

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF ST. JOHN WEST  
SHORE HOSPITAL

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 20, 2000*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the opening of the new Cardiac & Critical Care Pavilion and the Rainbow RapidCare Program at St. John West Shore Hospital in Westlake, Ohio.

The Cardiac & Critical Care Pavilion is a \$9 million, two-story addition to the hospital's south side that will house all of the hospital's cardiac and critical care services. The Pavilion comprises not only 40,000 square feet of new space, but also 15,000 square feet of renovated existing space and 37 new beds. Providing a facility that will enhance convenience and accessibility for both patients and family members, the cardiac services will continue to meet the growing needs of Western Cuyahoga and Eastern Lorain Counties' residents. Under the medical direction of Drs. Dale Levy, MD; Muhammed Zarha, MD; Naim Farhat, MD and Timothy Taylor, DO, the Cardiac & Critical Care Pavilion will offer high quality service to patients in need of care.

The Rainbow RapidCare Program is also a facility that is growing to meet the needs of local families, and is committed to providing the best care possible for children and parents. Rainbow RapidCare is an urgent care center for children and adolescents with minor injuries and ailments, staffed by a team of physicians and nurses trained in Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine. Combining the resources of St. John West Shore Hospital and Rainbow Babies' and Children's Hospital, the program has been organized under the medical direction of Drs. John Bennet, MD and Emory Patrick, MD and under the nursing leadership of Katie Dixon, RN.

I commend all those involved in the establishment of these valuable medical facilities, and wish them every success for the future. Fellow Congressmen, please join with me in honoring the opening of these new and welcome additions to the St. John West Shore Hospital.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ARCH-  
BISHOP REMBERT WEAKLAND ON  
RECEIVING THE VISION FOR MIL-  
WAUKEE AWARD

**HON. GERALD D. KLECZKA**

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 20, 2000*

Mr. KLECZKA. Mr. Speaker, today I honor the Reverend Rembert Weakland, Archbishop of Milwaukee's Catholic Archdiocese, who has

been awarded the Milwaukee Ethnic Council's Vision for Milwaukee Award. Each year, this award is presented to an individual or organization for outstanding service to the community, and this year's recipient is certainly deserving of this prestigious honor.

The Archbishop began his Religious Life as a Benedictine monk at Solesmes Abbey in France, and was ordained to the Priesthood in 1951 at Subiaco, Italy. His lifelong love of music led him to pursue musical studies in Europe, as well as at the prestigious Julliard School of Music in New York, and Columbia University, where he just recently received a Ph.D. "with distinction" in Musicology from Columbia University.

First a music teacher at St. Vincent College, he went on to become Chancellor and Chairman of the Board of Directors. In 1967, he was elected Abbot Primate of the International Benedictine Confederation, and was appointed Chancellor of the International Benedictine College of Sant'Anselmo, Rome, Italy. On September 20th, 1977, Rembert Weakland was appointed Archbishop of Milwaukee by Pope Paul VI, and is the spiritual leader of nearly 700,000 Catholics in 10 Wisconsin counties.

Although "Strengthening bridges to harmony, respect and understanding" is actually the Milwaukee Ethnic Council's mission statement, it also very aptly describes Archbishop Weakland's life's work. For nearly 23 years, the Archbishop has served the people of this area with great integrity and humanity. He is one of our community's most respected leaders, by Catholics and non-Catholics alike.

Archbishop Weakland has worked hard to strengthen dialogue between area Catholics and members of other denominations. He has fostered an atmosphere of understanding and cooperation amongst the faith community in our area.

Always a strong advocate for social justice, the Archbishop has expanded the archdiocese's involvement in anti-poverty issues, providing assistance to inner city families in our area. One of his remaining goals in his final years before retirement is to get the Roman Catholic Church more involved in solving social problems in the central city. At a recent Jubilee-year gathering, Archbishop Weakland joined with other area Christian leaders in support of improved international debt relief for poor nations and increased assistance to the poor and disenfranchised in our own community.

It is, therefore, quite fitting that the Milwaukee Ethnic Council bestow the Vision for Milwaukee Award upon Archbishop Weakland, for he serves his Lord, his Church, and the people of Milwaukee with great vision and heart. Please join me in congratulating him on receiving this award, so richly deserved. May God's blessings continue to enrich his life and his ministry.

INTRODUCTION OF THE ENTER-  
PRISE INTEGRATION ACT OF 2000

**HON. JAMES A. BARCIA**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 20, 2000*

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Enterprise Integration Act of 2000, a bill that is designed to help U.S. small manufacturers in nine key industries stay competitive in the electronic enterprise age. The legislation instructs the Director of National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), through various NIST labs, the Malcolm Baldrige Quality Program, and the Manufacturing Extension Program, to work with the auto, aerospace, furniture, ship-building, textile, apparel, electronics, home building and major construction industries on the establishment of an industry-led effort at enterprise integration. If an industry has not begun an effort, NIST would be asked to help convene companies and trade associations in the industry to develop a strategy for developing and implementing a unified vision for supply chain integration. If efforts are already underway, NIST is to support the ongoing efforts, helping in the development of the expertise necessary for the enterprise integration to take place. NIST is asked to look at the suite of standards now in place and to help fill the holes in areas such as compatibility of older standards with emerging Internet standards. The bill authorizes appropriations of \$10 million for FY 2001 and \$15 million for FY 2002, and such sums as are necessary in subsequent years.

As impressive as the growth of Internet companies has been, its impact pales in significance to the impact that the Internet is having on how businesses work together. A key example is use of the Internet for enterprise integration in the manufacturing sector that permits a manufacturer and its suppliers to function as one virtual company. Companies will be able to exchange information of all types with their suppliers at the speed of light. Design cycle times and inter-company costs of manufacturing complex products will shrink. Information on design flaws will be instantly transmitted from repair shops to manufacturers and their supply chains.

Enterprise integration is occurring now because of today's computers and communications capabilities and because the Internet provides a practical medium for exchanging large amounts of manufacturing information in real-time. These technological advances coincided with the establishment in 1994 of an international data exchange standard that begins the process of permitting companies to share designs and engineering and manufacturing data even if they are written in different computer languages. However, this will be possible in individual industries only after the development of thousands of pages of instructions on how to translate every nuance of

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every drawing and every instruction for a specific industry.

Some companies and their governments realized faster than others how the manufacturing world is changing. Daimler-Benz is the leader in the auto industry, and it has been supported by the European Community research organization ESPRIT in its efforts to bring enterprise integration to the European automobile industry. It will not be long before every one of the companies which do business with Daimler, ranging from the component makers, to the machine tool makers, to the tool and die makers, to the steel and aluminum suppliers will be able to exchange design and manufacturing information quickly and effortlessly. Airbus has also managed to jump to a major lead on its U.S. competitors in supply chain integration. The U.S. Department of Defense is trying to accelerate enterprise integration among the companies which manufacture defense-related products, and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) has done standards work in this area for 20 years. Still, U.S. companies are struggling to catch up with their European counterparts and small businesses will need major help once the protocols are in place.

Enterprise integration has the potential to be the most important innovation in manufacturing since Henry Ford's assembly line. I hope we will have your support in enacting the Enterprise Integration Act because it will give U.S. industry the opportunity to be a leader in this much needed technology.

IN HONOR OF MR. WILLIAM  
GAMBATESE

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 20, 2000*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of William J. Gambatese, a business representative for Sheet Metal Workers Local 33 for 12 years.

William Gambatese was the president of Sheet Metal Workers Local 65 before it merged with the Local 33. In his tenure as recording secretary for the Cleveland Building Trades Council, William Gambatese played an active role in project labor agreements and was also active in local government in Greater Cleveland.

Mr. Gambatese's commitment to his fellow citizens came out of a 35-year history as a sheet metal worker. Knowing first hand the metal workers' concerns and needs provided the necessary insight to oversee activism in union affairs, AFL-CIO committees, Labor Day parade activities, and political campaigns.

William Gambatese was totally immersed in his job and was a dedicated representative of all of the membership. Championing the rights of workers was only one among numerous other civic activities. Mr. Gambatese also chaired the Dollars Against Diabetes Society. Mr. Gambatese's life-work encompassed providing "quality" life to those most in need. Never losing sight of what was most important: his family and community. William Gambatese's humanitarianism will endure in

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his wife of 29 years, Linda; daughters Laurie and Jennifer; son, Michael, stepson Donald, three grandchildren; four brothers, and two sisters. Mr. Gambatese was 55 years old.

My fellow colleagues, please join with me in honoring William Gambatese for his lifelong commitment and dedication to workers' rights.

A TRIBUTE TO AMERICA'S  
LIBERTY SHIPS

**HON. JAMES A. BARCIA**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 20, 2000*

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, between 1941 and 1944 over 2,700 Liberty ships were built under President Roosevelt's \$350,000,000 shipbuilding program. These vessels were cargo ships designed to augment the enormous supply needs of the war effort. As the only remaining operational Liberty Ship and the last operational troopship of World War II, the S.S. *John W. Brown* is currently touring the northeastern coast and the Great Lakes to honor the troops and merchant marines who served in WWII.

During the war, the *John W. Brown* served as a standard cargo ship and, after conversion, as a limited capacity troop transport ship in the Mediterranean Theatre and in the invasions of Salerno and Southern France. After the war, the S.S. *John W. Brown* served in unique and critical roles. The ship was first used to move cargo across the North Atlantic to rebuild European cities and nations. Then, in December 1946, she was loaned by the Maritime Commission to the City of New York to serve as a high school. For the next 36 years she was cared for by students and teachers who operated the world's only nautical high school. Because of the ship's light use and regular maintenance by the school, the S.S. *John W. Brown* has remained in remarkable condition for a vessel of its age.

In 1988, the ship was acquired by Project Liberty Ship, a nonprofit foundation dedicated to preserving the memory of the Liberty Ships that were so critical to the success of the war. Project Liberty Ship, was established as a volunteer membership organization with the goal of restoring the S.S. *John W. Brown* to its original operating condition as a WWII Museum and Memorial.

Mr. Speaker, the S.S. *John W. Brown* is on a voyage this summer from Baltimore through the St. Lawrence Seaway and through Lakes Ontario and Erie. This celebration voyage is a fitting tribute to both our troops who gave their lives in the war and those who acted in support of them. I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to our soldiers, our merchant marines and to the members of Project Liberty Ship, who have given their time and energy to preserve the memory of those brave American soldiers who died for our liberty.

*July 21, 2000*

IN HONOR OF STANLEY EUGENE  
TOLLIVER, SR.

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 20, 2000*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute to Stanley Eugene Tolliver, Sr., the recipient of the N.A.A.C.P. Freedom Award, this organization's highest honor.

Mr. Tolliver, a Cleveland attorney, was born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio. As the only child of Eugene and Edna Tolliver, he excelled both academically and athletically. For example, he graduated from the East Technical High School in 1944, where he was the State champion in the 440 yard dash, and having been blessed with a velvet voice, he was the first place winner in the Ohio State Vocal Contest.

Mr. Tolliver continued his education at Baldwin Wallace College, by majoring in pre-law and minoring in music and speech. It is clear that from the start that Mr. Tolliver has been dedicated to tackling interracial issues. At Baldwin Wallace College, he founded the first interracial Greek-letter fraternity, Epsilon, which is now a national organization known as Pi Lambda Pi. Having this passion and love for law and civil justice, Mr. Tolliver knew that in order to make a contribution to society he would need to prepare and armor himself with a deeper understanding of the law. Thus, he continued his law studies and earned his Juris Doctorate from Cleveland Marshall School of Law in October 1969. In the midst of his studies, Mr. Tolliver was drafted into the armed services, where he served in the United States Army's Counter Intelligence Corps for two years. While still serving in active duty Tolliver passed his bar examination in March 1953 and has been engaged in the general practice of law ever since.

Mr. Tolliver's accolades and honors are never ending. His most notable honors include Life Member of N.A.A.C.P., member of the East Tech Athletic Hall of Fame, Outstanding Alumnus Award from Baldwin Wallace College, past president of the Cleveland Chapter National Conference of Black Lawyers, Regional Director of the Conference of Black Lawyers, and former legal counsel for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Mr. Tolliver has also been elected to "Who's Who in Ohio" in 1961, the Cleveland Board of Education in 1981, 1985, 1987, 1989, and 1990.

Mr. Tolliver's efforts to advocate the causes of those who may be underrepresented reflects not only his fearless dedication to his life works, but also his unhesitating willingness to take the unpopular stand for justice. His commitment and devotion to upholding freedom, justice and equity is truly commendable.

My fellow distinguished colleagues, please join me in honoring Stanley Eugene Tolliver, Sr. for his N.A.A.C.P. Freedom Award and in recognizing his many accomplishments and contributions to the community.