

After the Expanded East Coast Plan [EECP] was implemented by the FAA in 1987, it took years for the FAA to even react to the significant increase in aircraft noise over New Jersey that resulted from their policies. The adoption of my amendment would ensure that the American people have an advocate in the FAA bureaucracy who will represent the concerns of residents affected by airline flight patterns.

This amendment also gives citizens someone to turn to should they have a comment, complaint, or suggestion, dealing with aircraft noise. As the experience in New Jersey demonstrates, the FAA views the real concerns of constituents regarding aircraft noise as nothing more than a minor inconvenience. For example, when the FAA was flooded by telephone calls from irate citizens after the EECP was implemented, their response was to belatedly install an answering machine on a single telephone line which was constantly jammed and to which citizens were unable to get through. The arrogance and insensitivity of this agency can no longer be tolerated. Our constituents deserve to talk to a real, live human being who can answer their questions about the decisions that directly affect their quality of life.

Furthermore, by requiring that the ombudsman be appointed by the FAA Board, and not by the Administrator, Congress will ensure that the position is filled by a fair and independent individual, and not simply by a mouthpiece for the FAA bureaucracy. The days of the FAA turning a deaf ear to the very people who pay their salaries are over.

Mr. Speaker, my amendment is extremely important to the people of New Jersey and to the residents of any area that could find themselves severely impacted after the FAA announces a change in flight patterns. After suffering for nearly a decade from a constant barrage of aircraft noise, my constituents have lost all faith in the FAA. As this committee takes a leadership role in restructuring the FAA, it is vitally important that Congress take steps to restore public confidence in this agency by giving citizens a voice inside the FAA. If any of my colleagues doubt the level of ire and disgust the FAA has earned over their mishandling of this issue, I encourage them to attend the November 9, Aviation Subcommittee hearing on aircraft noise in New Jersey.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased that my amendment passed the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee earlier today by voice vote, with Members on both sides of the aisle, including the distinguished ranking minority member from Minnesota [Mr. OBERSTAR], speaking in support. I urge all my colleagues to support the Franks amendment to H.R. 2276 by becoming a cosponsor of this important bill.

REINSTATE EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

HON. NICK J. RAHALL II

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 1995

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, I have introduced legislation today to reinstate the emergency unemployment compensation program.

In 1993, we were able to pass two extensions of unemployment benefits for the long term unemployed. Thousands of people were

exhausting their benefits each month, and when they lost their benefits, these American workers also lost any chance of further retraining and education. Mr. Speaker, we passed the benefits to forcibly pull our Nation out of the recession of the late eighties and early nineties.

Well, Mr. Speaker, I have news for some of my colleagues; unemployment is not over for every body. By not passing another extension in 1993, we removed a vital safety net for our chronically unemployed workers. I have been contacted by a number of coal miners in my home State of West Virginia, miners who for years had worked in the mines, only to see their jobs disappear.

One miner wrote to me saying, "My unemployment has run out. I need a way to support my family. I'm 54 years old and I am not asking for a handout or welfare. I'd like to have a job, I am tired of being out of work * * * extending unemployment benefits would help since it takes so long to find a job."

Another worker, who is attending a transition class at a vocational school, wrote to me to request an extension of unemployment benefits. This worker was not asking for a handout, he was asking for a helping hand so he could finish his class, find another job and continue supporting his family.

West Virginia coal has fueled this Nation's economy for over a century. Now, as we move into the 21st century, when a mine closes, often times the mine never reopens. Generations of miners must be retrained with new skills, and that Mr. Speaker, takes time, sometimes longer than the 26 weeks the State provides in unemployment benefits.

The legislation I have introduced today is straightforward. The bill will extend unemployment benefits for workers who have exhausted their State provided benefits for a period of 20 to 26 weeks, depending on each State's unemployment rate. It is funded through emergency funding provisions within the Budget Act because for any family with a long-term unemployed member, every single day without a job or paycheck is an emergency.

Mr. Speaker, it is urgent that we as a Congress act now on this measure. It is an urgent issue for families all across America. By passing this legislation, we will be providing a helping hand, providing a safety net and it will continue the work started in the 103d Congress to pull all of our Nation out of the recession created by the failed policies of the eighties. Mr. Speaker, this legislation will enable chronically unemployed workers who have lost their jobs to retrain and retool for the next century.

ELI HERTZ HONORED FOR FOSTERING COMMERCIAL TIES BETWEEN UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 1995

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to bring to the attention of my colleagues the achievements of Eli Hertz. Mr. Hertz will be honored on November 8 by the America-Israel Chamber of Commerce and Industry for his work in fostering commercial ties between the United States and Israel.

Mr. Speaker, since its establishment in 1953, the America-Israel Chamber of Commerce and Industry has been a major force behind the growth of trade and investment between the United States and Israel. Now in its 42d year, the Chamber counts among its members today's leading consumer, industrial and financial companies. Its effectiveness as a non-political, nonprofit organization has resulted in closer ties between our two great countries.

Mr. Speaker, the chamber could hardly have picked a more deserving honoree. Eli Hertz has been a leader in the personal computer industry for well over a decade. As the founder and President of the Hertz Technology Group, Eli is responsible for the overall management, strategic planning and new product development of one of the most highly successful companies in the industry.

The fact that the Hertz computer corporation has won numerous awards for design excellence and outstanding performance and technical support is a testament to Eli's vision and leadership.

In addition, Eli is a bestselling author, having written several highly successful books, including "Now That I Have Os/2 2.0 On My Computer, What Do I Do Next?", as well as many thoughtful industry-related articles.

Eli also authored the chapter on Science and Technology of "Partners for Change: How U.S.-Israel Cooperation Can Benefit America," detailing the promises of technology in Israel. This important book promotes ways in which our two countries can build on our shared values and mutual interests.

But Eli doesn't just write about United States-Israel economic cooperation. In 1991, his company established a subsidiary in Israel, and this year the Hertz Technology group's exports to Israel will exceed \$2.5 million. Eli is also a director of the Jerusalem-based Har Hotzvim Incubator project for hi-tech start up companies.

Eli gives his time freely to many important groups and causes, including his service on the Executive Committee of the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee, as Chairman of the American-Israeli Cooperative Enterprise, and on the Executive Committee of the America Israel Friendship League.

It is indicative of his generous and caring nature that Eli has donated personal computers and computer consulting services to youth and disadvantaged children in this country and overseas. In particular, he contributed computers and technical assistance to three grade schools in Israel and four schools in Morocco.

Mr. Speaker, it is always a pleasure to learn that individuals who have given so much to our country and the world will be recognized for the work that they do. So I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Eli Hertz for his well-deserved honor and in wishing him many more years of success.

TRIBUTE TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORGANIZATIONS

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 1995

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, domestic violence is a crime that affects people

in all communities, transcending economic, geographic, and racial lines. In fact, domestic violence is the greatest cause of injury to women in the United States. Today, a woman is battered every 13 seconds, compared to every 15 seconds a few years ago. Yet, the nature and seriousness of domestic violence as a crime is often ignored.

To combat domestic violence, education is vital to helping battered women recognize the problem, and to changing society's attitude and perceptions. Only by raising the level of awareness and understanding about domestic violence can we overcome the shameful stigma and psychological barriers associated with this epidemic.

As Chair of the Violence Against Women Task Force, I will cohost a reception with California State Senator Hilda Solis on November 3, 1995, in Los Angeles, to highlight organizations and individuals that work tirelessly against domestic violence. In particular, this year's reception will honor organizations in Los Angeles County that provide sanctuary to victims of domestic violence. Shelters play a critical role in helping women and children break the cycle of violence, and make the transition from victim to survivor. The honorees are: The Angel Step Inn; Chicana Service Action Center/East Los Angeles Center/Free Spirit; Didl Hirsh-Via Avanta; Dominquez Family Shelter; El Monte Youth; Every Woman's Shelter/Center for the Pacific Asian Family; Glendale YWCA Shelter; Good Shepherd Shelter; Haven Hills; Haven House; House of Ruth; Jenesse Center; Oshon Village; Rainbow Services, Ltd./Sojourn; Su Casa Family Crisis & Support; Tamar House; Valley Oasis; Wings [Women in need Growing Strong]; Women's & Children's Crisis Shelter; Womenshelter; and 1736 Family Crisis Center.

Mr. Speaker, in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, I urge my colleagues to join me and Senator Solis in recognizing and congratulating these organizations that provide life-saving services to victims of domestic violence and help educate our communities about this terrible crime.

TRIBUTE TO JOHN SAMPSON

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 1995

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, it is indeed my pleasure to recognize the hard work and patience of John Sampson. John is a product of the New York Public School System. He later attended Brooklyn College where he graduated with a degree in political science. John became fascinated by the legal profession and decided to attend law school.

In 1988 John enrolled at Albany Law School and graduated in 1991. He went to work for the Legal Aid Society and subsequently became employed with the Brooklyn law firm of Alter & Barbaro, Esqs, specializing in housing, criminal, and contract law.

Always active in local community affairs, John participates in political campaigns and represents candidates in election law matters before the Supreme Court. Mr. Sampson is also a member of the Rosetta Gaston Democratic Club. John is devoted to his family and he and his wife Crystal are the proud parents of a baby girl, Kyra Chanel Sampson.

DR. FRANK P. LLOYD RESIGNS

SPEECH OF

HON. ANDREW JACOBS, JR.

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 1995

Mr. JACOBS. Mr. Speaker, the following editorial published in the Indianapolis News this past weekend, does not overstate the accomplishments and the goodness of Dr. Frank P. Lloyd. It would be impossible to say too much good about this magnificent man:

[From the Indianapolis News, Oct. 28, 1995]

A ONE-IN-A-MILLION LEADER

Too often, the work of a soft-spoken leader goes without due recognition. Such is the case with Dr. Frank P. Lloyd, who resigned last week from the White River State Park Development Commission.

Lloyd has served tirelessly on that body since 1979, when it began its work to create an urban park for the people of Indianapolis. His work for the commission, however, is just one of many of his efforts to better this city.

Upon hearing of Lloyd's resignation, U.S. Rep. Andy Jacobs, Jr. called him a "civil saint" and one of "God's nobleman."

A summary of a few of his accomplishments explains that description.

Lloyd, who will turn 76 this month, received his medical degree from Howard University in 1946 and built a career as an obstetrician. Along the way, he also became involved in many community projects.

In 1968, Lloyd got the idea to give Indianapolis its first radio station with a goal to serve the black community. He and 11 Democrats put their money together and bought a license and began to broadcast on WTLC-FM.

Lloyd also was the chairman of Midwest National Bank, where he put high priority on opening up lending opportunities for minorities.

In a 1993 interview with News reporter Marion Garmel, he said: "What I believe as a black male is that if you're going to try to do something in a community at all, you need three things: access to media, access to money and access to the political world."

He has been successful at all three.

Lloyd has served on the boards of many organizations, including Indiana Bell Telephone, Ameritech, the Christian Theological Seminary, Community Leaders Allied for Superior Schools and the Indiana Advisory Board of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

He was president of the Metropolitan Planning Commission in the 1970s and was chairman of the prestigious American Planning Association, which develops urban policy.

Lloyd also has recognized women deserving a leadership positions. During his stint at Methodist Hospital, from which he retired as president and chief executive officer, Lloyd promoted two women to senior management positions, something that had not been done before.

He also has mustered support for health programs for women and children. When Sen. Richard Lugar was in Indianapolis a few weeks ago, he praised Lloyd during a luncheon speech, crediting him for his work.

"I remember Dr. Frank Lloyd, when I was mayor, said that the best index of the civilization of this city is the infant mortality rate. It tells you very rapidly the sense of concern that people have for each other in a community sense," said Sen. Lugar.

Lloyd clearly has a strong sense of concern for the people of Indianapolis. His accom-

plishments—there have been for to many to list here—bear that out.

Although he would not seek out recognition for his good deeds, we choose to acknowledge them here, as well as offer a heartfelt thank-you on behalf of the entire community.

HONORING EL RIO BAKERY

HON. ED PASTOR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 1995

Mr. PASTOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the winners of the U.S. Small Business Administration's 1995 Minority Retail Firm of the Year for the Western region of the United States, the El Rio Bakery of Tucson, AZ.

First opening their business over 20 years ago, Sabino and Artemisa Gomez started a small Mexican bakery, working together 7 days a week in an effort to achieve the American Dream. Sabino Gomez had come to the United States in his early twenties, when a local baker recruited him from Mexico in exchange for a good wage and the opportunity for legal immigration to the United States. After meeting his wife, Artemisa, in 1968, the two opened El Rio Bakery in 1971 selling traditional baked goods. Several years later, they expanded into the wholesale market, selling their products to the local supermarkets and restaurants. Today, they employ 22 people, still work side by side for up to 15 hours a day, and have realized their dreams. I congratulate the Gomez family on their successes, and wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO CHARLES J. SLEZAK, BERWYN'S "MR. REPUBLICAN"

HON. WILLIAM O. LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 1995

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with great sadness at the recent passing of one of my district's leading citizens—Charles J. Slezak. Charlie was known as "Mr. Republican," serving as GOP Committeeman for Berwyn Township, but his legacy goes far above and beyond his involvement in party politics. Charlie spent most of his adult life working to improve the community he was born in, Berwyn, IL, and its neighbor, Cicero.

After serving in the South Pacific with the Navy in World War II, Charlie, a Morton East High School graduate, returned home to his job with Continental Can. More importantly, he married the former Mildred Hurt on June 8, 1946, forming a partnership of love that lasted nearly half a century.

In 1959, Charlie and Millie purchased a hardware store in Cicero. Not only did they expand the business threefold in the 20 years they owned it, but he used it as a springboard for charitable and civic work. The list of organizations Charlie lent his leadership and organizational abilities to is long indeed. He served as parade chairman of the South Cicero Boys Baseball Association, chairman of the Illinois Junior Miss Pageant, chairman of the Cicero