

leave an eternal legacy for his family and community.

IN HONOR OF LANCE CORPORAL
CLEVE KINSEY

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 28, 2006

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Marine Lance Corporal Cleve Kinsey, who was wounded in Ramadi, Iraq, earlier this year.

Cleve, a native of Foley, Alabama, and a member of the Marines' 3rd Battalion, 8th Regiment, was injured on April 1, when an improvised explosive device was detonated next to the Humvee in which he was riding. Sustaining serious injuries to his left leg, Cleve faced the very real threat of losing his leg. After undergoing at least 12 surgeries, which included having muscle tissue transplanted from his back to his leg, his leg was saved.

A member of Foley High School's track and football teams, Cleve joined the Marines upon graduation. Throughout his career with the Marines, Cleve has set a standard of excellence and displayed the qualities of discipline, devotion, and dedication to country that are the hallmarks of men and women throughout the long and distinguished history of the American military.

Mr. Speaker, I am happy to note that Cleve returned home last month. I urge my colleagues to take a moment to pay tribute to Marine Lance Corporal Cleve Kinsey and his selfless devotion not only to our country and the freedom we enjoy, but to a people who are in the infant stages of a new life—a new freedom—in their own land.

I ask my colleagues to join with me in recognizing a true hero. I know Cleve's parents, Jimmy and Penny, his brothers, Matthew and Christopher, his sister April, and his many friends join with me in praising his accomplishments and extending heartfelt thanks for his selfless efforts on behalf of a grateful Nation.

CONGRATULATIONS TO POINT
COMFORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PAUL. Mr. Speaker, Point Comfort Elementary School, of the Calhoun County Independent School District, is among the 26 Texas schools that have recently received the Department of Education's prestigious Blue Ribbon Schools award.

The No Child Left Behind-Blue Ribbon Schools Program recognizes outstanding public and private schools that are either academically superior or have demonstrated dramatic and consistent gains in student achievement. The Department of Education selects Blue Ribbon Schools based on nominations submitted by the states. My colleagues may be interested to know that every school nominated by Texas received a Blue Ribbon Schools award.

Schools can be nominated for a Blue Ribbon Schools Award if at least forty percent of

their disadvantaged students show dramatic improvement over three years on state tests in reading or English language arts and mathematics. Schools whose student bodies rank in the top ten percent on state tests in reading or English language arts and mathematics may also be nominated for a Blue Ribbon Schools Award.

In addition to these two criteria, Blue Ribbon Schools must meet Adequate Yearly Progress requirements in reading or English language arts and mathematics, must not have been identified as a "Persistently Dangerous" school within the last two years, and must comply with other Department of Education requirements.

Point Comfort's designation as a Blue Ribbon School is a tribute to the schools' teachers, administrators, and other employees' dedication to providing students with a quality education. It also is a reflection of the students and parents' commitment to the pursuit of educational excellence. I am therefore pleased to offer my congratulations to Point Comfort Elementary School for being one of the 26 Texas schools designated as Blue Ribbon Schools by the Department of Education.

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF
JOSEPH PIZZORNO, JR.

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize and celebrate the contributions of Joseph Pizzorno, Jr., N.D. Dr. Pizzorno is a pioneer in naturopathy, the founder of Bastyr University, author of several books, and acclaimed by various health organizations.

Dr. Pizzorno has illuminated the field of naturopathy, or treatment by natural, holistic methods, in the modern world of medicine. He has founded Bastyr University, a multidisciplinary accredited school in natural health sciences; where he served as president for 22 years followed by serving as president emeritus, senior advisor to the president, member of the Board of Trustees, and a professor, until his recently announced retirement. Dr. Pizzorno was appointed by President Clinton to the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy and by President George W. Bush to the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee. He has also served on the Seattle/King County Board of Health, founding board of directors of the American Herbal Pharmacopoeia, the Scientific Review Board of the Cancer Treatment Research Foundation, chair of the American Public Health Association, and vice chair of the Institute for Functional Medicine Board of Directors. Dr. Pizzorno is an accomplished author having written several acclaimed books and is the founding editor of Integrative Medicine: A Clinicians Journal. In 2001, Dr. Pizzorno founded SaluGenecists. Inc. to develop artificial intelligence-aided advice systems to provide smart, personalized health promotion, and self-care guidance for the public and practitioners.

Dr. Pizzorno was recognized as a "Pioneer in Holistic Medicine" by the American Holistic Medical Association; awarded "Naturopathic Physician of the Year" by the American Asso-

ciation of Naturopathic Physicians; granted the "Founder's Award for Pioneering Complementary and Alternative Medicine" by the National Foundation for Alternative Medicine; and declared "Humanitarian of the Year" by the Cancer Treatment Centers of America.

Mr. Speaker and my fellow colleagues, today I ask you to join me in commending the actions of the noble Dr. Joseph Pizzorno, Jr. His dedication to the medical community has improved the medical field for everyone and his doctrines are certain to endure.

TRIBUTE TO THE JAZZ GREAT,
NATHAN EAST

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 28, 2006

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the renowned jazz musician, Nathan East, a distinguished member of the music industry. It behooves us to pay tribute to this outstanding artist and I hope my colleagues will join me in recognizing his impressive accomplishments.

Born one of seven children to Thomas and Gwendolyn East on December 8, 1955, in Philadelphia, PA, Nathan East and his family moved to San Diego, CA, when he was 4 years old to accommodate his father's aerodynamic engineering position at General Dynamics. As a child, East would peck out familiar melodies on the family piano. Music filled the home as his sister Cecilia practiced the French horn and their sister Gertrude played the flute. When Nathan was in the seventh grade, he began playing cello in the junior high school orchestra. At age 14, he switched to bass guitar, inspired by his older brother David's mastery of the guitar. He began playing for local church groups and folk masses with his brothers.

East played along with the recordings of jazz bassists Ray Brown, Ron Carter, Charles Mingus, Buster Williams, Scott LaFaro, Motown's James Jamerson, James Brown, Sly Stone with Larry Graham, Cream, and horn bands like Chicago, Tower of Power and Blood, Sweat & Tears as they came over the radio or out of his record player. The young bassist began playing in his high school's jazz ensemble, marching band, choir, chorus, and pep band, as well as local Top 40 bands. He also listened to Wes Montgomery, Quincy Jones, Cannonball Adderley, Herbie Hancock, Wayne Shorter, George Benson, Bob James, Harvey Mason, Lee Ritenour, Jimi Hendrix, Santana, session bassist Chuck Rainey, Earth, Wind & Fire's Verdine White, and Francis Rocco Prestia.

East's breakthrough came while he was a member of a band named Power. They were hired as the house band for a Stax revue. The recognition brought the attention of Barry White, who hired the entire band for a national tour. Still a teenager, East became a member of the Love Unlimited Orchestra ("Love's Theme") playing The Apollo Theater, Madison Square Garden, Kennedy Center and other major U.S. venues. East earned a bachelor of arts degree in Music from University of California at San Diego. He began work on a master's degree when instructor Bertram Turetzky suggested that he already had