June 20, 2000

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BRIAN P. BILBRAY
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 293 due to airplane delays, I was unable to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DARLENE HOOLEY
OF OREGON
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, on Thursday, June 15, I was unavoidably detained and forced to miss several votes. If present, I would have voted "no" on agreeing to Rep. STEARN'S amendment to H.R. 4578 (Vote 282). If present, I would have voted "yes" on agreeing to Rep. SLAUGHTER'S amendment to H.R. 4578 (Vote 283). If present, I would have voted "yes" on the motion that the Committee rise on H.R. 4578 (Vote 284). If present, I would have voted "yes" on the quorum call for H.R. 4578 (Vote 285). If present, I would have voted "yes" on agreeing to Rep. SANDER's amendment to H.R. 4578 (Vote 286). If present, I would have voted "yes" on the motion that the Committee rise on H.R. 4578 (Vote 287). If present, I would have voted "no" on agreeing to Rep. NETHERCUTT'S amendment to H.R. 4578 (Vote 288). If present, I would have voted "no" on agreeing to Rep. WELDON's amendment to H.R. 4578 (Vote 289). If present, I would have voted "yes" on the motion to recommit H.R. 4578 with instructions to the Committee (Vote 290). If present, I would have voted "no" on the final passage of H.R. 4578 (Vote 291).

HONOURING BRIGADIER GENERAL DANIEL G. MONGEON UPON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. ROBERT A. BORSKI
OF PENNSYLVANIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Mr. BORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Brigadier General Daniel G. Mongeon, in recognition of all of his years and dedication to the U.S. Army. Army Brigadier General Daniel Mongeon is the second Commander of Defense Supply Center Philadelphia, a position that he assumed on July 31, 1998.

General Mongeon received his commission as a Second Lieutenant upon graduation from the University of Arizona in 1972. He was then assigned to the U.S. Army's Security Agency Communications unit in Japan, serving as the S4/Logistics Officer and later as the Executive Officer.

In 1976 General Mongeon was assigned to the 4th Infantry Division in Fort Carson, Colorado. There he served time as the Division Property Officer, and commanded the HHC Division Support Command.

General Mongeon accepted another challenge; the pursuit of an MBA. He completed his studies and received a master's degree in business administration from the University of Arkansas in January 1981. He was then assigned to the Army Staff at the Pentagon, where he served until June 1984. While there, he served in numerous positions including Military Assistant to the Deputy of Staff for Logistics. After graduating from the Command General Staff College in 1985, he was assigned to the 3rd Infantry Division in Germany. General Mongeon served as S3 and later as Executive Officer of the 203rd Forward Support Battalion, completing his tour as the Division Deputy G4. In January he was selected as Aide-De-Camp to General John R. Galvin, Commander in Chief, U.S. European Command, and Supreme Allied Commander, Europe at SHAPE Belgium.

In 1990 he assumed command of the Support Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Bliss, Texas. During his command, the Support Squadron deployed to Saudi Arabia for participation in Operations Desert Shield/Storm. After completing his command in May 1992, he attended the Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, graduating in June 1993.

In 1993, he assumed command of the 41st Area Support Group, United States Army South, Panama. After completing his command in 1995, he was assigned to the Joint Staff at the Pentagon where he assumed duties as Deputy Director for Logistics Readiness and Requirements, J-4. Prior to his current assignment at DSCP, he was the Executive Officer to the Director of Logistics J-4, the Joint Staff, Washington, DC.

His awards and decorations include: the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster, the Bronze Star, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters; the Army Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Army Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star, the Southwest Asia Service Medal; the Humanitarian Service Medal, and the Kuwait Liberation Medal. He was also awarded the Army Staff and Joint Staff Identification Badges.

Mr. Speaker, Brigadier General Daniel G. Mongeon should be commended for his complete dedication for so many years to the U.S. Army. I congratulate and highly revere General Mongeon upon his retirement and offer him my very best wishes for the coming years.

IN HONOR OF J.E. DUNLAP
HON. ASA HUTCHINSON
OF ARKANSAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate J.E. Dunlap, publisher of the Harrison Daily Times of Harrison, Arkansas, who has recently been honored with the Ernie Deane Award.

For 57 years, J.E. has been a fixture in the Harrison community, first as a writer, then as publisher and owner of the Harrison Daily Times. He built a small paper into one that is now a voice for the entire region. Even after selling the newspaper, his regular column appears in print four times weekly.

Ernie Deane, for whom the award was named, was a longtime columnist for the Arkansas Gazette, as well as a journalism teacher at the University of Arkansas. Like Deane, J.E. Dunlap has devoted his life to the people and communities of Arkansas.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the state of Arkansas, I would like to congratulate J.E. on this honor. He has represented his profession and the state of Arkansas well, and I look forward to the day when aspiring journalists vie for the "J.E. Dunlap Award" in journalism.

RECOGNIZING DEBBIE SNELLGROVE OF WARNER ROBINS, GA, FOR RECEIVING THE 2000 LIBERTY BELL AWARD

HON. SAXBY CHAMBLISS
OF GEORGIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor an exceptional citizen from Georgia's 8th Congressional District, Debbie Snellgrove of Warner Robins, recipient of the 2000 Liberty Bell Award.

Each year, the Houston County Bar presents the Liberty Bell Award to one non-lawyer who makes a significant contribution to the legal profession. As a long time court employee, Debbie is highly deserving of this award. Debbie has been working as a state court administrator in Warner Robins for four years. Her previous professional experience includes serving as secretary to Judge Buster McConnell and secretary to Steve Pace in the Houston County District Attorney's office. As a loyal member of her community, Debbie has been involved with the Houston County domestic violence program, the victims assistance program, and the American Heart Association.

In addition, Debbie took time out of her busy schedule to assist my office with arrangements for my Town Hall Meeting in Warner Robins this past April. I am pleased to say that this town hall meeting was a success, but would not have been without Debbie's assistance.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Debbie Snellgrove for her dedicated and service to Houston County and to the legal system of Warner Robins. She is an extraordinary citizen, and I am proud to serve as her Representative in the People's house.