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Madam Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to rise with me and applaud the wonderful service provided by these board members since 1957. As a former teacher, I know first hand the impact boards of education have on shaping the curriculum, culture, and structure of our schools. I congratulate the Essexville-Hampton Board of Education for the work they have accomplished over the years.

CONGRATULATING SALLYANNE
AND HAROLD ROSENN, 2008 RECIPIENTS OF THE MONSIGNOR
MCGOWAN CORNERSTONE AWARD

HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 14, 2008

Mr. KANJORSKI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask you and my esteemed colleagues in the House of Representatives to pay tribute to Sallyanne and Harold Rosenn, the recipients of the Monsignor McGowan Cornerstone Award for their years of service to Northeastern Pennsylvania.

This prestigious award was created by the collaborative efforts of various nonprofit organizations in northeast Pennsylvania as well as the mid-Atlantic region that prospered from Monsignor McGowan's aid.

The Monsignor McGowan Cornerstone Award is presented annually to an individual whose tireless efforts in the areas of service, leadership, humanitarianism, and philanthropy make them an invaluable resource to their community.

Sallyanne and Harold Rosenn are textbook examples of kindness and dedication. Harold Rosenn received his law degree from the University of Michigan in 1941 and enlisted in the United States Air Force shortly after, earning three medals for his service.

Mrs. Sallyanne Rosenn met her husband when she was the executive director of the Girl Scouts while he was chairman of the Community Chest, predecessor of the United Way. This is the first of many positions she held that were dedicated to helping the area's youth. She was employed as field and camp director of the Wyoming Valley Council of Girl Scouts and served as president of the Penn's Woods Girl Scout Council; the Council on Juvenile Justice and Youth Service Commission of Luzerne County.

Mrs. Rosenn was the recipient of the Woman of the Year Award from the National

Council of Jewish Women in 1961. She received the Hannah G. Solomon Award in 1966, and the Woman of the Year Award from the Seekers of Mercy. She was also the first woman to run for the office of councilwoman in Kingston, in which she served a full term.

Harold Rosenn has held the position of commander of the Kingston American Legion Post No. 395 where he started a blood donor program which would eventually be adopted as the American Legion Blood Donor Program for Pennsylvania. He has chaired the United Way Campaign of the Wyoming Valley, twice chaired the United Jewish Campaign and served as chairman and president of Temple Israel. He also served on the boards of United Penn Bank, Franklin First Savings Bank, and Governor George Leader's nursing homes.

His community bonds extend to not only public service, but appreciation for the education of the region's youth. He has been extensively involved with his wife's alma mater, Misericordia University. He served as a member of Misericordia's board of trustees for almost 25 years and became a Director Emeritus in 1985. The plaza in the center of campus has been named "Rosenn Plaza" in their honor and they were the first recipients of the Trustees Award for their dedication. Atty. Rosenn was awarded an honorary doctorate of law degree and the McAuley Medal in 1991.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating Sallyanne and Harold Rosenn on this auspicious occasion. Their inexhaustible efforts and dedication to community service is an inspiration to all.

A TRIBUTE TO LIEUTENANT
VIRGIL BROWN

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 14, 2008

Ms. MATSUI. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Virgil Brown's 30 years of service to the Sacramento Police Department. Lieutenant Brown leaves a lasting legacy in Sacramento and his leadership and expertise will be deeply missed. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring one of Sacramento's finest public servants.

Lieutenant Brown began his career with the Sacramento Police Department as a community service officer in June 1978. By December of that year Lieutenant Brown was promoted to the rank of police officer in the Patrol Division. During his time on patrol his work ethic distinguished himself from others and in 1983 he tested for and was assigned to the Crime Suppression Unit where he had a 92 percent conviction rate. In 1989 he was promoted to detective in the Special Investigation Division. During his time as detective he conducted major multi-jurisdictional narcotic investigations, resulting in the arrest of many suspects and the recovery of thousands of pounds of cocaine and hundreds of thousands of dollars.

In 1995 Lieutenant Brown was assigned to the Office of the Chief Criminal Intelligence Unit where he worked with the Secret Service and sat on the Greater Sacramento Area Taskforce on Hate Crimes. Over the next few years Lieutenant Brown continued to distinguish himself on all of his assignments and was promoted to the rank of sergeant. In 1999

he was assigned to the North Area Patrol Division, and was promoted to his current rank of lieutenant, assigned to the Office of Operation in 2006 where he currently works as a watch commander for the south and east areas of Sacramento.

During his tenure with the Sacramento Police Department Lieutenant Brown has been honored for his hard work and dedication to Sacramento's safety. In 1991 he was named Narcotic Officer of the Year by H.I.P., the Joint Narcotic Investigation Taskforce of the Sacramento Police Department and the Sacramento Sheriff's Department. That same year he was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition for the narcotic investigation of Oscar Garcia Escobar, Cali Cartel cocaine trafficker. In 1994 Lieutenant Brown was honored with a Special Award of Honor in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments in the field of Narcotic Law Enforcement by the International Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association in New York and was named the Narcotics Officer of the Year by the California Narcotic Officers Association.

Madam Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to Lieutenant Virgil Brown's distinguished commitment to law enforcement and Sacramento's safety. Lieutenant Brown's outstanding leadership and dedication to the Sacramento Police Department, has reduced crime and made Sacramento a better and safer place for us to live and work. We all are thankful for his efforts. As Lieutenant Brown's colleagues, family and friends gather to honor his service, I ask all my colleagues to join me in wishing him continued good fortune in his future endeavors.

H.R. 6304, FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE
SURVEILLANCE AMENDMENTS ACT

HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 14, 2008

Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota. Madam Speaker I rise in opposition to H.R. 6304, the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Amendments Act (FISA).

There is no question that we need to modernize the laws that govern U.S. intelligence to protect our national security, but we must also rigorously defend civil liberties and ensure accountability.

That is why I am strongly opposed to any retroactive immunity for those telecommunications companies that are charged with violating those fundamental rights.

Legal experts concur that President Bush's wiretapping program was, and is, in violation of the Constitution and applicable federal law. Congress as a whole was kept in the dark for years about these activities.

It is our responsibility to protect innocent Americans who expect that their communications will remain private, except in circumstances provided under the law. Corporations that handed over their customers' records, without a valid court order or other legal instrument authorized by statute, undermined fundamental civil protections and privacy rights of Americans.

The courts should not be prevented from ruling on the legality of the actions taken by these corporations. And Congress should not meddle in the pending lawsuits.