

received increased incentive pay due in part to his determined efforts to ensure that their sacrifices and contributions are appropriately recognized.

Major General Adair is married to the former Maria D. Davis of Scranton, PA. They have two children, Ted, a Captain in the Army who is currently serving in Iraq with the 1st Cavalry Division, and John, a ninth grader.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking General Adair for the leadership he has provided, for the care and concern he has demonstrated for our soldiers and their families, and for his dedicated and honorable service to our Nation and its Army. As he prepares for life after the Army, we wish him, his wife Maria, and his family Godspeed and the very best in the future.

RECOGNIZING THE VISIT OF MEXICAN PRESIDENT VICENTE FOX TO MICHIGAN

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2004

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, it is with special privilege that I rise today to honor Mexico's President, Vicente Fox, on the occasion of his visit to Michigan and to thank him for his continued efforts to strengthen the bilateral relationship between our great countries.

President Fox's visit is a sign of the strong cultural and economic connection shared with America. Today, Michigan is called home by many Hispanics of Mexican descent. The result is a significant cultural bond that connects Mexico and Michigan. Mexico is considered a

partner, neighbor, and a friend to Michigan. President Fox's commitment to strengthening these ties is deep and far reaching. His dedication to upholding the integrity and principles of Mexico, and his continued work on behalf of the people in Michigan, are testaments to his strength of character.

President Fox's visit to Michigan's state capitol will undoubtedly further the state's relationship with Mexico and continued economic integration. Mexico can be considered more than a friend, rather a partner in building a more democratically prosperous state. His visit to the state of Michigan is just a glimpse of many good things to come; Mexico and Michigan will continue to work together to enhance our common prosperity.

Mr. Speaker, President Fox is a Mexican patriot with a great vision for his country. His vision extends to the people of Michigan so that they may share equally in prosperity. He has given selflessly of himself to better his country, and has shown equal enthusiasm in bettering his relationship with the great state of Michigan. President Fox has truly earned the respect and admiration of all those who know him.

CONGRATULATING ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL ON THEIR 40TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JEB HENSARLING

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2004

Mr. HENSARLING. Mr. Speaker, today, I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to St. Patrick's School in Dallas, Texas, on the occasion of their 40th anniversary.

Education is one of the most important issues facing the future of our great nation. If America is to continue to be the leader of the modern world, we must offer a solid educational foundation for our citizens. To succeed in school and life, every student needs a basic set of skills. They need to listen attentively, speak persuasively, read with understanding, and write with command.

Over the past 40 years, St. Patrick's School has maintained a commitment to educational excellence, striving to provide a stimulating, well-rounded Catholic education by teaching their students to embrace the message of the gospel, pursue knowledge and make a difference in the world.

On March 17, 1963, Bishop Thomas K. Gorman issued a decree to establish St. Patrick's Parish north of White Rock Lake. Construction on the school began soon after and when it opened in September of 1964, the school was staffed by three Sisters of Notre Dame of the Dallas province and lay teachers for 326 students. Since then, the school has grown, expanding its buildings and facilities to help accommodate and educate more than 500 students.

Accredited by the Texas Catholic Conference of the Texas Private School Accreditation Commission, St. Patrick's School is an institution dedicated to offering students the tools they need to become genuine leaders in the community.

As the Congressman for the Fifth Congressional District of Texas, I am very proud to represent St. Patrick's Parish. I would like to offer my congratulations to their administrators, alumni, students, and parents on this momentous occasion and best wishes for their continued success.