

grandparents, of Grace Louise Davis born on January 8, 1999. I had the pleasure of meeting their beautiful granddaughter when she was less than a month old at my home during my annual Chowder feed this year.

Prior to joining the faculty at City College of San Francisco, Bill taught junior high school in Pittsburg, California. He spent roughly 30 years teaching at CCSF, where he also helped to build the art department. Many of his fellow faculty members and several of his former students are also helping to celebrate this tremendous achievement. Since his retirement, Bill has researched and co-written, Manjiro, a colorful story about the first Japanese person to visit, and later open relations with the United States. He has produced a number of multi-media presentations and video documentaries. Most recently he started, "Gift of a Lifetime" in which he produces special personalized video biographies. Bill is also a real family man and as you see today, managed to capture many of our favorite moments on film.

Millie is truly a special, one-of-a-kind person who is constantly taking care of others. She has been a devoted mother and very involved in her community over the years. Besides volunteering on numerous campaigns, she has been quite involved in the Parent Teachers Association and the American Association of University Women, to name just a few of her activities. After the children were in school she went back to work at the James Irvine Foundation in San Francisco, where she was the Executive Assistant to the President for over a decade.

After 50 years of marriage, Bill and Millie are life-long companions that truly complement each other. They are a wonderful example for others and an inspiration to us all. I would like to congratulate them both again on this truly significant achievement.

CELEBRATING THE REDEDICATION OF EL SEGUNDO MIDDLE SCHOOL

HON. STEVEN T. KUYKENDALL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 15, 1999

Mr. KUYKENDALL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the rededication of the El Segundo Middle School. Closed for the last twenty years, the school's facilities have been repaired and upgraded and its doors are once again open to students and faculty.

El Segundo Junior High School first opened in 1965, but it closed shortly thereafter due to a decline in enrollment. The school was then leased to the Los Angeles Raiders to serve as a training facility for the professional football franchise.

In recent years the El Segundo community has experienced a significant growth in families and it soon became clear that another middle school was necessary. Through the vision and determination of local educators and parents, the El Segundo Middle School is being rededicated today.

I commend the citizens of El Segundo in recognizing the importance of their children's education and approving the school bond

measures necessary for preparing the school for its reopening.

I congratulate the Board of Education, Superintendent Watkins, Assistant Superintendent Smith, and Principal Webb on the re-dedication of El Segundo Middle School. I wish the students of El Segundo much success during their years at El Segundo Middle School.

A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE OF THE HONORABLE JOHN MORENO

HON. GRACE F. NAPOLITANO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 15, 1999

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, as a former Member of the California Legislature, it is with particular sadness that I offer this Memorial Tribute to a pioneering colleague, the Honorable John Moreno, late a retired Member of the Assembly, 51st District from 1962-1964.

Assemblyman John Moreno was one of the first Latinos elected to the California Legislature in the 20th Century. A native son of Los Angeles, California, he won election in 1962 from what was then the 51st Assembly District, encompassing parts of East Los Angeles, Santa Fe Springs, Pico Rivera and Montebello. These same communities that I now proudly represent in my 34th Congressional District, were very honorably and well represented by my distinguished predecessor during a time of historic growth and achievement in the State of California.

One of Assemblyman Moreno's major accomplishments in office was winning passage of a bond issue to build Rio Hondo Community College in the 1960's after three earlier bond measures had failed. He also helped the college district avert bankruptcy through legislation that allowed it to prolong a tax override and complete construction of the campus in 1966.

Assemblyman Moreno demonstrated leadership on a host of important legislation including civil rights, aid to the aged and support for farm workers. He served on the state Compensatory Education Commission and co-authored a bill that funded special programs for disadvantaged students, including youths from migrant families and those who were learning English.

John Moreno began his political career as a member of the first City Council of the City of Santa Fe Springs, California. He was a driving force behind city incorporation in 1957 and later served as Mayor. Before entering the Assembly, he taught elementary and high school for 11 years in Pico Rivera, Whittier and Los Angeles. He served in the Navy during the closing months of World War II, then attended the University of Southern California, earning a Bachelors degree in 1951. After leaving the Legislature, he moved to Washington, D.C., where he taught school and opened a home improvement business. He later moved to New York City and ran his business there until retirement in 1992.

The Honorable John Moreno was one of just a few remarkable minority candidates to

break through the heavy obstacles of institutional racism during an era when legislative districts were routinely gerrymandered to prevent Mexican-Americans and other minorities from holding elective office. He and his few Latino colleagues paved the way for future generations of Latino elected leaders, including myself, where today the Latino Legislative Caucus in the California Legislature numbers 7 state Senators and sixteen Members of the Assembly, including the past two consecutive Speakers of the Assembly.

John Moreno passed away August 19, 1999 at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York. He was 72 years of age. He is survived by his wife of 18 years, Judith Anderson, four daughters and two sons from a previous marriage, and two sisters.

Mr. Speaker, I join with his many friends and admirers, former constituents and the cities and communities of his Southeast Los Angeles County district in mourning his loss and paying tribute to his many outstanding accomplishments and dedicated service to others.

IN HONOR OF THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOREST CITY PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 15, 1999

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate the Forest City Park Civic Association of Cleveland, Ohio on its 60th charter anniversary. The Civic Association marked its anniversary with a celebration on August 10, 1999.

The Civic Association dates back to May 11, 1939 when it was first chartered by the state of Ohio as a non-profit, non-political organization. It was the first group in southeast Cleveland to set up a vigorous Neighborhood Improvement Program which served to catalyze similar programs in other communities.

The Forest City Park Civic Association has also pioneered many other activities during its 60 years of existence. They have been involved in a Green Up campaign to plant trees and shrubs throughout the community along with civic participation in pollution control and abatement. Other activities of the Civic Association entail garden tours, picnics and street parties for the community.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate the members of the Forest City Park Civic Association on their anniversary and salute them for sixty years of civic service and continuing their dedication to the community.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 25TH ANNI- VERSARY OF ST. HELENA HOS- PITAL'S FIRST OPEN HEART SURGERY

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 15, 1999

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize St. Helena Hospital