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the exciting new programs she has planned for the City of East St. Louis.

COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT

HON. MATTHEW G. MARTINEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 1999

Mr. MARTINEZ. Mr. Speaker, I want to take a minute this morning to discuss the Community Reinvestment Act. For years, the CRA program has had a tremendous positive impact on low- and middle-income individuals all across America. CRA has let countless citizens achieve the American Dream by enabling them to own a home or business.

Because of CRA, blatant discrimination in lending is declining. Banks are now held responsible for how they use the community's wealth and deposits. CRA has given hope to our inner cities and rural areas by enabling home ownership and small business opportunities to increase.

Not only is CRA good for working people, it's good for the banking industry. Banking officials have told me that, because of CRA, banks have tapped into a "new market" in low- and moderate-income communities.

In the greater Los Angeles region, including my district in East L.A., the Bank of America Community Development Bank and its affiliates have made more than \$3.2 billion in new community development loans, and more than \$650 million in low-income-housing tax credit investments.

But now CRA is under attack. I urge my colleagues to protect CRA by supporting the Gutierrez Amendment to the Financial Modernization Act.

HONORING THE DALLAS STARS—
STANLEY CUP CHAMPIONS

HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the newest source of pride for north Texas—The Dallas Stars.

Although the city of Dallas is no stranger to winning championships, there was something especially exciting about watching the Stars with the Stanley Cup.

Hockey was a relatively unknown sport in north Texas when the Stars arrived from Minnesota in 1993.

But in the short 6 years since then, the Dallas Stars have developed a loyal following of fans, including myself. As a devoted fan of the Texas Rangers, the Dallas Cowboys, and the Dallas Mavericks I am proud to add the Dallas Stars to my list of hometown teams—Excuse me, Hometown "Championship" teams.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING GLENN SCHATZ: AN
EXEMPLARY YOUNG MAN

HON. JIM KOLBE

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 1999

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the outstanding accomplishments of Glenn Schatz, a senior at University High in Tucson. Glenn has been named winner of the 1999 Tucson Citizen Student Athlete-of-the-Year Award, which is presented annually to a high school senior who excels in scholarship, leadership and extracurricular activities. I met Glenn when I appointed him to be a Congressional Page last spring, a job he approached with the same commitment and zeal as he has the rest of his academic career. A four-sport letterman who has managed to maintain a 3.92 grade point average, while at the same time participating in the school's marching, jazz, and concert bands. He served as president of the school's Distributive Education Club of America, the school chairman of the Young Republicans Club, and a recruiter for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Additionally, he has been named a Presidential Scholar Award semifinalist and a National Merit Scholarship finalist.

Glenn will be heading off to the United States Naval Academy in the fall, eventually to join the Navy's Judge Advocate General (JAG) corps. I have no doubt that Glenn has the intelligence, commitment, and ability to accomplish whatever goals he sets for his future. I congratulate him on his enormous accomplishments, and wish him all the good fortune in the future. I am enclosing an article from one of the newspapers in my district, which further details the accomplishments of this impressive young man.

IT'LL BE ANCHORS AWEIGH WHEN SUPERBUSY
SENIOR LEAVES UNIVERSITY HIGH

Some students have a full plate in high school. University High senior Glenn Schatz goes back for seconds.

He has balanced a busy athletic schedule with the Rincon/University Rangers with his studies, his music, and on-campus and off-campus activities to post a 3.92 grade-point average.

An impressive list of achievements has made this four-sport letterman the winner of the 1999 Tucson Citizen Student Athlete-of-the-Year Award.

"You never expect to win this type of award," Schatz said. "There are so many quality nominees, it's a honor just to be nominated."

But Rangers football coach Jeff Green isn't surprised Schatz is this year's winner.

"He certainly deserves the award," Green said. "With all he's involved in, his grades, his leadership on and off the field . . . the future is bright for this young man."

Some of his academic highlights are: Scoring a 1,590 out of 1,600 on his SAT, getting a perfect score on the verbal and missing just one math question; received a Congressional appointment from Jim Kolbe to the United States Naval Academy, which he will attend in the fall; a National Merit Scholarship finalist; recently named a Presidential Scholar Award semifinalist; awarded a Cornell University summer dean's scholarship; and won a Dow Jones Newspaper Fund writing award.

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Out of the classroom, Schatz has served a semester as a Congressional page in Washington; attended the Athletics In Public Service Forum in Washington; was selected by the Academy of Achievement for the Banquet of the Golden Plate, one of 400 students in the nation chosen; a member of the school's marching, jazz and concert bands; and served as president of the school's Distributive Education Club in America, school chairman of the Young Republicans Club and as a recruiter for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

"I like to keep busy," said Schatz, a budding master of understatement.

With only 22 players on the Rangers varsity roster football team last fall, Green kept the versatile Schatz busy at numerous positions on offense and defense.

"Because Glenn is quick to learn and such a good athlete, we played him at a lot of different positions," Green said. "On offense, we used him at fullback, tight end, wide receiver and flanker. On defense, we used him at linebacker, end, middle guard and tackle. He never complained. He was willing to do whatever it took to help us win. He showed his leadership abilities every day."

Prior to the football season, Green, in his first year as coach of the Rangers, didn't know what he had in the 6-foot-3, 215-pound Schatz. The senior missed spring practice because he was working as a Congressional page, and he missed most of the summer passing league because he was taking college courses at Cornell.

"I didn't expect Glenn to come back to us in great shape and wasn't expecting that much of him," Green admitted. "He was a pleasant surprise for us. He did a nice job in the brief time we had him for the passing league, but a passing league isn't football. I didn't know how tough he was, both physically and mentally, so I wasn't sure what he could give us."

But Schatz, who lettered three years in football, two in basketball, one in baseball and one in track, showed Green he could be an impact player and impressed the Navy football coaches, who would have offered Schatz a scholarship if he hadn't received a Congressional appointment.

"Can he play at Navy? I think he can because he's so versatile and because he can run well for his size," Green said. "At the next level it's difficult, but his goal is to make the traveling squad as a freshman, and I don't think there are too many goals that Glenn has ever missed."

Schatz already had planned to serve in the armed forces after graduating from college, intending to take ROTC.

"At the beginning of the year, the Naval Academy was a side thought for me," he said. "But the more I thought about it, the more it appealed to me, the way the system works, how everything has a set structure, because that fits my character."

"I have an uncle who went to West Point. My whole family has served in one capacity or another. It's always been part of my background and heritage."

Schatz hopes to become a lawyer and join the Navy's Judge Advocate General (JAG) corps.

"The nice thing is that the Navy will pay for graduate school and law school," he said. "Through ROTC, I would have only served four years, but coming out of the Academy, I think I'll advance pretty quickly, so now I'm thinking about making the Navy my career."

And perhaps later, a career in politics might come along. Schatz called his semester in Washington as a Congressional page