Mr. Speaker, Sister Nancy Linenkugel is an inspiration. Through her hard work, dedication, and determination, she has made Providence Health Systems one of the best in Ohio and the country. I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting her and wishing her the very best in her future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO CHRISTINE DIEMER IGER

HON. GARY G. MILLER
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, July 19, 2001

Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute and honor the accomplishments of Christine Diemer Iger, Esq.

Christine Diemer Iger, Chief Executive Officer for the past twelve years at the building Industry Association of Southern California/Orange County Chapter, will be resigning this post in August, 2001, to join the law firm of Manatt, Phelps and Phillips, LLP.

Mrs. Iger will be remembered for her dedication to making the BIA the spokesperson for record for the Orange County homebuilding industry. She interfaced closely and successfully with local, state, and federal officials to resolve Orange County’s diverse and complex land use and building development issues. Prior to joining the Building Industry Association, Orange County Chapter, she served in the administration of Governor George Deukmejian from 1986–1989, as Director of the California Department of Housing and Community Development, and from 1983–1986 as Deputy Attorney General before the Court of Appeals and Supreme Court. Her legal career began in 1977, as Law Clerk to United States Magistrate Edward A. Infante in San Diego. She then continued his education earning a law degree in 1981 and then a master’s degree in 1982 in business administration from Case Western Reserve University.

During his time in the Voinovich mayoral administration, he held the positions of assistant safety director and chief assistant law director, between 1981 and 1990. Mr. LeBarron then took a job with what was then Jacobs, Visconi, & Jacobs Co. During his time with this development firm, he worked on the development of major real estate projects such as South Park Center and Chagrin Highlands. After he left Jacobs, Visconi, & Jacobs Co., he joined with the Downtown Cleveland Partnership, a non-profit organization focused on downtown real estate development plans.

All of the hard work and dedication that Mr. LeBarron has displayed during his career is exemplary. He was an extraordinarily bright and an incredibly genuine person.

Mr. Speaker, please rise today and join me in applauding an individual who has made numerous contributions to the Cleveland area, Mr. Jeffrey LeBarron.

A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO PHYLLIS AND ELMER WELLMAN ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR
OF OHIO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, July 19, 2001

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to congratulate Phyllis and Elmer Wellman, of Delphos, Ohio, on the recent celebration of their golden wedding anniversary.

Elmer J. Wellman married Phyllis A. Davis on July 16, 1951. After they were wed, the Wellmans settled in Delphos, Ohio. Their first priority throughout their lives have been their three children: Pat, Jim, and Mark, my Chief of Staff. They are also the devoted grandparents of four grandchildren.

Both Elmer and Phyllis were raised in farming families during the Great Depression. That common experience gave both of them an appreciation for the truly important things in life. They have also distinguished themselves as accomplished professionals and have generously contributed to their community.

Elmer recently retired from farming. He has also been active in civic positions including the Van Wert County Hospital Board, the former Peoples National Bank of Delphos, the Delphos Country Club and a retired high school basketball referee.

Phyllis recently retired from her third career. After raising her three children, Phyllis returned to the profession of teaching. Her patient, yet demanding teaching style helped