HONORING DEDE BARRY SILVER MEDAL IN THE WOMEN'S CY-CLING TIME TRIALS

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, September 22, 2004

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor one of my constituents, Dede Barry of Boulder, Colorado. Dede represented our country in the Summer Olympic Games in Greece last month. While there she won the silver medal in the Women's Cycling Time Trials, a 14.9 mile road race, with a finishing time of 31 minutes and 35.62 seconds.

Dede at a young age showed talent as an athlete not only in cycling but speed skating, which was her first sport. At the age of 13 she qualified for the Junior National Team in speed skating. As part of her cross training she began cycling in the summer and eventually competing during the summer when she was not skating. In 1989, she won the Junior World Cycling Championships.

Eventually she chose to focus strictly on cycling. Since that time she has won two gold medals at the Pan American Games, two world championship medals and six national championship titles. By winning the silver medal in Women's Cycling Time Trials she became only the fourth road cycling medal won by an American woman cyclist.

The sport of cycling has recently received increase exposure to the American public. However, most of that exposure has been in Men's cycling. Dede's silver medal win has opened doors to increase exposure to women's cycling and encouraging young girls to take up the sport.

Again, I would like to congratulate Dede on her silver medal and thank her for so proudly representing our Nation and the State of Colorado in the Olympic Games.

HONORING MR. DONALD R. MANUEL

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, September 22, 2004

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speak-

er, Mr. Donald R. Manuel has distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievements in public service to this Nation by serving the United States Army for over 39 years. After being drafted in 1964, Mr. Manuel received his commission as a Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery. Demonstrating keen expertise and artillery skills, he moved through various positions in the units at Fort Sill, Oklahoma and the US Army Engineer Supply Center, St. Louis, Missouri.

In 1968, Mr. Manuel began his superior career as a United States Army Civilian employee as Program Manager for Value Engineering, Methods and Standards, and Commercial Activities. Because of his demonstrated abilities, in 1980 he was moved to his current position as the Assistant for General Engineering in the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations and Housing), Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations and Environment). Currently Mr.

Manuel is the Army's primary policy person dealing with base closure and realignment actions.

Throughout his career, Mr. Manuel has provided outstanding leadership, advice, and sound professional judgment on significant issues that affected both the Army and the Congress. His actions and counsel were invaluable to Army leaders and Members of Congress as they considered the impact of important issues. Mr. Manuel's dedication to accomplishing the Army's mission has been extraordinary. He has been a truly outstanding career civil servant and will be missed by the United States Army.

HONORING RICHARD M. LEVY, Ph.D.

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 22, 2004

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, it is a privilege to recognize Richard M. Levy, Ph.D., my constituent from the 14th Congressional District of California and Chairman, President and CEO of Varian Medical Systems, who will be awarded the AeA 2004 Medal of Achievement on October 7, 2004. Dr. Levy will join a very select group of high-tech leaders who have received this honor, including William Hewlett and David Packard of Hewlett Packard, Ross Perot of Electronic Data Systems, Thomas J. Watson, Jr. of IBM, and Gordon Moore and Andrew Grove of Intel.

The AeA Medal of Achievement is presented annually to recognize an individual who makes significant contributions to the advancement of and service to their community, the high-tech industry, and humankind. It is the highest award presented by AeA, the Nation's largest hightech trade association.

Varian Medical Systems was created in 1999 when Varian Associates, Inc., a company Dr. Levy joined in 1968, was divided into three separate companies. It provides high energy radiation machines and associated hardware and software for treating cancer, and xray tubes for imaging in medical, scientific and industrial applications. With over 2,500 radiotherapy systems in place delivering treatments to more than one million cancer patients per year, including over 50 percent of all cancer patients in the U.S., the company holds a clear leadership position in this technology. Varian Medical Systems also ranks as the world's largest merchant supplier of x-ray tubes, including products for use in CT scanners, mammography units, and other diagnostic systems.

Dr. Levy earned his bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College and his doctorate in Nuclear Chemistry from the University of California at Berkeley. He began his business career at the Monsanto Company where he applied his scientific background as a research specialist and project manager in both basic and applied research. Within Varian, prior to assuming management and CEO duties, he gained experience in sales, marketing, service, R&D, and various corporate functions as well as managing the corporate Quality Program. Dr. Levy served as senior vice president from 1989 to 1992, and executive vice president until 1999, when Varian Medical Systems was formed and he was named CEO.

Dr. Levy is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Palo Alto Medical Foundation and the Boards of Directors of Pharmacyclics, Inc. and the California Healthcare Institute. He is a past Chairman of the Board of Directors of AeA, and served on the Board of Directors of the Diagnostic Imaging and Therapy Systems Division of the National Electrical Manufacturers Association.

I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the extraordinary leadership and contributions of Dr. Richard M. Levy as he receives the AeA Medal of Achievement Award.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MS. LESLIE FEHRMAN

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 22, 2004

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, Ms. Leslie Fehrman is a student at Utica High School in Utica, Ohio; and

Whereas, Ms. Leslie Fehrman is the recipient of the Best Buy Scholarship, a nationwide program that awards students on the basis of exceptional community service and solid academic performance; and

Whereas, Ms. Leslie Fehrman must be commended for her dedication and devotion to her community and academia; and

Whereas, Ms. Leslie Fehrman has demonstrated a willingness to be a leader and a role model for the students of Utica High School.

Therefore, I join with the residents of the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in honoring and congratulating Ms. Leslie Fehrman and the Best Buy Children's Foundation for her outstanding accomplishment.

TRIBUTE TO CHILDREN'S HOS-PITAL AND RESEARCH CENTER IN OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 22, 2004

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I am grateful for the opportunity today to pay tribute to the Children's Hospital & Research Center at Oakland for its outstanding research in the area of childhood obesity—a growing epidemic among children—as well as for the superior care it provides its young hospital patients.

A biomedical center of international renown, the Children's Hospital & Research Center at Oakland is Northern California's premier resource for children's health and has been a center of excellence in pediatric healthcare, research, child advocacy, and medical training since 1912.

The Children's Hospital houses the Bay area's only pediatric Emergency Unit—treating over 54,000 young patients a year, Northern California's only Pediatric Trauma Center treating more than 6,000 critically injured children a year, as well as California's busiest pediatric Intensive Care Unit. In its dedication to address the epidemic of childhood obesity, the Children's Hospital offers weight and nutritional programs for children and their families