alone. Whether it’s your parents who offered financial support, the coach who served as a father figure, the professor who spent the extra time, the unknown person was created the scholarship you received, the friends who offered unending support, or the organization that received the donation. Personal growth. When someone says “congratulations” we should each respond with “Thank you,” thanking those who have allowed us to achieve our goals.

Thank You.

HONORING MOKAN KIDS NETWORK

Mr. ASHCROFT. Mr. President, I stand before you today to recognize the accomplishments of the MoKan Kids Network and to congratulate it for winning the 21st Century Award from the Association of America’s Public Television Stations. The 21st Century Award is given to public television stations that demonstrate extraordinary involvement in long-range planning, collaboration with others, experimentation with new technologies or the creation of new forums for underrepresented communities. The MoKan Kids Network, a service of Kansas City Public Television, Smoky Hills Public Televison, and 350 Missouri and Kansas school districts, has helped move classroom instruction into the 21st century. The MoKan Kids Network provides instructional television, online networking, and professional development and teacher training for 30,000 teachers in Missouri and Kansas. The network offers teachers more than 700 hours of educational video materials for classroom use and provides teachers with Internet access and curriculum-based web browsing capabilities. MoKan also makes available to teachers special training through its National Teacher Training Institutes, online conferences, and hands-on training in computer labs. MoKan’s generous resources have allowed teachers to offer an enriched learning experience to 350,000 elementary and secondary students in Missouri and Kansas.

Mr. President, please join me in congratulating the MoKan Kids Network for being honored with the 21st Century Award. We thank MoKan for its fruitful efforts supporting educational broadcasting, and we hope its example will influence others around the country to establish similar programs.

RETIEMENT OF DEE LEVIN FROM THE FBI

Mr. GRAMS. Mr. President, I would like to pay tribute today to Special Agent Donald (Dee) Levin on his retirement from the Federal Bureau of Investigation after 29 years of service. In 1967, shortly after graduating from the University of Minnesota, Dee joined the Marine Corps, where he served in Vietnam. Dee began his career with the FBI in 1971, starting out in the Indianapolis and Detroit offices before moving to Minnesota in 1980. Since then, he has worked in the Minneapolis field office as the technical coordinator.

The FBI is a worldwide leader in crime investigation and crime solving. The respect commanded by the FBI is due in large part to the individual agents, like Dee, who serve with honor and integrity in their duty to make the United States a safer place to live.

Dee will be very busy in his retirement. As new grandparents, Dee and his wife Judy look forward to spending time with their family and remaining active in their church, Galilee Lutheran.

I admire Dee’s dedication to the FBI and on behalf of all Minnesotans, I thank him for his service.

DAIRY OF DISTINCTION AWARD

Mr. JEFFFORDS. Mr. President, it gives me great pleasure to pay tribute to the 99 Vermont Farms that have been recognized by the Northeast Dairy Farms Beautification Program and received the Dairy of Distinctions Award.

The Dairy of Distinction Awards are given in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Vermont. The award was originally designed to help boost confidence in the quality of the milk, therefore increasing the milk sales. This is the fifth year that the honor has been bestowed on Vermont.

The criteria each farm must meet in order to receive this award are extremely stringent. According to the Vermont Department of Agriculture, Food, and Markets, the farms must include: clean and attractively finished buildings; neat landscaping, ditches, roads, and lanes; and well-maintained fences. Also taken into account are the conditions of other aspects of the farm: operations such as cleanliness of animals, the barnyard, feed areas and management. This is a great feat considering that the average farm in Vermont is 217 acres.

Vermont is fortunate to have so many citizens who hold such pride in the presentation of their farms. I offer my congratulations to all of the farms that received the Dairy of Distinction Award, and may they be a shining example to all of the farms in Vermont.

The winners are:

ADDISON COUNTY

Ernest, Earl, and Eugene Audet, Earl, Alan, and Edward Bessette, Herman and Grettia Buzean, Paul Bolduc, Eric Clifford, Jeffery and Mary Demars, John and Rusty Forgues, Gerardois Goula, Dean Jackson, Peter James, Gerrit and Hank Nop, Thomas Pyle, Richard and Jodie Roorda, Tom and Shaina Roorda, Gerald and Judy Sabourin, Raymond Van Der Way, Loren and Gall Woot.

CALAENONIA

William and Edith Butler, Paul and Rosemary Gingue, David and Mary Rainey, Bruce and Catherine Roy, Bebo and Lori Webster, Mary Kay and Harry Wood.

CITRFRUIEDY

June, Charles, and Mark Bean; David and Kate Cadreac; David and Kim Conant; Claude and Gall Lapierre; Donald Maynard; Larry and Julie Reynolds.

DETROIT COUNTY

Hans and Erika Baumann; James Paj; K. Dean and Claudette Hook; William F. and Ursula S. Johnson; Louis and Nancy Lamoureux; Bernard Routhier; Stephen and Carla Russo.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Kristen Ballard; Robert A. Beaulieu; Scott Bessette; Germaine Bourdeau; Robert E. Brooks; Richard and Andrew Brouillette; Ricksy De and Alan Charron; Fourrier Family; Wayne and Nancy Fiske; Gary and Olive Gilmond; Patrick Hayes; Paul and Karen Langelier; Robert, David and Sandra Manning; Ronald Marshall; Jacques and Mariel Parent; Philip and Suzanne Parent; Robert and Linda Parent; John Carman and Everett Shonby; Paul and Linda Stanley; Garry and Eileen Trudell; David Williams.

GRAND ISLE COUNTY

Joyce B. Ladd; Louis E. Sr. and Anna S. Martell; Andrew and Ellen Paradee; Roger and Blair Rainville.

LAMOILLE COUNTY

Frederick B. Boyden; Russell Lamphere.

ORANGE COUNTY

Katherine Burgess; Karen Galayda and Tom Gilbert; Herbert and Beverly Hodge; Alan Howe; Robert and Anne Howe; Linwood Jr. and Gordon Huntington; Paul and Martha Knox; Larry and Sue Martin; Ron Saldi; David P. and Louise B. Silloway; Scott and Fred Smith Steve; Lynn and Alice Wakefield.

ORLEANS COUNTY

Robert and Michelle Columbus; Paul and Nancy Daniels; Bryan and Susan Davis; Andrew and Kathy DuLaBruere; Robert Judd; Roger and Deborah Meunier; Richard and Helen Morin.

RUTLAND COUNTY

Martha Hayward; Neal and Julianne Sharrow; Holly Young.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

David and Susan Childs; Austin C. Cleaves; Everett and Kendall Maynard; Stuart and Margaret Osha; Douglas H. and Sharon A. Turner.

WINDHAM COUNTY

R. Edward Hamilton; Steve and Terry Morse; Alan Smith; Leon and Linda and Roy and Vanessa; Robert Wheeler.

WINDOM COUNTY

Robert and Elizabeth Kennett Robert A.; and Gail J. Ketchum; James Lewis; Amy M. Richardson.

THE 60TH BIRTHDAY OF MR. ROBERT GILLETTE

Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, on June 16th, 2000, a very dear friend of mine, Mr. Robert Gillette, will celebrate his 60th birthday. I rise today to commemorate this occasion, and to honor a wonderful man who has worked extremely hard to improve living conditions for seniors throughout the State of Michigan.

Mr. Gillette is the president of American House, an organization that owns and operates 24 housing facilities for seniors in the metropolitan Detroit area. American House strives to be the most outstanding affordable senior

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