this stock. However, Section 7(h)(1)(C) of ANCSA provides certain exceptions to the general prohibition on the alienation of Settlement Common Stock. Under Section 7(h)(1)(C)(iii), the holder of Settlement Common Stock may transfer some or all of the Settlement Common Stock to a close family member by inter vivos gift. Gifts of Settlement Common Stock are permitted to, among others, a child, grandchild or great-grandchild.

Alaska state law has been interpreted to sever, for all purposes, the relationship between a family and a child who has been adopted out, or for whom parental rights have been relinquished or terminated. Thus, under existing law, a holder of Settlement Common Stock may not inter vivos gift transfer Settlement Common Stock to a child who has been adopted by another family. The proposed amendment in Section 2 will permit the biological family of an Alaska Native child to make an inter vivos gift to that child of Settlement Common Stock, regardless of the child’s adoption into a non-Native family, or the relinquishment or termination of parental rights. The enactment of the provisions of Section 2 will resolve the problem currently faced by some Alaska Native children who are unable to receive shares in an Alaska Native Corporation because the relationship with their biological family has been legally severed under Alaska State law.

Section three. Definition of Settlement Trust.

Congress enacted the settlement trust option in ANCSA to allow Alaska Native Corporations to establish trusts to hold assets for the benefit of Alaska Native Shareholders. As the law currently stands, these trusts may be established only by shareholders of Settlement Common Stock. The amendments contained in Section three will permit Native Corporation shareholders, by the vote of a majority of shares, to extend this benefit of ANCSA to all of the Native people in their community, including the children and grandchildren of the original stockholders, regardless of whether they yet own stock in the Native Corporation. This amendment redefines “settlement trust” to permit Native Corporations to establish settlement trusts in which potential beneficiaries include shareholders, Natives and descendants of Natives. Because ANCSA was enacted to benefit all Natives, this amendment is in keeping with the original intent of that legislation. At the same time, the interests of Alaska Native Corporation shareholders are protected because this option is available only to those Corporations whose shareholders vote, by a majority of all outstanding voting shares, to benefit non-shareholders.

TRIBUTE TO THE PEOPLE OF WAMU

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 1999

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask the House to join me in honoring WAMU 88.5 FM’s regional public affairs program, Metro Connection, which recently won not one but two Achievement in Radio Awards in the 13th annual competition sponsored by the March of Dimes to recognize excellence in Washington area radio. Washington area residents are especially proud that this is the fourth consecutive year that Metro Connection has been honored as the best locally produced public affairs program. Washingtonians have long admired the professionalism and wonderfully interesting programming of those sharing in the honors, including News Director Kathy Merritt, line producer David Furst, and reporters Annie Wu, Lakshmi Singh, and Lex Gillespie. Metro Connection also won the best news series award for its “20th Century Washington” series, a review of the city of Washington as it has evolved during this century. Kathy Merritt, David Furst, Annie Wu, Lex Gillespie and Andrew Pergam, who received this award, take us on a fascinating journey in a 10 part series, one story for each decade of the century, with special features each month. This radio is at its substantive and most interesting best. Those of us fortunate enough to listen within listening range of WAMU’s Metro Connection value its focus on issues where we live and, on what we do. Metro Connection is an especially welcome visitor in Washington area homes on Saturday mornings at 11 a.m.

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HON. NANCY POLSKI
OF CALIFORNIA
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Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, Joe Serna was a good man and an outstanding Mayor. I was honored to join my colleagues this week and support House Resolution 363, recognizing and honoring Sacramento, California, Mayor Joe Serna, Jr., and expressing the condescension of the House of Representatives to his family and the people of Sacramento on his death. As a son of an immigrant farm worker, he learned the values of hard work which exemplified his career. Eager to help others, Joe entered the Peace Corps in 1966. When he returned to California, he joined the faculty at California State University, Sacramento, in 1969 becoming a professor of Government. He was so good at energizing and inspiring his students that in 1991 he received the Distinguished Faculty Award. Joe Serna continued serving his community by being first elected to the Sacramento City Council in 1981 and reelected in 1985 and 1989. He was then elected mayor of Sacramento in 1992 and again in 1996.

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For over twenty years, the FEC has annually sent to Congress requested statutory changes. And each year—just like in our recent campaign finance debate—provisions that are needed and have no real opposition become tangled up in our debate about how to ensure the integrity of our campaign finance system.

But this year we can do it differently. We have a solid FEC reform bill that combines needed changes into one package. We have bipartisan support for the bill.

If we fail to act it means that the work that we did in the House Administration Committee to create this worthwhile bill was just a cynical game to defeat comprehensive campaign finance reform. I have asked Speaker HASTERT to bring H.R. 2668 to the floor on the suspension calendar—and I urge him to do so again today. FEC reform standing alone is worthwhile. We have the chance to pass it and we should.

HONORING DR. JACK TURNER
OF TENNESSEE
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 1999

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Jack Turner for 30 years of service to Middle Tennessee State University as an associate professor of political science.

Dr. Turner has had a profound effect on many Middle Tennesseans. His patience and perseverance with the teaching profession have been invaluable assets to the Middle Tennessee community. Over the years, many members of my staff have had the benefit of his guidance. I, too, have had that privilege as a student, as well as being a colleague through my own teaching experience at Middle Tennessee State University.

I ask today that we recognize this man for his 30 years of achievement and dedication to the teaching profession and to Middle Tennessee State University. He has certainly ben-efited young minds with his vast knowledge and experience. As a representative of Middle Tennessee, I feel the same regret that the community feels to see Dr. Turner retire. I am, however, confident that he will contribute to the community in many other ways. So, I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representa-tives today to join me in wishing him well in his future endeavors.

REVERSE TREND OF HATRED AND ANTI-AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

HON. ELIJAH E. CUMMINGS
OF MARYLAND
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 1999

Mr. CUMMINGS. Mr. Speaker, I graduated from the University of Maryland School of Law in 1976. Twenty-three years later, in 1999, African Americans attending this University, in the shadow of our nation’s capital, are receiv-ing racist hate mail and threats.

Is it possible that instead of keeping our for-ward impetus as the most enlightened society in the world, the ignorant have taken the reins and are steering us backwards into the new millennium?

Well, recently, Florida Governor Jeb Bush closed the door of opportunity to many minori-ties by overturning affirmative action in state college admissions. This will result in exclu-sion; preventing us from realizing our full po-tential as a nation and I urge the Board of Re-gents to reject this action.

I also call upon this entire nation to reverse the trend toward the subversion of diversity and equality. Let’s take the reins and steer this nation forward.

CLOVIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
SALUTE TO BUSINESS

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 1999

Mr. RADANOVICHCH, Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Clovis Chamber of Com-merce 1999 Salute to Business honorees for their hard work and accomplishments. The honorees are: Anlin Industries, N&N Boats, Vicki Dobbs, and David Maestas.

Anlin Industries is being honored as the 1999 Industrial Company of the Year. Anlin Industries is a vinyl window and door manufac-turer that started eight years ago in October of 1991 with four employees, and no sales. In 1996, Anlin sales were $9.6 million with a seven figure net profit before taxes with 100 employees. This year Anlin Industries now has 183 employees with $21 million in sales.

President Thomas Vidmar attributes all of Anlin Industries success to the hard work of its employees.

Anlin’s mission is to be the preeminent re-placement window and door manufacturer in the country, providing their customers with the highest quality products and service in the business. Earning a fair return on investment and continually reinvesting those profits in their people and the business, ensuring Anlin’s long term success and career opportunities for generations to come.

N&N Boats and Mr. Rich Lyons is the 1999 Small Business of the Year Award recipient. Rich Lyons has been in the boating industry since 1977. He established N&N Boats in April 1994 when N&N Marine closed after 27 years in the Fresno/Clovis area. Initially the business was repairing boats and selling parts. Today they have a line of new boats and accessories. N&N Boats has assisted Western Di-rectory with the sponsorship of the Chamber Golf Tournament for the past two years.

Vicki Dobbs is the 1999 Professional Busi-ness Woman of the year. Vicki is a Realtor, and a native of Fresno graduating from Cali-fornia State University, Fresno as one of the first women in ag-education in the Valley. Vicki is a strong advocate for agriculture and the need for broad based agricultural education programs. She supports the Ag Advisory Com-mittee, the Clovis FFA, and serves as a Direc-tor on the Board for the Foundation for Clovis Schools. Vicki also supports the Clovis Police Activities League and has been involved with the Clovis High Ag Boosters. Vicki is an Exec-utive Ambassador for the Clovis Chamber of Commerce and was elected to the Board of Directors. She has been voted the Best Re-tailor in Clovis for the past several years by readers of the Clovis Independent. Vicki Dobbs is the top producing sales associate for the Clovis office of Guarantee Real Estate.

She is definitely tuned into Clovis and its unique way of life.

David Maestas is the Einar Cook Leader-ship Award recipient. The Einar Cook Leader-ship Award was developed to recognize those who step forward with a vision and are willing to work for what they believe in. David Maestas served eight years in the Army in the Military police. He then became active in the Title-Escrow Industry where he received the top sales award in the President’s Diamond Club five years in a row. He also was acting President in the Four Seasons Leads Group and President of the Optimist Club. David and his wife Jodie moved to Fresno in 1994 both working for First American Title Company. In just a few years, David and Jodie held a tremen-dous percentage of sales for the Clovis-Fresno area. With their involvement with the Clovis Chamber and the Clovis area, they were offered a new office location in Clovis, providing they could combine their efforts and increase sales by 5 percent. The Clovis office became the number 1 Office in Market share in Clovis and has been voted the Best Title-Escrow office four years in a row by the Clovis Independent. David received the Clovis Cham-ber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year Award and was designated as the Ambassador of the Year for the Chamber. David founded the Chamber’s Professional Executives Network and served as President of the Miss Clovis Scholarship Associate. He served as the 1998 Chairman Elect for the Clovis Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and served as President in 1999.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise to honor these recipients as they are being honored at the Clovis Chamber of Com-merce Salute to Business Luncheon. I want to congratulate Anlin Industries, N&N Boats, Vicki Dobbs, and David Maestas for their hard work and dedication to the community and the Clovis Chamber of Commerce. I urge my col-leagues to join me in wishing them many more years of continued success.

A TRIBUTE TO ONE OF FT. GREENE’S JEWELS, GEORGIANA TURNER

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 1999

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, as we close out the last Congressional session of the 20th century, I want to recognize the century of achievements by one of Brooklyn’s finest resi-dents, Georgianna Turner.

A native of St. Anne Parish in Jamaica, she was born in 1815. She immigrated to the United States with her older sis-ter, Lee, and young niece, Vera around 1915. While she has lived in the U.S. for 84 years, she has been a resident of Brooklyn’s Fort