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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 11, 2001

Mr. SHERMAN Mr. Speaker, we rise today to honor Shirley and Seth Hufstedler, Alan I. Rothenberg, and Erwin Chemerinsky. On October 11, 2001, each of these extraordinary individuals will be recognized at the Anti-Defamation League 2001 Jurisprudence Award Dinner.

Shirley Hufstedler is currently Senior of Counsel at Morrison & Foerster. Previously, she served as a Judge in the Los Angeles County Superior Court and an Associate Justice of the California Court of Appeals. Prior to that, Shirley was appointed and served as the U.S. Secretary of Education in 1979 by President Jimmy Carter.

Her husband, Seth Hufstedler is also Senior of Counsel at Morrison & Foerster. He has argued many cases before the California appellate courts, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court. More recently he has served as President of the State Bar of California and the Los Angeles County Bar Association.

Alan Rothenberg is the founder of the U.S. Soccer Foundation and has dedicated himself to Major League Soccer for many years. He was Chairman, President, and CEO of the most successful World Cup in History. He also served as Chairman of the Board of the 1999 FIFA Women's World Cup, the most successful women's sporting event in history.

Finally, Erwin Chemerinsky is the author of four books on constitutional law. He has testified many times before Congress, the California Legislature and the Los Angeles City Council. Erwin has argued many cases in the U.S. Courts of Appeals and served as co-counsel in several cases before the United States Supreme Court.

Each of these well-respected individuals have remained dedicated to providing exemplary service to our community. It is a distinct pleasure to ask our colleagues to join with us in saluting them for their outstanding achievements.

HIGHWAY HOME IN HATFIELD,
PENNSYLVANIA

HON. JOSEPH M. HOFFEL

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 11, 2001

Mr. HOFFEL Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the 50th anniversary of the High-

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way Home in Hatfield, Pennsylvania. The Highway Home has been serving the needs of the elderly and I am honored to join them in their celebration.

The High Home was founded by the Highway Tabernacle Church of Philadelphia in 1951 and is a non-profit organization. Since 1980, the Highway Home has been licensed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the mission of excellent care to the elderly and enhancing the quality of their lives. They have met this mission with great success.

I am proud to join Highway Home in their celebration. Our community is fortunate to have such a fine facility that meets the important needs of our elderly.

RENEWAL COMMUNITY TECHNICAL LEGISLATION

HON. JOHN J. LaFALCE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 11, 2001

Mr. LaFALCE Mr. Speaker, today, along with Representatives QUINN and REYNOLDS, I will be introducing legislation designed to enhance the effectiveness of the "Renewal Community" program which Congress adopted just last December. This legislation would allow the expansion of Renewal Communities to include census tracts which are not eligible under 1990 census data, but which are eligible under 2000 census data.

As Congress debates economic stimulus legislation, which is likely to include tax provisions, we urge inclusion of this simple, but important, legislative amendment to the existing Renewal Community program.

Late last year, Congress enacted bi-partisan legislation authorizing the designation of forty "Renewal Communities," each of which will receive substantial investment tax benefits. Applications for selection of these Renewal Communities are due late in October, with final selection by HUD under a competitive process before the end of this year.

All census tracts in a Renewal Community application must meet objective criteria, including benchmarks relating to poverty and unemployment. However, the poverty rates and population used to determine compliance with such criteria are required to be determined using 1900 census data.

Use of dated economic data was probably necessary, given that the selection process will be completed before all 2000 census data is available. However, ironically, the result is that legislation designed to rejuvenate areas with rising poverty and declining economic conditions and population effectively ignores what has taken place over the last decade. The very census tracts that have declined economically over the last decade, as confirmed by objective economic data, are necessarily excluded from favorable investment treatment designed to reverse such economic decline.

This makes no sense. Therefore, the legislation we are introducing today in a simple one, which permits applicants that are awarded Renewal Community status to subsequently apply to HUD to expand their bound-

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aries to include census tracts that did not meet the legislation's poverty or population criteria using 1990 census data, but would meet such criteria using 2000 census data.

It does not interfere with the selection process for the forty Renewal Communities, which is already underway. Nor does it alter the objective qualifications that each census tract must meet to qualify for inclusion in a Renewal Community. It merely allows Renewal Communities selected later this year to apply for the inclusion of adjacent census tracts that clearly justify inclusion in the Renewal Community, based on our most recent census data.

HONORING LILIA PULIDO ALVARADO

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 11, 2001

Mr. KILDEE Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Lilia Pulido Alvarado. Mrs. Alvarado is being honored by the International Institute of Flint at their annual dinner on October 13th. She will be given their Golden Door award.

The International Institute pays tribute each year to an outstanding immigrant who has made a significant impact on the greater Flint community. It is the highest award the Institute presents. The recipient has demonstrated a lifelong commitment to improving the quality of life for newly arrived immigrants.

This year's recipient, Lilia Pulido Alvarado is a stellar example of this commitment. She has fought her entire life for immigrants. She immigrated to the United States from Mexico at the age of twelve with her parents and four siblings. Her father had been the Chief of Police in Zacatecas before an accident cut short his career. Lilia's mother worked as a midwife to support the family before the family moved to Michigan.

As a result of her father's accident and the move to a new country the family had a drastic change in their lifestyle. In Mexico the family lived in an 18-room house with servants, and an active social life. In Michigan the family lived in a shanty, sleeping on straw mattresses, cooking over a wood stove and had outdoor toilet facilities. Lilia did not know how to speak English and this created difficulties for her in school. The first day of school Lilia threw a book at the teacher and was expelled. The teacher had wanted her to read in English. Later in life this incident caused Lilia to fight passionately for schools to understand and incorporate the language and culture of the immigrant when teaching the student.

Fortunately, Lilia went on to complete her schooling, eventually earning an associate's degree, a bachelor's degree, a master's degree and a substance abuse counselor license. During this time she married, and raised four children. She paid for her education by picking apples. She has worked as the district director of the Michigan State University research project, "Migrants in Transition," as a bilingual counselor for Model Cities, a counselor for battered women at the YWCA