vis a vis established players in the market; and
take up valuable channel space which, in
the case of wireless operators, is limited to the
spectrum space available.

If our efforts to increase consumer choice are
to succeed, we must go beyond what we
have been able to accomplish in H.R. 1554.

I ask my colleagues to join me in a pledge
to reopen the debate about nondiscriminatory
retransmission consent and agree to study this
matter further to see what additional steps we
can take to strengthen the competitive position
of all new entrants into the video marketplace.
If we succeed, consumers will enjoy lower
prices, better service quality and more choice.

HONORING OF MAYOR-ELECT
JENNIE STULTZ

HON. SUE WILKINS MYRICK
OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 1999

Mrs. MYRICK. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in
honor of Mayor-elect Jennie Stultz as she pre-
pares to become the first female mayor of
Gastonia, North Carolina, in its 122-year his-
tory. Her candidacy galvanized middle-aged
women and young moms who, local studies
indicated, felt disenfranchised in the last mu-
icipal elections.

Her campaign to improve the image of the
city, which once was chosen as an All Amer-
ican City, resounded with her fellow citizens. I
applaud her efforts to promote the City of
Gaston as the friendly, progressive and All
American City that she and I know it to be.

Jennie Stultz has dedicated 20 years of her
life as a community activist and volunteer. She
served as Administrator of Gastonia Clean
City, then as Community Relations Director
from 1982 to 1997.

She gave of her time and services on nu-
erous civic boards, including the House of
Mercy, which assists those with terminal ill-
nesses; the Governor’s Council for Children
and Youth; and has just completed a term as
Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the
Gaston Literacy Council, Inc.

Her father, Elmore Thomas, who was sta-
tioned overseas during World War II, wrote in
a letter dated July 23, 1944: “When I get
back, I might run for mayor of Gastonia. At
least, all the boys in the unit say I should.”

I commend Jennie Stultz for carrying on that
tradition of service to community and nation
for which her father fought and for realizing a
long, unfulfilled family dream.

My fellow colleagues, I ask that you join me
in saluting a woman who exemplifies the spirit
of optimism for the future and the pride of
community that prevails in this land. May her
tenure bring continued prosperity and pride to
the people of Gastonia, North Carolina.

HONORING THE SALVATION ARMY OF TORRANCE

HON. STEVEN T. KUYKENDALL
OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 1999

Mr. KUYKENDALL. Mr. Speaker, I rise
today to recognize an important organization in
my district, the Salvation Army of Torrance.

The Salvation Army was established in 1865
by an ordained minister. The organization was
founded upon strong religious beliefs, recog-
nizing the interdependence of material, emo-
tional, and spiritual needs. The basic social
services have remained an expression of the
Army’s strong religious principles. Throughout
the years, new programs have been estab-
lished to address contemporary needs.

The Salvation Army provides assistance to
millions of people throughout the world. Serv-
cices range from providing disaster relief to
drug and alcohol counseling. They provide an
invaluable service to those in need.

During the last twenty years, the Salvation
Army of Torrance has expanded its program
to include preschool, adult day care, summer
day camp, after school programs, outreach
ministries, and a family service department.
This organization has left a positive impact
on the South Bay, providing assistance to
thousands.

I commend the volunteers and staff of the
Salvation Army of Torrance for their commit-
ment and dedication of this charitable cause.
Congratulations on this milestone.