

Community Table. This effort resulted in a place where diverse individuals and groups could meet together to collaboratively plan and respond to health and human service needs. Her efforts are responsible for better communication among service providers which serve those in need.

Dr. Craven used her influence and considerable powers of communication to effectively communicate with public policy partners at the city, county, state, and federal levels to affect health and human services. This considerable effort resulted in a more effective social service delivery system.

Thus, it is clear that under the leadership of Dr. Judith Craven, the United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast has become a recognized and respected leader of the nonprofit community. Dr. Craven's leadership and administration should be copied by all nonprofit organizations.

Thank you Dr. Craven for your commitment and dedicated leadership in service to Texas Gulf Coast community.

CONDEMNING THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA

HON. JAY KIM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. KIM. Mr. Speaker, today I introduce this House Resolution to condemn the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) for its recent missile test over the air space of Japan. We cannot be silent on this reprehensible action. The North Korean government has proven time and time again its utter contempt for the established norms of international diplomacy and behavior.

While many of their actions in the past could be written off as incomprehensible, or even comical, this one is of much graver concern. The new-found ability of an irrational unpredictable, and undemocratic regime to deliver weapons of mass destructions with such swiftness must at the very least draw a harsh condemnation from this body. To stay silent on this matter would be equivalent to telling the DPRK to go right ahead and test again. And that would be foolhardy and dangerous.

I urge my colleagues to cosponsor and support this timely resolution.

RECOGNIZING THE INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL CORPS

HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. WAXMAN. Mr. Speaker, as Congress considers the 1999 Foreign Operations Appropriations Bill, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the successful international humanitarian programs of an organization based in Los Angeles.

The International Medical Corps (IMC) was founded in 1984 by a group of volunteer physicians and nurses. Its mission is to save lives, relieve suffering and improve the quality of life through health interventions in areas where few organizations dare to serve. IMC

offers medical assistance in areas at high risk, and offers medical training to rehabilitate devastated health care systems and help them become self-reliant. Since 1984, IMC has worked in Afghanistan and Pakistan, Angola, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Burundi, Somalia, and the Sudan. I would like to highlight the successes of IMC's programs in Bosnia and Sudan.

In 1994, IMC responded to dangerously low child immunization levels in Bosnia—a result of the constraints of the long civil conflict. Children were unprotected against measles, diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, childhood tuberculosis and polio: illnesses which account for the highest mortality rate worldwide among unvaccinated children under five years old. IMC's accelerated immunization program has resulted in the application of over one million doses of vaccine in Bosnia since 1994, and has raised the vaccination rate from 30% coverage to over 90% coverage in the program areas. The program, funded by the Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA), has reduced illness and saved the lives of thousands of children, and set a standard widely accepted for use in war torn areas where immunization rates need to be increased.

In a real example of helping others help themselves, IMC established an emergency medical technician training program and emergency medicine outreach projects in Bosnia. IMC helped establish the first Western-style emergency department in the country at Zenica Hospital, and provides training in emergency medicine to Bosnian physicians and nurses.

A partnership project in South Sudan between IMC and CARE is aimed at controlling and eradicating an epidemic of African trypanosomiasis, more commonly known as Sleeping Sickness, a disease which is 100% fatal unless treated. Approximately 60,000 people in Tambura and Yambio counties are at risk of infection, and as many as 9,000–12,000 are in need of immediate treatment. The project involves screening the entire populations of both counties for the parasite. 99% of the population of Ezo Payam, the village which is the epicenter of the epidemic, has already been screened, and the infected population has been treated. The project has also identified and trained 99 local health workers to perform essential services related to Sleeping Sickness, and will continue to screen and provide treatment to the remaining populations of Tambura and Yambio counties. The program is proving to be very successful in controlling the fatal disease, and its training of health professionals is rebuilding the area's indigenous health care system—giving the Sudanese the capability to respond to future outbreaks rapidly and successfully.

As this House considers funding for international humanitarian and development assistance in the foreign operations bill, remember the dedicated volunteers of the International Medical Corps, who work tirelessly to alleviate human suffering around the world.

POW/MIA RECOGNITION WEEK IN MATAGORDA COUNTY, TEXAS

HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. PAUL. Mr. Speaker, on Sunday, September 13 I will have the distinct pleasure of being the keynote speaker at the opening ceremonies for POW/MIA Recognition week in Matagorda County, Texas.

This event will be sponsored by Matagorda County Veterans Services as a part of POW/MIA Recognition Week. Mr. Speaker, as a United States Air Force veteran I am well aware of the sacrifices which brave young men are required to make during times of war. Perhaps no better example of these sacrifices can be found than those endured by Prisoners of War and those Missing In Action. From "Hanoi Hilton" to "Saving Private Ryan" we have seen the dramatic horrors that war brings, but behind the stories, beyond the silver screen, there are real Private Ryan's who never do make it home. And there are families broken, lives affected and communities touched, by the real sacrifices of the real heroes who fight America's wars.

I believe that no young man or woman has ever entered the military hoping to face combat, but most answer the call because they believe in the liberties which our nation was founded upon, and they see our nation as a beacon of liberty. It is to these young people that I wish to bring honor and it is to those who have become Missing, or are held Prisoner, to whom I believe this nation must pledge ongoing fealty. Specifically, I would like to memorialize U.S. Army Sergeant Joe Parks, from Matagorda County, who died while in captivity in Vietnam.

Mr. Speaker, our nation has suffered a great burden as a result of the wars of this century, in some instances it has nearly been torn apart by these wars, but none have suffered more than those who are missing, and their families, many of whom still hope against hope that they will one day return, either to resume lives or to be granted a proper burial. Our nation still has some 93,000 individuals who are unaccounted for, some of whom are believed to be POW's even now during a time of relative peace. Mr. Speaker, I believe we owe it to these men, and to their families, to get a full accounting for every person which this nation has sent abroad. I believe we owe it to our nation to bring each and every one of them home.

With the opening of archives from the former Soviet Union we have seen evidence of how young American servicemen were allowed to become political chess pieces for a totalitarian regime. It is due to the efforts of groups such as Matagorda County Veterans Services that we can honestly say "You Are Not Forgotten" to those who have sacrificed so much. And it is critical that we keep these memories forever etched in our minds so that we might also recall the mantra "never again." Never again should Americans be forced to face the brutalities of war, such as those faced in Prisoner of War camps, and never again should we allow brave Americans to go missing in action.

SHRIVERS SALT WATER TAFFY 100
YEAR ANNIVERSARY**HON. FRANK A. LoBIONDO**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. LoBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, Shriver's Salt Water Taffy in Ocean City recently celebrated its 100 year anniversary. Shriver's has been making children and adults smile with its salt water taffy, fudge and other treats for a century from its location on the historic Ocean City boardwalk. Shriver's was founded by Mr. William Shriver in 1898. Before then he sold candy and ice cream from a cart on the boardwalk. The Shriver's tradition is now maintained by owners Hank Glaser and Virginia Berwick.

Not long ago, Shriver's underwent a major renovation to restore its facility to resemble the original building. The restoration won local and statewide acclaim. Inside, Shriver's has retained many of its original fixtures and sports a candy museum featuring a collection of candy and ice cream molds, some over 100 years old.

While the methods have changed over the years, Shriver's sweet success can be traced to its sticks of wax paper-wrapped salt water taffy. A box of Shriver's salt water taffy is still as coveted as a gift to friends and family as it was when Shriver's first started boxing their candies. Shriver's no longer pulls their taffy by hand but instead relies on automatic pulling machines. Pulling salt water taffy stretches and aerates the candy making it chewable. It is during the pulling process that flavoring and coloring are added. Seventeen flavors fill a box of Shriver's salt water taffy, but visitors to the "pick and mix" table can find additional special flavors such as creamsicle, rum or sour cherry. I have not tried every flavor, but the ones I have tasted have been delicious.

Shriver's has been a pillar in the community of Ocean City. I am proud of their century-old status and I hope their confections keep putting smiles on the faces of children at the Shore for generations to come.

TRIBUTE TO LARRY FOREMAN OF
LAWSON, MISSOURI**HON. PAT DANNER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Ms. DANNER. Mr. Speaker, today I am pleased to pay tribute to my constituent Larry Foreman of Lawson, Missouri. I would like to commend him on the occasion of his retirement in July 1998 after many dedicated years of service to Ford Motor Company and the UAW.

Larry was born in Shelby County, Missouri. He was raised in Novelty, Missouri and graduated from high school in 1960. After attending U.S. Trade School in Kansas City, he served in the Marine Corps from 1961–1965.

In February of 1965, Larry began work on the assembly line in the Passenger Trim Department of the Ford Motor-Company Kansas City Assembly Plant. In 1966 he continued his work as a fork-lift operator in the Stock Department. In 1967 he became a hi-lo mechanic in the Maintenance department.

Larry was elected district committeeperson of UAW-Local 249 on the day shift in the Stock Maintenance Department in 1973. He held this position for 11 years. He also served as Skilled Trades Representative and Delegate until 1984. He was then elected President of Local 249. He was appointed to the staff of the International Union-UAW as an International Representative in the National Ford Department. He worked in Detroit on UAW-Ford Joint Programs until he was transferred to the Region 5 staff in Kansas City in 1989 as a servicing representative for Locals 249, 710, 1070, and 2366. He served at this post until his retirement on July 1, 1998.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Larry on all his years of dedicated service. I would like to take this opportunity to wish him the best as he begins a new life in his retirement years.

A TRIBUTE TO ONE OF OREGON'S
OWN**HON. ROBERT SMITH**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. SMITH of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an exemplary public servant whose roots lie in my home district in Oregon. For 30 years, Captain Richard E. Gross of Klamath Falls has served as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Public Health Service. Assigned to the Food and Drug Administration in Rockville, Maryland, Captain Gross has been a leader in a number of collaborative programs between the federal government and the states designed to reduce medical radiation exposure and ensure the safe use of various medical devices.

As with so many things in life that we take for granted and go unheralded, the job of keeping us safe is one that people like Captain Gross—"Dick" to his colleagues—thankfully are committed to. Whenever we or someone we know has an x-ray to detect a bone fracture or diagnose a medical condition, we rarely think about how much radiation is used, how well the equipment is operating, or how proficient the person taking the x-ray is. For three decades, Captain Gross has made it his business to ensure that we don't have to think about these things—in other words, it's been his job to help see to it that x-ray examinations are performed safely and optimally. Trained as a health physicist at Oregon State University, Captain Gross has distinguished himself as a scientist, a program manager, a national policy strategist, and a highly respected technical advisor to radiological health officials in state governments throughout this country.

In his tenure at the FDA, Captain Gross has spearheaded programs that have markedly reduced unnecessary radiation exposure from a wide range of commonly-performed x-ray procedures, including mammography, which we all know is a life saving diagnostic procedure that millions of American women undergo each year to pinpoint early-stage breast cancers or rule out the presence of the disease. He has been a driving force behind a host of federal-state programs designed to increase the safety and efficiency of x-ray producing equipment and the competency of those who

conduct radiographic examinations. Captain Gross has also contributed significantly to the development of medical radiation safety regulations for use by state health agencies to ensure that x-ray facilities, regardless of their location, provide x-ray services that are uniformly safe and effective. It would be no exaggeration to say that every state and virtually all x-ray facilities in our nation have been positively affected by the career-long efforts of Captain Gross.

Captain Gross has applied these same skills to the field of medical devices. His knowledge of state health operation, coupled with his wide-ranging experience in modifying people's behavior through education, has had a profound effect on how safely and effectively medical diagnostic and therapeutic devices are used. In the area of renal dialysis, for example, Captain Gross showed remarkable leadership in helping forge a successful national strategy to upgrade the clinical practices of dialysis providers and the quality assurance controls designed to optimize the performance of dialysis treatment systems.

Although American consumers may not know of Captain Gross' contributions to public health, his colleagues and superiors surely do. Throughout his illustrious career, he has received numerous awards from FDA and the Public Health Service, including the PHS Outstanding Service Medal, a PHS Commendation Medal, two PHS Outstanding Unit Citations, and a PHS Unit Commendation. And when his long career comes to a close this fall, Captain Gross will be recognized by the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, an organization comprised of the heads of radiation protection agencies in all 50 states.

I want to add my congratulations to Captain Gross and wish him the very best in his retirement years in our beloved state of Oregon. Well done and welcome home!

SALUTING THE MEN AND WOMEN
OF NORTH CAROLINA LAW EN-
FORCEMENT**HON. CHARLES H. TAYLOR**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, on May 12, 1998, I spoke to the issue before the House regarding the sense of the House regarding law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty. At that time, I noted that every day in America, police officers keep the peace in our communities. They stand as guardians of that line that too many thugs and hoodlums dare to cross. Tragically, in the line of that duty, some of these brave protectors are killed. Indeed, this very House has recently been the scene of such a tragedy.

In my remarks at that time, I added the names of North Carolina's fallen peace officers to the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD so that their sacrifice would always be remembered. Since then, my constituents brought one more name to my attention for inclusion in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, that of Officer Denny Quay Enevold of the Hendersonville Police Department, who died in the line of duty on November 23, 1982.