

Susan Poole has made to the California Corrections Community over her 28 years of dedicated service.

RECOGNITION OF THE LEARN SHOP, INC.

HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 2, 2000

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I recognize the achievements of Learn Shop, Inc., a Montgomery County based United Way organization that is dedicated to improving economically disadvantaged school communities throughout the Baltimore-Washington Metropolitan area. Entering its second year, their "Drive for Supplies" program has made significant advances towards reducing poverty in school communities by aiding underprivileged students, schools, and communities. This creative recycling program, in conjunction with Montgomery County Public Schools, encourages students at the end of the school year to donate their used but usable school supplies to impoverished students in disadvantaged school communities.

The "Drive for Supplies" program has already had significant success in its first year. At the end of last school year, with the full support of Montgomery County Public School Superintendent Dr. Jerry Weast, the program collected \$75,000 in school supplies. Learn Shop Inc. is helping students realize that what was previously regarded as trash can be turned into usable school supplies, clothing, and computers. These items not only help disadvantaged students in other school communities but it also gives students a sense that they are filling a need in the world.

Along with promoting community action, the "Drive for Supplies" saves schools money each year by reducing disposal costs while also reducing waste in our community. For their innovation, "Drive for Supplies" has enjoyed a glowing recognition from the Environmental Protection Agency.

Children and communities positively affected by the "Drive for Supplies" program have been more than grateful for Learn Shop Inc.'s efforts. Not only has Learn Shop Inc. distributed school supplies to local area children, they have also donated supplies to refugee students affected by the war in the Balkans in Kosvo. The "Drive for Supplies" program truly has the ability to reach thousands of students across the world.

Beginning with Maryland and the Mid-Atlantic Region, Learn Shop hopes to expand the program around the nation, in hopes of reducing poverty nationally and helping children in need. I applaud the efforts of Learn Shop and encourage them to continue all the work that is greatly needed in our communities.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 2, 2000

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise to inform the House about my leave of absence from March 21 through March 24 of this year. I was out of the country on official business. Accordingly, I was unable to cast any votes.

If present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall vote No. 75, H. Con. Res. 290, the Budget Resolution for FY 2001.

"Yes" on rollcall vote No. 74, on agreeing to the Spratt amendment to H. Con. Res. 290.

"No" on rollcall vote No. 73, on agreeing to the Sununu amendment to H. Con. Res. 290.

"Yes" on rollcall vote No. 72, on agreeing to the Stenholm amendment to H. Con. Res. 290.

"Yes" on rollcall vote No. 71, on agreeing to the DeFazio amendment to H. Con. Res. 290.

"Yes" on rollcall vote No. 70, on agreeing to the Owens amendment to H. Con. Res. 290.

"No" on rollcall vote No. 69, on a motion that the Committee rise to H. Con. Res. 290.

"No" on rollcall vote No. 68, providing for consideration of H. Con. Res. 290, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for FY 2001.

"No" on rollcall vote No. 67, providing for consideration of H. Con. Res. 290, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for FY 2001.

"Yes" on rollcall vote No. 66, on approving the Journal.

"Yes" on rollcall vote No. 65, on passage of H.R. 3822, the Oil Price Reduction Act of 2000.

"No" on rollcall vote No. 64, providing for consideration of H.R. 3822, the Oil Price Reduction Act of 2000.

"No" on rollcall vote No. 63, on passage to S. 1287, the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2000.

"Yes" on rollcall vote No. 62, to commit with instructions S. 1287, the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2000.

"No" on rollcall vote No. 61, whether the House will consider S. 1287, the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2000.

"No" on rollcall vote No. 60, providing for consideration of S. 1287, the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2000 (H. Res. 444).

"No" on rollcall vote No. 59, providing for consideration of S. 1287, the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act (H. Res. 444).

"Yes" on rollcall vote No. 58, on approving the Journal.

"Yes" on rollcall vote No. 57, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the National Park Service should take full advantage of support services offered by the Department of Defense (H. Res. 182).

November 2, 2000

TRIBUTE TO DYLAN GEORGE MOHAN

HON. JAMES M. TALENT

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 2, 2000

Mr. TALENT. Mr. Speaker, today I honor the May 16, 2000, birth of Dylan George Mohan. Dylan was born at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Washington, DC, at 8:56 p.m. He is the son of Kristin Young and Matthew Mohan. Dylan is the first grandson of his grandparent George and Phyllis Young and grandparents Jim and Mary Mohan.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me in congratulating this new family and to wish Dylan much joy and happiness in the years to come.

HONORING REV. CURTIS COFIELD II, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 2, 2000

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to join the Immanuel Baptist Church and the New Haven community in paying tribute to my dear friend and an outstanding member of the New Haven, CT, community—Rev. Curtis Cofield. As a pastor and community leader, Reverend Cofield has dedicated his life to making a real difference in the lives of the residents of Greater New Haven.

The clergy has always played a vital role in our community and Reverend Cofield is a sterling example. His commitment to the service of our community through religious leadership is admired by many and rivaled by few. His involvement, not only with the congregation of the Immanuel Baptist Church, but with the entire community, has had a tremendous impact on many lives, especially those who face arduous struggles and frustrating situations in their daily lives. Working with his wife Elsie and the AIDS Interfaith Network, Reverend Cofield has helped hundreds of individuals and their families cope with the devastating effects caused by this terrible illness. For years, he has ministered to the spiritual needs of countless people in the New Haven community—strengthening the bonds of faith and helping to build stronger neighborhoods of which we can all be proud.

Throughout his decades of service to the New Haven community, Reverend Cofield has been a leading advocate for some of our country's most vulnerable citizens. He has served as a strong voice for their best interests. As a member of over 30 service and religious organizations throughout his career, he has demonstrated a remarkable commitment to ensuring that his actions and participation enriched his community. I have always held a deep admiration for community service and those who provide it. With his extraordinary record of service, Reverend Cofield serves as an example to all that one person really can make a difference.

As the first African-American chairman of the Connecticut State Freedom of Information