The school which bears his name in Ohio’s Ninth District and which we today celebrate strives to imbue this same teaching in its students. It is echoed in the motto of the school: Suaviter et Fortiter, mildly and firmly.

Today we recognize over a half century of the spiritual, intellectual, and social guidance of thousands of young men, known in our community as the Knights of St. Francis de Sales. Godspeed, Knights! Onward to another 50 years of excellence.

HONORING THE ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF BOISE
HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON
OF IDAHO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Assistance League of Boise and commend them on all of their efforts to help local children. The League has established a program called Operation School Bell. This program distributes new clothing, a new coat, and an age appropriate hygiene kit to children who would not have these essential items otherwise.

We will never be able to measure what this program achieves. If Operation School Bell did not exist, these children would not have new clothes to wear to school. The enhanced self-esteem each child receives can’t be measured, but is noticed by all who participate.

When a child feels good about how they look and fit in, they perform better at school, are happier people, and are less likely to get into trouble. This impact on our society is tremendous.

I want to thank and congratulate all who participate in the League to make this possible. You truly touch lives and it does not go unnoticed.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION
HON. ROBERT W. NEY
OF OHIO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, on September 8, 2005, I was unable to be present for rollcall vote No. 464, on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 427. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on all three measures.

RECOGNIZING ROBERT JAEB
HON. GINNY BROWN-WAITE
OF FLORIDA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the passing of Mr. Robert A. Jaeb of Temple Terrace, Florida.

Born in Saskatchewan, Canada, Mr. Jaeb moved to Florida in 1936. Following his marriage to the former Lorena Morrill in 1941, Robert and his wife started a small grocery store. While Robert served in the Army in the Pacific Theater during World War II, Lorena ran their store. Her efforts, and their efforts together following Robert’s return from the War, enabled them to grow their store into the Shop’N Go convenience store chain, a large and successful enterprise throughout Florida and Georgia.

Following the sale of the Shop’N Go chain in 1985, Mr. and Mrs. Jaeb were very involved in community and philanthropic affairs, including an extremely generous donation to the University Community Hospital in Tampa. Robert and his wife Lorena found material success in life, it was their desire to give back to those less fortunate that endeared them to their community and to their peers. Robert’s faith guided him to make donations for the construction of churches throughout the world. When asked about the reasons for his philanthropic efforts, Robert stated, “You know, I often wondered why God allowed me to make so much money, and I know it’s because I was supposed to give most of it away.”

Mr. Speaker, I know that his wife Lorena, his family, friends and loved ones miss his presence but are heartened to know that Robert has passed on to a better place.

CHRISTOPHER R. GETZ
HON. CAROLYN C. KILPATRICK
OF MICHIGAN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Mrs. KILPATRICK of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize and congratulate Mr. Christopher R. Getz from Grosse Pointe, Michigan for his selection in the top 5 rounds of the 2005 Major League Baseball Draft. Being drafted by a Major League Baseball club is a rare accomplishment that only 1,500 high school and college ball players across the country ever achieve, but to be selected in the first five rounds is truly a triumph. Only 1 of 150 is selected.

I am proud to honor a such a distinguished athlete from a city in my district. Christopher attended Grosse Pointe South High School, excelling in baseball and setting records for batting average, doubles, stolen bases, saves and more. In 2001, Christopher led his team to a state championship against Grand Ledge. He attended Wake Forest and was ranked one of the best second baseman in America by baseball America in his freshman year.

Christopher later attended the University of Michigan where he continued to shine. Some of his numerous accolades include NCAA Division 1 District V player of the year, All-Big Ten second baseman for two consecutive years, and selection to the all-tournament team at the big ten championship. Christopher finished his college career with an astounding .355 batting average.

With his numerous awards and impressive statistics it is no surprise Christopher was selected in the first five rounds of the Major League Baseball draft to the Chicago White Sox. I am proud to recognize Christopher as an impressive ballplayer and constituent, and I wish him the best of luck in the Major Leagues.

TRIBUTE TO HARVEY HADDIX
HON. MICHAEL G. OXLEY
OF OHIO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Mr. OXLEY. Mr. Speaker, there have been many memorable pitching performances in the history of major league baseball. But no pitcher was ever better for as long a time as in a single game than Harvey Haddix the night he pitched 12 perfect innings. His legacy will be celebrated in his native Champaign County on September 18 with the dedication of an Ohio Historical Marker in Westville, where he played his first organized ball. Harvey Haddix was a consummate baseball professional. He was a three-time All-Star and Gold Glove winner who played for five teams in a career that lasted from 1952–1965. He was later a successful pitching coach. Harvey will forever be known in baseball lore for the game he pitched for the Pittsburgh Pirates against the Milwaukee Braves on May 26, 1959. Batter by batter, he shut down a powerful Braves team that boasted hitters like Hank Aaron, Eddie Mathews, and Joe Adcock. 27 batters came up, 27 made out—a virtuoso accomplishment that would have set off a great celebration in any other game. But the Pirates couldn’t score either, so Harvey was forced to extend his masterpiece into the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth innings. It finally came to an end in the thirteenth inning when the Braves scored a single run to win the game, 1–0. The story in the sports pages the next day was that a pitcher had “lost” a perfect game. But the real story of Harvey Haddix’s amazing game has to do with the lesson that he taught all of us about the joy of competition. When you give your personal best, long past the point when it may seem you’ve given all you can, you’ll always be respected as a winner. Indeed, just one season later, this “hard luck” pitcher won two games, including Game 7, in the 1960 World Series as his Pirates improbably defeated the favored New York Yankees. That was probably just baseball’s way of evening things out. Harvey Haddix was born in Medway and resided in Springfield at the time of his death in 1994. As a fellow Ohioan and
A TRIBUTE TO FRANKIE MUSE FREEMAN A CIVIL RIGHTS ATTORNEY AND COMMISSIONER FOR AMERICA’S PRESIDENTS

HON. WM. LACY CLAY OF MISSOURI IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Mr. CLAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Frankie Muse Freeman, a lawyer from Missouri who has fought a long and historic battle in defense of civil and human rights for all Americans. Her dedication and service to our nation as a civil rights attorney and Commissioner of Civil Rights for a long line of American Presidents, aptly earns her a place in the Missouri Walk of Fame and the privilege of being honored today before Congress.

Dr. Freeman has been engaged in the practice of law since June 1949. In addition to being an outstanding attorney, she has held four presidential appointments. President Lyndon B. Johnson nominated her as the first woman to serve as a Commissioner of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. Presidents Nixon, Ford and Carter subsequently re-appointed her. She served as a Commissioner for 16 years, and later as Inspector General for the Community Services Administration during the Carter Administration. President Carter, in thanking her for her service to the Civil Rights Commission, stated that “You have insisted that this nation must follow policies and reflect an unequivocal commitment to the goal of equal opportunity for all, in all walks of life. . . You are one of our Nation’s truly great leaders in the field of civil rights.”

Congressman Justice, Dr. Freeman joined 15 Federal officials in forming a bipartisan Citizens Commission on Civil Rights to monitor the Federal Government’s enforcement of laws barring discrimination. She has extensive experience in the areas of housing, civil and probate law, and in civil rights. She has represented individuals, major corporations, not-for-profit organizations, and state and municipal agencies. A landmark in her career occurred in 1954 when she argued and won the principal agencies. A landmark in her career occurred in 1954 when she argued and won the case challenging racial segregation in public housing in St. Louis.

She strives to empower others to always be prepared and be active participants in today’s society. Leading by example, Dr. Freeman has devoted many hours to the Howard University Board of Trustees, National Council on Aging, National Council of Negro Women, Girl Scouts of the United States of America, Board of Directors of the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Board of the United Way of Greater Saint Louis, Board of the Greater St. Louis Chapter of the United Nations Association and the Trustee Board of Washington Tabernacle Baptist Church. She is also a past president of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Freeman is among my heroes and I am proud to salute her for her many lasting contributions to both our local St. Louis community and to our nation. Her outstanding leadership and sincere commitment to justice makes her more than worthy of receiving our recognition and I urge my colleagues to join me in commending Dr. Frankie Freeman.

ON HURRICANE KATRINA AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to note that failure of leadership and gross incompetence of key officials has led to thousands of unnecessary deaths. To then take this tragedy and attempt to blame the victims, or suggest that they’re taking advantage of the situation, is beneath contempt.

The catastrophe on the Gulf Coast shows how vulnerable this country is because of unaccountable, ineffective leadership; a weakened, over-stretched government; and rising poverty and economic dislocation.

The only way to make good of the horrors of this hurricane is the bungled response is to heed the lessons offered:

Some jobs require more than good intentions and the President's trust. It is insurmountable that people with no emergency management experience fill top positions at the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Four years after 9/11, we are no better equipped to save lives in an emergency. Our domestic infrastructure and readiness have paid a severe price in favor of fighting two wars while cutting taxes.

We cannot rely solely on local governments and charities. A strong, well-funded federal government is critical.

If government fails, millions of impoverished Americans are as vulnerable to natural disasters as people in the poorest countries of the world. The horrific photographs of the aftermath of the hurricane make that point all too clear. Meeting all Americans’ health care, education, job training, and housing needs should be at the top of our agenda every day, not just in response to a disaster.

I hope that the crisis of conscience brought by coverage of this hurricane will convince everyone in Congress and around the country to do their part to change the reckless policies that have exacerbated this disaster.

HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SAYVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

HON. STEVE ISRAEL OF NEW YORK IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to offer my sincere congratulations to the Sayville Fire Department in celebration of their 100th Anniversary.

The Sayville Fire Department was formed in 1905 with the merger of three independent fire companies. Two of those original companies, the Sayville Hook & Ladder Company No 1, formed in 1878 and the Resolute Hose Company No 1, formed in 1891 are still active today.

The first firehouse, built in 1878, still stands and is used today as a private home. The present Fire Headquarters for the Department was built in 1938 and enlarged in 1994. If you were to visit the Sayville Fire Headquarters, you’d find original hook & ladder trucks and hose reels from the 1800s on display.

Today, the Sayville Fire Department proudly protects 16,000 people living in an area of 4.5 square miles. It operates out of two stations and protects a primarily residential area. Approximately 120 firefighters volunteer their time for the department.

While there have been many developments since 1905, the mission still remains the same. The brave men and women of the Sayville Fire Department are proudly serving their community by saving lives and protecting property.

IN HONOR OF ELIZABETH TERWILLIGER’S 96TH BIRTHDAY

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Elizabeth Terwilliger on the occasion of her 96th birthday. Known as Mrs. T, her philosophy is to teach children to love nature because people take care of what they love.

Fifty years ago, Mrs. T settled in Marin County, California and sought to teach her own children to love nature. Her inquisitive and thoughtful approach to teaching with a new understanding of seeing nature soon led to more children joining their excursions.

Anyone who has been on one of her excursions will remember her contagious joy and enthusiasm for all the plants and animals of Marin.

The Elizabeth Terwilliger Nature Foundation was founded in 1975, and is now part of the nonprofit environmental education organization WildCare. WildCare and Terwilliger Nature Guides continue Mrs. T’s work and reach over 40,000 children and adults annually.

Mrs. T did not stop at teaching others to love nature, she actively engaged in protecting it as well. She helped to save the Richardson Bay Preserve, develop bicycle paths, and build a footbridge at Muir Beach. Inducted into the Marin Women’s Hall of Fame, designated a “Rara Avis” by the San Francisco Enquirer and Chronicle, starring in several films and her own newspaper column is just a sampling of her numerous achievements.

Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to honor Elizabeh Terwilliger, whose love of nature and desire to teach others to share that love leaves a legacy that is part of the fabric of our community. Mrs. T’s commitment has touched so many lives in her 96 years, and those lives will continue to educate future generations about nature and protection of the environment.