

and his strong desire to be a catalyst for positive change propelled him on his remarkable journey.

In 1972, Rudy was elected to the Indiana State Senate in the third district. While in this position, the focus of his work included working for better treatment and training programs for prison inmates, creating a victim's compensation fund, and establishing a Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Subsequently, Rudy was elected to the Lake County Council in 1978 and then re-elected in 1982. During this time he fought against the unfairness in hiring practices at the Lake County Government Center and the raising of utility rates. In 1984, Rudy Clay was elected as Lake County Recorder. Three years later, he was elected Lake County Commissioner and served four elected terms in this capacity.

In 2005, Rudy became the first African American elected to serve as the Lake County Democratic Chairman, a position he held until 2009.

The Gary Precinct Organization appointed Rudy mayor of Gary in 2006, and he was elected mayor the following year. Mayor Clay's extraordinary energy, his profound empathy for people and his lifelong commitment to leave a better world for following generations have led to preeminent achievements. They have positively impacted the lives of countless individuals as well as the progress and future of Indiana.

Throughout his illustrious career, Mayor Clay has been recognized with many distinguished awards. Rudy was honored by Governor Evan Bayh with the Outstanding Hoosier Award in 1994, and in 2005, Governor Joseph Kernan honored the Mayor with the prestigious Sagamore of the Wabash Award, to name a few.

Although Rudy has received many esteemed honors for his commitment to the residents of Indiana, his greatest source of pride is his family. Rudy and his amazing wife, Christine, have been married for 54 years this November. They have one beloved son, Rudy Clay, Jr.

On a more personal note, I also want to thank Rudy for his graciousness and warm friendship over the years. I also would be remiss if I did not thank him for the deep respect he has always shown to my father, John Visclosky.

Mr. Speaker, I respectfully ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in honoring Mayor Rudy Clay for his staunch devotion to the people of Gary as well as all of Northwest Indiana. Rudy's unselfish and lifelong dedication to serving the people of Northwest Indiana is worthy of the highest commendation, and he serves as an inspiration to us all. I am proud to call him my friend.

REMEMBERING DR. HARVE  
RAWSON

**HON. TODD C. YOUNG**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 26, 2011*

Mr. YOUNG of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise along with Congressman MIKE PENCE to honor the life and legacy of Professor Harve Rawson.

Harve Rawson was greatly talented and abundantly generous. He earned a bachelor of

arts in psychology from Antioch College, and went on to earn a master of arts and doctorate in research psychology at Ohio State University. For thirty-two years Dr. Rawson served as a professor of psychology at Hanover College, and later served as dean of faculty at Franklin College. He was the first two-time winner of the Baynham Teaching Award, and he was named the Mary E. Hamilton Distinguished Professor of Psychology at Hanover College.

Dr. Rawson was a two-time Fulbright Scholar in psychology and also spent a year teaching at the College of Health Sciences in Bahrain. His great passion for traveling also took him to more than 100 countries and all seven continents. Throughout his long and storied career, he authored dozens of research articles, gave more than 500 professional presentations, and wrote nine books about his personal experience and interests.

His list of accolades and recognitions include being named a Malone Scholar, a Sagamore of the Wabash by the State of Indiana, a Kentucky Colonel, a Citizen of the Year by the National Association of Social Workers, and a Distinguished Academic Psychologist by the Indiana Psychological Association. Dr. Rawson was also awarded the Golden Quill Award for Outstanding Research and the Outstanding Community Service Award for Psychologists.

But beyond his many academic achievements, Harve Rawson was known as a generous leader who truly possessed a servant's heart. He founded Englishton Park Children's Program, a short-term residential program for at-risk children, where he served as director for 25 years. He was also a founding and long-time board member of the Jefferson County Youth Shelter in Madison, Indiana. Mr. Rawson was a four-time president of the Lide White Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors, a long-time member of the Board of Directors of Englishton Park Presbyterian Ministries, Inc., and a member of the Big Brothers Big Sisters board. His impact on the community will forever be remembered by the many lives he touched during his lifetime of service.

We offer our deepest condolences to his sons Paul and Reed, his brother John, his sister Margaret, and his four grandchildren. During this difficult time, we pray you find solace in faith and family.

NATIONAL WORK AND FAMILY  
MONTH

**HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 26, 2011*

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of October as National Work and Family Month. Each and every day American families make choices about how to best care for their family and to fulfill work obligations.

Over the last 50 years, the demographics of the U.S. workforce have changed significantly and with that, so have our needs. With more women in the workforce, fewer households have at least one parent at home. According to Census data, 70 percent of children are raised in families headed by either a working single parent or two working parents. In addition, more households are caring for older rel-

atives as medical advances continue to extend life expectancy. It's important that as my colleagues and I work to create and grow jobs, we also ensure that these jobs afford all Americans the chance to take care of their families and maintain a paycheck.

In an effort to acknowledge the realities of our modern workforce I have reintroduced the Family and Medical Leave Enhancement Act (H.R. 1440) to expand the number of workplaces required to comply with the original 1993 Family and Medical Leave Act, FMLA, and the Family and Medical Leave Inclusion Act to add same-sex spouses, grandparents, and grandchildren (H.R. 2364) as leave beneficiaries under FMLA. In addition, I will soon reintroduce the Working Families Flexibility Act, legislation that gives employees the right to request flexible work arrangements.

Strong work and family policies help attract, motivate, and retain a talented workforce and businesses should be encouraged to think strategically about the flexibility and family-friendly benefits they offer to their workers.

HONORING PHIL BLAZER

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 26, 2011*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I offer my highest congratulations today to Mr. Phil Blazer of California on the 5th anniversary of his founding of Jewish Life Television (JLTV).

In 2006, Mr. Blazer initiated America's first full-time Jewish television network, which is now seen in all 50 states through DIRECTV, along with cable distribution on Comcast, Time Warner and other systems.

Jewish Life Television (JLTV) originates from its headquarters in Encino, California and reaches over 36 million households in America and over 80 million households across Europe, North Africa, and the Middle East. The network's ratings show an audience of 3-4 million different households during any given month. Over 160,000 homes watched the Kol Nidre-Yom Kippur Service on JLTV.

Jewish Life Television programming features news, talk shows, cooking, comedy, and entertainment. JLTV also broadcasts live events including the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) Policy Conference, the Jewish Federation's General Assembly, the March of the Living, and the Maccabiah Games in Israel.

Mr. Blazer's award-winning weekly television program, Jewish Life, was established in 1977, and has featured interviews with prominent figures from all walks of life including Nobel Peace Prize winner Elie Weisel, Yitzak Rabin, Elizabeth Taylor, and Sandy Koufax. Blazer is the editor and publisher of the National Jewish News, which he founded in 1973. His radio program, Jewish Soul, began broadcasting in 1965 and continues to be heard weekly around the world and on the internet.

During his 46 years of working in Jewish media, Mr. Blazer has played a valuable role in numerous projects for the Jewish community and for America. He was a key catalyst in the rescue of nearly 1,000 Ethiopian Jews through U.S. Government Operation Joshua. Mr. Blazer championed California's Holocaust