

the citizens of Jerusalem and of Israel, wish to show solidarity with our friends in the United States of America.

We remember the victims of the war waged by the sons of darkness against the sons of light, whether they fell on September 11 in America, or during the three years in Israel and in Jerusalem. We, the citizens of Jerusalem and of Israel, are determined to continue to create a free society, thirsty for knowledge and culture, tolerant and enlightened, rooted in our own heritage but open to the cultures of the world, aspiring to peace, committed to its values even though it may seem to some that to give them up would help in the war.

I truly believe that these principles must prevail.

U.S. AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL DANIEL C. KURTZER REMARKS AT THE JERUSALEM SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERT IN MEMORY OF VICTIMS OF SEPTEMBER 11

Mount Scopus Amphitheater, Hebrew University, Jerusalem September 11, 2003

Professor Menachem Magidor, the President of the Hebrew University, Maestro Dr. Leon Botstein, the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, the Philharmonia Singers, ladies and gentlemen. It is always a great privilege to represent the United States of America and the American people here in Israel. And it is a singular privilege to represent my country here tonight, in this evening of solidarity in memory of the victims of September 11th.

I want to thank the Hebrew University, the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, Dr. Leon Botstein and all of you for joining us here this evening. Dr. Botstein's creativity and energy are enviable. As you know, he assumes the role of the leader of this orchestra while simultaneously serving as the President of Bard College, the music director and principal conductor of the American Symphony Orchestra, and having undertaken myriad other tasks.

Some years ago, Dr. Botstein wrote that, "Music occurs in time. Its logic is revealed over the course of a performance." In 1967, I was privileged to come to Israel as a volunteer after The Six Day War and to help clean up this amphitheater in preparation for a concert conducted by Leonard Bernstein, and the concert played the music of Mahler, "The Resurrection."

The connection to tonight is obvious. For 36 years have passed since 1967, and in some respects what we have witnessed is a single performance performed in time. Tonight's "Requiem" by Dvořák complements the "Resurrection" of Mahler in 1967. And this single performance is also drawn together by the composer. For not only is Dvořák the composer of tonight's piece, but as you know, he loved America, and his "New World Symphony" represents that love in beautiful music.

Time, however much we see singularity in this connection of performances, will never truly heal the wounds of those who have suffered as a result of terrorism. We will never forget the 3000 Americans, and citizens of 90 other countries who lost their lives in New York, Washington, and Pennsylvania two years ago. We will always remember each victim, not as a number, not as faces in the crowd, but as fathers and mothers, sons and daughters, friends and co-workers.

We, Americans and Israelis, will always also mourn the hundreds of victims of terrorism here in Israel including the 36 Americans who have been killed in the Intifada. We mourn tonight those who lost their lives just two nights ago in Tzrifin and Jerusalem, and we mourn those who lost their lives on this university campus one year ago.

Even after great destruction we strive for rebirth and renewal in a most important connection between "Requiem" and "Resurrection". And so tonight, the process of remembering and recovery continues, as we reflect on the beautiful music and the unseen audience that it honors. Thank you very much.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. WARREN PLUM

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 28, 2003

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to applaud the accomplishments of Mr. Warren Plum, someone who exemplifies the spirit of those workmen and women who make America great.

Mr. Plum began his career with the United Parcel Service in November of 1966 as a Christmas peak hire. After working through the holiday season, and proving himself to be a devoted employee, Mr. Plum was called back to work in downtown Spring Lake, New Jersey. He has remained on duty for a 37-year span, and has become known around town as "the mayor" for his affable personality and extreme work ethic. Often at times, when Mr. Plum is delivering packages, it is customary to hear local citizens greet him up and down Main Street.

Mr. Plum has accomplished many great milestones in his UPS career. His driving record is exemplary. Having spent 36 years driving over 500,000 miles without a single accident is a remarkable accomplishment. Mr. Plum has successfully delivered well over 3,000,000 packages during his career at UPS. Knowing what kind of person Mr. Plum is, I am certain each package delivery and pickup was made with a smile, hello, and wave.

Mr. Speaker, it is important that we give recognition to America's workers for the many years they sacrifice to help keep America so strong. It is the dedication and devotion of men and women like Mr. Plum that allow the United States to remain one of the wealthiest countries in the world. As such, I would ask my colleagues to rise up in honoring America's workers, and especially the distinguished Mr. Warren Plum.

CONGRATULATING FIVE U.S. HEROES

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 28, 2003

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct privilege and honor to recognize and congratulate five United States heroes. Mr. Raymond Fary, Mr. Donald Erwin, Mr. Albert Fehlberg, Mr. Adalbert Wszolek, and Mr. Ernest Latta are World War II Army and Army Air Force veterans who risked their lives for the freedom of our great country. These dedicated and brave men will be honored on Sunday, November 2, 2003 at the Salute 2003 Ceremony at Munster High School in Munster, Indiana.

Raymond Fary joined the United States Army at Fort Benjamin Harrison on March 23,

1943. Raymond quickly earned his glider badge and participated in the Rhineland, Central Europe, Normandy, and Ardennes campaigns as a Glider Trooper with the 82nd Airborne. He earned many prestigious honors throughout his career including the American Theater Ribbon, Holland and Belgium Fourragere, as well as the Victory Medal, just to name a few.

Donald Erwin entered into the United States Army on October 23, 1942 at Camp Atterbury in Indianapolis, Indiana. During his campaigns in New Guinea, Leyte, and the Philippines, Donald served with Company C of the 19th Infantry Division. During his time of service, Donald received the Purple Heart, the Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon with two Battle Stars, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with one Bronze Star, the Good Conduct Medal, as well as many other honorable medals.

Albert Fehlberg, on December 1, 1942 also joined the United States Army at Camp Atterbury in Indianapolis, Indiana. Albert's three major campaigns were in North Africa, Salerno-Cassino, and Rome, Italy. Due to his extensive understanding of the German language, he was advanced into the 143rd Infantry. He received the Purple Heart with Four Oak Leaf Clusters, after being wounded five different times during his 15 months in combat. Among his many prestigious awards for his service were the EAME Theater Ribbon and the Bronze Star Medal.

Adalbert Wszolek entered into active service on June 9, 1941 in Chicago, Illinois as the bottom ball turret gunner on a B-17 Bomber for the United States Army Air Force. While on his 4th mission in Germany, Adalbert was seriously wounded on June 21, 1944 but continued to fire upon the enemy. His valiant and selfless efforts inspired his crew to join together to return their damaged aircraft to safety. Adalbert received many awards for his bravery and courage including the Good Conduct Medal, Purple Heart Medal, Air Medal, Silver Star Medal, and countless others.

Ernie Latta joined the United States Army at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis, Indiana on October 2, 1940. He was first stationed at Scofield Barracks in Hawaii during the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was awarded the Silver Star for his brave rescue of one of his comrades as they were heavily under fire. Sergeant Latta received the Asian Pacific Theater Ribbon with three Bronze Stars, the American Defense Service Medal, Good Conduct Ribbon, along with many other awards for his courage.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in honoring and thanking these five brave men, as well as all the former and current members of the United States military for their courageous and selfless dedication to the American people. These men have put their own lives in danger to protect our way of life, and for that they should be applauded and revered.

COMMENDING DR. BELLE WEI

HON. DAVID WU

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 28, 2003

Mr. WU. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the achievements of Professor Belle

W.Y. Wei, who recently became Dean of the College of Engineering at San Jose State University. Dr. Wei, the first Asian American woman to be named Dean at SJSU's College of Engineering, is one of fewer than twenty female deans in 345 engineering schools nationwide and the only Asian American woman to head an engineering college in the United States.

Dr. Wei was born and raised in Taiwan. After immigrating to the United States with her family as a teenager, she earned an undergraduate degree in biophysics at UC-Berkeley in 1977 and a Master's degree in applied physics at Harvard in 1980. In 1987, Dr. Wei completed her Doctorate in electrical engineering and computer science at UC-Berkeley and joined the faculty at San Jose State University.

As Interim Dean since 2002, Dr. Wei successfully managed the College of Engineering's students and faculty while raising critical funds to support faculty development and student scholarships. She also established strategic collaborations with industry, alumni, government agencies, and other educational institutions. Dr. Wei's energy and dedication to excellence have earned her the respect and admiration of her peers and awards in leadership and research excellence. These accomplishments made her an ideal candidate for the position of Dean.

During her first full term as Dean of the College of Engineering, Dr. Wei plans to implement a more extensive program of outreach education to high school students, and hopes to encourage women and underrepresented minority populations to enroll in the engineering program.

I commend Dr. Belle Wei for her achievements, and I am certain my colleagues will join me in wishing her continued success.

TRIBUTE TO RICHARD C. SCHUTT,
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN
ASSOCIATION OF HOMES AND
SERVICES FOR THE AGING
(AAHSA)

HON. JUDY BIGGERT

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 28, 2003

Mrs. BIGGERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to Richard Schutt, who for the last two years has chaired the board of Directors of the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (AAHSA). The association represents 5,600 mission-driven, not-for-profit nursing homes, continuing care retirement communities, assisted living and senior housing facilities, and community service organizations which are committed to advancing the vision of healthy, affordable, ethical long-term care for America. Every day, AAHSA's members serve more than one million older persons across the country.

Mr. Schutt has been a member of AAHSA for many years, and has served in a number of leadership capacities. On October 28, at AAHSA's 42nd Annual Meeting and Exposition in Denver, Mr. Schutt will complete his term as the organization's chair, having served as its top elected leader since 2001. Prior to that, he served with distinction on the association's House of Delegates and as the chair of

AAHSA's public policy committee. Mr. Schutt also previously chaired Life Services Network of Illinois, AAHSA's State association partner in my State, and the Health Resources Alliance, a group of 19 long-term care facilities serving more than 7,000 clients in the Chicago area.

Under Mr. Schutt's leadership, AAHSA has developed the Quality First Initiative, a comprehensive approach to achieving true excellence in the quality of care across the continuum of aging services. The goals for Quality First are continued improvements in compliance scores under federal regulations, progress in promoting fiscal integrity, demonstrable improvements in clinical outcomes, better measurement of quality, high scores on consumer satisfaction surveys, and higher employee retention rates and reduction in turnover. Over 1,000 AAHSA members have signed a covenant committing their facilities to working toward these goals.

Although Mr. Schutt is stepping down from the chairmanship of AAHSA, he will return to Illinois 13th Congressional District to continue his work in Lockport as executive director of Rest Haven Christian Services, a group of long-term care facilities that provide an array of independent living, assisted living and skilled nursing services. He also presides over Providence Management Company, which owns a home health agency and manages long-term care facilities in Illinois, Indiana and Michigan.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing Richard Schutt for his distinguished record of service to older Americans in my district, in the State of Illinois, and across the nation.

HONORING ERNEST BORGNINE AS
HE HOSTS "A DAY WITH ERNEST
BORGNINE"

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 28, 2003

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to join the community of Hamden, Connecticut in welcoming one of their true community treasures and one of America's most adored actors—Ernest Borgnine. Today, this star of stage, screen, and television will spend the day meeting and greeting friends and fans from around Connecticut to benefit the Hamden Arts Commission's Arts & Culture fund which provides funding for local movie and theater projects.

Perhaps best known for his portrayal of Lieutenant Commander McHale in the popular television series *McHale's Navy*, Mr. Borgnine has enjoyed an acting career that has spanned half a century. Born in Hamden, Mr. Borgnine grew up in my hometown of New Haven, Connecticut and soon after graduating from high school entered the Navy where he served our country for ten years. Returning home, he took the advice of his mother and enrolled in the Randall School of Drama in Hartford. Debuting on Broadway in the play "Harvey," Ernest Borgnine soon became a household name across America.

Awarded with Oscar, Emmy and Golden Globe awards, Mr. Borgnine's talent is acclaimed both here and abroad. The sincerity

and honesty that he brings to each of his roles has made him one of the most beloved actors of our time. The joy that Mr. Borgnine has brought through his professional credits is only surpassed by the generosity he has demonstrated through his work with charity. Today's benefit is but a reflection of his tireless efforts to make a difference in the lives of others. His compassion and advocacy are unparalleled and we are certainly fortunate to have such a tremendous individual whose dedication touches the lives of so many.

For his lifetime of contributions and in recognition of all of his good work, I am proud to stand and join the many who have gathered today in extending a warm welcome and my sincere thanks to Ernest Borgnine as he visits his home community of Hamden. His is a legacy that will continue to inspire generations to come—a true living treasure.

IN HONOR OF SGT DAVID
HUBERT'S BIRTHDAY

HON. TIMOTHY H. BISHOP

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 28, 2003

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of the 22nd birthday of SGT David Hubert of Shirley, NY, which fell this past Sunday, October 26. Sergeant Hubert is a proud soldier in the Army's 101st Airborne Division, now serving in Iraq.

Hubert is a lifelong resident of my congressional district. He graduated from William Floyd High School in June 2000, and reported to basic training the following month. After 2 years of service assigned to the Army's 1st Armored Division in Germany, Sergeant Hubert earned a spot in the prestigious 101st Airborne Division in December of 2002. While assigned to Fort Campbell, Sergeant Hubert expanded his training to expertise in field emergency medical treatment.

On February 26, 2003, Sergeant Hubert and his unit were deployed to Kuwait. On March 21, 2003, Sergeant Hubert's division was one of the first to enter Iraq. Sergeant Hubert and his division braved the windstorms and heat of the Iraqi desert, along with frequent enemy assaults, while advancing steadily toward Baghdad. The 101st Airborne took control of the Baghdad Airport and helped in the swift conquest of Baghdad. Since then, Sergeant Hubert and his division have guarded and protected the Syrian border and surrounding towns, to ensure against infiltration by terrorist groups.

Mr. Speaker, many soldiers might long to return home from a grueling tour overseas in time to celebrate their birthday. Sergeant Hubert recently learned that he would be deployed until after the New Year. His response? He would rather spend his birthday where his fellow soldiers—and his country—need him most.

Sergeant Hubert's sacrifice and selfless dedication to his country represent the best America has to offer. I wish him a happy birthday and a safe return home, when his duty in Iraq comes to an end.