TRIBUTE TO JESUS “JESSE” SALVADOR VARGAS AND ROBERT “BOBBY” A. HILL
HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY
OF INDIANA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2001

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to honor two dedicated citizens of Indiana’s First Congressional District on the occasion of their retirement from the Inland Steel Company of East Chicago, Indiana. Jesus “Jesse” Salvador Vargas and Robert “Bobby” A. Hill, both longtime members of Local Union 1010 of the United Steelworkers of America, will be honored at a Retirement Party to be held on Friday, September 21, 2001 at American Legion Post 369 in East Chicago.

A native of Monterrey, Mexico, Jesse Vargas has been employed in the Transportation Department at Inland Steel since 1965. During that time, Mr. Vargas has been extremely active in Local Union 1010. He has held many appointed positions, including serving on both the Sports and Community Service committees. Mr. Vargas has also been elected Safety Man for the Transportation Department, and has been selected to represent Local 1010 at many United Steelworkers of America International Conventions. Throughout his career, he has shown his dedication to his Union Brothers and Sisters by traveling across the nation to assist them in strikes, lockouts, and organizing drives. Now retiring on his career, he has shown his dedication to America International Conventions. Through -time, he has accompanied me on numerous fact-finding visits to Navy and Marine Corps facilities both statewide and abroad. I could always count on him to provide well through out and candid input. Commander Miley was always on top of the issues of the day, and he was seeking to insur e Congress got the “right information at the right time”.

Additionally, Commander Miley has provided members of the Appropriations Committees, as well as our professional and associate staffs with timely and accurate support regarding Navy plans, programs and budget decisions. He has earned our respect and trust for his dedication, knowledge of the Navy and the way he handles himself in this demanding position. His valuable contributions have enabled me to focus on other important issues. In the true sense of the word, Commander Miley has been a true leader with a clear sense of purpose, conviction, and conscience of service to our Nation. As he departs the Washington area to command Helicopter Combat Support Squadron EIGHT in Norfolk, VA, I call upon my colleagues to wish him and his wife, Anne-Marie, and their young son, Sean, continued success and the traditional Navy send-off “fair winds and following seas.”

IN TRIBUTE TO CHARLES M. HAIR, M.D.
HON. ELTON GALLEGLY
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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Mr. GALLEGLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise in tribute to Charles M. Hair, M.D., co-founder and President of the Livingston Memorial Foundation and Chairman of the Board of Livingston Memorial Visiting Nurse Association.

Dr. Hair was raised in my district, in the farming community of Santa Paula, California. He joined the U.S. Army after earning his M.D. at the USC School of Medicine, and served two years in an Army field hospital in post-War II Salzburg, Austria.

He returned to his home in Ventura County, California, in 1948, and for the next 38 years led a fulfilling life as a family doctor. He and his wife, Gerry, whom he met when he was a student at Ventura College and she a student at Ventura High School, raised five children.

During that time, Dr. Hair made his home a better home for all his neighbors. Dr. Hair’s leadership in the field of nonprofit healthcare philanthropy began in 1950 when he became an active member of the Ventura County Medical Society, of which he became president in 1958. He soon joined the Governing Council of the California Medical Council and served as CMA president from 1981 to 1983. Other boards he served on through the years are the California State Board of Consumer Affairs, the California State Chamber of Commerce, the Western Conference of Prepaid Service Plan and Blue Shield of California.

Perhaps his most enduring legacy is co-founding Livingston Memorial Foundation in 1974 with Oxnard attorney Ben Nordman. The Foundation provides grants to enhance local patient care and make it available to people in financial need. In 1981, the then- Ventura Visiting Nurses Association, founded in 1947, affiliated with Livingston Memorial Foundation and changed its name to Livingston Memorial Visiting Nurse Association (LVMNA). Together, the nonprofit organizations have greatly enhanced health care for those who otherwise would not be able to afford it.

LVMNA was founded to provide home care services as an alternative to institutionalizing the frail, elderly, sick and disabled, an idea dear to the heart of a family physician. In 1965. Medicare certified LVMNA as a home health agency. In 1987—now affiliated with Livingston Memorial Foundation—it developed a Medicare-certified Hospice program. The LVMNA Hospice program incorporates skilled nursing care with a multidisciplinary team approach to meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the terminally ill and their families.