

Democrats to oppose a "haze rule" that the Environmental Protection Agency was promoting to cut pollution in national parks.

"We're delighted we're in place with this coalition," said a representative of the Chemical Manufacturers Association, who was also unnamed. "Maybe we need to rename it. How about just drop the word 'standards' and call it 'the Air Quality Coalition.'"

Others fretted that their opposition might rile EPA Administrator Carol M. Browner. "We don't want Browner to own this thing," said one. "The key is keeping it out of Carol Browner's bailiwick," said another.

The meeting's big decision: to plan a retreat to discuss strategy. "We're going to help our friends on the Hill, bring in key Hill staff to work with us," one remarked.

The lobbyists plotted tapping into corporate foundation that could fund pollution research and complained of their dwindling bank account ("only \$60,000") and the work that the Alpine Group, a lobby shop, was doing—at \$7,500 a month—finding Democrats to oppose the EPA rules.

Attendees, according to the notes, also included representatives of the American Petroleum Institute, the National Mining Association, General Motors, American Trucking Associations and Daimler Chrysler, among others.

"It's standard stuff" said Paul Bailey, Edison's vice president for environmental affairs, when asked about the notes. "We're surprised it has become a big deal."

An EPA official, speaking on condition he not be named, agreed. "They've been our nemesis for more than a year," the official said, adding the group had used similar tactics to fight a smog rule in 1997. "We wouldn't be surprised at anything the Air Quality Standards Coalition does. It's *déjà vu* all over again."

A SPECIAL THANKS TO RAY BELGARD

HON. SAM FARR
OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 4, 1999

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to convey the appreciation of Santa Cruz County, CA, for the 46 years of public service contributed by Ray Belgard, who retired from the county board of supervisors at the end of 1998.

Ray began his career with the Salinas Police Department where he began to acquire both his investigative skills and his abilities as a staff supervisor. In 1964, Ray was recruited by the Monterey County Office of the District Attorney where he worked with Peter Chang. In 1966, when Peter Chang was elected to the office of District Attorney of Santa Cruz County he persuaded Ray to join him as the county's chief inspector. In their joint effort to scrutinize the budget, Peter and Ray deleted an obscure item that appeared to be continued from the previous administration. The budget subsequently passed without a line for Peter's salary.

In 1982, in response to pleadings for his leadership in the Police Department from his home town Watsonville, Ray took control of the department and brought it to its current status as one of the most efficient and best-run police departments in the county.

In 1989, Ray retired from public life, or so he thought. After a year, Ray successfully ran for county supervisor for the 4th District, the area which included Watsonville. As became well-known to the public works director for the county, Ray was especially sensitive to the need for road repairs, an issue important in his rural district. Ray could also be relied upon to champion the causes of public employees, law enforcement, seniors, children and agriculture.

Ray Belgard's name will always evoke the image of a plain-spoken and direct man, concerned with the efficient delivery of public services. The tributes paid to him by his colleagues and constituents upon his retirement testify to the atmosphere of good feelings that surrounded Ray throughout his long and distinguished career.

TERRY SANFORD
COMMEMORATION ACT OF 1999

HON. BOB ETHERIDGE
OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 4, 1999

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, eleven months ago, North Carolina, and the country, lost a truly great American when former United States Senator and North Carolina Governor Terry Sanford died of complications associated with cancer. Terry Sanford lived a life that has served as a shining example of excellence to an entire generation.

Known as North Carolina's "Education Governor," Terry Sanford inspired teachers and students to excel with his unrelenting commitment to public education. It was his many contributions to education that led Harvard University to name him one of the top ten governors of the twentieth century.

As President of Duke University, Terry Sanford challenged a small regional university to dream big and to reach those dreams. And reach them it did. When Terry Sanford left Duke University it had become a world leader in research and higher education in law, medicine, business and the arts. It was his many contributions to creating what is generally regarded as the Harvard of the South that led Duke University to name its Institute for Public Policy after this great American.

Called to serve the public once again, Terry Sanford was elected to the United States Senate in 1986. In his years in the Senate, Terry Sanford distinguished himself as a passionate advocate for public education and the poor.

In addition to his most visible roles as a statesman, politician and University President, Terry Sanford served the people of North Carolina and this country in many ways. He served as a paratrooper in World War II, as an agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and as a state senator. Terry Sanford also participated in numerous charities and was one of North Carolina's leading arts patrons. His passion for the arts endured until his death as he spearheaded efforts to bring a word class performing arts facilities to North Carolina. Terry Sanford was also a committed husband to Margaret Rose and father to Terry, Jr., and Betsy.

Terry Sanford inspired me personally. In fact, when I was trying to decide if I should run for Congress, I met with Terry. His words of encouragement helped make up my mind, and they continue to inspire me today.

Last year I, along with every other member of the North Carolina delegation, introduced legislation to honor Terry Sanford by naming the Federal Building in Raleigh, North Carolina after this great man. While this legislation unanimously passed the House was sent to the floor in the Senate, time ran out before it could be considered and passed into law. Yesterday, I reintroduced this important legislation, again with the support of the entire delegation. Naming the Federal Building in Raleigh in honor of Terry Sanford will allow his influence to be felt by a new generation of leaders. This gesture is the least that this Congress should do to honor the contributions of this great American.

LAUREL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HON. BOB SCHAFFER

OF COLORADO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 4, 1999

Mr. SCHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay humble tribute to the students, teachers and parents of Laurel Elementary School in Colorado for their efforts to help the needy during the holidays. I commend the faculty of the school as well as all the students, parents and individuals who contributed to their special penny drive. Their selfless dedication has provided warmth, comfort and happiness to needy families in Colorado. That the school produced \$219 in pennies for the Open Door Mission is testament to the true meaning of the spirit of Christmas and Hanukkah. Let us remember, as these good people have, that the holiday season is one of giving, one of joy, and one of hope. Let the children's example during the holidays be a beacon to us all throughout the year.

IN HONOR OF SARA MCCLELLAND

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH
OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 4, 1999

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sara McClelland, a National Young Leaders Conference participant and a student at Berea High School in Berea, OH.

Sara has been selected to attend the National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, DC, this week. She is among 350 outstanding national scholars from across the country who are participating in a unique leadership development program. Since the theme of the conference is The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today, Sara is taking advantage of the opportunity to interact with key leaders and news makers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

This week, she is also participating in a number of leadership skill-building activities