

H.R. 2660, be instructed to insist on the highest funding levels possible for nutrition programs for our Nation's seniors authorized by the Older Americans Act.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on additional motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote is objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken tomorrow.

CONGRATULATING JOHN GAGLIARDI ON OCCASION OF HIS BECOMING ALL-TIME WINNINGEST COACH IN COLLEGIATE FOOTBALL HISTORY

Mr. KLINE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 438) congratulating John Gagliardi, football coach of St. John's University, on the occasion of his becoming the all-time winningest coach in collegiate football history.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 438

Whereas John Gagliardi began his coaching career in 1943 at the age of 16 when his high school football coach was drafted and John Gagliardi asked to take over his position;

Whereas John Gagliardi won four conference titles during the six years he coached high school football;

Whereas John Gagliardi graduated from Colorado College in 1949 and began coaching football, basketball, and baseball at Carroll College in Helena, Montana, winning titles in all three sports;

Whereas John Gagliardi took over the football program at St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota, in 1953 and the football team won the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference title in his first year as coach;

Whereas by the end of the 2002 season, John Gagliardi had won three national championships, coached 25 conference title teams, appeared in 45 post-season games and compiled a 400-114-11 record during his 50 years at St. John's University;

Whereas under the leadership of John Gagliardi, St. John's University has been nationally ranked 37 times in the past 39 years, and the university set a record with a 61.5 points per game average in 1993;

Whereas over 150 students participate in the St. John's University football program each year and every player dresses for home games;

Whereas John Gagliardi's coaching methods follow the "Winning with No's" theory: no blocking sleds or dummies, no whistles, no tackling in practices, no athletic scholarships, and no long practices;

Whereas John Gagliardi has coached over 5,000 players during his 50 years at St. John's University, and no player has failed to graduate and most have graduated in four years;

Whereas, in 1993, the John Gagliardi trophy was unveiled, and it is given each year to the most outstanding Division III football player;

Whereas on November 1, 2003, John Gagliardi tied Grambling University coach Eddie Robinson's record of 408 wins with a 15

to 12 victory over the University of St. Thomas;

Whereas on November 8, 2003, John Gagliardi broke Eddie Robinson's record with a 29 to 26 victory over Bethel College;

Whereas John Gagliardi is admired by his players, as well as by the students, faculty, and fans of St. John's University for his ability to motivate and inspire;

Whereas students who take his course, Theory of Football, credit John Gagliardi for teaching them more about life than about football;

Whereas those closest to John Gagliardi will tell you that football is only part of his life—he values the time he spends with Peg, his wife of 47 years, and their four children; and

Whereas the on- and off-the-field accomplishments of John Gagliardi have placed him in an elite club that includes the best coaches in history: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives congratulates John Gagliardi, football coach of St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota, on becoming the all-time winningest coach in collegiate football history.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. KLINE) and the gentleman from California (Ms. WOOLSEY) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. KLINE).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. KLINE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on H. Res. 438.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of House Resolution 438. I would like to thank my colleague, the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. KENNEDY), for bringing this resolution forward. Mr. Speaker, this resolution recognizes the achievement of Coach John Gagliardi of St. John's University for becoming the all-time winningest coach in collegiate football history.

Coach Gagliardi—John to his players, colleagues and friends—has long been a force in college athletics and in life. In his 51 years at St. Johns, John has found great success on the field, leading St. John's to 23 conference titles and the winningest record in Division III history.

His performance as a coach is impressive, but it tells only one side of the story of this great man. John has invested in thousands of lives over his career in the coaching business. The success earned by the St. John's team reflects the dedication he inspires in each player. John's investment in these young lives is, to him, the most important contribution he can make, and to them the most important reward they will receive.

I extend my congratulations to Coach John Gagliardi on this important day for him and for the St. John's community. I am happy to join my col-

leagues in honoring a great man and wishing him continued success.

I ask my colleagues to support this resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H. Res. 438. This resolution honors John Gagliardi, the football coach at St. Johns University. Coach Gagliardi is the winningest coach in college football history. This month he overtook the legendary Eddie Robinson by winning the 409th football game of his career. This record puts Coach Gagliardi at the very top of his profession. It should come as no surprise that the students, the student athletes, the faculty and fans of St. John's University greatly admire Coach Gagliardi. Fortunately, we are not only honoring Coach Gagliardi for his winning ways but also his commitment to his school, his team and, most importantly, his players and their education.

Coach Gagliardi has coached over 5,000 players during his 50 years at St. John's. Over that time, none of his players have failed to graduate and most have graduated within 4 years.

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This is an amazing feat in today's world of college athletes. Coach Gagliardi more than deserves the honor we are bestowing on him today. Mr. Speaker, I urge all Members of the House to support this resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. Speaker, I yield 10 minutes to the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. KENNEDY).

Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding me this time, and I rise today to honor St. John's University's Coach John Gagliardi for becoming the winningest college football coach ever. After beating archrival St. Thomas to tie Eddie Robinson's record of 408 wins at Grambling, Coach Gagliardi's Johnnies set a new record by defeating nationally ranked Bethel in a hard-fought game before over 13,000 fans in the natural bowl of Clemens Stadium. That is quite a crowd, since the stadium only seats 5,500.

As a graduate of St. John's, I was honored to be able to join John at the White House today where the President rightly praised both his achievement and his character. Both St. John's University and Coach John Gagliardi are quite special; and as one might expect from a relationship stretching over half a century, they are special for many of the same reasons. Indeed, the similarities begin with both the university and the coach being named ultimately after St. John.

St. John's, with 1,900 male students, is one of the oldest universities in the State of Minnesota, having been founded by Benedictine monks in 1856. It sits on a beautiful campus of 2,400 acres