

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

THE NAMING OF THE CARL RENYA MEMORIAL FIELD ON THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CAPUCHINO HIGH SCHOOL

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 5, 2000

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, too often in today's world, our newspapers are filled with stories about all of the things that are wrong with sports. Today, I want to take a moment to honor someone who was an example of all that can be right about athletic competition.

I want to report to my colleagues in this House about a man with an innocent passion for sports, who embodied the virtues of good sportsmanship. A man with a kind gentle spirit, who was an institution on the bleachers and the fields of Capuchino High School in San Bruno and other high schools in San Bruno, Burlingame, and Millbrae, California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding man—Carl Renya.

A graduate of Capuchino High School and affectionately known as "Mr. Capuchino," Carl was the personification of all that is good about sport. A lifelong fan of our Peninsula high schools, Carl could be counted on to be in the audience for every game. He was such a part of the competition that athletes and made rubbing his bald head a pre-game ritual for good luck. In addition to attending every game, Carl regularly authored a sports column in the San Bruno Herald. Although he did not possess the greatest singing voice, Carl took great pride in telephoning local high school principals at 6:00 a.m. on game day mornings to sing the school's fight song.

Mr. Speaker, Carl Renya passed away in March of 1998. It was appropriate that the memorial service for Carl was held in the Gymnasium of Capuchino High School with athletes, cheerleaders, two marching bands, and brightly colored banners which recalled his commitment to the school and its athletic programs.

On Sunday October 8th the people of the Peninsula will gather to honor the 50th Anniversary of Capuchino High School. As part of the anniversary celebration, the school's football field will be renamed and dedicated to honor Carl Renya. Mr. Speaker, I cannot imagine a more appropriate honor. During his brief but full fifty-nine years, Carl touched the lives of all those with whom he came in contact. Now that Carl is gone, those whose lives he touched have their opportunity to cheer for him. Mr. Speaker, even though Carl is no longer cheering on the sidelines, his presence will still be felt at every Capuchino High School football game—which now will be played at the Carl Renya Memorial Field.

TRIBUTE TO ALBERT MARDIROSSIAN, JR., PASSAIC LIONS CLUB MAN OF THE YEAR

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

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Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to call to your attention the deeds of a person I am proud to call my friend, Albert Mardirossian, Jr. of Clifton, New Jersey, who will be recognized on Friday, October 6, 2000 as the Passaic Lions Club Man of the Year. He was feted because of his many years of service and leadership. The 80-year-old organization chooses one man each year that has, "given themselves to both the city and its residents." It is only appropriate that he be honored, for he has a long history of caring, generosity and commitment to others.

Albert was recognized for his many years of leadership in New Jersey, which I have been honored to represent in Congress since 1997, and so it is only fitting that these words are immortalized in the annals of this greatest of all freely elected bodies.

Born in Passaic, New Jersey, Albert Mardirossian, Jr. graduated from Clifton High School in 1956. He received his BS from Fairleigh Dickinson University in 1960. As an undergraduate, he served as Class President, Student Council President and Captain of the Fencing Team. Later, he was the school's fundraising chair in 1965 and its Alumni President in 1966.

Albert has always been an active and involved leader. The time at Fairleigh Dickinson instilled in Albert the attributes necessary for him to become a stellar force in the community. It was the small steps in the beginning of his career that taught him the fundamentals that would make him a role model to the people that he now serves.

Known for a questioning mind and an ability to get things done, Albert has received numerous community awards. These include two previous "Man of the Year" designations. The Passaic Optimists named him in 1985, and the Passaic Old Timers AA tapped him in 1986. He also received "Appreciation Awards" from the Hispanic Information Center of Passaic in 1985 and from the Passaic County Freeholders in 1993. In addition, he is a winner of the Councilman Jim Shoop Community Service Award and the Deacon Magnus Ellen Community Service Award.

Currently, Al builds homes and develops properties in South Jersey, mostly in Little Egg Harbor Township in Ocean County. This native of Passaic and Clifton resident is active in both communities. He has long donated time and money to school athletics. This was evidenced in 1999 with the naming of the Passaic High School "Albert Mardirossian, Jr. Weight & Training Room." Sports are a pas-

sion for Al since he used to own two sporting goods stores.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join our colleagues, Albert's family and friends and me in recognizing the outstanding and invaluable service to the community of Albert Mardirossian, Jr., a true humanitarian.

TRIBUTE TO JOSEPHINE YOUNGS

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

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Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask my colleagues here in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in honoring Mrs. Josephine Youngs of Roselle, New Jersey as she celebrates her 100th birthday.

Born on October 25, 1900, in Jacksonville, Florida, Mrs. Youngs is the youngest surviving child of eight siblings, four brothers and four sisters. Mrs. Youngs married Walter Youngs in 1921, and they became the parents of one child. Mrs. Youngs has lived in Roselle, New Jersey for 28 years and is now cared for by her daughter, Geraldine McLean. A long time member of Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in Newark, Mrs. Youngs maintains a keen interest in current events, including the upcoming Presidential election. In addition, she is accomplished at sewing, quilt making, and gardening. She also cheers for the Yankees during baseball season.

Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Youngs is truly an inspiration to those around her. As her family and friends gather to celebrate her life spanning a century, it is fitting that we take this opportunity to pay tribute to her and to extend our very best wishes on this special birthday.

IN RECOGNITION OF CONSTITUENT JANE RYAN

HON. SHELLEY BERKLEY

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 5, 2000

Ms. BERKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the great work of my constituent, Jane Ryan, RN, MN, CNA, who is ending her tenure this year as President of the American Psychiatric Nurses Association (APNA).

Mr. Speaker, Jane Ryan has dedicated her entire career to the field of mental health. For many years, Ms. Ryan focused on training the next generation of psychiatric nurses at the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA). As a tribute to her work, former students have been known to still talk about Jane's unique ability to bring out the best in her pupils. Despite her busy schedule, ever the teacher and mentor, Jane still continues to

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