volunteer activities and making contributions to deserving sectors of the community.

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TRIBUTE TO JENNIE MARQUEZ

**HON. SCOTT MCINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to honor an outstanding woman who has dedicated her life to caring for the elderly. Jennie Marquez of Alamosa, Colorado has given countless hours of devoted service to the people of her community as a Certified Nurse Aide, and it is my privilege to pay tribute to her before this body of Congress and this nation.

Jennie has worked as a restorative nurse aide in Alamosa for three years and been selected recently as the Certified Nurse Aide of the Year for the Pike's Peak Region of Colorado. Her endless smiles encourage residents of the Evergreen Nursing Home to listen to Jennie as she carefully explains their therapy program and its purpose. Her personable attentiveness to each resident has helped Jennie cultivate a reputation as a sincere and capable nurse aide. The positive demeanor Jennie possesses is visible whether she helps to buy much needed gowns for one resident or simply pauses to give an encouraging word to another.

Jennie, along with her husband of 16 years, Rafael, enjoys spending time with their son Jose and daughter Yesenia. Together they enjoy many Colorado outdoor activities, like fishing, hiking, and camping. Jennie's positive attitude is a credit to her personality as much as it is a testament to the dedication she displays to those around her.

Mr. Speaker, I stand today to honor Jennie Marquez for her outstanding service and excellent performance as a certified nurse aide. Jennie's efforts stand out as she brings comfort to her residents, gives them needed support, and helps them through their therapy. I am always glad to recognize Coloradans who continue to make this country great, and I am happy to count Jennie Marquez among them.

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HONORING THE COUNCIL OF  
WOMEN FARMERS OF UKRAINE  
ON WORLD RURAL WOMEN'S DAY

**HON. BOB SCHAFFER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. SCHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, today, October 15th, is World Rural Women's Day. I rise

before the House on this occasion to honor the Council of Women Farmers of Ukraine and its contribution to Ukraine's agricultural and democratic development. During one of my visits to Ukraine, I was fortunate to visit leaders of this extraordinary organization to learn firsthand their remarkable unity and drive for success within Ukraine's expanding free market.

This organization began as a small group of women farmers in Ukraine who were willing to take on a male-dominated culture and industry. The challenges of an unstable economy, and, an agricultural sector in complete disarray only inspired and energized these enterprising farmers. Although this council developed with international aid, its origin represents a spontaneous indigenous grassroots quest for democracy.

As the council provided every level of assistance necessary for women farmers to succeed, it grew into a nationwide assistance network improving the status of rural Ukrainian women, raising their quality of life, and cultivating their managerial and entrepreneurial skills. Responding to the rapid growth of women in the industry, the council has opened several branch offices throughout the country, serving as information centers in 14 of the 24 oblasts throughout Ukraine and the autonomous Republic of Crimea in Ukraine.

The Council of Women Farmers of Ukraine provides assistance on a variety of issues, including legislation, financial management of farms, accounting, marketing, human resources management, business planning and business ethics, as well as scientific and specialized training. The council has also built an

information and telecommunications network between its branch office information centers, training its members in the use of computers, email and the Internet. This assistance and training has enabled Ukraine's women farmers to build private enterprises, thereby empowering rural women to effectively influence the governmental processes.

In recognition of the Council's tremendous success thus far, I urge my colleagues to support similar programs with the intention of empowering rural women throughout the world, and in doing so, promote education, democratic development and financial and social stability.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the Council of Women Farmers of Ukraine on its success, I commend it for its courage and perseverance on this important commemorative day. Furthermore, I urge our friends in the Ukrainian Verkhovna Rada to recognize October 15th as Women Farmers of Ukraine on World Rural Women's Day.

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TRIBUTE TO REY MOTORS

**HON. SCOTT McINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 15, 2002*

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to a family business that has become an integral part of the West Glenwood, Colorado community. Through their commitment to friendly service

and exceptional quality, Rey Motors, owned by Jeanne Rey and her son Allyn Rey, has evolved with the community into a successful and proud business. It is my privilege to honor them today before this body of Congress and this nation for the hard work that has gone into building a successful dealership.

Originally established under other owners in the 1950s, Rey Motors now celebrates 25 years within the Rey family. Jeanne's late husband, Ernie, was a part of the business almost from the very start, working his way up under the different owners until finally buying the company in 1977. When Vail was still only a pasture, Ernie was taking cars out for farmers and ranchers to test drive at their homes.

The same commitment to Colorado values that Ernie incorporated into the Rey Motors lives on in the second generation of the Rey family. The tradition of molding the business to fit the community lives on as Jeanne and Allyn offer daily specials, as well as a casual sales floor atmosphere. Allyn has been a local volunteer fireman as well as a ski patrol volunteer at nearby Sunlight Mountain Resort. He and his wife of 20 years, Barbara, are raising a third generation of Reys through their children, Chris and Rachel.

Mr. Speaker, I stand today to pay tribute to Rey Motors and all the men and women who have made it a success. The Rey family, with the help of their knowledgeable employees and traditional friendly service, illustrate the values that keep our communities strong. I wish the entire crew at Rey Motors many more years of success.