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that I am proud to have called a friend. Although no words or tribute could ever adequately express the depth of his life accomplishments, nor communicate the level of sadness we feel at his passing, I am hopeful that Dr. Saccomanno's wife, Virginia, daughters Carol, Linda, and Lenna, and all of his grandchildren will take solace in the knowledge that the world is a better place for having known Geno Saccomanno.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RONNIE SHOWS

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. SHOWS. Mr. Speaker, because inclement weather delayed my connecting flight from Jackson, Mississippi, on Monday, July 12, 1999, I was unable to cast recorded votes on rollcalls No. 277, 278, and 279.

Had I been present, I would have voted as follows: "Yea" on rollcall 277 to approve the Journal; "yea" on rollcall No. 278 to suspend the rules and agree to H. Con. Res. 107, expressing the Sense of Congress concerning the sexual relationships between adults and children; and "yea" on rollcall No. 279 to suspend the rules and agree to H. Con. Res. 117, expressing the Sense of the Congress concerning United Nations General Assembly Resolution ES-10/6

IN HONOR OF CLINT NAGEOTTE

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Clint Nageotte of the Brooklyn High School baseball team. Clint Nageotte has been playing the game he loves from the Little League fields to the fields of Brooklyn High School.

Rewriting the Brooklyn High School records, Clint has proved himself as both a remarkable pitcher and outstanding hitter. As a four-year letterman, Clint has 25 career victories, 326 strikeouts, 39 home runs, and 136 RBIs.

Leading his conference championship team all the way to their first State Final Four play-off in school history, Clint has a hitting average of .652 with 19 home runs this year alone. As a pitcher, Clint has an outstanding 7-2 record and an impressive 0.75 earned run average. Also leading the area, he struck out 119 batters in 56 innings of pitching.

Clint has been honored by the Cleveland Plain Dealer as The Player of the Year. Furthermore, Clint is a recipient of Mike Garcia Award, a very prestigious award given by the Cleveland Indians Baseball Club and the Wahoo Club. The Seattle Mariners have also chosen Clint in the fifth-round draft pick.

Clint has proved himself both on and off the field as an excellent team player and outstanding young man. Recognized both locally and nationally, I ask you to please join me in congratulating both Clint and his family on a job well done.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO THE LATE CAPTAIN
WILLIAM Y. CLARK

HON. MICHAEL P. FORBES

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an entrepreneur, Captain William Y. Clark, a Long Island businessman who recently passed away at the age of 86.

Ask any parent and I am sure they will agree that leaving a legacy such as the reins of a family business is of great significance. Skillfully maintaining and expanding such an enterprise demands the infusion of innovative ideas which was William's speciality.

Captain William Clark was born in Shelter Island, Long Island, in 1913. He was educated at Shelter Island schools and Mt. Hermon College, in Massachusetts. Trained as a youth on diesel engines, the company he inherited has been in the Clark family continuously since 1790, when the first ferry ran.

He spent his life serving the community at the helm of South Ferry, Inc., the ferry service that runs from North Haven (outside Sag Harbor) to Shelter Island. Under Captain Clark's watchful eye, the company has become what it is today, a fleet of four boats which can hold up to twenty cars apiece.

Captain Clark was a longtime member of the Lions Club, East End Church of Christ and, when not on call with his company, a member of Shelter Island Fire Department. He also served on the board of Timothy Hill Children's Ranch in Riverhead.

The night before he passed away, he laid in a deep sleep. He would open his eyes, struggle for a breath, and then fall peacefully asleep again. However, when his family began to sing "God Bless America," he would awake and spread a truly joyous smile on his tired face. He could not speak very well, but he summoned the strength to share a few more laughs with his family. He fell asleep soon after, waking to greet his youngest grandchild, Shelli, who had flown in from college to be with him.

To his two children, four grandchildren, and one great-grandchild, Captain Clark will be remembered as the patriarch of a family business spanning more than two hundred years. To a great number of those in the community, he will be looked upon as a man who quietly helped to maintain their precious quality of life.

Captain Clark embodied the type of role model and innovator that all would have enjoyed being around and looked up to.

Colleagues, Mr. Clark is a community leader who will be sorely missed.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JIM KOLBE

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Speaker, on July 12, 1999 the House debated H. Con. Res. 107, a sense of the Congress rejecting the notion that sex between adults and children is positive, and H.

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Con. Res. 117, a sense of Congress concerning United Nations Assembly Resolution ES-10/6. I was en route from Tucson to Washington, DC, when both votes took place. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on H. Con. Res. 107 and "aye" on H. Con. Res. 117.

The House also voted on Approving the Journal. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye".

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROBERT E. WISE, JR.

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. WISE. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, July 12, 1999, I was unavoidably detained and unable to record a vote by electronic device on roll No. 278. Had I been present I would have voted "aye".

On roll No. 279, had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

TRIBUTE TO JOHNNY CANALES

HON. SOLOMON P. ORTIZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. ORTIZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in commending a giant in the U.S. entertainment industry, Johnny Canales.

Tomorrow, on July 14, Johnny will receive the keys to the City of Brownville from Mayor Blanca Vela at an event intended to showcase how the United States educational system works. It is sponsored by the Students in Free Enterprise Alumnus, and will be televised live on Telemundo.

Johnny and his beautiful wife, Nora, have always been interested in the educational system of this country, but now have a personal stake in it since they now have a baby who will begin an education in 4-5 years.

As the Chairman of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Task Force on the Arts and Entertainment, I am delighted to tell you about my long-time friend, and Corpus Christi native, Johnny Canales. Johnny Canales is an extraordinary entertainer who touches the hearts, and tickles the fancies, of viewers and listeners of all ages and all income brackets throughout the world. He is a host-extraordinaire.

Today, and for many, many years, he has hosted "The Johnny Canales Show," a popular television show which showcases Hispanic talents from the Southwest and Mexico. Johnny's signature line then and now, when introducing groups or singers, is: "You got it." He brings stature and commitment to any endeavor with which he is associated.

In 1992, when I was serving as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (CHCI), I had Johnny come to Washington to co-host the Institute's annual gala, the largest gathering of Hispanic elected officials in the country. True

to form, he charmed each and every person there.

I was most impressed with the reception Johnny got over in Mount Pleasant, the predominantly Hispanic enclave in northeast Washington. CHCI once held afternoon concerts the day prior to the annual gala to share the sense of commonality with people in the community who could not afford the price of tickets to the Gala.

Johnny hosted the talents that would play at the Gala the following evening. Knowing that Johnny Canales would be the host was as big a draw as the bands which would be playing. I watched in awe as little boys and girls, largely of Central American heritage, cautiously walked up to Johnny to shake his hand . . . inevitably, they all said, "You got it," mimicking his signature line.

Mr. Speaker, since our business keeps me here this week and away from my friends who are celebrating Johnny's career, I hope all of you will join me in commemorating this patriot and great Hispanic talent.

**SALUTE TO THE CITY OF YOAKUM,
TEXAS**

HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. PAUL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the City of Yoakum, Texas, which will celebrate its 112th birthday on Wednesday, July 28, 1999, with a festival at the city's Heritage Museum.

Yoakum is located partially in western Lavaca County and partially in eastern DeWitt County. Today, the city is known as the "Leather Capital of the World," due primarily to the economic impact of 12 leather goods manufacturing firms and some 16 factory locations in Yoakum.

In its early years, Anglo-Americans used Yoakum as a gathering site for thousands of bawling Texas Longhorns that were grouped into cattle drives and driven along the Chisolm Trail to market. Yoakum's townsite was established in 1887 with the arrival of the San Antonio & Aransas Pass Railroad—the railroad of Yoakum's history.

Once, Yoakum was the "Green Wrap" tomato capita of the world and still commemorates this heritage with the annual "Tom Tom Festival." As that industry faded, the community leaders—namely Mr. C. C. Welhausen—fostered the idea that Yoakum needed another industry as a base to its economy. The result: a leather industry era that now employs some 1,500 and produces millions of dollars of the Yoakum area economy.

Beef production is also huge in Yoakum, and both Lavaca and DeWitt Counties rank in the top five counties in the State of Texas in cow-calf operations. A true cowboy culture exists in the Yoakum area due to the thousands of head of cattle grown on area ranches.

I am proud to represent a city so full of rich, Texas heritage. Mr. Speaker, I hope you will join me sending happy birthday wishes to the City of Yoakum, Texas.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mrs. JONES of Ohio. Mr. Speaker due to official business, I was unable to record my vote on several measures considered in the House of Representatives on Monday, July 12, 1999. Had I been present I would have voted "aye" on approving the Journal; H. Con. Res. 144; H. Con. Res. 107; and "aye" on H. Con. Res. 117.

**IN HONOR OF SERGEANT RONALD
ICELY AND HIS 31 YEARS OF
DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE
RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF
MILPITAS**

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to honor and congratulate Sergeant Ronald Icelly, for serving the residents of the City of Milpitas for more than 31 outstanding years.

Sergeant Ronald Icelly attended Mt. Whitney High School in Visalia, CA, and graduated in 1965. He then continued his education at College of the Sequoias and San Jose State University. He began his career in public service as a reserve officer with the San Jose Police Department while at San Jose State University in 1967. On August 1, 1968, Ronald Icelly was appointed to the Milpitas Police Department. He was promoted to senior officer in 1973, and promoted to Sergeant in 1975.

During his many years of service, Sergeant Icelly has received numerous letters of appreciation and commendation from the citizens of Milpitas as well as from many government agencies. He has been praised by his past supervisors for the high quality of his work, his leadership skills and investigative experience.

In his tenure as a police officer, Ronald Icelly saw Milpitas grow from a small community to a thriving city of 65,000 people. As the city grew his charge became more demanding, but Sgt. Icelly continued to serve commendably.

Early in his career Sergeant Icelly became a member of the department's K-9 squad. He served as K-9 officer for five years with his canines, "Romell" and "Toma". He also received advanced training in supervision, and homicide and sexual assault investigation.

Sergeant Icelly has served as a field training officer and field supervisor in the patrol and traffic sections. He was also a supervisor in the Investigation Division and the lead investigator in "felony persons" crimes that included high profile homicide, robbery and sexual assault cases.

Sergeant Icelly has been very active with the youth of the community throughout his career. He coached PAL basketball, PAL baseball, and little league baseball for nine years. Sergeant Icelly was also a charter member of the Milpitas Police PAL Board of Directors.

The city will be honoring Sgt. Ronald Icelly at a retirement dinner on July 30, 1999. I would like to join them in applauding his hard work and dedication. He has a fine record of accomplishments and is an inspiring example of citizenship. I wish Sergeant Icelly the best in all his future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO GUS LEMIEUX

HON. JAMES L. OBERSTAR

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. OBERSTAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to World War I veteran and Fond du Lac Reservation tribe member Gus LeMieux.

Not only is Gus LeMieux the oldest (at 100 years) Fond du Lac Reservation tribe member, but he is also the oldest serving World War I veteran in Douglas County, WI. Gus joined the U.S. Navy in 1916 and served on the U.S.S. *Rhode Island* and the U.S.S. *Massachusetts*, as well as on an oil tanker. He also served in the U.S. military on a submarine tender during World War I.

Now the oldest Fond du Lac Reservation tribe member, Gus is well-known in the community. He is admired not only for his standing as an Elder, but also because of his kindness and gentleness. A hard worker, Gus is well-liked and greatly respected.

Gus is a pillar of the community, both as a veteran in the Armed Forces and as a tribe member. I know my colleagues join me in thanking Gus LeMieux for serving the Fond du Lac Reservation and the United States during the past century.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. GARY MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I was inadvertently detained and unable to vote on rollcall No. 279, regarding United Nations General Assembly Resolution ES 10/6. Had I been here, I would have voted "aye."

CONGRATULATING CERTAINTEED
ON THEIR 20TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1999

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Chowchilla CertainTeed Fiberglass Insulation Plant on their 20th Anniversary as a major contributor to the Chowchilla and Madera County communities.

CertainTeed began construction in 1978 and started operation on May 15, 1979. Since then, the plant has generated over \$200 million in wages and taxes, which have helped