

today to extend my sincere congratulations to Jeanna on her award. She is a remarkable woman as well as a credit and testament to the community that she represents so well.●

REMEMBERING JUSTICE REVIUS ORTIQUE

● Mrs. CLINTON. Mr. President, on June 22, our Nation lost a great judge and lawyer, civil rights champion, and public servant. Justice Revius Ortique, the first African-American justice elected to the Louisiana Supreme Court, has died at 84.

I met Justice Ortique when we served together in the 1970s on the board of the Legal Services Corporation, and much later in his career, Justice Ortique was appointed by my husband to serve as alternate delegate to the United Nations.

Justice Ortique had an illustrious career. In World War II, he served as an officer in the Pacific Theater and after earning his law degree in 1956, set up a legal practice at the vanguard of the civil rights movement. He helped to successfully win equal pay for Black employees in several cases, to integrate State labor unions, and served five terms as president of the Urban League of Greater New Orleans. Justice Ortique not only worked to achieve racial equality but also to achieve racial harmony and served three terms as president of the New Orleans Community Relations Council. He negotiated for the Black community with White civic leaders helping to bring about the peaceful desegregation of lunch counters, bathrooms, and other public facilities in New Orleans before the passage of the landmark Civil Rights Act of 1964 would guarantee these rights.

Justice Ortique was a courtly figure with a mild manner that belied his courage, convictions, and ability to effect change. I am proud to have known him, and my thoughts and prayers are with his wife Miriam, his daughter Rhesa, and all those whose lives were made better because of his leadership.●

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF NEW SALEM, NORTH DAKOTA

● Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased to honor a community in North Dakota that is celebrating its 125th anniversary. On July 18 through 20, the residents of New Salem, ND, will celebrate their community's history and founding.

New Salem began on an April day in 1882 when young John Christiansen hopped off a westbound freight train. The only sign of civilization he saw were the train tracks behind him and the belongings he brought. Soon after his arrival a Colonization Bureau out of Chicago sent settlers to the area and gave the colony its independence for

\$600. A church, land office, lumber yard, drugstore, and general store were soon built, and by the end of 1883, the town was ready for great plains living.

Known nationally as the home of the world's largest Holstein cow, New Salem is a community filled with pride and energy. "Salem Sue" stands 38 feet high, weighs over 6 tons, and was erected by the New Salem Lions Club in 1974 to honor the dairymen of North Dakota. New Salem also has a nine-hole golf course, public swimming pool, and numerous parks to entertain residents and tourists.

To celebrate its 125th anniversary, the community of New Salem is organizing a celebration that will include a parade, demolition derby, mixed golf scramble, pitchfork fondue, and numerous outdoor activities. A street dance down New Salem's Main Street will also be held. It promises to be a wonderful event.

Mr. President, I ask the U.S. Senate to join me in congratulating New Salem, ND, and its residents on their first 125 years and in wishing them well in the future. By honoring New Salem and all the other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as New Salem that have helped to shape this country into what it is today, which is why this fine community is deserving of our recognition.

New Salem has a proud past and a bright future.●

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF RICHARDTON, NORTH DAKOTA

● Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased today to recognize a community in North Dakota that will be celebrating its 125th anniversary. On July 11 through 13, the residents of Richardton will gather to celebrate their community's history and founding.

Richardton is located in Stark County in the southwest part of the State. Oscar L. Richard named the town in 1882 after his relative, C.B. Richard, who was an agent for the Hamburg-American Steamship Co., which promoted German-Russian settlement in this area. The post office was established a year later by Adolph Norberg. In 1906, the village was incorporated, and Richardton was officially recognized as a city in 1935.

Richardton has a prominent Roman Catholic monastery, which was founded by Bishop Vincent DePaul Wehrle in 1899. Vincent was the first Abbot of the monastery, which was named St. Mary's Priory, from 1903-1910. Under his leadership, the great twin-tower cathedral was built in 1906.

St. Mary's faced significant challenges after its completion in 1910 which eventually led to its closure. Abbot Alcuin Deutsch of St. John's

Abbey in Minnesota wanted to revive the Richardton community because it was still struggling financially. In 1926, Abbot Deutsch and other monks around North Dakota helped reopen the monastery with the name Assumption Abbey. Assumption Abbey remains in operation today.

Richardton's attractions also include a golf course, bed and breakfasts, restaurants, motels and much more. Residents of Richardton take great pride in their community. To celebrate their 125th centennial anniversary, the community will be holding a 5k walk/run, a parade, games, an antique car show, a Rough Rider Rodeo, a dance, and a fireworks show.

Mr. President, I ask the U.S. Senate to join me in congratulating Richardton, ND, and its residents on their first 125 years and in wishing them well in the future. By honoring Richardton and all other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the great pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as Richardton that have helped shape this country into what it is today, which is why this fine community is deserving of our recognition.

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HONORING KENWAY CORPORATION

● Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I wish today to recognize the Kenway Corporation, an outstanding small business from my home State of Maine that recently earned the distinguished recognition of Manufacturer of the Year by the Maine Manufacturing Extension Partnership, or Maine MEP. A fiberglass manufacturer located in Maine's capital city of Augusta, the Kenway Corporation has for over 60 years been known for its high-quality products. The MEP's Manufacturer of the Year award is presented every year to a company that has achieved world-class status and has applied the best manufacturing practices necessary to succeed in the marketplace.

The Kenway Corporation formally began operations as Kenway Boats in 1947 in the rural community of Palermo, ME. Originally focused on building wooden crafts, the firm switched its concentration to composites in the 1960s and has since grown into a tremendously successful manufacturing company. Today, Kenway manufactures corrosion-resistant fiberglass for a variety of industries, including marine, pulp and paper, and power. Notably, in 1991, Kenway moved its venture to Augusta and increased its manufacturing facilities to more than 10,000 square feet. The firm is expanding again this year by doubling its current size while consolidating its operations. Additionally, since 2003, the company has increased its staff more than two-fold, to nearly 80 employees, and

Kenway is seeking to provide even more jobs in the near future. Kenway has attracted a loyal customer base ranging from coast to coast and even to Puerto Rico.

The Kenway Corporation's products are highly advanced and heavily sought after by numerous companies. Kenway makes process piping that is used in petrochemical and wastewater treatment facilities, as well as in power plants and paper mills. In addition, the firm manufactures an assortment of custom designed dampers, tanks, scrubbers, shower pipes, and railcar drip pans to prevent corrosion and chemical leakage. Kenway's employees engage in an array of intensive manufacturing processes, including laminating, vacuum resin transfer molding, and pultrusion.

Since its inception 61 years ago, the Kenway Corporation has wisely taken advantage of tools available to small businesses. In 2007, the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development designated Kenway a Pine Tree Zone business, making it eligible for targeted tax benefits to better compete in today's global economy. The company had previously won a \$100,000 grant from the Maine Technology Institute, which allowed Kenway to install sensor systems in its piping to transfer hazardous materials.

Early last year, Kenway returned to its historic roots of shipbuilding by purchasing Maritime Skiff from its retiring Massachusetts owners. Now operating under the name Maritime Marine, the company makes small, fuel-efficient skiffs and family fishing boats with fiberglass decks and hulls. Kenway received a \$400,000 community development block grant to properly incorporate Maritime Skiff into its present operations, a transition that has thus far yielded positive results. To generate additional interest in Maritime's line of vessels, the company recently began offering a lifetime no-rot warranty on all of its models.

A powerhouse and leader in fiberglass manufacturing for nearly a half century, the Kenway Corporation's name is synonymous with quality craftsmanship and innovative production. Through intelligent growth and adjusting to economic conditions, Kenway has been successful at staying ahead of the curve and maintaining its pre-eminent position. I commend Ken Priest, company president, and everyone at the Kenway Corporation for their accomplishment in garnering the respected Manufacturer of the Year award from the Maine MEP and wish them well in their continuing endeavors.●

RECOGNIZING SHANE BRYAN

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Shane Bryan, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for

all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota over the past several months.

Originally from Oacoma-Chamberlain, SD, Shane is currently a sophomore at the University of South Dakota and is majoring in political science and communication studies. He is a hard worker who has been dedicated to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Shane for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING JORDAN FEIST

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Jordan Feist, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota over the past several months.

Originally from Sioux Falls, SD, Jordan is currently a sophomore at the University of South Dakota and is majoring in political science and philosophy. He is a hard worker who has been dedicated to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Jordan for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING CAMDEN HELDER

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Camden Helder, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota over the past several months.

Originally from De Smet, SD, Camden is currently a senior at South Dakota State University and is majoring in economics and political science. He is a hard worker who has been dedicated to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Camden for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING JONATHON REYNOLDS

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Jonathon "Jonny" Reynolds, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota over the past several months.

Originally from Baltic, SD, Jonny recently graduated from the Air Force Academy where he majored in economics. He is a hard worker who has been dedicated to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Jonny for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING KAYLA WOLFF

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Kayla Wolff, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota over the past several months.

Originally from Rapid City, SD, Kayla is currently a junior at the University of Central Arkansas and is majoring in economics and prepharmacy. She is a hard worker who has been dedicated to getting the most out of her internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Kayla for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF CANOVA, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Canova, SD. The town of Canova will commemorate the 125th anniversary of its founding with celebrations July 4 to 5, 2008.

Located in Miner County, Canova was founded in 1883 and was named after Italian sculptor Antonio Canova. Since its beginning 125 years ago, the community of Canova has continued to serve as a strong example of South Dakota traditions, especially in its outstanding amateur baseball team, the Canova Gang.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the citizens of Canova on this milestone anniversary and wish them continued prosperity in the years to come.●

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF HOVEN, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Hoven, SD. The town of Hoven will commemorate the 125th anniversary of its founding with celebrations July 4 to 6, 2008.

Located in Potter County, Hoven was founded in 1883 and was named after a landowner with the last name of Hoven. Since its beginning 125 years ago, the community of Hoven has continued to serve as a strong example of South Dakota values and traditions.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the citizens of Hoven on this milestone anniversary and wish them continued prosperity in the years to come.●

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF WOONSOCKET, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Woonsocket, SD. The