

the United States, a position he held until 1993. In that role, he oversaw the work of more than 3,000 Government Printing Office employees across the nation. He also earned a doctorate from Heidelberg University in Tiffin, Ohio, during his term as public printer.

Mr. Houk was very active in the Shelby community, chairing the boards of the Rehabilitation Center of North Central Ohio, the Mansfield Symphony Society, and The Ohio State University's Mansfield Campus. He also enjoyed playing trumpet in many area bands and was a charter member of the Ashland Area Community Concert Band.

Mr. Speaker, Robert Houk is survived by his wife, Sally; his son, Raymond; his daughter, Lisa; and their families. On behalf of the people of Ohio's Fourth Congressional District, I offer them my condolences as they gather in Shelby on Saturday to celebrate his life and his many contributions to the community and our nation.

HONORING NATALA K. (TALLY)
HART UPON HER RETIREMENT
FROM THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

HON. PATRICK J. TIBERI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 12, 2011

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Natala K. (Tally) Hart upon her retirement from The Ohio State University.

Expressing how much Tally Hart has meant to The Ohio State University and the many students who have felt the impact of her unwavering commitment to higher education remains no easy task. As a graduate of Ohio State and an admirer of this remarkable person, it gives me great pleasure to add my personal appreciation.

For over three decades, Tally has dedicated herself to helping students achieve their dreams of attending college. After serving at various institutions around the country, in 1996 she was hired as Ohio State's Director of Financial Aid. In this position she gained national recognition for not only her unrivaled ability to obtain funding for students, but also the strength of her character and the sincerity of her efforts. In 2006 Tally was named Senior Advisor for Economic Access. In this role she was given the opportunity to lead a new program that allowed her to create programs that benefit thousands of disadvantaged students and make Ohio State a leader in college access and success initiatives.

Upon her retirement, Tally will leave behind a legacy that will permeate throughout central Ohio for years to come. Like fellow Buckeyes before her, she has become a beloved figure at our school. Through her selfless pursuits and deep passion for Ohio State, Tally has added greatly to the school's storied history and rich tradition.

While she is moving on to the next phase in her life, Tally will surely never stop doing what she loves: helping others. On behalf of the citizens of Ohio's 12th Congressional District, I would like to wish Tally the best of luck and thank her for her devotion to Ohio State.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GENE GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 12, 2011

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to state that I meant to vote "nay" on H.R. 1633, the Farm Dust Regulation Prevention Act, when it was considered on the House Floor on December 9, 2011.

I am strongly opposed to this unnecessary bill and voted "aye" by accident.

CONGRATULATING ALFRED UNIVERSITY UPON THE CELEBRATION OF ITS 175TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 12, 2011

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Alfred University, a major educational institution in my district which is celebrating its 175th anniversary this year. Their official commemoration and activities were held the week of December 5, 2011. I am honored to have the privilege of representing such a fine university that provides an excellent education to its 2000 undergraduate and 300 graduate students.

Alfred University was founded on December 5, 1836 by a group of Seventh Day Baptists who moved to the foothills of the Allegheny Mountains. The University is named for the ninth-century ruler of southern England, Alfred the Great, whose devotion to learning and literature is a legacy that the institution upholds to this day.

Alfred's commitment to academics is nationally known, with the Inamori School of Engineering consistently ranked top in the country for its Masters of Science degrees. Additionally, students at Alfred can choose between over 40 undergraduate majors to study.

As an alum, I can personally attest to the excellence of this institution and its world class academics.

Please join me in congratulating Alfred University in reaching this incredible milestone as it celebrates its 175th Anniversary.

REMEMBER PEARL

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 12, 2011

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, Remember Pearl "A Date Which Will Live in Infamy" in solemn remembrance of Pearl Harbor on the 70th anniversary, December 7, 1941. The following poem was authored by Albert Carey Caswell, who is a Capitol Building tourguide noted for his thoughtful and heartfelt tours for Wounded Warriors and his devotion to servicemembers, military families, and veterans.

REMEMBER PEARL

(By Albert Carey Caswell)

In every country's history . . .

There are but those defining moments that which so indeed!

That which define there very destinies!
As out into a future but plant such seeds!
To so define her and give her all that she so needs!

Remember Pearl . . .
That day that will live in Infamy!

As . . .
For as a Nation, we must all so remember . . .

That dark and dreary, very cold and bleak
December . . .

When . . .
When there, on one beautiful Sunday morning . . .

As America so lie all in harms way and in ruin, so all without warning . . .

As it was seventy years ago this day . . .

All in a cowards way!
When, so very unexpectedly!
As "A Date Which Will Live In Infamy" . . .
Was but a calm before the storm, as they . . .
As they so tried to take America's very heart away . . .

As lies now so all etched in Infamy . . .

War! Pearl Harbor! The Devil's Creed!

Feeding Evil's needs!

When, so many heroes died indeed!

Bless them all, God Speed!

All in one of our Nation's darkest of all days . . .

As a Nation so slept, had they . . .

And so wept upon that day . . .

As out across the world, such an Evil so unfurled . . .

As this darkness all towards them so crept,
towards our little boys and girls . . .

Goodness . . . Evil . . . Darkness . . . Light . . .

Those brave hearts who evil must fight!

Who but bring their light!

Who Evil must fight!

Would this Evil stand?

As it was nearly eight on that morning,
when each woman, child, and man!

All without such warning, when a sleeping giant so awoke!

As from out of all of this heartache and such hell,
and scenes of horror . . . as all in their fine hearts what would dwell!

Such a story to our children tell!

One of Such Faith and Courage . . .

As America's heart grew stronger, all in what their fine souls so nourished!

While, against all odds . . . such darkness, could not discourage . . .

As somehow America so found the hope and courage!

All in how they so heroically behaved, and so fought and died on that day . . .

As out across a Nation, The Mothers Cried . . .

As over one thousand were so wounded,
and twenty-five hundred heroes on that day so died!

And, still America would not so lose hope . . . for we all somehow survived!

All because of what, all within their most magnificent hearts so lie!

As from out of all of those ashes, death and fury . . . as was invoked such a story!

Came a Pearl, a gem so formed of which to all the world so spoke!

A story, all about America's Courage and Glory . . . and yes so hope!

For rising from out of such hell, all of their fine hearts so chose to swell!

As 18 ships were lost or crippled on that day,
names like USS Arizona come to mind who were so sent to their watery graves . . .

As the waters now above gently caress their souls,
as deep below in these ships their sacred bodies hold!

As upon our knees, with tears in eyes for all of them we now so pray!