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Allan and his brother, Gerald, purchased the Denver Broncos franchise and turned expenses into revenue. Their purchase was instrumental in keep the Broncos in Colorado.

Allan was also very active in the community through civic organizations and boards. He served on the board of trustees for the Denver Museum of Natural History, board of managers for Columbia Presbyterian-St. Luke Hospital, was active on the boards for the Denver Symphony Society, Red Rocks Summer Festival, Williams College, Graland School and Clayton College.

Sadly, Allan Phipps passed away in 1997. Many people have been inspired by the leadership of Allan Phipps and even more have respected him.

It is with this, Mr. Speaker, that I would like to recognize an inductee of the 2000 Colorado Business Hall of Fame, Mr. Allan Phipps, a truly great businessman and American.

#### COMMENDING MEL WOODS

### HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, January 31, 2000*

Mr. GARY MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commend Mr. Mel Woods for his work to improve mental health services for Californians.

Mr. Woods worked tirelessly to promote legislation to improve access to medication that treats schizophrenia. As a result of his work, Californians suffering from schizophrenia have access to medications that help them live happy and productive lives, without fear of debilitating side effects.

With the retirement of Mr. Woods, California has lost a strong advocate for Mental Health care. We commend Mr. Woods for his effort, and wish him a rewarding retirement.

#### DR. KAREN FORYS SELECTED AS WASHINGTON STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR

### HON. JAY INSLEE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, January 31, 2000*

Mr. INSLEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding educator in my district, Dr. Karen Forys. The Washington Association of School Administrators recently selected Dr. Forys, the Northshore School District Superintendent, as Washington State Superintendent, 2000. The Northshore School District is responsible for over 20,000 students in King and Snohomish Counties, and is the eighth largest school district in Washington State.

Dr. Forys, in her sixth year at Northshore, has served as superintendent in the Clover Park and Riverview School Districts. She obtained her Ph.D. at the University of Arizona and conducted post-graduate work at Columbia University.

The support that Dr. Forys receives from the teachers, parents, and board members is indeed inspiring. They all recognize Dr. Forys as an educational leader in her unwavering commitment to the students of Northshore. The deep level of respect and admiration can be seen in the Northshore School District's nomination letter. They write:

... Clearly, Karen exemplifies excellence in educational leadership... She is steadfast in providing varied learning opportunities, teaching styles and career choices for our students. Karen Forys personifies our District's mission statement. She truly seeks to strengthen our community through excellence in education.

I am also proud that Dr. Forys was among the first to champion High Tech Learning Centers (HTLCs) for every high school. Thanks to Dr. Forys' vision, HTLCs currently prepare high school students for post-secondary education in information technology and for careers in these fields. She clearly recognizes that the students of today must receive a high tech education in order to make them competitive in the global economy of the 21st century. This is particularly important for the 1st Congressional District, home to many exciting and innovative software, electronic, and biotech companies.

I am proud to have school administrators like Dr. Forys preparing our students for the future, and I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Dr. Forys as Washington State Superintendent, 2000.

#### IN MEMORY OF THE HONORABLE RUSSELL J. McFATRICH

### HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, January 31, 2000*

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep sadness that I inform the House of the death of the Honorable Russell J. McFatrigh of Sedalia, MO.

Russell McFatrigh was born May 14, 1923, near Bahner, MO, a son of James H. and Cleo E. Rhodes McFatrigh. He was an active member of his community, generously sharing many of his diverse interests and talents. In 1965-66, he and his wife received the State and County Extension Farm Management Award. Mr. McFatrigh served as Pettis County Commissioner for the Eastern District from 1975 to 1979. He was a board member of many organizations, including the Salvation Army, Production Credit Association, Mid-America Dairymen, Farm and Home Administration, the Children's Therapy Center, Community Bank, and the County Extension Council. He also was a member of Rotary and was named Rotarian of the Year in 1994 and a Paul Harris Fellow.

Russell McFatrigh was a 4-H leader, a State Fair Statesmen, and a member of Sedalia Knife and Fork. He also sang tenor beautifully and was asked to sing at many weddings, funerals, church services and community events. He was a life-long United Methodist Church member and attended the New Bethel United Methodist Church.

I know the Members of the House will join me in extending heartfelt condolences to his

family: his wife of 54 years, Helen Lucille Franklin McFatrigh; his son, Jerry; his two daughters, Carolyn and Mitzi; his mother, his brother and four sisters, seven grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

#### 2000 COLORADO BUSINESS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE, MR. GERALD PHIPPS

### HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, January 31, 2000*

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize an inductee for the 2000 Colorado Business Hall of Fame, Mr. Gerald Phipps.

Jointly produced by the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce and Junior Achievement, the Colorado Business Hall of Fame recognizes outstanding Colorado businesses and civic leaders from the past and present, publicizes the contributions of business leaders to our community and promotes the importance and value of the private enterprise system.

From their ownership of the Denver Broncos to the innovation that has preserved the Winter Park ski area, one cannot look at the history of Colorado and not find evidence of the Phipps' brothers outstanding accomplishments and contributions.

Gerald Phipps was born on March 4, 1915, in Denver, Colorado. For generations, the Phipps family has been important to Colorado. Lawrence Phipps, Sr. was a United States Senator and his wife, Margaret Rogers Phipps, was the founder and president of the Denver Symphony.

When Congress declared war on Japan in 1941, Gerald joined the United States Navy. After the war he returned to Colorado. Gerald's construction company, Gerald H. Phipps, Inc., built the Boettcher Conservatory at the Botanic Gardens, the business administration building and general classroom building at the University of Denver, and recently the company has begun work on the new Denver Bronco football stadium.

Gerald and his brother, Allan, purchased the Denver Broncos franchise and turned expenses into revenue. Their purchase was instrumental in keeping the Broncos in Colorado.

They were also very active in the community through civic organizations and boards. Gerald was the first and only non-player member of the Denver Broncos Ring of Fame, president of Gerald H. Phipps, Inc., Colorado College Board of Trustees, Diocese of Colorado Board of Trustees and various hospital projects throughout Colorado.

Sadly, Gerald passed away in August of 1993. Many people have been inspired by the leadership of Gerald Phipps and even more have respected him.

It is with this, Mr. Speaker, that I would like to recognize an inductee of the 2000 Colorado Business Hall of Fame, Mr. Gerald Phipps, a truly great businessman and American.