

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 prepares to become the first female mayor of Gastonia, North Carolina, in its 122-year history. Her candidacy galvanized middle-aged women and young moms who, local studies indicated, felt disenfranchised in the last municipal elections.

Her campaign to improve the image of the city, which once was chosen as an All American City, resonated with her fellow citizens. I applaud her efforts to promote the City of Gastonia 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 numerous civic boards, including the House of Mercy, which assists those with terminal illnesses; 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 stationed 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.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE JOHN
H. HARLAND COMPANY DALLAS-
AREA FACILITY

HON. RICHARD K. ARMEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 1999

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the John H. Harland Company's Dallas-area Facility on its 25th Anniversary.

The John H. Harland Company is the second largest check printer in the United States and the leading provider of database marketing to financial institutions. Founded in 1923, the John H. Harland Company opened its Dallas facility in 1974. Today, this facility employs 320 people and processes 112,000 orders per week. In April 1997, John H. Harland Company moved into the 26th Congressional District, opening a 83,000 square foot facility in Grapevine, Texas.

Harland's recent move to a regional network of nine production facilities has brought additional work into the Grapevine facility and has contributed to the local economy. It also improves the quality of the company's services and offers greater economic security for its employees and their families.

I offer my sincere congratulations to the employees of this facility and to the John H. Harland Company on this momentous occasion.

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. This year the Salvation Army of Torrance is celebrating twenty years of service to the South Bay community.

The Salvation Army was established in 1865 by an ordained minister. The organization was founded upon strong religious beliefs, recognizing the interdependence of material, emotional, 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 established to address contemporary needs.

The Salvation Army provides assistance to millions of people throughout the world. Services 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 upon the South Bay, providing assistance to thousands.

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

November 19, 1999

HONORING PLANNED PARENTHOOD
ASSOCIATION OF BUCKS COUNTY,
PA

HON. JAMES C. GREENWOOD

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 1999

Mr. GREENWOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Planned Parenthood Association of Bucks County (PPABC) on its 35th anniversary, and the fine people who work to ensure the men and women in our area have access to the highest quality health services available. I especially want to thank the leadership of Linda Hahn, CEO, and Sandra Trainer, Chair of the Board, for guiding PPABC in its efforts.

PPABC has served Bucks County well. It is dedicated to the principles that every individual has a fundamental right to decide when or whether to have a child, and that every child should be wanted and loved.

Each year, Planned Parenthood health centers like the five in Bucks County provide high quality, affordable reproductive health care and sexual health information. PPABC is made up of highly trained, dedicated and thoughtful people. While they come from different walks of life, they are uniformly committed to ensuring that men and women have access to the care they need.

Each Planned Parenthood affiliate is a unique, locally governed health service organization that reflects the diverse needs of its community. PPABC health centers offer a wide range of services to its 13,000 patients each year, including providing comprehensive, confidential, reproductive health services; providing education and counseling services which promote healthy human sexuality; and protecting and advocating for reproductive rights and services. They encourage communication between adolescents and parents to help nourish the bonds that hold families together. In our day and age, children and teens must be armed with the knowledge to deal with serious issues such as sexuality, drugs, communicable diseases, and, in unfortunate circumstances, abortion. The men and women at PPABC help guide these difficult decisions, and the people of Bucks County are better off for their assistance.

Planned Parenthood Association of Bucks County is committed to helping people become active supporters and advocates for reproductive health. Quite frankly, Mr. Speaker, they help me understand the needs and concerns of the men and women in my district, and I am better able to use that information to effectuate change and prevent back peddling in this Congress. They are a critical resource for me, and I am truly thankful for their valued input.

I congratulate the Planned Parenthood Association of Bucks County for 35 years of dedicated, tireless service, and wish them continued success in their next 35 years.