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The bill was subsequently enacted into law. It expresses congressional recognition of the significance of the 50th Anniversary of the Korean War. The resolution expresses gratitude for members of the Armed Forces who served in the Korean War, especially those who died in action or remain unaccounted for. Finally, the resolution calls upon the President to issue a proclamation recognizing the Korean War and those who fought in it, and to call on the country to observe the anniversary with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

I look forward to this and future opportunities that we have to remember those who fought and sacrificed so that the U.S. and her allies could live in peace.

TRIBUTE TO SAM SUPLIZIO —
TRULY A BASEBALL LEGEND

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 23, 2000

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, It is with great pride and pleasure that I would like to take this moment to honor Sam Suplizio for being inducted into the American Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Sam has dedicated a significant portion of his life to the great American game of Baseball. His many successes as a player and coach make him most deserving of this Hall of Fame induction as well as the praise and esteem of this great body. For these reasons, I feel it is proper that we pay tribute to him now.

Sam's devotion to baseball started with his stellar career as a player. He got his start as an All-American Center Fielder for the University of New Mexico, where he had a three-year varsity career. To further his playing career, Sam was drafted in 1953 by the New York Yankees. While with the Yankee's organization, Sam earned such honors as Eastern League's best defensive outfielder and was recognized as a league all-star.

Sam began his coaching career as a manager for the Dodgers' Thomasville affiliate. After a short stint with the Dodgers, Sam moved to Grand Junction, Colorado where he landed a job coaching the Grand Junction Eagles, a job that provided him with 20 years of success. Sam's coaching career has also steered him overseas, where he headed the World Port tournament in Rotterdam, Holland and instructed teams in both Europe and Israel. In all, Sam has spent 46 years as a player or coach in professional baseball. His professional career has seen him serve as a coach/instructor for the Milwaukee Brewers and the Anaheim Angels.

Mr. Speaker, Sam Suplizio is truly an American baseball legend. His dedication and devotion to the great American game of baseball are unparalleled and should not go without recognition. Beyond his remarkable career in baseball, Sam has been a pillar of the community in Grand Junction and a role model for many. His love for the game is eminently worthy of this body's recognition even as he receives this prestigious award from the American Baseball Coaches Association. Great job Sam! Your community is very proud of you!

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING ALVERNE MAYHEW
FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO
THE COMMUNITY

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 23, 2000

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, It gives me great pleasure today to pay tribute to a remarkable individual who has left an indelible mark on our community, my dear friend, Al Mayhew. On Sunday, June 25, friends, family and colleagues will gather to recognize his many accomplishments as he celebrates his retirement.

Al's dedication and commitment to his country and his community is inspiring. After entering the United States Air Force in 1939, Al served for twenty years, stationed in Europe, North Africa, the Middle East, the Pacific and North America. During the course of World War II, as a pilot, Al completed 45 missions with the 301st Fighter Squadron of the 332nd Fighter Group. As a man with many interests, Al's professional career is truly remarkable. Upon coming to New Haven, Al began a twenty year career at Pratt & Whitney, and later took on a part-time position at Lincoln Bassett Elementary School as a tutor for four years. For the past twelve years, Al has been working with the Elderly Services Department of the City of New Haven where he has become a familiar face throughout our community. A leading advocate for seniors, Al has given them a strong voice in the City of New Haven—one which will never be forgotten.

Today, at the age of 79, Al will retire from his professional life, though it is our hope that he continues to remain active in the New Haven area. In addition to the variety of professional positions he has held, throughout his life, Al has also been involved in a myriad of civic organizations. As a member of the Literacy Volunteers of America, Retired Senior Volunteer Program, Community Action Agency Nutrition Program, and a board member of the South Central Connecticut Agency on Aging, to name just a few, Al's compassion and efforts have made a real difference in the lives of many of our community's most vulnerable citizens. For over sixty years, Al has dedicated himself, both professionally and as a volunteer, to improving the quality of life for our children and families. His exceptional record of service should serve as an example for us all.

I have had the distinct privilege of working with Al and I am honored to call him my friend. It is with great pride that I join his wife, Judith, their seven children, friends, and colleagues to congratulate Al. I also extend my sincere thanks and appreciation for his many contributions to our community and best wishes for continued health and happiness.

TRIBUTE TO VIRGINIA BEST
ADAMS

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the accomplishments of my

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dear friend, Mrs. Virginia Best Adams, who passed away on January 29, 2000 at the age of 96. Mrs. Adams will be remembered for her love and dedication for Yosemite as well as her shared compassion for music. As a child, Virginia Adams spent her childhood doting over the natural beauty of Yosemite, and later as an adult it would be there that she would meet and marry the love of her life, Ansel Adams. Through her many accomplishments, Mrs. Adams will best be remembered for her contribution to the Monterey Peninsula culture.

As a devoted mother, Virginia Adams will be remembered well by her daughter Ann Helms. Ms. Helms noted that her mother was, "One of her dearest friends from the time [she] was a teenager on." Helms attributes this sacred friendship to her family's shared love for reading and history.

Known within the family circle as, "Nini", Virginia Adams will be remembered formidably for her favorite shade of green. This shade of green, identified as, "a little bit brighter than forest green", is highlighted in Mrs. Adam's living room draperies. Later, this trademark green was used in the cover of a CD titled, "Nini Green".

In addition to her daughter, Mrs. Adams is survived by her son, Dr. Michael Adams; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Mrs. Adam's curiosity for the natural world will be missed, but will not die as we acknowledge the contributions she has made upon music. Mr. Speaker, at this time I ask you and our distinguished colleagues to join me in honoring the distinguished attributes of Mrs. Virginia Adams.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 50TH
ANNIVERSARY OF COOL CREST

HON. KAREN McCARTHY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 23, 2000

Ms. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, this weekend, June 23–25, marks the 50th anniversary of Cool Crest Garden Golf and Game Room. This venerable complex is the oldest family entertainment center in Missouri's Fifth District. This Independence, MO business has provided families and teens a high quality, fun, and safe area to spend time seven days a week.

Cool Crest opened in 1950 with two miniature golf courses and sprawling manicured gardens in the countryside of Eastern Jackson County. Today, apartment complexes and businesses have replaced the fields as the area around Cool Crest developed. King and Inez Patterson owned and operated the business from its beginnings, and Inez continued to operate Cool Crest after the 1986 death of her husband. The business was in the Patterson family for 46 years before Inez sold it to Frank and Jennifer Licausi in 1997. In keeping with longstanding tradition which demonstrates her commitment to the company, Inez continues to work in the gardens. Because it remains a family-owned business, Cool Crest maintains its unique personal touch with its customers.

Over the years the business has expanded to include two more miniature golf courses