complete her Bachelor of Arts in Human Resources. She accepted Christ and was baptized at the early age of ten, under the Pastor of the late Rev. Dr. Hylton L. James. Dr. James allowed the youth of Berean to take a part in the morning worship program and this is where her Christian journey began.

Her passions span from city to private corporations. She is presently employed by Vanguard Temporaries, New York and White Plains, New York as a Human Resources/Benefit Administrator and an Administrative Assistant. She loves to help others. Rarely will she turn anyone down if in need of her assistance. She is an event planner, loves to read, travel and cook.

Her past and present affiliations include the following: President and Dean of Pledges for Zeta Phi Beta, Sorority, Inc. Omicron Beta Chapter in Brooklyn; Officer and member of various youth organizations at Berean, such as the Girl Scouts, Jr. Ushers, Youth Lay League, Cherub Choir and Gregory Daffin Singers; Co-Chairperson on the Culinary and Decoration Committee for Women’s Day Committee, a student in Berean’s Bible Institute. She currently serves as Assistant Financial Secretary and Luncheon Co-Chairperson for the Brooklyn Sunday School Union; she is a member of Church Women United in Brooklyn, Inc., Berean’s Joint Usher Ministry, where she serves as a supervisor to the Jr. Usher Ministry, Berean Broadcaster and Sunday School Ministry. She also is a graduate of George T. Grier School of Ushering in June 2010.

Volunteering is important to Gina. She continues to do volunteer work three days a week or more at the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Epiphany, Epiphany Lutheran School. She volunteers for voter registration drives, assists seniors when in need, (i.e. shopping, going to the doctor or any other task they may ask of her), Gina loves to work with the seniors at Berean, especially on Senior Emphasis Sunday, an experience that brings joy to her heart.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the achievements of Gina Parham.

HEALTHY, HUNGER-FREE KIDS ACT OF 2010

SPEECH OF
HON. ENI F. H. FALEOMAVAEGA
OF AMERICAN SAMOA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 1, 2010

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA. Madam Speaker, I rise in strong support of the “Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010,” legislation to extend and improve the nation’s policies and programs with respect to child nutrition.

I want to thank the Chairmen of the Committee on Education and Labor, Mr. James, my good friend, Mr. GEORGE MILLER, and all the members of the Committee for their work on this comprehensive bill on nutrition programs for the children of America. I also want to thank the cosponsors and all the stakeholders for their support and advocacy.

This legislation will make improvements in existing nutrition programs for kids by helping our nation fulfill the following objectives: reduce childhood hunger by expanding access to the child nutrition programs; reduce childhood obesity and other health concerns by improving nutritional quality of meals; and make improvements in how the programs are administered.

Historically, child nutrition programs have served many needs in our schools and communities across the nation. For example, since 1946, the National School Lunch program has provided nutritionally balanced lunches to children across the county. Today, more than 31 million children each school day in over 101,000 public and private nonprofit schools and residential child care institutions receive nutritional lunches through this program.

Since 1966, the School Breakfast Program has provided nutritionally balanced breakfasts to America’s children. Today, 11 million children in more than 88,000 public and private nonprofit schools and residential child care institutions are receiving healthy meals to start off their school day.

Nutrition programs have also been a key factor in supporting children and the family outside of school cafeterias. Programs such as the Child and Adult Care Food Program and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) provide nutrition and support to low-income families, benefitting mothers, infants, and young children across the nation.

Overall, these family nutrition programs have provided many critical services for our children. In 2009 alone, The Child and Adult Care Food Program distributed 1.9 billion meals to over 3.3 million participating children and adults. Additionally, the WIC program supported 9.1 million participants in all 50 States, U.S. Territories, and 34 Indian tribal organizations.

Emerging challenges, however, necessitate improvements. Most disconcerting is the USDA 2009 report showing an increase in food insecurity. The report shows that 6.7 million households, including 16.7 million children, across the nation lacked money and other resources for food. This is unacceptable.

Moreover, obesity rates between 1963 and 2004 quadrupled for children ages 6 to 11 years and tripled for children between 12 and 19 years old. Strong correlation between obesity rates and other chronic diseases including cardiovascular disease, hypertension, and diabetes, suggests that we have a major problem to confront. Now is the time to act.

The United States of America must take care of their children by providing the necessary resources to maintain a healthy lifestyle. As we all know, a child’s health has a direct impact on their education and their future.

We must therefore address the emerging health challenges and negative trends by stepping towards improvements in our child nutrition policies and programs.

The “Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010” is a crucial step towards addressing these challenges and reversing these trends. I urge my colleagues to vote “yes” and support this important legislation.

NEW YORK TIMES SHOWS DOUBLE STANDARD ON LEAKS

HON. LAMAR SMITH
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, December 2, 2010

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Madam Speaker, the New York Times recently decided to print classified State Department documents obtained illegally by WikiLeaks.

But one year ago, The Times declined to print information released during the ClimateGate scandal that showed scientists were hiding contradictory temperature data.

Regarding its decision to print the WikiLeaks documents, The Times wrote: “For The Times to ignore this material would be to deny its own readers the careful reporting and thoughtful analysis they expect when this kind of information becomes public.”

In contrast, The Times said they did not publish the ClimateGate documents because, “The documents appear to have been acquired illegally and contain all manner of private information and statements that were never intended for the public eye, so they won’t be posted here.”

There is no better example of a double standard.

A TRIBUTE TO MS. DONNA EVELYN ANDERSON WHITE

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, December 2, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Ms. Donna Evelyn Anderson White.

Ms. White was born on February 23, 1960, in Manhattan, New York, where she spent most of her childhood. She attended P.S. 103 and Montauk Junior High School for her elementary education, graduated with honors from Franklin Delano Roosevelt High School and received a Bachelor of Arts in Human Resources from the University of Buffalo.

A strong love for children led Ms. White to become a teacher at the Trey Whitfield School. She started out as a substitute teacher at the school, but a commitment to the institution and its children kept her there. Now, after teaching Kindergarten for sixteen years at the Trey Whitfield School, Ms. White teaches Pre-K. Teaching has been her passion and one of her greatest joys in life; she loves helping students achieve their personal and academic goals. Ms. White is considered “the mother” to some at the Trey Whitfield School because children can come and talk to her about anything. She strongly believes that in life, one cannot do it alone; as the old adage goes, “it takes a village to raise a child.”

Ms. White has always enjoyed singing—whether at church or just for fun. She shares this passion by serving as the choir director for the Trey Whitfield School’s Children’s Concert Choir. This choir is seasoned! They sing from state to state and, under Ms. White’s direction, bless people with beautiful music.

Ms. White recently received the Mary McLeod Bethune Award for Excellence in Education/Song Bird. For her continuous efforts in