

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE HONORABLE
BRETT DORIAN

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 29, 2001

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to Brent Dorian for his years of dedicated public service as a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge in Fresno, CA. After almost 12 years on the bench, Judge Dorian retired last year.

Brett served in the U.S. Air Force. After the military, he studied law and graduated from Boalt Hall School of Law, University of California at Berkeley. After making a substantial contribution to under-served people in the community, Brett Dorian went on to have a very distinguished career as a civil practice attorney, bankruptcy lawyer, and bankruptcy trustee.

In 1988, Judge Dorian assumed the Federal bankruptcy bench in Fresno and handled thousands of cases from an 8 county area in Central California. During Judge Dorian's tenure on the bench he has earned a reputation as a brilliant jurist committed to following the law and protecting the rights of the citizens and persons who appeared before him. Judge Dorian has done many things for our community, the courts and the nation. It is a pleasure and privilege to honor such a distinguished man as he begins yet another facet of his life.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay high tribute to Judge Brett Dorian for his active distinguished community and public service. I urge my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representative to join me in wishing Judge Dorian many more years of good health, happiness, and contribution to the people of central California.

TRIBUTE TO ANNA MARIA ARIAS

HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 29, 2001

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the memory of Anna Maria Arias, innovative and beloved founder and editor of LATINA Style magazine who passed away October 1, 2001.

Mr. Speaker, Anna Maria Arias founded LATINA Style in 1994, creating the only 100 percent Latina-owned national publication in the United States. It boasts a national circulation of 150,000 and a readership of over half a million. Ms. Arias was a dreamer who realized her dreams. The LATINA Style Magazine motto is "A National Magazine for the Contemporary Hispanic Woman." Indeed, LATINA Style is a staple in the homes of thousands of female Hispanic professionals.

LATINA Style has collaborated with the Small Business Administration, the Minority Business Development Agency and the local Hispanic Chamber of Commerce to create the LATINA Style Business Services which is a unique program that connects Latina professionals and entrepreneurs to key corporations by holding conferences across the country. Along with LATINA Style's focus on career and business, it regularly features home and family issues, music, book, and movie reviews, travel tips, investment guidance, food and drink recipes, and health advice among other things.

Mr. Speaker, Ms. Arias' staff states that she "dedicated her entire body and soul into creating and growing LATINA Style into the powerful magazine for Hispanic women that it is today." Ms. Arias lost a difficult battle earlier this month with aplastic anemia that she fought for 7 years. When her illness demanded that she forfeit the daily managing of the magazine, Ms. Arias delegated Ms. Elena Campisteguy as associate publisher, confident that she and the LATINA Style staff would propagate the publication's high editorial standard. The Style staff and Ms. Arias' widower, Mr. Robert E. Bard, feel that Ms. Arias' spirit will guide them in coming years to carry on her dream.

I ask my colleagues to join me in mourning the loss of a creative and ambitious entrepreneur who broke boundaries and dedicated her life to benefiting Latina women.

IN HONOR OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TASK FORCE AND THE MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE WHO HAVE JOINED IN THE WORLD TRADE CENTER RESPONSE

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 29, 2001

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Hamilton County's Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Task Force and the eighteen members of the Task Force who joined with Ohio Task Force 1 (Oh-TF1) to assist in the rescue and relief efforts at the World Trade Center site in New York City.

The Hamilton County USAR Task Force was formed in December, 1997. The primary mission of the Task Force is to assist local fire and emergency medical agencies in large-scale rescue situations and emergency incidents associated with natural disasters, terrorist activity and major industrial, technological and transportation accidents. This team continues Cincinnati's long, proud history of being a national leader in fire and emergency services.

In addition to assisting in local incidents, members of the Hamilton County USAR Task Force are part of Oh-TF1, one of twenty-eight Federal Emergency Management Agency USAR Task Forces capable of responding to massive structural collapses to search for and rescue trapped persons. Ohio Task Force 1 deployed sixty-two members to the World Trade Center site in New York. These members represented thirty-three fire organizations in Ohio. Seventeen of these members represented six Hamilton County Fire Departments, including: Anderson Fire Department; Cincinnati Fire Department; Colerain Township Fire Department; Green Township Fire Department; Madeira and Indian Hill Fire Department; and Sycamore Township Fire Department. An additional member of the Hamilton County USAR Task Force and Oh-TF1 is a rigging specialist for Carlisle Construction in Northern Kentucky.

The members of Oh-TF1 worked non-stop from September 12 to September 20 at a scene described by its members as "devastating." The Task Force was divided into two groups that worked alternating twelve-hour shifts. As the third USAR Task Force on the scene, Oh-TF1's work was critical to the ongoing recovery and relief efforts.

Like the rest of America, I am moved by the bravery and selfless work of our nation's emergency services personnel. I am especially proud and appreciative of their work after seeing, firsthand, the horrific and truly devastating site in New York.

Mr. Speaker, I hope my colleagues will join me in recognizing the outstanding work of Hamilton County's USAR Task Force and Oh-TF1 as we also recognize the remarkable contributions and sacrifices made by all of the people who make up our nation's emergency services in the wake of the September 11 attack.

WORLD POPULATION AWARENESS
WEEK

HON. JAMES C. GREENWOOD

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 29, 2001

Mr. GREENWOOD. Mr. Speaker, rapid population growth and urbanization have become catalysts for many serious environmental problems and are applying substantial pressures on infrastructure, manifested in pollution, transportation, health, sanitation and public safety problems. This situation makes urbanization an issue that we cannot afford to ignore. Cities and urban areas today occupy only 2 percent of the earth's land, but contain half of the world's population and consume 75 percent of its resources.

It is therefore important for us to recognize the problems associated with rapid population

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