

and to recognize the important life works of one of Los Angeles's finest residents, Mr. Isaiah Hillard Pillors, who passed away on September 10, 1999.

Isaiah H. Pillors was born March 23, 1914 to the union of Ella and Isaiah Hillard Pillors, Sr., in Shreveport, LA. He professed Christ at an early age and later united with Union Mission #1 Baptist Church. He received his early education in the public schools of Caddo Parish including a high school diploma from Central Colored High School in Shreveport. Isaiah then entered Tuskegee Institute, now Tuskegee University, in Tuskegee, AL. During his college years, he performed with the famous Tuskegee Choir whose director was the renowned composer, William L. Dawson. Isaiah also had an opportunity to work with the Great Scientist George Washington Carver. He went on to a Bachelor's degree in Agriculture.

Upon relocating to Los Angeles, CA, Isaiah worked briefly in the shipyards before obtaining a position with the Los Angeles Unified School District where he was employed for 34 years. He immediately joined the renowned Second Baptist Church with his late wife, Johnnie Louise. From his early affiliation with Second Baptist, he actively participated as a very faithful and tireless member. Throughout his 50 plus years of service, he continued his love of music as a dedicated member of the Cathedral Choir. Additionally, Isaiah worked as a Sunday School teacher where he helped to establish audio-visual programs to accompany the regular lesson plans. Famous for his barbecue and his willingness to cook for others, he also directed the weekly activities of the Church's kitchen committee, including the purchase of new kitchen equipment. Several times during my busy schedule, he prepared dinners for my family. He was such a noble man!

Isaiah's other great interest was his alma mater, Tuskegee University. Over a 45-year period, he held a variety of positions with the Los Angeles Tuskegee Alumni Club. His efforts were always geared toward supporting scholarship programs and enhancing overall alumni support for the University. He gave so freely of his time and financial resources.

Until his death, he was an active participant in the Alumni Scholarship Committee and served as the L.A. Club's Chaplain. Recently, he was recognized at the Club's Annual Scholarship Luncheon where a dais chair was set aside in his honor.

Isaiah Pillors was my friend. He was like "Grandpa" to my children. He was one of my strong supporters and admirers. He will truly

be missed by my family, his church family, and all who knew him in the Los Angeles Community.

LARRY A. COLANGELO, FINALIST,  
MANUFACTURING ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR

**HON. ROBERT A. BORSKI**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 22, 1999*

Mr. BORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to report that one of my outstanding corporate constituents, Larry A. Colangelo, was selected by Ernst & Young as a national finalist for Manufacturing Entrepreneur of the Year.

Larry heads SPD Technologies Inc. on Roosevelt Boulevard in the Third Congressional District of Pennsylvania. In the 1980s, SPD had become a dedicated supplier of electrical distribution equipment to the Navy. With the end of the Cold War, SPD came within a week of closing. Larry then took charge and had to figure out how to save the company, its UAW workforce and its hundreds of Pennsylvania retirees and their families.

In 1992, Larry implemented a growth strategy, which included development of new products based on commercial designs; record long-term agreements with labor; diversification into non-military markets; and an effective acquisition/consolidation program. At the same time, he was determined to stay as a critical part of the Navy's industrial base, and to keep faith with his retirees.

This year, SPD is employing more people than ever at Roosevelt Boulevard. The company has become a leading part of L-3 Communications, at a value more than twenty times its distress sale before Larry took over. When Ernst & Young picked Larry A. Colangelo as a finalist for Manufacturing Entrepreneur of the Year, it picked the right man.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Larry Colangelo. He is truly an outstanding entrepreneur and a great American citizen.

THE ASSOCIATION OF MAPPING SENIORS CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

**HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 22, 1999*

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to congratulate the Association of

Mapping Seniors who will celebrate their 25th anniversary on December 4, 1999. This social organization is made up of more than 760 employees and former employees of the National Imagery and Mapping Agency. These dedicated men and women have been involved for most of their working lives with the production of Maps, Charts, and Geospatial data, for use in the defense of our nation's security and in support of the men and women of our armed forces. This common bond of service to the nation has been a continuing source of pride and satisfaction to members of the AMS.

REGARDING FORMER  
CONGRESSMAN GEORGE BROWN

**HON. MARK UDALL**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 22, 1999*

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I want to take this opportunity to say a few words about our former colleague and ranking Science Committee member George Brown, Jr. His death earlier this year deprived this Congress and this country of a great champion of science and technology. While I worked with him for only a brief time, I felt as though I had known him for years because he had been a colleague and friend of my father and because his reputation was so well known.

George Brown was a man of courage and vision and ideological consistency. In his 34 years of distinguished service in the House, he worked to advance energy and resource conservation, sustainable agriculture, advanced technology development, space exploration, international scientific cooperation, and the integration of technology in education. He summed it up best himself in a New York Times article earlier this year: "I've thought that science could be the basis for a better world, and that's what I've been trying to do all these years."

I join my colleagues in expressing my sorrow at George Brown's untimely passing. I was privileged to have known him.