

events in recent months to help spread the word about the good works of the organization and to introduce the concept of perpetual giving.

Since 2001, the Millennium Circle Fund has granted \$65,000 to non-profit organizations throughout Luzerne County.

In 2001, a \$10,000 grant was used to present 28 "Follow Your Dreams" motivational presentations to local high school students.

In 2002, a \$10,000 grant was presented to the Diamond City Partnership for downtown Wilkes-Barre revitalization.

In 2003, a \$10,000 grant was presented to Candy's Place, a community support center for cancer patients and their loved ones.

In 2004, a \$15,000 grant was presented to Friday's Child, a Jewish Community Center of Wilkes-Barre program for autistic children in the region.

In 2005, a \$20,000 grant was presented to the McGlynn Center to support educational programs for at-risk children in the city of Wilkes-Barre.

Members of the Millennium Circle Fund are urged to recommend needy causes for grants and then the members vote in order to choose grant recipients.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating members of the Millennium Circle Fund for their unyielding devotion and commitment to the community in which they live.

Members of the Millennium Circle exemplify their motto, "Local People . . . Identifying Local Needs . . . Providing Local Solutions." Clearly, this organization has contributed toward improving the quality of life in north-eastern Pennsylvania and, for that, the entire community is grateful.

CONGRATULATING ANTHONY J.
ZAGAMI ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. TOM DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 15, 2006

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. I rise today to honor to Mr. Anthony J. "Tony" Zagami on the occasion of his retirement after 40 years of dedicated public service to the legislative branch and to our Nation.

I first met Tony in the mid-1960s, when we both served as pages in the United States Senate and attended the Capitol Page School. Tony continued his service to Congress while working his way through college and law school. He received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maryland School of Business and Public Administration, and a Juris Doctor from the George Mason University School of Law. He served in a variety of positions before leaving Capitol Hill in 1990 to become general counsel to the Government Printing Office, the agency responsible for producing the Congressional Record. He worked tirelessly to improve and modernize the organization.

Tony has been active in many professional, civic and social organizations, including the American and Federal Bar Associations, the U.S. Capitol Historical Society, the National Italian American Foundation, the Make-A-Wish Children's Foundation of Greater Washington, and the U.S. Senate Staff Club, of which he served as a board member and counsel. He is

an elected official and former chairman of the U.S. Senate Federal Credit Union Board of Directors, as well as the past president of the Capitol Hill Chapter of the Federal Bar Association.

Throughout his many years on Capitol Hill and at GPO, Tony was known for his dedication and commitment to public service. He has been the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions, among them being listed in *Who's Who in Washington* and *Who's Who in American Law*. His vast experience and knowledge will be greatly missed.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Anthony J. "Tony" Zagami and wishing him the best of luck in all future endeavors.

IN HONOR OF WILLIAM WHALEN

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 15, 2006

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay my final respects to William J. Whalen III, a great San Franciscan and a great American who died on September 28, 2006. Bill Whalen gave a lifetime of service to our National Parks and our Golden Gate National Recreation Area, GGNRA. Together with Congressman Phillip Burton and environmentalist Edgar Waybum, he preserved and enhanced an area of unsurpassed beauty, ecological benefit and recreation for present and future generations. The GGNRA is a monument to the tenacity of a handful of leaders and interested citizens who struggled to realize their dream.

Bill Whalen's career began as a youth counselor in the Great Smoky Mountain National Park. He moved on to serve as deputy superintendent of Yosemite National Park where he implemented a pioneering mass transit program to reduce traffic congestion.

In 1972, only 32 years old, Bill Whalen became the first superintendent of Golden Gate National Recreation Area, where he embraced the daunting challenge of developing and expanding the GGNRA. He masterminded the immense task before him with extraordinary ability and innovative planning. He invited politicians, environmentalists and residents to collaborate in creating this world-class people's park. Bill created a Citizens Advisory Commission to encourage citizen participation and public-private partnerships, resulting in unprecedented public support and involvement. He transformed Fort Mason Center and launched the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy that raised over \$100 million to implement the GGNRA's plans.

His great success led to an appointment by President Jimmy Carter in 1977 as the youngest director of the National Park Service. He believed that the American people should have a greater role and voice in managing our Nation's parks and directed emphasis on urban parks that had previously been ignored. Bill implemented the Alaska Native Lands Claims Settlement Act that created 44 national parks and doubled the size of national park lands nationwide.

God blessed San Francisco with a handful of extraordinary leaders and a troop of citizens whose teamwork produced the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Rarely do individ-

uals of such caliber, intellect and determination converge in one place at one time. With the consummate political acumen of Congressman Phillip Burton, the vision of environmentalist Edgar Waybum, the executive genius of Bill Whalen, and the voice, vigilance and support of citizens led by Amy Meyer, the GGNRA flourished and today is the most visited National Park in America.

I offer my deepest sympathy to Mary, Bill Whalen's beloved wife of 47 years, his sons, William IV, Dennis, Timothy and Michael, and his five grandchildren as well as our deepest appreciation for sharing their magnificent husband, father and grandfather with us. As they have lost a loved one, so the San Francisco Bay Area has lost one of its distinguished sons. We will never forget the beauty and riches he brought to our lives as well as to future generations.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO TROOPERS
EDDIE DUTCHOVER, ROSELL
OWENS, AND SHAWN MARTIN

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 15, 2006

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Troopers Eddie Dutchover, Rosell Owens, and Shawn Martin for their roll in the apprehension of Warren Jeffs, one of the most wanted men in America.

On Monday August 28, 2006, Trooper Eddie Dutchover pulled over a maroon Cadillac Escalade along the northbound lanes of Interstate 15 for a routine traffic stop. Upon questioning the passengers of the vehicle Dutchover noticed discrepancies in the accounts given by driver Isaac Jeffs and his passenger—fugitive prophet Warren Jeffs, leader of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Isaac Jeffs had just consented to a search of the Escalade when two other troopers, Rosell Owens and Shawn Martin, arrived.

The three troopers conducted a comprehensive search of the vehicle and discovered: \$67,500 in \$100 bills; at least 14 cell phones; a radar detector; two global positioning system units; laptop computers; half a dozen pairs of sunglasses and three wigs—one blond, one black and one brunette.

Warren Jeffs, formerly of Colorado City, Ariz., was wanted on sexual abuse charges stemming from marriages that authorities say he arranged among minors and was one of the FBI's 10-most wanted. Due to the diligence and investigative prowess of these Nevada State Troopers one of the most dangerous men in America is now in custody and will be held accountable for his actions.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Troopers Eddie Dutchover, Russell Owens, and Shawn Martin. Their actions on the evening of August 28, 2006 relieved the American people of one of its most wanted criminals. These three individuals are excellent examples of the service that America's first responders provide for this country. I applaud their actions and wish them the best in their future endeavors.