EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING GENEVIEVE ROSKEY

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 2, 2005

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing Genevieve Roskey of Saint Joseph, MO. Genevieve celebrated her 90th birthday on August 4 of this month, and it is my privilege to offer her my warmest regards on achieving this important milestone. Genevieve is a fine citizen of Missouri and the St. Joseph community. It is an honor to represent Genevieve in the United States Congress, and I wish her all the best on this birthday and many more in the future.

RECOGNIZING DR. ROBERT J. DILLMAN ON THE OCCASION OF HIS BEING NAMED ''BUSINESSPERSON OF THE YEAR'' BY THE POCONO MOUNTAINS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 2, 2005

Mr. KANJORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask you and my esteemed colleagues in the House of Representatives to pay tribute to Dr. Robert J. Dillman, president of East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania, on the occasion of his being named ''Businessperson of the Year'' by the Pocono Mountains Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Dillman is the 12th president of East Stroudsburg University and has served in that capacity since July, 1996.

Since then, he has initiated ambitious and innovative academic and economic development projects that have made a profound impact on the university and on the quality of life and economic revitalization of the region.

During Dr. Dillman's tenure, ESU has become the first university in the United States to offer an undergraduate degree in computer security.

At his direction, the university established an award-winning ''Business Accelerator'' that focuses on encouraging economic development and entrepreneurial endeavors in the region and has been successful in generating nearly 100 highly skilled jobs in Monroe County.

Dr. Dillman initiated and is leading the planning for the creation of a world class Science and Technology Center on campus.

Dr. Dillman has also partnered with the Pocono Record newspaper to develop a Jazzmasters and Broadway Series which was held for 4 consecutive years.

Under Dr. Dillman's direction, ESU has added a new graduate degree program, ''Masters in Management and Leadership.'' He also oversaw the creation of the Center for Research and Economic Development in 1999.

In recognition of his efforts in community development, workforce training, entrepreneurship and innovation, Dr. Dillman received the Ben Franklin Technology Partners Special Recognition Award in 2004.

Under his leadership, university enrollment has steadily increased. Undergraduate enrollment has risen 20 percent while graduate enrollment climbed 33 percent since 1996. And, just this year, Dr. Dillman oversaw the opening of University Ridge Apartments, a new complex that houses 541 students. Dr. Dillman also guided work that produced a new Admissions Welcome Center, Student Recreation Center, Alumni Center and an Enrollment Services Center.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Dr. Dillman on this occasion. His work at East Stroudsburg University demonstrates that he is more than deserving of the ''Businessperson of the Year Award.'' The entire Pocono Mountain community has been enriched by his efforts and it is fitting that he is honored in this way.

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF JAMES D. QUISENBERRY

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 2, 2005

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute and recognition of James D. Quisenberry of Lakewood, OH, upon his induction into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame, Class of 2005.

Mr. Quisenberry was one of twenty inductees selected by a 13-member executive committee comprised of veteran leaders from throughout Ohio. He is a highly decorated veteran, and has infused an unwavering sense of integrity, spirit, courage and energy into all personal and professional endeavors.

For the past 18 years, Mr. Quisenberry has been an active volunteer with the March of Dimes, and his vital outreach as a sponsor and counselor with Alcoholics Anonymous has uplifted the lives of countless individuals and families throughout our community. He also served for many years as a Boy Scout Leader. Mr. Quisenberry was instrumental in establishing the ''Greater Cleveland Veterans Memorial,'' and has reflected an ongoing spirit of volunteerism and leadership roles with numerous veterans and civic organizations. He is the current president of the Memorial Day Association of Greater Cleveland, which organizes the placement of flags on graves of veterans at Holy Cross Cemetery.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor and recognition of James D. Quisenberry, upon his induction into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame. Mr. Quisenberry's unwavering commitment to his family, community and country, continues to enrich our community and our entire Nation.

IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF SPECIALIST KENDELL K. FREDERICK

HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 2, 2005

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to honor Specialist Kendell K. Frederick who died the 19th of October 2005 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Frederick, a mechanic working on power generators, was killed outside of Tikrit, Iraq. He died of serious injuries when a roadside-improvised explosive device detonated near the military vehicle which he was driving.

Frederick, a native of Randallstown, Maryland was an Army Reservist assigned to Headquarters Company, 983rd Engineer Battalion in Monclova, OH.

The Randallstown High School Alumni is succeeded by his father, Peter Ramsahai, his mother, Michelle Murphy, his stepfather, Kenmore Murphy, his two sisters, and his brother.

Mr. Speaker, today I ask that you join with me in honoring the life of a man truly dedicated to serving his country.

RECOGNIZING THOMAS AND DORIS BOYCE

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 2, 2005

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize two outstanding citizens of Missouri's Sixth Congressional District: Rev. and Mrs. Thomas W. Boyce of Blue Springs, MO. Thomas and Doris will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on August 21, 2005.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in congratulating Reverend and Mrs. Boyce. Thomas and Doris Boyce have set an outstanding example for all of us to follow. Their marriage of 50 years truly exemplifies the qualities of commitment and dedication, and I am honored to represent them in the United States Congress.

HONORING CHUCK NICLAUS AS HE IS NAMED ''CITIZEN OF THE YEAR'' BY THE POCONO MOUNTAINS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

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Mr. KANJORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask you and my esteemed colleagues in the House of Representatives to pay tribute to Chuck Niclaus, president of Niclaus Engineering Corporation in Stroudsburg, PA, on the occasion of being named ''Citizen of the Year''

by the Pocono Mountains Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Niclaus has been engaged in the engineering field for more than 28 years. His expertise includes civil engineering, land development, environmental sciences and surveying.

Extremely active in his community, Mr. Niclaus served as United Way Campaign Chairman in 2004 and has served as a member of the United Way's board of directors. He is a past president of the Rotary Club of Stroudsburg and he served on the board of directors of the Pocono Mountain Chamber of Commerce.

He is a past president and member of the board of directors of the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce and is a past vice president of the Bangor Lions Club.

Mr. Niclaus received the United Way President's and Clifford E. Gilliam Awards in 2004 and the Paul Harris Fellow Award from Rotary International in 2003. He was named Rotarian of the Year in 1999.

Mr. Niclaus is a member of many professional associations including the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Environmental Assessment Association and the National Association of Environmental Professionals.

He has also been an active youth baseball and soccer coach.

Having graduated from the New Jersey Institute of Technology, Mr. Niclaus received his professional engineering licenses in New Jersey and Pennsylvania and possesses operator certificates for wastewater and water systems from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

Mr. Niclaus resides with his wife, Maureen, their three daughters, Erin, Mary and Elizabeth and their son, Tim.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Mr. Niclaus at this time. His professional and community commitment speaks well of his desire to make the Stroudsburg area and the region surrounding it a better place to live and raise families. The recognition associated with being named "Citizen of the Year" by the Pocono Mountains Chamber of Commerce is well deserved.

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF MARSHALL W. BUSEY

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 2, 2005

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute and recognition of Marshall W. Busey of Cleveland, OH, upon his induction into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame, Class of 2005.

Mr. Busey was one of 20 inductees selected by a 13-member executive committee comprised of veteran leaders from throughout Ohio. He served our country as a member of the United States Army with honor, bravery and integrity, qualities he continues to bring to all personal, civic and professional endeavors within his life.

Mr. Busey's unwavering service to the veterans of our community has served to uplift the lives of countless veterans and their families. He led the effort to raise funds to purchase a 32-foot motor home converted for use by VA patients. He is President of the Memorial Day Association of Cuyahoga County and was Past President of the Greater Cleveland Veterans' Council. For 39 years, he served as the Sergeant of the Memorial Day "Rough Riders Firing Squad" and as the City of Cleveland Memorial Day Color Guard Sergeant for 14 years. Mr. Busey is an active member of the American Legion and was honored as the Legionnaire of the Year in 1975 and 1976. His service to others extends throughout the community, where he is active in raising funds for many charitable organizations.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor and recognition of Marshall W. Busey, upon his induction into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame. Mr. Busey's honorable and dedicated service to his family, community and to our Nation serves to strengthen and give hope to the members of our community, thereby strengthening our entire Nation.

IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF SERGEANT BRIAN R. CONNER

HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 2, 2005

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to honor and remember a man who devoted his life to keeping the citizens of the United States safe.

Sergeant Brian R. Conner of Baltimore, MD died on the 14th of October in the year 2005 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Conner's death in Al Taji, Iraq occurred when a tractor trailer rear-ended the vehicle in which he and two other Maryland Guardsmen were riding. The weapons they carried as part of convoy operations were detonated upon impact.

Conner's unit in the Maryland National Guard's 243d Engineer Company was activated for duty in June and they left for Kuwait in August.

Not only did Conner serve his country through the Armed Forces, but he also served as a Lieutenant with the Baltimore City Fire Department.

His colleagues there remember him as a well-respected firefighter and a good friend. Conner was the proud father of three daughters and a devoted and loving brother and son.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join with me today to honor Sergeant Brian R. Conner for the dedication he has shown to his family, friends and the American people.

RECOGNIZES WORLD WAR II VETERANS OF PASCO COUNTY, FL

HON. GINNY BROWN-WAITE

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 2, 2005

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the brave soldiers of Pasco County, FL who served during World War II.

At a ceremony to be held Saturday, November 12, 2005, I will present representatives from each of the five United States Armed Forces with commemorative coins honoring their service during World War II.

As General George Patton once said, "Wars maybe fought with weapons, but they are won by men. It is the spirit of the men who follow and of the man who leads that gains the victory."

The Pasco County veterans we are honoring this weekend clearly met General Patton's description above. They proved themselves in battle in Europe, Africa and the Far East. Their sacrifices on the battlefield preserved liberty and freedom for millions throughout the world.

Mr. Speaker, true American heroes like these Pasco County World War II veterans should be honored for their service to our Nation and for their commitment and sacrifices in battle. They are truly part of America's greatest generation.

RECOGNIZING REID M. MASON FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 2, 2005

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Reid M. Mason of Kansas City, MO, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 301, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Reid has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities and earning numerous merit badges. Reid began scouting as a Tiger Cub, advanced to Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, and Webelo before joining the Boy Scouts in 2002, where he advanced to Scout, Tenderfoot, 2nd class, 1st class, Star, Life, and finally, Eagle Scout.

For his Eagle Scout project, Reid turned a series of small rooms and closets at First Baptist Church in North Kansas City, MO into a large, functional youth area.

Outside of scouting, Reid is a sophomore at North Kansas City High School, where he is active in the marching band, symphonic band, theater, swing choir, basketball, baseball, and the International Baccalaureate program. Reid is also active in his youth group at First Baptist Church and plays guitar in the youth worship band. Somehow he also finds time to play summer baseball, work toward his black belt in Hapkido, and take piano lessons.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Reid M. Mason for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

CONGRATULATING DAMIAN BRAGA AS HE RECEIVES THE CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS AWARD FROM THE POCONO MOUNTAINS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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