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million deaths per year. That means that over the duration of this hearing 1,500 people will die from an infectious disease—half of them children under five.

As you know, most of these deaths occur in developing countries where extreme poverty and lack of access to basic health care, adequate sanitation and essential drugs can seal the fate of children before they are born. However, the enormous volume of travel and trade today have made infectious diseases blind to our national borders.

As we begin the 21st century, we are blessed with unimaginable opportunities to build on breakthrough research to control and prevent global infectious disease. This is not just altruism to reduce the suffering of the world's most needy; this is also a question of national security and health for the United States and its citizens. Renewed investment in the treatment and prevention of global infectious disease is basic to our situation for the country; by helping others across the world we are also launching the best defense to protect the health of our Nation's people.

The knowledge and unbounded imagination of researchers, doctors and scientists such as Dr. Danyel Wirth have enhanced the already eminent position of research that has fostered our freedom and economic well-being. Now, we can empower these individuals in an all-out effort to devise the methods and substances to eradicate disease worldwide. The concern for human life requires us to muster all available resources, bolstered by a concerted, dedicated will to eradicate disease from the face of the Earth.

Please join me in co-sponsoring this important legislation.

HONORING DAN AND MARY KING

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Mr. McNinis. Mr. Speaker, today I'd like to congratulate and thank Dan and Mary King of Ouray, Colorado, for having the courage and initiative to take on a project that will enrich the City of Ouray. The couple, who are working to completely renovate the historic Beaumont Hotel, will provide residents and visitors both with a sense of history and foundation.

Dan and Mary, who are from San Antonio, Texas, have made a huge investment in the once crumbling hotel. They purchased what was then the Castle Hotel, and have spent over 3 years and $4 million on the renovation.

The Beaumont Hotel is a four-story building located at the very center of Ouray. It is the oldest hotel in the United States. The hotel was built in 1887 and is registered in the National Register of Historic Places.

Many people in the area have contributed to the renovation of the Beaumont Hotel. Some of the contributions include:

- $200,000 from the City of Ouray
- $70,000 from the State of Colorado
- $100,000 from the Federal Government
- $100,000 from the King family

The Beaumont Hotel is now open to the public and is a popular destination for travelers.

HONORING TERRY AND VICKI BRADY

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Mr. McNinis. Mr. Speaker, Terry and Vicki Brady have decided to home school all of their children, and eventually helping Emily to learn in ways the family has not held her to be the best approach.

Mr. Speaker, Terry and Vicki, who live outside Idaho Springs, Colorado, are the proud parents of eight children, ranging in age from 5 months to 24 years. They have encountered challenges endured by all parents, as well as a few more hope they never have to face. Their first child, Emily, nearly died in her infancy from a rare disease. Emily survived, but when she began school, severe learning disabilities caused her to be deemed "educable." Instead of giving up, Vicki taught Emily at home, eventually helping Emily to learn in ways the family had been told were impossible. As a result of this experience, Terry and Vicki decided to home school all of their children, and to help guide others in the same endeavor.

The two currently run Home Education Network (HEN) Radio, which has led to national recognition in the field of home schooling. Vicki, Terry, and three of their children share the responsibilities of the radio station where they broadcast nationally the programs Just a Mom and Homeschooling USA. Vicki, a radio host, facilitates discussions between parents with a wide range of backgrounds, as well as answering questions from callers. In all, they produce live broadcasts four times per week, using it as a means to serve and minister to others. In addition, Vicki has authored Quiet Moments for School Moms and Dads and The Basic Blueprint to Successful Homeschooling. Terry serves as president of HEN and executive producer of the two live programs.

Mr. Speaker, Terry and Vicki Brady have been excellent role models for parents, particularly those who home school their children. They have contributed to a vital movement toward making our nation's children our first priority. Their outstanding efforts deserve the