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BOWDOIN COLLEGE INAUGURATES
ITS NEW PRESIDENT, BARRY
MILLS

HON. THOMAS H. ALLEN

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 5, 2001

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, on October 27th, Barry Mills will be inaugurated as the 14th president of Bowdoin College, my alma mater and one of the finest liberal arts colleges in the nation.

The selection of Barry Mills by the Bowdoin College Board of Trustees last January was an ideal choice. He brings to this position qualities and experience that will serve Bowdoin's students, faculty and alumni exceptionally well. The community in which Bowdoin is located, Brunswick, Maine, as well as the entire nation, will also benefit enormously.

Barry knows Bowdoin well, both as a graduate (Class of 1972) and as a member of the College's Board of Trustees. I came to appreciate Barry's abilities when we served together on that Board. He combines a sharp intelligence, leadership skills and energy with a warm and empathetic personality. His business acumen, scholarship and experience will be a great value in his new position.

Barry holds a doctorate in biology and a law degree. He formerly served as the deputy presiding partner of Debevoise & Plimpton in New York City, one of the nation's preeminent international law firms. He joined the firm in 1979 and became a partner in 1986.

Born in Providence, Rhode Island, on September 8, 1950, Barry graduated in 1968 from Pilgrim High School in Warwick, Rhode Island.

A Dean's List student at Bowdoin, Barry graduated cum laude in 1972 with a double major in biochemistry and government. He earned his doctorate in biology in 1976 at Syr-

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racuse University, where he taught courses as a graduate student in introductory biology, cell physiology, and animal physiology. He earned his law degree at the Columbia University School of Law in 1979, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar.

Barry has published papers in the field of biology and, as a lawyer, has produced numerous publications and speeches in his field. He was also a leader with the firm's continuing legal education program at Debevoise & Plimpton.

He is married to Karen Gordon Mills, a founder and managing director of Solera Capital, LLC, a private equity firm located in New York City. As a student at Radcliffe College, Karen Mills was president of the Harvard Dramatic Club. She graduated magna cum laude from Radcliffe in 1975 with a degree in economics and earned her M.B.A. at the Harvard Business School in 1977. She is currently a member of the Harvard University Board of Overseers.

As President of Bowdoin, Barry has already begun to focus on priorities he has wisely identified as important for the College's future: increasing campus diversity, improving technology and expanding Bowdoin College's international presence.

Barry knows how to find out what's going on at the campus: by listening and by doing what students do. In an interview with the *Portland Press Herald* earlier this year, he said, "I love talking with students. I invited them to send me an e-mail telling me when they think my office hours should be, to be most accessible to them. That could be 8 to 11 at night, when they hit their bio-rhythms. They are going to see me at concerts, lectures, art shows, on the football field, and in training rooms. I'm really going to be a part of this campus. And I'm going to be a part of their lives."

I am pleased that Barry Mills will play an even greater role in the life of Bowdoin College. I congratulate him on his inauguration and congratulate Bowdoin College on the wisdom of his selection.

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IN HONOR OF GRACE BAPTIST
CHURCH

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 5, 2001

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the fifty-first anniversary of the founding of Grace Baptist Church of Westlake, OH. This congregation has been a wonderful part of the Greater Cleveland community for over half a century.

This church traces its history back to February 24, 1950, when forty-seven members signed the charter to organize the church officially. The congregation originally met in an upper hall on the corner of Orchard Grove and Detroit Avenue in Lakewood, but a small church building was later purchased in Rocky River. As the church continued to grow, a larger building was needed. The church purchased land from Mrs. Dorothy Rogers, a member of the congregation, and broke ground on April 17, 1966. The dedication services were held in the present building on October 26, 1967. The congregation of Grace Baptist Church worships at that location to this day.

The church is located on a seven acre site in the eastern part of Westlake. The members come from the western part of Cleveland, Lakewood, Rocky River, Fairview Park, North Olmstead, Westlake, Bay Village, Avon, Avon Lake, and North Ridgeville. All ages are represented in the congregation.

The church is very active. Among its activities are a Sunday school for all ages, Sunday morning and evening worship, youth groups, prayer meetings, adult social groups, and junior and senior high school youth groups.

From the beginning, the prayer of Grace Baptist's membership has been that the church family would always stay faithful to God. For fifty-one years, that prayer has been answered. My fellow colleagues, join me in honoring Grace Baptist Church.