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while in the line of duty. Ryan Cunningham may be gone but his legacy will long endure in the minds of those who were fortunate enough to know him. Colorado is assuredly a better place because of Ryan Cunningham.

HONORING LINDA COFFEY,
OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 08, 2001

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, It is with great honor that I ask this body to recognize and congratulate the first recipient of the "Outstanding Teacher Award" presented by the Dove Creek Soil Conservation District. Dolores County High School teacher Linda Coffey, received the award for her outstanding work with students over the years. The award was created to emphasize the importance of teachers in the lives of our children.

After graduating high school, Linda attended the University of Northern Colorado where she received her teaching certificate. Overall, she has taught for 19 years, covering a variety of subjects like, Computer Applications, Keyboarding I & II, Accounting, Senior Seminar and Office Job Applications. "I have had the pleasure of working with Linda Coffey for five years now. In that time I have come to know her as a very caring and compassionate teacher," said Stephen Baroch, principal of Dolores County High School.

Linda is also the FBLA Sponsor and the Senior Class sponsor. "A lot of respect and admiration is evident in all of her classes. Linda is very popular with students and willing to go that extra mile to help a student succeed," said Principal Baroch. "Being passionate about learning and high expectations encompasses everything that Linda believes in. I appreciate everything that she is willing to do for our school and community."

Mr. Speaker, Linda has succeeded in making sure that students learn and feel comfortable in her class. She is very deserving of this award and it is fitting that she be recognized as the first ever recipient of this "Outstanding Teacher Award". I would like to congratulate her and wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TO HONOR ANNE M. RINDFLEISCH

HON. THOMAS M. BARRETT

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 8, 2001

Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, there are few things I enjoy more in this job than getting the opportunity to shine the spotlight on truly deserving people who serve as a source of inspiration to the rest of us. Anne M. Rindfleisch of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is one of those people, and I would like to pay tribute to her today.

Anne Rindfleisch is here in D.C. with us because she is the 38th winner of Goodwill's Graduate of the Year competition. Ms. Rindfleisch has a congenial disability called Full Amelia, meaning she has no arms or legs. Despite the challenges posed by her physical condition, Anne has managed to earn a bachelor's degree in social work from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and serve as an exemplary employee at Burlington Coat Factory for almost five years.

Despite her current success, Anne faced many obstacles along the way to entering the workforce. In fact, for six years after getting her degree, she volunteered for a number of organizations, but was unable to find employment.

In 1995, Ms. Rindfleisch went to Goodwill Industries of Southeastern Wisconsin and Metropolitan Chicago to upgrade her computer skills. During her eight months of training, Ms. Rindfleisch learned to type 42 words per minute using a month stick and mastered several accounting software programs. During training, she moved out of her parents' home and into her own apartment. In 1996, she was hired by Burlington Coat Factory as a data entry clerk, and has commuted to and from work in her motorized wheelchair using shoulder controls.

Unfortunately, Anne has had to pass up numerous raises and promotions because of current salary restrictions under the Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) laws. If she were to earn over \$700 per month, or work more than 20 hours per week, she would lose her SSDI benefits. We must work in Congress to eliminate this Catch-22, so that hard-working, deserving people like Anne Rindfleisch can work to support themselves and their loved ones.

Anne Rindfleisch has not only overcome tremendous challenges in her life, but is a brave person who stands by the courage of her convictions. She a truly extraordinary human being, and it is my hope that others will be inspired by her dogged determination to succeed and the strength of her spirit.

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WORLD COMMUNITY NOT DOING ENOUGH ABOUT GLOBAL ILLICIT DRUG CHALLENGE

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 8, 2001

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, the worldwide profits from the illicit drug trade by some estimates, including the United Nations Drug Control Program (UNDCP), exceed \$400 billion dollars annually. In our nation alone, the annual societal costs from illicit drugs exceed \$100 billion dollars, and continue to wreck havoc and destruction on our families and communities.

The UNDCP is often the only entity from the world community in certain nations and regions around the globe, like Afghanistan, where we can help address the threat from illicit drugs. We all face the serious threat from the trade and production of these deadly substances.

Last year, the entire UNDCP's budget did not exceed \$80 million dollars, in a struggle against a multi-billion dollar worldwide illicit drug industry. In some places like Colombia, the trade in illicit drugs earns as much as \$2 million dollars a day for the narco-guerillas. In just 40 days, this illicit income alone, would exceed the entire UNDCP annual budget for last year.

I ask that the UNDCP donor nation lists and amounts that the very few nations contributed for the last several years be included hereinafter. The pledge list, will show that less than 30 of the world's nations even contribute to UNDCP, and less than 20 of those nations, are major donors. The U.S. last year took the lead with just a small, modest \$20 million contribution to UNDCP.

Hopefully this appalling neglect of the UNDCP, and the indifference to the fight against the illicit worldwide drug trade be reversed, as it should. The nations of the world must face up to their obligations in our fight against illicit drugs.

I compliment our nation, and other leading major donor nations to the UNDCP like Italy, Sweden, the UK, Japan, among others. I urge that the U.S. continue this year with at least a \$20 million dollar contribution to UNDCP, so that we will remain in the position to continue to argue we are doing our share and other nations should join us in doing even more for the benefit of our young people, and future generations in this critical fight against illicit drugs.

Attachment, UNDCP Donor list 1997-2001.

FUND OF UNDCP—PLEDGES DURING THE PERIOD 1998-2001—STATUS AS OF 26 MARCH 2001

[United States dollars]

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
United States	9,720,400	4,033,600	25,305,000	20,000,000
Italy	6,881,720	8,499,089	9,191,176	11,844,481	11,834,488
Sweden	4,716,382	5,233,471	4,274,510	4,647,799	4,010,417
United Kingdom	6,802,199	11,575,353	4,250,270	4,353,793	3,231,969
European Commission	1,001,660	4,886,528	3,205,128	4,266,331
Netherlands	1,139,278	1,092,574	974,610	3,936,543	250,000
Japan	5,000,000	3,817,000	3,854,000	3,379,000
Norway	629,749	1,058,170	2,032,680	1,556,092
France	1,352,810	1,404,796	1,323,143	1,294,856
Denmark	1,661,732	1,677,114	1,220,765	1,112,440
Germany	3,205,324	3,368,763	885,724	1,075,826
Canada	500,000	685,205	1,020,408	1,020,000
Austria	430,285	558,873	620,611	829,628