TRIBUTE TO DR. THOMAS MONTEIRO

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 18, 1995

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Dr. Thomas Monteiro. Dr. Monteiro serves as the department head of the Advance Certificate Program in Education Administration and Supervision at Brooklyn College of the City University of New York. He formerly served as the director of the Principal's Center at Brooklyn College.

Dr. Monteiro has worked diligently and passionately to improve educational programs, with a particular emphasis on designing program evaluations for school districts.

This distinguished gentleman graduated from the New York City school system and has received degrees from Winston-Salem State University, Queens College of the City University of New York, and Fordham University.

Active in community and political affairs, Dr. Monteiro served as the former president of the Jamaica, Queens branch of the NAACP. One crowning achievement among many in his life, was being named the recipient of the 1988 Educator of the Year award by the Association of Black Educators in New York City. I am proud to highlight the accomplishments of Dr. Monteiro.

A BILL TO AMEND THE ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS SETTLEMENT ACT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 18, 1995

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to introduce a bill to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971 at the request of the Alaska Federation of Natives. This bill is the result of the work of the legislative council of the Alaska Federation of Natives to correct existing technical problems with the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act [ANCSA]. I am introducing the bill to begin the review process and to receive input of the State of Alaska, various Federal agencies, Native entities, and individuals affected by this bill. I fully expect the input process to refine and expand the legislation, and invite such input.

I expect to work closely with GEORGE MIL-LER, my ranking minority member to resolve any differences we may have with specific provisions in the bill. Further, we look forward to receiving further suggestions for additions to this package and working with Alaska Senators TED STEVENS and FRANK MURKOWSKI to perfect the package. Ultimately, it is our intention to investigate and resolve controversial provisions which would prevent final passage of this bill.

This bill makes a number of technical changes to ANCSA which addresses issues not anticipated at the time of passage of ANCSA. As the legislation is designed to resolve specific problems, it contains several provisions, and will probably contain more as

a result of the hearing and input process. To offer a flavor of the nature of the legislation, a few illustrations are in order.

For example, the bill would reinstate approximately 50,000 acres which were taken away by an Executive order in 1929 to the Elim Native Corp. This provision would reinstate and allow the Elim Native Corp. to receive their land entitlement selections.

Another provision would extend the exemption period from estate and gift tax for stock through its period of inalienability.

Another would amend ANCSA to correct an inconsistency in current Federal law by allowing regional corporations to elect to acquire oil, gas, and coal estates reserved to the Federal Government beneath native allotments surrounded by or adjacent to subsurface lands convey to the corporations pursuant to section 12(a) or (b) of ANCSA.

Mr. Speaker, I offer this bill at this time to begin the process of reviewing each of these important provisions and others which affect Alaskans. I welcome input to add to, subtract from and amend this proposal so that a noncontroversial substitute may be offered at a later date.

CAMPAIGN SPENDING LIMITS

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 18, 1995

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I introduce today a constitutional amendment that would, for the first time, allow Congress and the States to set reasonable limits on campaign expenditures.

This amendment is necessary because campaign spending in our country is out of control. An estimated \$540 million was spent on all elections in the United States in 1976—but by 1992, the amount spent had grown to \$3 billion. And in the last House and Senate elections, a total of \$724 million was spent—up more than 60 percent just since 1990. Candidates and elected officials have become professional beggars.

Our Nation's elected representatives spend too little time doing the people's business, and too much time raising campaign funds. Yet the Supreme Court has ruled, in the case of Buckley versus Valeo, that campaign spending limits are an unconstitutional infringement on political expression. My amendment would change that by making it clear—as similar legislation introduced in the Senate by Senator HOLLINGS would do—that Congress and the States are free to enact reasonable limits on election expenditures.

I had hoped that a constitutional amendment would not be necessary. But campaign finance reform was conspicuously missing from the Republican Contract With America. And despite the Speaker's telegenic handshake with President Clinton in New Hampshire, where he vowed to develop a bipartisan commission to recommend changes to our system of financing campaigns, the Speaker has now backed off this issue.

But this issue is too important to ignore. If passed, my amendment will go a long way toward rebuilding the public trust in our domestic system of government. To ensure that our Government is truly "of the people, for the

people, and by the people," we must end the current practice of allowing elections to be bought by the highest bidder.

H.R. 1715

HON, FRED HEINEMAN

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 18, 1995

Mr. HEINEMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 1715. The workers' compensation system was established to provide relief to injured employees in exchange for limited liability for the employer. Unfortunately, on March 21, 1990, the Supreme Court, in the case of Adams Fruit versus Barrett, ruled that an employee covered under the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act [MSPA] could collect workers' compensation and still bring a private right of action.

The decision in Adams Fruit places agricultural employers as the only employers in America who can be sued by their employees as a result of workplace injuries even where they have provided workers' compensation. This is unfair to our farmers, especially in those States where agricultural employers are required to participate in the workers' compensation system.

I am proud to say that I am a cosponsor of H.R. 1715 and strongly support this legislation. When Congress passed MSPA, it did not intend for it to replace the workers' compensation system.

Everyone wants to ensure that migrant and seasonal workers' rights are protected and H.R. 1715 does just that. North Carolina is one of the leading agricultural States in our Nation. Farmers in North Carolina and other States should not be singled out and treated any differently from other employers who provide workers' compensation. H.R. 1715 corrects this inequity. I urge my colleagues to vote "yes" on this bipartisan legislation. Our farmers deserve no less.

EXTENDING CERTAIN VETERANS' AFFAIRS HEALTH AND MEDICAL CARE EXPIRING AUTHORITIES

SPEECH OF

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 17, 1995

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 2353 and to commend the gentleman from Arkansas, Mr. HUTCHINSON for his efforts to being this legislation to the floor of Congress. H.R. 2353 will extend spending authority for numerous Health Care and housing programs that aid our Nation's veterans.

In specific terms, this measure extends the Veterans Administration's authority to provide health care on a priority basis to Persian Gulf veterans, while extensive research continues on the causes and treatment of these illnesses. In addition, this bill extends the VA's

authority to first, contract for substance abuse care and rehabilitative services at non-VA half-way houses and treatment centers; second, continue the pilot program providing home nursing care to eligible veterans as an alternative to institutional care; third, continue the VA's Health Scholarship Program which provides funding for health care professional studies in return for VA service obligation; fourth, carry on the compensated work therapy and Therapeutic Transitional Housing Demonstration Program, helping mentally ill veterans to make a re-entry into independent living; and fifth, to continue VA's pilot program to assist homeless veterans.

This bill allows us to continue to pursue new and proven avenues to assist those who have risked their lives to preserve the freedoms that we hold so dear. This legislation enables us to lend a hand to those who have suffered greatly as a result of their service. I welcome this opportunity to speak on their behalf. Accordingly, I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 2353.

ST. MARY'S BICENTENNIAL

HON. ROBERT K. DORNAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, October 18, 1995

Mr. DORNAN. Mr. Speaker, St. Mary's Catholic parish in Old Town Alexandria, VA, is celebrating its 200th anniversary, founded in 1795 when there were a mere 25,000 Catholics in the colonies and only 200 in the State of Virginia

Col. John Fitzgerald, the mayor of Alexandria and aide-de-camp to George Washington, headed the drive to establish St. Mary's, which is the oldest Catholic parish in the State of Virginia. In 1869, the Sisters of the Holy Cross began St. Mary's School, which today has over 600 students and is still growing.

Today, the Reverend Stanley Krempa serves as pastor for this parish of 3,200 families. The church is just completing a \$2 million fund-raising campaign that has seen to the restoration of the main church on South Royal Street, and the addition of more classrooms at the school on nearby Green Street.

The bicentennial celebration will close on November 2, 1995, All Souls Day, when the Most Reverend Agostino Cacciavillan, the Apostolic Nuncio from Rome, celebrates a Mass in honor of all deceased parishioners.

Mr. Speaker, I pause to congratulate St. Mary's on their 200th anniversary.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 18, 1995

Mr. LATHAM. Mr. Speaker, due to prior commitments in my district, I was not present for rollcall votes Nos. 714, 715, and 716 on October 17, 1995. Had I been present:

I would have voted "yea" on rollcall vote 714 on approving the Journal;

I would have voted "yea" on rollcall vote 715—providing for U.S. distribution of "The Fragile Ring of Life" film; and

I would have voted "yea" on rollcall vote 716—extending certain veterans' affairs health and medical care expiring authorities.

PROCTER & GAMBLE RECEIVES 1995 NATIONAL MEDAL OF TECH-NOLOGY

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 18, 1995

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Procter & Gamble, based in Cincinnati, OH, which was recently named as a recipient of the U.S. Government's 1995 National Medal of Technology.

Procter & Gamble will be recognized at a White House ceremony on October 18, 1995, for creating, developing, and applying advanced technologies to consumer products that have strengthened the economy while helping to improve the quality of life for consumers worldwide. Procter & Gamble has a 160-year history of introducing cutting-edge products on which Americans have come to depend—products such as Ivory soap, Crest toothpaste, and Tide detergent. Because these products are so familiar, we often overlook the advanced research and technology behind their development.

The National Medal of Technology is awarded to innovators and forward-thinking technology companies that have built new industries and fostered U.S. competitiveness. Established in 1980, the medal program is administered by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Technology Administration and the President provides final approval. Since the program's inception, 5 companies, 13 teams, and 57 individuals have been honored.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to commend Procter & Gamble for this recognition of their excellence and congratulate them for making a difference in the lives of Americans.

TRIBUTE TO MARTHA MOORE

HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 18, 1995

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a special friend and an outstanding citizen of Ohio. On October 23, friends of Martha C. Moore will gather in her beloved Muskingum College in New Concord, OH, to honor her lifelong commitment to American politics, education, and her community.

I had the privilege of working with Martha for many years while I was a member of the Ohio State Senate. Miss Moore was first elected to the Ohio Republican State Central and Executive Committee in 1950 and she currently serves as the committee person from the 18th District. She has previously served as the committee person from the 15th and 17th District. Miss Moore's dedicated work was crucial to Republicans in gaining control of the State senate in 1980.

While serving as a professor of speech at Muskingum College, she helped shape the lives of generations of students through her thoughtful tutelage. In 1986, Miss Moore was

awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award from Muskingum College.

Throughout her many years in politics, Martha has demonstrated her deep faith in, and dedication to, upholding the principles of American democracy. The status of the Republican Party in Ohio today has been secured by Martha's dedication and her reputation as a political wizard. Yet, she consistently deflects personal praise, focusing instead on the team effort involved in election campaigns.

Mr. Speaker, we have often heard that America works because of the unselfish contributions of her citizens. I know Ohio is a much better place to live because of the dedication and countless hours of service given over the years by Martha.

I ask my colleagues to join me in paying a special tribute to Martha Moore's record of personal accomplishments.

TRIBUTE TO DAVID W. FLEMING

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 18, 1995

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to David Fleming, my good friend who this year has been chosen by the Anti-Defamation League to receive the distinguished community service award. The ADL could not have made a better choice. David has taken a leadership role in many important areas important to the San Fernando Valley. He truly cares for his community.

It is hard to imagine how David, a senior partner with the prestigious law firm of Latham & Watkins, finds time to take on his many added responsibilities. For example, David is the current president of the board of fire commissioners for the city of Los Angeles as well as the vice chair of the Los Angeles County Children's Planning Council. He has also served on three different county commissions.

David's tireless work for his community reflects his many interests. He has been a member of the board of the Automobile Club of Southern California, Valley Presbyterian Hospital, the Valley Industry and Commerce Association [VICA], the National Council of Christians and Jews and Big Brothers of Greater Los Angeles.

Not surprisingly, David has been the recipient of awards from many sources. He has received the Fernando award, the tree of life award from the Jewish National Fund and, in 1967, he was named "One of California's Five Outstanding Young Men" by the California Jaycees. Many people and organizations have benefited from David's efforts and generosity.

I ask my colleagues to join me today in saluting David Fleming, a man of intellect, compassion, and dedication to his community.

TRIBUTE TO DOLLY RIVERA FOR 50 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

HON. ESTEBAN EDWARD TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, October 18, 1995

Mr. TORRES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to Ms. Dolly Rivera. Ms. Rivera has given 50 years of volunteer service