Mr. Speaker, on behalf of 4,300 constituents of Ukrainian descent, I offer my solemn remembrance to the victims and people of Ukraine. In tribute to the millions who witnessed their family members perish before succumbing to their own starvation, we must always remember and honor the victims of genocide so that mankind never again turns an unseeing eye or an unfeeling heart. I join my colleagues in Congress in remembering this tragic chapter of human history.

TRIBUTE TO TIM JENKINS
HON. SAM FARR
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Tim Jenkins, who passed away unexpectedly on October 2, 2003. He served as one of my campaign staffers when I originally ran for the California State Assembly many years ago, and will be sorely missed. He is survived by his mother, Doris Jenkins, and his son, Nolan Jenkins.

Tim Jenkins was born in Winthrop, Massachusetts, but had lived in California for much of his life, and made Santa Cruz his home for nearly thirty years. He transferred to UC Santa Cruz in 1974 as a psychology major, but he is best known on the Central Coast for his political activism. In addition to the effort he put in to my Assembly campaign, he also worked as a campaign strategist for, among others, County Supervisor Mardi Wormhoudt and Santa Cruz City Council member Mike Rotkin and Emily Reilly, the current mayor. Without the hard work and dedication to progressive politics that Tim embodied, Santa Cruz would not be the way it is today.

His friends and family have established “The Tim Jenkins Scholarship Fund” in his memory, which will help support future UC Santa Cruz student activities. The annual scholarship will be awarded to a student who demonstrates a notable commitment to practical, progressive politics and academic excellence. For Tim, politics was about more than running for office; it was a lifelong commitment to changing society for the better. His passion for politics that Tim cherished was an inspiration to everyone who knew him.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud Tim Jenkins’ achievements and accomplishments. Throughout his life he demonstrated an outstanding commitment to our community through his political work. His character and dedication have made lasting impacts on our community and the people with whom he worked, myself included. I join the County of Santa Cruz, and friends and family in honoring this truly commendable man and all of his lifelong achievements.

TRIBUTE TO FIRST LIEUTENANT THOMAS FORSBERG
HON. DAVE CAMP
OF MICHIGAN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to First Lieutenant Thomas A. Forsberg for his faithful service of 26 years to the Michigan State Police Department.

Thomas began his career in 1977 with the Michigan State Police Department after graduating from the 90th Recruit School. Throughout his career, First Lieutenant Forsberg served in uniform positions at the Bridgeport, Detroit, Flint, and Bay City posts, the Criminal Investigation Division—BAYANET Unit in Saginaw, and the Fire Marshal Division at the Third District Headquarters in Saginaw. He achieved the ranks of Trooper, Sergeant, Detective Sergeant, Lieutenant, Detective Lieutenant, and First Lieutenant. Today, First Lieutenant Forsberg retires as the commanding officer of the Uniform Services Division at the Bridgeport Post.

I am honored today to recognize First Lieutenant Thomas A. Forsberg for his auspicious dedication to serving the State of Michigan.

A TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL A. OLMEDA
HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Michael A. Olmeda for his commitment to serving his community through active civic participation.

Since 1990, Michael has been a social and policy advocate in the Brooklyn community, focusing on issues of substance abuse prevention, housing development, and senior citizen advocacy. As a member of local and citywide organizations, he has taken an active role in raising community awareness about the problems facing our community as well as working to solve those problems.

For several years, Michael has served as Chief of Staff for Assemblyman Darryl C. Towns. Serving as a key member of the Assemblyman’s staff, he has played an integral role in implementing many of the Assemblyman’s annual community service programs, such as the senior center, the community service awards program, the turkey drive, and the annual toy drive.

As a child, Michael grew up around politics in the Bronx, with his mother’s active involvement in Community School District 9 politics. As a teenager, he worked with a local group called the National Association for Puerto Rican Affairs (NAPRA), where he learned his way around campaigns, stuffing envelopes, working poll sites, and getting to know the political structure of the Bronx. After a brief tour of service with the U.S. Army, Mike came back to the Bronx to work as a butcher. Realizing this was not his professional calling, he moved to the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn, where he met Senator Ada L. Smith. Involved with politics again, Mike’s first campaign was with Councilman Martin Malave Dilan.

Since then, he has continued to grow within the political community, managing campaigns for many prominent local and statewide officials. Most recently, he worked on the McCall for Governor and the Fernando Ferrer for Mayor campaign. A recent graduate of Long Island University, Mike hopes one day to work with local community based organizations, implementing programs that demonstrate the importance of computer literacy in our community. Michael has been married to his wife Cecilia for the past 20 years and they have four beautiful children Steven, Racquel, Travis, and Mikey.

Mr. Speaker, Michael A. Olmeda has served his community admirably through both his professional life and volunteer activities. As such, he is more than worthy of receiving our recognition. I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in honoring this truly remarkable individual.

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HON. STEVE ISRAEL
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share with my colleagues the touching story of