A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING ASSISTANT CHIEF ROBERT B. MCKENNA

HON. ROBERT W. NEY
OF OHIO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, September 6, 2001

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, Whereas, Robert B. McKenna successfully completed the Federal Emergency Management Agencies Executive Fire Officer Program; and, Whereas, the Emergency Fire Officer Program is designed to provide senior officers with a broad perspective on various facets of fire administration; and, Whereas, Robert McKenna throughout his career has dedicated himself to demonstrating the highest degree of professionalism; Therefore, I ask my colleagues to join with me in recognizing the impressive accomplishments of Robert B. McKenna, a leader in his community whom I am proud to call a constituent.

RECOGNIZING BRIGADIER GENERAL THOMAS KANE FOR HIS SERVICE AT TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE

HON. MIKE THOMPSON
OF CALIFORNIA
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A long-time sailing enthusiast, Kevin turned his love for the water and his interest in maritime history into an economic windfall for the area. With initial support and Kevin has been fortunate to have the encouragement of his wife, Betsy, and children, Pete and Jane.

The PASSING OF HARRY WEISBROD

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON
OF TEXAS
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Ms. BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life of Mr. Harry Weisbrod, a champion of labor and an active participant in the public policy process. When an investigator for the Department of Labor, Mr. Weisbrod changed the collective bargaining process in this country forever by organizing the first union of federal employees. Later, as a founder of a wage and labor consulting firm, he fought to develop ways for companies to combat Readiness and Management, with device, their responsibility to support a standard of living which every American worker deserves. During his extraordinary life, he worked both within government and with government to promote a quality of life for its workers. Mr. Weisbrod was a veteran and party activist. He cheated on his eye exam in order to enter the United States Army during war-time. Later, as a resident of Dallas, he contributed to the improvement of the educational system by helping to organize the League for Educational Advancement in Dallas (LEAD), a grassroots organization devoted to school reform. A true public servant, he was appointed to numerous Dallas boards and commissions, including the Dallas Civil Service Commission. Mr. Weisbrod believed in our system of government. He was an active participant in the Democratic Party and helped to develop many of its more progressive activities and programs.

Mr. Speaker, Harry Weisbrod transcended earthly boundaries on September 1, 2001. Through this statement, it is my hope that the record of his service will be forever enshrined in American history.

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Mr. Speaker, Brig. General Thomas P. Kane is a true patriot and distinguished American who has devoted himself to the service of our country. It is appropriate that we honor him today by expressing our gratitude for his dedication and wishing him well on his new NATO posting.

C. KEVIN DYKEMA: CHARTING A COURSE FOR BAY CITY

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