out of more than 542,000 high school boys basketball players to be named the 2001 Gatorade National High School Boys Basketball Player of the Year. This is one of the highest awards conferred upon a high school student athlete. In addition to both academic and athletic excellence, recipients must also maintain high moral character. Kelvin is an outstandingly young man who personifies the criteria, and I am proud to be honoring him here today.

Kelvin has a strong sense of teamwork and can play any position on the court. His remarkable athletic skills have made him the highest scorer in Northwestern’s history, with a record 1,978 points. As a four-year starter on the varsity team, he has been the recipient of numerous honors and awards including McDonald’s All-American, Parade Magazine All-American, three time 1st team All-State player, and most recently, the Mr. Basketball award, given to the state’s best player by the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan.

Not only is Kelvin an exceptional athlete, but he has also maintained 3.1 GPA. He is an active member of student government, demonstrating leadership qualities in school extending well into the Flint community. Successfully balancing academics with athletics, he will be an asset to the student body at Michigan State University next fall. He is an outstanding example of the teamwork and high moral character stressed in Flint public schools.

Constantly maintaining high standards for himself, Kelvin has become a role model for younger students, working with young people at the local Boys and Girls Club and at summer basketball camp. He teaches them the importance of teamwork and dedication on the court and its implications throughout life.

Mr. Speaker, I am happy to honor an exemplary individual like Kelvin Torbert, and the contributions he has made to his team. He is an example of the accomplishments of encouragement and reinforcement of a student’s talents, and belief in his or her ability to excel.

THE HERO OF CHESTNUT HILL

HON. BARNEY FRANK
OF MASSACHUSETTS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, April 3, 2001

Mr. FRANK. Mr. Speaker, on April 17, one of the leading educational institutions in America, Boston College, will honor Dr. Francis B. Campanella as he prepares to retire this year from his job as Executive Vice President. Dr. Campanella has been an extraordinary asset to Boston College, and to higher education in the Boston community, and to higher education in the country as well. As such, she is more than a community, but rather one must serve that community as well. As such, she is more than a community, but rather one must serve that community as well.

Campanella gradually attracted national attention. Campanella retired for the first time in 1991. It didn’t take. In 1994, the trustees asked him to come back. He stayed long enough to get new BC president William Leahy, S.J. settled in his job. “He’s a man who understood the world of higher education, the world of business too,” Leahy said. “He’ll be a very difficult man to replace.”

A TRIBUTE TO CARMELA C. RODRIGUEZ

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, April 3, 2001

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Carmela C. Rodriguez of Brooklyn, New York. Ms. Rodriguez is a deeply religious person who has dedicated herself to serving her church, her community and her native culture. Ms. Rodriguez was born and raised in Panama City, Panama. She migrated to the United States in 1963. Nevertheless, she remains proud of her Panamanian roots. She has expressed this pride through service. She is the President of the Day of Independence Committee of Panamanians in New York and she organized the first Panamanian Independence Day Parade.

Ms. Rodriguez is also committed to her religious and community. She is a Eucharistic Minister of Service at Our Lady of Charity Church; she is the First African American woman to be inducted as a Franciscan Friar in the Immaculate Conception Province, and she is the Grand Lady of the Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary. In addition, she serves her community by conducting AIDS education workshops and donating food as well as clothing for needy children.

Mr. Speaker, Ms. Carmela C. Rodriguez is a woman of deep conviction whose religious and community involvement illustrate that she does not believe it is enough simply to live in a community, but rather one must serve that community as well. As such, she is more than worthy of receiving our recognition today and I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in honoring this truly remarkable woman.