Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Amorette Yang, who has received national recognition for exemplary volunteer service in her community. I urge my colleagues to join me in wishing Amorette Yang many more years of continued success.

Tribute to Janice Callarman
Hon. John Shimkus
Of Illinois

In the House of Representatives
Monday, June 19, 2000

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to recognize Janice Callarman of Mt. Vernon, IL. After 41 years of teaching she is retiring.

Over her distinguished career, Mrs. Callarman has taught in Saginaw, TX, Waterter, MA, and at Casey Jr. High School and Lincoln Grade School in Mt. Vernon, IL. She has been dedicated to, and responsible for educating and shaping the lives of countless numbers of students.

As a former teacher myself, I want to thank her for all she has done. She has committed her life to one of the most difficult, yet most rewarding tasks. I wish her the best in her retirement. She will be missed.

Congratulating Amorette Yang
Hon. George Radanovich
Of California

In the House of Representatives
Monday, June 19, 2000

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and honor Amorette Yang, who has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service in her community. Amorette of Clovis, California, has been named one of California’s top honorees in The 2000 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program, an annual honor conferred on the most impressive student volunteers in each state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Ms. Yang will be recognized with a bronze Distinguished Finalist medallion.

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Ms. Yang is involved in numerous volunteer activities. Her most recent activities include the Hmong American Women's Association, Inc. Model for Hmong International New Year Cultural Events, Adopt a Highway, Clovis High Tutoring Program, College Church of Christ Nursery, College Church of Christ a cappella choir “In His Steps,” CUSD Elementary Cheer Camp Coach, and CUSD Leadership Camp facilitator. With all of her volunteer accomplishments, Ms. Yang still is able to maintain a high grade point average.

The program that has brought this young role model to our attention—The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards—was created by the Prudential Insurance Company in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals in 1995 to impress upon all youth volunteers that their contributions are extremely important and highly valued, and to inspire others to follow their example.

In only 5 years, the program has become the nation’s largest youth recognition effort based solely on community service, with nearly 75,000 youngsters participating since its inception.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Amorette Yang, who has received national recognition for exemplary volunteer service in her community. I urge my colleagues to join me in wishing Amorette Yang many more years of continued success.

Department of the Interior; and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001

Hon. F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr.
Of Wisconsin

In the House of Representatives
Thursday, June 15, 2000

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration H.R. 4578, the Department of Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001. Mr. H.R. 4578 represents the hard work of Mr. REGULA and the members of the Appropriations Subcommittee and Committee and I appreciate their diligence.

The Science Committee has responsibility for setting authorization levels for funding civil research at the DOE. The Committee has passed two authorization bills which address DOE fiscal year 2001 funding: (1) H.R. 1655, the DOE Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act of 1999; and (2) H.R. 1656, the DOE Commercial Application of Energy Technology Authorization Act of 1999. H.R. 4578 appropriates $535.6 million for Energy Conservation R&D programs, while H.R. 1655 and H.R. 1656 provide a combined $623.2 million for similar programs. Further-