

women face in today's workplace—the often discriminatory pay reserved for the traditional sex-segregated jobs that most women perform. If not my bill, surely it's time to pass the Paycheck Fairness Act, which I strongly support. That bill is not a new departure, but it does strengthen existing enforcement. The best evidence that stronger Equal Pay Act enforcement is needed is right here under our congressional noses. The women custodial workers who serve the U.S. Congress have waged a three-year battle alleging that they are paid a dollar less hourly than men who do the same or similar work. The women's lawsuit has been validated by a federal court as a certified class action. As a former chair of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, I know a solid Equal Pay Act case when I see one. As a Member of the Congress, I now know what it means to be an embarrassed defendant who may lose an Equal Pay Act case any day.

Today, to get some movement on equal pay for American women, to get more than a rise out of the Congress, to call the question, I am introducing as a separate bill the non-retaliation section common to both the Paycheck Fairness Act and the Fair Pay Act. Both bills make it a violation to intimidate employees who inquire of their fellow workers or others about the pay these employees receive or the pay practices of the employer. In the absence of more comprehensive legislation, this non-retaliation provision at least would allow women to engage in self-help where necessary by seeking pay increases based on what they, themselves, learn about the pay practices where they work.

Our message is simple: Start with the Fair Pay Act, or start with the Paycheck Fairness Act, or start with the provision that allows women, themselves, to start with self-enforcement. Start where you like—but Congress must not go home for the July 4th recess without making a start on fair pay for American women and their families. We've had it with standing up for the right words. It's time to stand up and be counted for an equal pay bill.

TRIBUTE TO WESTHILL HIGH
SCHOOL GIRL'S SOCCER TEAM

HON. JAMES T. WALSH

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 7, 2000

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Speaker, on Saturday, November 20, 1999, the Westhill High Warriors defeated the St. Thomas Aquinas of Rochester 2-1 in sudden death overtime to win the New York State Class B Girls Soccer Championship. This was a great win for the Warriors, who were outshot 23-7, but still managed to hold on for the victory. Although there were few scoring chances, Westhill's all-time leading scorer Courtney Spencer put the Warriors on the scoreboard first. Then, in the second overtime, Meagan Rogers, a senior midfielder, scored the game winner on a great header from teammate Leanne Guinn. On defense, Westhill sophomore goalie Ally Walker had a stellar showing to keep the Warriors in the game and was applauded for her talents as goalie of the game.

The entire team gave an outstanding performance throughout the season, putting Westhill's soccer team among the best in the country. Not only did the girls win the championship but just two months earlier gave their coach Ann Riva her 300th career win. However, winning the championship was extra special to her. According to the local newspapers, Coach Riva said this state championship was the most memorable in her career. Many parents and fans felt from the very beginning that this team with its special chemistry was destined for great things.

I am very proud of these young women, who have exhibited discipline, sportsmanship, and love of sports while representing their school in the very finest Westhill tradition. I am equally proud of the Westhill Athletic Department, the parents, and administrators who are so supportive of this outstanding group of fine young athletes.

TRIBUTE TO JOSEY KUNZ

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 7, 2000

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to recognize Josey Kunz of Bluffs, IL. Josey, a fourth grader from Bluffs Elementary School was one of only four State Organ/Tissue Donor Poster Contest winners.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Josey for his talent and accomplishment. He is an exceptional young man who has made me and the people of my district proud.

TRIBUTE TO FATHER JIM
WILLIAMS

HON. BART STUPAK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 7, 2000

Mr. STUPAK. Mr. Speaker, today I honor Father Jim Williams, a Catholic priest whose parish is located on beautiful and historic Mackinac Island in my northern Michigan congressional district.

It was from this spot in the U.S. House that I rose in July 1996 to call the attention of the nation to the tricentennial celebration of Ste. Anne's de Michilimackinac Church. Today I honor Father Jim, who spearheaded the fundraising effort to restore the historic church. I honor him on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of his ordination, and on the occasion of his receipt of the Mackinac Island Community Foundation's first "Community Service Award." Mr. Speaker, I can tell you there is no more fitting recipient.

A special ceremony on June 4 recognized Father Jim's many community accomplishments and his unique, personal and loving ministry. Michigan Governor John Engler and Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Granholm served as honorary co-chairpersons of this event, which took place at Mackinac Island's remarkable Grand Hotel. To further honor Fa-

ther Jim, the Grand Hotel generously donated a reception, dinner and hotel stay for guests of the event.

Every servant of God must follow his own path, trusting the Voice within to lead him toward his life's mission. Father Jim, born a Methodist in Pontiac, Michigan, graduated from the University of Michigan in 1963 with a double major in history and literature. Working on Isle Royale, a remote park in Lake Superior, he met the priest responsible for his eventual conversion to Catholicism.

He was ordained while living on the Bay Mills Indian Reservation on the Lake Superior shore, and in the next ten years adopted or served as foster parent to 12 children. Perhaps unique among Catholic clergy, Father Jim has numerous grandchildren and even one great-grandson, Little Bear.

He was so near Mackinac Island then, but his path carried him instead to sea, where he served as chaplain aboard the aircraft carriers *Nimitz*, *Kennedy* and *Coral Sea*. In 1986 his path led him back to Upper Michigan, and in 1990 Father Jim came to Mackinac Island.

The sense of a community that is part of island living must be what suits him best. It was on a Great Lakes island that his new faith took root and it is now on another Great Lakes island that his role as community shepherd has flowered. "This is the place I've loved being the most," Father Jim says of his parish. "I love being part of a community with so few walls, where there is such a great mix of people, rich and poor, a wide variety of cultures, nationalities and races. The magic of the Island is the magic of its people, and the magic of the people is the mix of many peoples."

In his work to restore Ste. Anne's, Father Jim made sure it would have a community room in the basement, and this room is open to the Jamaican, Mexican and Filipino workers three nights a week as a place they can gather and celebrate their own cultures. For these workers, Father Jim has started classes in English as a second language.

Because of Father Jim, the island has Teen Night, a night for the island's youth to gather as a drug- and alcohol-free option. Father Jim started a "Take Your Wife Out to Dinner," night once a week, and weekly square dancing. A ribbon cutting will soon be held for affordable housing units, another project that Father Jim helped bring to fruition.

My wife Laurie and I were honored last year on our 25th wedding anniversary with a mass celebrated by Father Jim at Ste. Anne's with our sons Ken and Bart Jr. Even though we are residents of Menominee, Michigan, we were grateful to receive the blessings and prayers of our dear friend on Mackinac Island for our special personal celebration.

A man of God finds his own reward and does not seek our praise for his work. But I know Father Jim appreciates the fact that he can be a model and an inspiration to others, who may not know how much one man can accomplish. Mr. Speaker, in these remarks, I hope that some of the power of the good works of this island priest shine through.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4,