

IN HONOR OF MABEL BURCH
NORWOOD'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. MICHAEL T. McCAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. McCAUL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 100 birthday of Mabel Burch Norwood. Mabel was born on September 20, 1906 in Del Valle, Texas to John Clarence Burch and Ida Mae Jones.

On February 8, 1924 Mabel married James Edward Norwood. Together they had 6 daughters, Marie Roberts, Betty Ball, Harriet Humphrey, Dorothy Burchard, Earline Hocker and Barbara Parr. She has 14 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, 11 great, great grandchildren, 3 great, great, great grandchildren and 47 living descendants. What an accomplishment.

In the earlier years of her life, Mabel enjoyed staying home raising her family. She also enjoyed teaching Sunday school at Haynie Chapel United Methodist Church where she taught for 41 years.

On this, her 100th birthday, I know I speak for her family, friends, my constituents and the Members of the House of Representatives in wishing her a very happy birthday.

RECOGNIZING JOHN WILLIAM
PERKOWSKI FOR ACHIEVING THE
RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize John "Will" Perkowski, 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 633, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

"Will" has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Will has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Will held the principal leadership position of Venturing Crew Secretary and has actively supported recreational therapy programs within regional hospitals. Will has donated over 100 man-hours of concert time through his chorus and barbershop quartet performances.

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

IN REMEMBRANCE OF FLOSSIE
COLLINS

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory and recognition of Flossie Perry Col-

lins who passed away on September 8, 2006. A beloved mother, grandmother, and local democratic organizer, Flossie embodied the true spirit of the Democratic Party both publicly and in her daily life.

Born in Newville, Alabama, Flossie moved to Cleveland, Ohio after high school where she married Frederick Douglas Collins and began a career as a nurse. Upon her retirement, Flossie dedicated herself to her community by becoming an active volunteer for organizations including the Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, War 19 Democratic Club, the Parent Teacher Association, and the Gunning Recreation Center. Her service to her community stands as a beacon of the American Spirit of dedication to civic improvement and rich cultural development.

Her steadfast loyalty to volunteering for charitable and meaningful causes locally earned Flossie lifetime friendships and the respect of many that knew her. The programs she spearheaded, including after school activities for at-risk youth and an effort to improve undeveloped neighborhoods through community interaction, became staples to the cultural development of the Cleveland area.

Flossie's unwavering courage and commitment to core values such as honesty, integrity, grace, and love were strengthened and reinforced by a deep faith in God and a sturdy foundation in the true principles of Christianity. For over 60 years, Flossie embodied these principles through being an active member and leader in the Gethsemane Baptist Church. Though she held many titles and performed many duties for the church, her passion was in singing. To her, the choir brought together the voices of many people and bound them together in unity and community—just as she did in her life.

Mr. Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honoring the memory and recognizing the accomplishments of Flossie Collins as a woman who stood for true American values.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARK R. KENNEDY

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained yesterday, September 15, 2006, however, my vote on the following rollcalls would have been as follows: roll No. 451, H. Con. Res. 210—"yea," roll No. 452, H. Res. 622—"yea," roll No. 453, H. Con. Res. 415—"yea."

PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE 40TH
SEASON OF "BOUND FOR GLORY"

HON. MAURICE D. HINCHEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. HINCHEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the beginning of the 40th season of "Bound for Glory." This radio show is a weekly live broadcast from Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. Over the years this nationally acclaimed program has become a distinguished and beloved musical institution in the

Ithaca community and beyond. I am very proud of my constituents who have produced this esteemed radio show that has become so widely enjoyed.

From its creation in 1967, "Bound for Glory" has been committed to producing outstanding folk music and showcasing a broad range of musicians. "Bound for Glory", with its founder and long-time host Phil Shapiro, has produced over 1,200 live folk concerts and is North America's longest running radio show that still features live concerts. In this era where spontaneity is the exception rather than the norm on commercial radio, Bound for Glory provides a welcome reprieve. Today, the show is also broadcast online through the Internet and is accessible far beyond WVBR's FM listeners.

American folk music is in its renaissance due in no small part to programs like "Bound for Glory". Society and culture have changed greatly since 1967, but "Bound for Glory" has remained a consistent and enduring treasure.

Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to recognize "Bound for Glory" as it enters its 40th year on the air. I believe that the passion of its listeners, programmers, and guest artists will ensure that this program continues to thrive.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, earlier today I was at Arlington National Cemetery attending the funeral with full military honors for LCDR James Edwin Plowman, a missing-in-action Navy pilot shot down in 1967 in Vietnam, whose remains were positively identified after military investigators found his crash site several years ago. He was the father of James Plowman, Jr., Commonwealth's attorney for Loudoun County in my congressional district.

Had I been present and voting, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall 454, the motion to consider H. Res. 1015, the rule for H.R. 4844, Federal Election Integrity Act of 2006.

RECOGNIZING THOMAS LAWRENCE
WILLIAMS FOR ACHIEVING THE
RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Thomas Williams, 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 633, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Thomas has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Thomas has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Thomas held the principal leadership position of Venturing Crew Treasurer and has actively supported VFW Post 7356 in Parkville, Missouri.

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

IN RECOGNITION OF THOMAS J. HARRINGTON FOR OVER FORTY YEARS OF SERVICE TO LOCAL 33 OF THE UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CARPENTERS AND JOINERS OF AMERICA

HON. STEPHEN F. LYNCH

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of a man whose professional life has been dedicated to improving the lives of working men and women in Massachusetts and across our nation. Tommy Harrington is a remarkable labor leader with a long and illustrious career in the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, Massachusetts.

Tommy joined the Carpenters Apprenticeship Program in 1966 after graduating from Boston Trade High School. During his tenure, he held several prestigious positions in Carpenters Local 33, the Massachusetts State Council of Carpenters and the New England Regional Council of Carpenters. In 1989, after twenty-three years in the field as a carpenter and Union Steward, he became a Business Agent for Local 33. In 1990, he was elected President of the Massachusetts State Council of Carpenters, an office which he held until 1993. Following this esteemed position, he became the Business Manager of Local 33 and was elevated to the position of Financial Secretary.

In September of 2001, Tommy reached the pinnacle of his career when he achieved the position of Executive Financial Secretary-Treasurer of the New England Regional Council of Carpenters. Tommy's personal integrity, hard work and determination illustrate the best qualities of those who serve the working men and women of this country.

Although he has held many of the most official positions in Local 33, Tommy is best known for the personal relationships he cultivated with the men and women he worked with on a daily basis. Anyone who has had the privilege to call Tommy a colleague or friend knows that he is one of the most thoughtful, caring and compassionate individuals, always putting the safety and welfare of his union carpenters and their families first.

Tommy has also set an example as a model citizen. His civic involvement can be seen in the numerous causes he has actively supported. Tommy has worked tirelessly on behalf of the pine Street Inn and Rosie's Place volunteering his time and energy. He has participated in charity events for organizations like the Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston and the South Boston Health Center.

Despite his various accomplishments, as his friend I can honestly say that the title that Tommy has always been most proud of and which he cherishes most, is the title of husband and father. Tommy has had the enormous pleasure and tremendous good fortune to be married to his wife Ginny for over thirty-

five years. They are the proud parents of two lovely and adoring daughters, Heather and Cindy.

Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor to take the floor of the House today to join with Tommy Harrington's family, friends and brothers and sisters of labor to thank him for forty years of remarkable service to the American Labor Movement. I hope my colleagues will join me in celebrating Tommy's distinguished career and wishing him good health and God's blessing in all his future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DADE CITY WOMEN'S CLUB BUILDING

HON. GINNY BROWN-WAITE

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, unfortunately, I am unable to be with you for the 80th anniversary celebration of the Historic Dade City Women's Club Building. I know that you have worked long and hard to make this a successful event, and today's ceremony is clear proof that your efforts were successful. Unfortunately, I am unable to attend the celebration because I have to vote in Congress in Washington, DC.

For nearly 100 years, the Women's Club has played a leading role in the Dade City community. From city beautification efforts, to educational seminars, to helping meet the needs of area residents during times of war, the Women's Club has many achievements of which to be proud.

This year marks the 80th anniversary of the construction of the current Women's Club historic building. Since 1926, the clubhouse has been a meeting place for thousands of Pasco County women. Today, the site is used as a community center for area residents, in addition to being the home of the Dade City Women's Club.

A building with so much history within its walls, in 1985 the clubhouse was designated as an historical site by the Pasco Historical Society. In 2003 was added to the prestigious National Register of Historic Places. Generations of Pasco County women have called this building home, and today's anniversary celebration is a fitting testament to its beauty, longevity and historic value to the entire Dade City Community.

Although I was unable to attend the 80th anniversary celebration, I appreciate the Women's Club's continued support and commitment to the residents of Dade City. Keep up the good work and know that you have my thanks for improving the lives and economy of Pasco County residents.

RECOGNIZING BYRON DEVLIN FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Byron Devlin, 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 633, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Byron has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Byron has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Byron held the principal leadership position of Senior Patrol Leader and has actively supported the ministry of Heartland Presbyterian Center.

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

CONDEMNING THE REPRESSION OF THE IRANIAN BAHAI COMMUNITY AND CALLING FOR THE EMANCIPATION OF IRANIAN BAHAI'S

SPEECH OF

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 19, 2006

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following for the RECORD.

[From Time Magazine, Sept. 17, 2006]

WHAT WOULD WAR LOOK LIKE?

(By Michael Duffy)

The first message was routine enough: a "Prepare to Deploy" order sent through naval communications channels to a submarine, an Aegis-class cruiser, two minesweepers and two mine hunters. The orders didn't actually command the ships out of port; they just said to be ready to move by Oct. 1. But inside the Navy those messages generated more buzz than usual last week when a second request, from the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), asked for fresh eyes on long-standing U.S. plans to blockade two Iranian oil ports on the Persian Gulf. The CNO had asked for a rundown on how a blockade of those strategic targets might work. When he didn't like the analysis he received, he ordered his troops to work the lash up once again.

What's going on? The two orders offered tantalizing clues. There are only a few places in the world where minesweepers top the list of U.S. naval requirements. And every sailor, petroleum engineer and hedge-fund manager knows the name of the most important: the Strait of Hormuz, the 20-mile-wide bottleneck in the Persian Gulf through which roughly 40% of the world's oil needs to pass each day. Coupled with the CNO's request for a blockade review, a deployment of minesweepers to the west coast of Iran would seem to suggest that a much discussed—but until now largely theoretical—prospect has become real: that the U.S. may be preparing for war with Iran.

No one knows whether—let alone when—a military confrontation with Tehran will come to pass. The fact that admirals are reviewing plans for blockades is hardly proof of their intentions. The U.S. military routinely makes plans for scores of scenarios, the vast majority of which will never be put into practice. "Planners always plan," says a Pentagon official. Asked about the orders, a second official said only that the Navy is