

the American Revolution this year is long, but that is not the focus of my remarks today.

Gail has turned the teaching of history and civics into the action of patriotism. Perhaps the most compelling and significant accomplishment of Gail Chumbley is not her esteemed list of awards and honors, which are many and richly-deserved. Her most important contribution is her role in creating a sense of citizenship within the hearts and intellect of many Idaho young people. This citizenship lives on in these students as they grow into adulthood and manifests itself in their actions, commitments and convictions. It is an entity that grows exponentially and of its own volition, eclipsing plaques, certificates and statuettes. These gather dust, but what they represent are the pillars upon which our country stands firm. This living citizenship is immortalized by the marbled statues of men and women not far from here, and in words carved of the same.

I honor Gail Chumbley today: American patriot, exemplary citizen and role model for all of us.●

#### TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH P. FITZGERALD

● Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I salute Joseph P. Fitzgerald, who is retiring after 33 years of dedicated service to the Government and people of the United States of America.

For the past quarter century, Mr. Fitzgerald has worked in the Audiovisual Program Development Branch at the Lister Hill National Center for Bio-communications, which is part of the National Library of Medicine at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD. Mr. Fitzgerald, who is a renaissance man of creative vision and artistic talent, has made exceptional contributions to the outreach and communications mission of the largest biomedical library in the world. As technological advances in the dissemination of both visual and text-based information have evolved over the past 25 years, Mr. Fitzgerald has led the way in adopting computer-based graphics systems. And he has helped the National Library of Medicine to communicate the most current and reliable medical and consumer health information to medical professionals, researchers, patients, families and the public.

The number 25 figures prominently in the life story of Joe Fitzgerald for another reason, too. He recently became the 25th person in the history of the Republic to execute a design for the front of a circulating coin. His groundbreaking portrait of Thomas Jefferson graces the new U.S. five-cent coin, as will his obverse design of the Lewis and Clark expedition, which will be released in August. Both commissions were awarded as part of the United States Mint at the Treasury Department's Artistic Infusion Program. Mr. Fitzgerald's portrait of Thomas Jefferson marks the first redesign of

the front of the nickel in 67 years. His nickel designs have been acclaimed throughout the coin collecting community, and Mr. Fitzgerald has received significant national press attention.

Joe Fitzgerald earned a B.A. in fine arts from the University of Maryland, College Park and pursued graduate studies in printmaking at the State University of New York at Oswego. He has served several Federal agencies: the United States Postal Service, summers, 168–1972; the Food & Drug Administration, 1972–1973; the Consumer Product Safety Commission, 1973–1980; and the National Library of Medicine, 1980–2005. Mr. Fitzgerald has earned numerous awards for outstanding contributions and service to the National Library of Medicine, including the 1996 NLM Director's Honor Award for exceptional contributions to the mission of the library through the creative application of his artistic talent, and the 2003 National Institutes of Health Award for Merit for his organization, coordination and congenial leadership in effectively orchestrating the "Turning the Pages" historical medical books program.

In addition, Mr. Fitzgerald is a gifted fine artist. Nationally recognized for his work in paint, pastel and digital media, his creations have been sent around the world through the Embassy Art program, and are held in many private collections. He is currently represented by the Foxhall Gallery in Washington, DC.

Joe Fitzgerald is one of the most beloved individuals ever to tread the NIH campus, and I wish him well in his retirement. He is married to Jean Hill Fitzgerald, another career civil servant who currently works at the National Archives. I thank Joe for distinguished career in public service, and I wish him many years of happiness in retirement.●

#### HONORING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MR. JIM HUFF

● Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I pay tribute and congratulate Mr. Jim Huff of Northern Kentucky who was recently honored with one of the "Movers and Shakers" awards for the Greater Cincinnati area. Mr. Huff's life accomplishments and dedication to Commonwealth of Kentucky have given me reason to be proud.

Over the past 60 years, Mr. Huff has grown to be a leader both within the community of Northern Kentucky and within the real estate industry. He has served as chairman of the Kentucky Real Estate Commission for five consecutive terms. During this time he established a statewide errors and omissions insurance platform, which continues to serve the needs of Kentucky real estate practitioners today. In 1981, he was awarded Realtor of the Year by the Kenton-Boone Board of Realtors, for which he later served as president.

Throughout his life, Mr. Huff has always been active in civic affairs in

Northern Kentucky. He has been an integral part of his community serving on numerous boards, including Northern Kentucky University Foundation, Saint Elizabeth Medical Foundation, Kids Helping Kids, Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky Fine Arts Foundation and as a trustee for Thomas More College.

The "Movers and Shakers" award of Northern Kentucky is an annual award presented to honor those within the greater Cincinnati region who stand as an example for all. It is presented by the Kentucky Enquirer, the Sales and Marketing Council of Northern Kentucky, The Home Builders Association of Northern Kentucky, and The Kentucky Post.

As a Senator from Kentucky, I appreciate the devotion Mr. Huff has shown over the years to the citizens of Kentucky. I commend his efforts and hope his example of dedication and hard work will serve as an inspiration to the entire State.●

#### RACIST MANIFESTATIONS IN ROMANIA DESERVE GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

● Mr. BROWBACK. Mr. President, as chairman of the Helsinki Commission, I welcomed the recent visit of Romanian Foreign Minister Razvan Ungureanu, and I regret that I was not in Washington to meet with him. Our countries have forged closer links, and I hope that trend will continue.

While there have been many positive reforms implemented in Romania, unfortunately the situation of the Romani minority is largely the same. Romania has the largest Roma minority in Europe, estimated at 1.5–2 million people. They remain profoundly marginalized and subjected to pervasive discrimination and prejudice.

On April 13, for example, a soccer match in Bucharest turned very, very ugly. Fans of one team, Steaua Bucharest, unfurled a banner reading "We have always had and will always have something against Gypsies." They chanted, "We have always hated Gypsies and we have always urinated on you." During the game, the stadium announcer played an anti-Roma song called "Gypsies and UFOs" and made anti-Roma remarks. The coach of Steaua Bucharest called the coach of the opposing team a "stinking Gypsy." The opposing team, Rapid Bucharest, is from a district with a significant Romani minority.

Response to this rabid anti-Roma manifestation was swift with mixed results.

On April 20, the Romanian Football League suspended the stadium announcer for 6 months. But the League also sanctioned both teams that were present at the April 13 match: Steaua Bucharest, the team responsible for hurling racist invective was fined, but so was Rapid Bucharest, the team against whom these slurs were directed. While it is completely appropriate for a sports league to police