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TRIBUTE TO MARThELIA HARGROVE ON BEING AWARDED THE 2001 JOSEPH AND FRANK DUVENECK HUMANITARIAN AWARD FOR REGIONAL SERVICE

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2001

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a great American and distinguished California, Marthelia Hargrove, who is being honored with the 2001 Josephine and Frank Duveneck Humanitarian Award for regional service on Saturday, September 22, 2001, in Los Altos Hills, California.

Named the National Principal of the Year for 2000–2001 by the National Alliance of Black School Educators, Marthelia Hargrove has distinguished herself as a passionate advocate of students and the disenfranchised, and as a model of excellence in teaching and administration.

A native of the segregated South, Marthelia Hargrove traces her commitment to education back to a one-room schoolhouse near Oxford, North Carolina. A child growing up in the wake of the depression, her parents endured great sacrifice in order to ensure that Marthelia, her sister and her brother received a decent education. Marthelia Hargrove earned a scholarship to study at Virginia Union University in Richmond and a Master's Degree in early education from Petersburg's Virginia State University.

Having married while in Richmond, Marthelia and her husband relocated to Santa Clara 28 years ago where they've lived ever since. In 1981, Marthelia Hargrove was appointed principal of the Brentwood Oaks School in East Palo Alto. Nine years later, she took the helm at Costano School, determined to transform this low-achieving elementary school into a premier teaching institution. During her eleven-year tenure, she has more than succeeded. Last year, Costano's score in the California Academic Performance Index was 142 points higher than the previous year and 84 points higher than the state median.

The recipient of the Ravenswood Principal of the Year Award, Marthelia Hargrove has also been honored by the Mid-peninsula NAACP, the San Jose University Department of Teacher Education, the Ravenswood Community Nguzo Saba Committee, the San Mateo County Sheriff's Department and the City of East Palo Alto. A member of the National Political Congress of Black Women, she also serves on the Board of the East Palo Alto Kids Foundation.

Marthelia Hargrove has dedicated her life to building extraordinary educational institutions that involve students, parents and community members as stakeholders and beneficiaries. She has worked hard to provide a brighter future for underprivileged children and for children of diverse ethnicities and backgrounds. It is therefore fitting that Marthelia Hargrove is being honored with the 2001 Josephine and Frank Duveneck Humanitarian Award. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in honoring this great and good woman who has given so much to our young citizens and

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to our educational institutions. We are indeed a better nation, a better community and a better people because of her.

IN HONOR OF JEREMY GLICK OF WEST MILFORD, NEW JERSEY

HON. MARGE ROUKEMA

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. ROUKEMA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor the great bravery, courage, and patriotism of Jeremy Glick of West Milford, New Jersey. His acts of exceptional bravery, valor, and patriotism are worthy of the Congress granting Jeremy the Congressional Gold Medal.

Jeremy Glick was a passenger on board United Airlines Flight #93 that on September 11, 2001, departed from Newark International Airport at 8:01 a.m. on its scheduled route to San Francisco, California, with 7 crewmembers and 37 passengers on board. Shortly after departure, the plane was hijacked by terrorists. At 10:37 a.m. United Airlines Flight 93 crashed near Shanksville, Pennsylvania killing all on board.

It is clear from the evidence that after learning that other hijacked planes had been used to attack the World Trade Center in New York City, Jeremy and others onboard United Airlines Flight #93 decided to fight the terrorists for control of the plane. Their brave defiance appear to have caused United Flight #93 to crash prematurely, potentially saving hundreds of thousands of lives. It is widely believed that the White House or the Capitol was the target of the terrorists.

Jeremy was a devoted family man. His wife Lyzbeth had recently given birth to their daughter Emerson. Anyone who has seen the picture of Jeremy holding his baby daughter can clearly see the deep love that was in his heart.

Jeremy was a man who loved life. Lyz, his brother Jared, or any of his friends could tell you endless stories that end in laughter. Ironically, Jeremy and his buddies dressed up like their favorite super heroes a couple of weeks ago. Jeremy dressed up as the Green Lantern. Little would we know that on September 11, 2001, Jeremy became a super hero.

Soon after the terrorists took over the plane, Jeremy called his wife on his cell phone. Jeremy told his family about the terrorists and the location of the plane. Jeremy's family relayed the information to the police over another phone line. After Jeremy learned that other terrorists crashed planes into the World Trade Center he left his phone for a while and return to say that the men voted to attack the terrorists. He left the phone and said he would be back—he never came back on the line.

It is not hard to imagine that Jeremy deciding to join with other passengers to fight the terrorists. He was well over six-feet and was a college judo champion. It was reported that Jeremy faced down the terrorists armed only with a plastic knife from an airline meal. I believe that Jeremy did not even need the plastic knife because he had courage and bravery on his side when he fought with the cowards who commandeered the plane.

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Jeremy's last words to his wife were, "Lyz, I need you to be happy." It should be the hope and prayer of all Americans that Lyz will be happy. Lyz said after the crash, "I think God had a larger purpose for him. He was supposed to fly out the night before, but couldn't. I had Emmy one month early, so Jeremy got to see her. You can't tell me God isn't at work here." I believe God is at work with the Glicks.

One thing that Lyz can definitely be, as we all are, is proud. The incredible courage and bravery that Jeremy showed in the face of certain danger is not only an inspiration to us all but a bright light in the flame that burns in the hearts of all freedom loving people. When Jeremy died, he did it on his own terms—fighting against evil, with a brave heart, and boundless courage to sacrifice himself so many others could live.

Now our nation faces a long and hard struggle to rid the world of the evil that took Jeremy's and so many others lives on September 11. Many thousands of our men and women in uniform will meet the challenge. Jeremy though not expecting to be became one of the first "soldiers" in this crusade. I will forever remember and honor Jeremy as a true American superhero.

Mr. Speaker, I urge passage of this measure.

God bless Jeremy Glick and God bless America.

TRIBUTE TO MARY CURTIS DAVEY ON BEING AWARDED THE 2001 JOSEPH AND FRANK DUVENECK HUMANITARIAN AWARD FOR LOCAL SERVICE

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a great American and distinguished Californian, Mary Curtis Davey, who is being honored with the 2001 Josephine and Frank Duveneck Humanitarian Award for local service on Saturday, September 22, 2001, in Los Altos Hills, California.

In 1966, Mary Curtis Davey became the first woman to serve on the Los Altos Hills City Council. During her 6-year tenure, she distinguished herself through her unparalleled support of open space and fair housing. Through her civic and community involvement, Mary Curtis Davey has improved countless lives on the Peninsula, by focusing on housing for low-income residents, basic services for the elderly, and encouraging others to engage in volunteer work, non-profit organizations and local government. Among the organizations that have benefited from her effective leadership are the United Way of Santa Clara County, the American Red Cross, Avenidas, Bay Area Action, and Committee for Green Foothills.

At the request of legendary humanitarian Josephine Duveneck, Mary Curtis Davey joined the Board of Trust for the Hidden Villa environmental Preserve in 1966 where she served for 20 years, including four as its president. A 1600-acre oasis for both children and

adults, the Hidden Villa provides a forum for participants to take part in educational and community-building programs that teach social justice and respect for all living things. In 1971, Mary Curtis Davey organized the Friends of Hidden Villa to continue fund raising, and in 1997 she chaired the annual Duveneck Awards Dinner for multicultural programs.

Mary Curtis Davey helped found the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District in 1972, an invaluable organization created to safeguard, protect and preserve open space in and around the urban areas of Silicon Valley. The District's 23 preserves are open to the public free of charge. Mary Curtis Davey now serves on the Board of Directors for the District, representing the communities of Cupertino, Sunnyvale, Los Altos Hills and Stanford.

Since 1960, when she and her husband, Jack, and their three children first arrived in California from Maryland, Mary Curtis Davey has championed thee and other causes among a host of volunteer and non-profit organizations. She has been an exceptional voice and a passionate advocate for improving the quality of life in our community. It is therefore fitting that Mary Curtis Davey is being honored with the 2001 Josephine and Frank Duveneck Humanitarian Award. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring this great and good woman who has given so much to our community and to our environment. We are indeed a better nation, a better society and a better people because of her.

STATEMENT OF CONGRESSMAN
CHRISTOPHER SHAYS ON THE
SEPTEMBER 11TH FAMILIES
STAMP ACT

HON. CHRISTOPHER SHAYS

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2001

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, earlier today Congresswoman CAPPS and I introduced bipartisan legislation to create a postal stamp to honor the memories of those lost in the September 11th terrorist attacks and raise money to help their families.

The outpouring of support from across the country following last week's tragedy has been truly remarkable and speaks volumes about the capacity of Americans to join together to help those in need. It is in this spirit of compassion that we are introducing this legislation.

The September 11th Families Stamp Act authorizes the U.S. Postal Service to issue a semipostal stamp, similar to the breast cancer

research stamp which has raised \$20 million. Money raised from the stamp will assist the families of the victims from the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and United Airlines flight 93.

Mr. Speaker, our first responsibility as a nation is to console the families who have lost loved ones and heal the wounded. The legislation we are introducing will allow us to celebrate the lives of the victims and provide much needed support to their families.

I urge my colleagues to cosponsor the September 11th Families Stamp Act.

CONDEMNING BIGOTRY AND VIOLENCE AGAINST ARAB-AMERICANS, AMERICAN MUSLIMS, AND AMERICANS FROM SOUTH ASIA

SPEECH OF

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 14, 2001

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this resolution condemning bigotry and violence against Arab-Americans. I am proud to be a cosponsor of this resolution introduced by the gentleman from Michigan, Mr. BONIOR, and I thank the distinguished majority leader, Mr. ARMEY, for his active support of the resolution.

This past week our precious nation has suffered a great amount of pain and sorrow inflicted by horrible individuals who have no respect for innocent life. America can ill-afford to have our own people unfairly and unjustifiably inflicting even more pain on other Americans or friends of Americans who are of Arab heritage or of the Muslim faith, and who bear no responsibility for the events of September 11th. In fact, they have joined with their neighbors in condemning this heinous attack. Arab Americans deserve to be recognized as the patriotic individuals they are, not victimized for their heritage. Indeed, the greatest enemy of a radical Islamic terrorist is a practicing Muslim.

This past Tuesday evening, as the Toledo Blade reported in its September 19th edition, "about 1,500 people, a . . . mix of Christians and Muslims, gathered . . . at the Islamic Center of Greater Toledo in Perrysburg Township to encircle the mosque, pray for the safety of those who worship within, and sing patriotic songs.

"American flags were everywhere—medium-sized ones along the driveways, a large one hanging from the mosque's roof, and small red, white, and blue stickers adorning everyone's clothing.

"The people making up the crowd, many of whom rarely cross paths, made an effort to

reach out to one another in this time of national crisis."

There will be many images that we recall from last week. One, which will always stand out for me, is the image of the Statue of Liberty erect in New York Harbor. More importantly, the values for which she stands are lodged deeper in our hearts. While Lady Liberty witnessed this assault on peace, she remains a beacon calling for our tired but valiant and indispensable rescue workers. She reassures our fellow citizens who lost their loved ones. And she encourages our huddled neighbors throughout America who are offering support for one another, as we discover who made this assault on freedom and why. She continues to lift her lamp beside the golden door of freedom. She increases our resolve as Americans. She lifts her lamp to celebrate the thousands who did survive, and to illuminate those who banded together in one of the most tremendous outpourings of selflessness in our nation's history.

The depth of the American people's resourcefulness has been demonstrated to the entire world. Our nation will prevail over the most recent challenge to our liberties. We will actively embrace the precious diversity that is America. Our families hail from throughout the world, with religious convictions of every faith. Our diverse population offers the strongest nation in support of freedom in the world.

Over the years, many people of Arab heritage have come to call the United States home. They are just as loyal as any other American and deserve equal treatment. I know in my own community of Toledo one could not have asked for a stronger show of patriotism than what I had heard from so many Arab Americans wanting to know what they could do to help the victims of Tuesday's assault.

It was truly sad to hear the stories of Arab Americans around the nation, including some in my community, who were the targets of wrong-placed anger. I share the intense feeling that our nation and our people have been immeasurably hurt. But I firmly believe that as a people we must commit ourselves to fighting the terrorism that invaded our shores, not succumb to its infective powers by lashing out at the innocent.

We need to honor the lives that were lost, celebrate the heroes that created another wonderful moment in our nation's stunning history, and emulate the people of Toledo who came together across faiths and across heritage to form what Hussein Barby described as "like a family."

Our American family has been hurt. And in the best American tradition, let our family band together at a time when our strength lies in our unity.