

munitions control policy decisions by twenty-two signatory nations.

In recognition of his many achievements, Mack Farr was inducted into the Association of Night Vision Manufacturers Image Intensification Hall of Fame on April 19, 1995. He was the first Government recipient to receive this honor.

Now that we are poised on the threshold of a new century, Mack Farr is guiding his team in the pursuit of new technologies and systems for the future. Mr. Speaker, I salute Mack Farr for his hard work, diligence and outstanding accomplishments in the development of night vision. We all owe him a debt of gratitude for his years of dedication and join together in commending him for showing great foresight and commitment to the night vision industry. We thank him for his genuine contributions to our Nation's security and wish all the best in his future endeavors.

IN SUPPORT OF TITLE IX

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 9, 1995

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, today the Subcommittee on Post-Secondary Education, Training and Lifelong Learning held oversight hearings on title IX and its effect on college sports. These hearings are particularly timely in view of the recent district court ruling that Brown University violated title IX when it eliminated its women's gymnastic and volleyball teams. Title IX has had an impact that goes beyond the limited effect of expanding women's opportunities to participate in sports at the college level. It has also expanded opportunities for women to attend college through sports scholarships and to develop skills they will use after college, such as teamwork, responsibility and self-confidence.

Since title IX became law in 1972, participation of women in sports at the secondary and college level has increased dramatically. Much of that growth has come since Congress passed the Civil Rights Restoration Act in 1988, requiring compliance with title IX by any college that receives Federal funds for any purpose. Women now comprise 37 percent to 43 percent of athletes in college sports. Women have come a long way, but we still have a long way to go to achieve parity with the men's sports programs.

Sports have long been used as a vehicle for young men from disadvantaged backgrounds to attain higher education. Since the enactment of title IX, sports have opened doors for their sisters as well. Top high school women athletes are actively recruited by colleges. As the competition for positions on the best teams increases, the level of play increases. Better equipment and better coaching, made possible through title IX, enables women athletes to improve their game to a level thought impossible just a few years before. By offering women opportunities in a variety of sports, more women choose to become involved in sports. Those who are not interested in field hockey or tennis, can try rugby or hockey or volleyball. Greater variety encourages greater participation.

The excitement surrounding women's achievement in sports in some cases has

equaled that of their male counterparts. This year the undefeated University of Connecticut's women's basketball team played to a sellout crowd of over 18,000 in Minnesota, winning the NCAA basketball championship in a come from behind victory that thrilled sports fans of both sexes. Women's ice hockey has reached a level of play sufficient to permit women goalies, such as Manon Rheaume and Erin Whitten, to be recruited by the National Hockey League's minor league teams. I believe that more women would choose to participate in sports if there were more opportunities for women to continue their athletic careers after college. Men's star basketball players can look forward to lucrative careers in the National Basketball Association. The women must hope for a place on one of the teams playing women's basketball in Europe if they wish to continue to play ball seriously. This year women baseball players can hope to be selected by the new professional baseball league will begin competition in Southern France, Italy and Spain. The enormous profitability of women's ice skating, not to mention the sellout crowds for NCAA basketball, demonstrates that there is an audience for women athletes.

Participation in sports provides women with something beyond mere achievement in the athletic realm. They acquire confidence and assertiveness which works to their advantage in their careers. Those who participate in sports such as basketball, baseball or even rugby report a heightened sense of teamwork and responsibility. Title IX has given rise to a growth in the number of young women who achieve the kind of training that only sports can provide.

Title IX does not require schools to eliminate men's teams in order to offer women's teams. That is not to say that schools do not use title IX as a convenient excuse when men's teams are dropped. We should look beyond the reasons schools give for cutting men's teams and focus instead at the many benefits colleges receive from the inclusion of men and women in their athletic programs.

THE YEAR OF THE VETERAN

HON. RON PACKARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 9, 1995

Mr. PACKARD. Mr. Speaker, one thing has remained constant throughout our Nation's history: The unquestioned loyalty, dedication, and bravery of our military personnel. As we mark the fiftieth anniversary of V-E Day, we must never forget the price that our troops paid. The sacrifice made by our fighting men and women should never be forgotten.

Driven by a sense of duty, our troops stormed the beaches of Inchon and Iwo Jima, staved off encirclements at Bastogne and Choson, went head-to-head with superior numbers at Guadalcanal and Midway, and came away victorious. From the battle at Concord Bridge to the final actions in Somalia, American troops have proven to the world that they are the best in the world.

In my home State of California, Governor Pete Wilson, the county of San Diego, and the cities of San Marcos and Escondido have already proclaimed 1995 as the Year of the Vet-

eran. These proclamations call on all to remember those that were so quick to answer the call in America's time of need.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring all of the brave men and women who have put on the uniform to defend their country by proclaiming 1995 the Year of the Veteran.

PROCLAMATION CONGRATULATING JOHN L. AND MABLE A. MARSTRELL

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 9, 1995

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I commend the following article to my colleagues:

Whereas, Mr. John L. of Barnhill, OH, and Mrs. Mable A. Marstrell of Delaware, OH, celebrate 75 years of marriage; and,

Whereas, John and Mable have resided in Stillwater, OH for all of those 75 years raising two sons—Dr. John V. and Mr. Keane O. Marstrell, four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, John served his community as president and manager of the Laurel Valley Oil Co., president of the United Bank of Uhrichsville, founder of the Old Timers Baseball Association, and last year as an inductee into Ohio's Baseball Hall of Fame; and

Whereas, John has the honor of being the last living player to bat against the legendary Cy Young and serving as one of his pall bearers; and,

Whereas, over the course of Mable's many years as organist in the Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church her music became an inspiration and comfort to family, friends, and her church family; and,

Whereas, members of the Rotary club since 1935, 65 year member of the Masonic Order, and activity in various other civil projects together in the community they have volunteered hours in building character, citizenship, and leadership in their community and family; and,

Whereas, the city of Stillwater and all the surrounding areas of Ohio, with a real sense of pleasure commend John L. and Mable Marstrell as outstanding citizens, role models, and parents and join in the celebration of their seventy-fifth anniversary this eighth day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred ninety-five.

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF ALL SAINTS CATHEDRAL PARISH OF THE POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CHICAGO, IL

HON. MICHAEL PATRICK FLANAGAN

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 9, 1995

Mr. FLANAGAN. Mr. Speaker, in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the founding of All Saints Cathedral Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church of Chicago, IL, we in Congress salute its pastor, the Right Reverend Robert M. Nemkovich, the clergy and parish-ioner on this special occasion.

One hundred years ago, through the leadership of Bishop Anthony Kozlowski and a large

group of Polish immigrants, All Saints Cathedral Parish was organized. The cathedral parish has been a force for good in the Chicagoland area, the State of Illinois and throughout our great country for 10 decades. The Polish-American parishioners and their ancestors have made significant contributions to the cultural, economic, educational and civic growth of our Nation.

The ancestors of the cathedral's parishioners fled Poland for want of a better life here in America. They brought with them their cherished national customs, their love of closely-knit family life, and their love for their adopted country, the United States of America.

May 21, 1995, is hereby especially noted as All Saints Cathedral Parish Centennial Day. The Centennial Mass of Praise and Thanksgiving, celebrated this day, will commence a year-long celebration. We in Congress acknowledge the accomplishments of the past and extend best wishes for the future as you strive to serve the spiritual needs of so many individuals. We urge all to join with the members of All Saints Cathedral in the observance of this memorable and happy occasion.

TRIBUTE TO HELEN LEWIS

HON. THOMAS W. EWING

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 9, 1995

Mr. EWING. Mr. Speaker, the State of Illinois is known for many things; the mighty rivers which run on its eastern and western borders, fertile farmland which produces food that feeds the entire world, villages and small towns with an unmatched quality of life, and the city of big shoulders, the international center for business and industry known as Chicago.

Illinois is known for all of these things, which makes all of us justifiably proud to call Illinois home. But what we are best known for is our people.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to one of Illinois' finest, a woman who has carried the banner for our State here in the Nation's capital for over 50 years, Helen Lewis.

Helen, a graduate of Western Academy in her hometown of Macomb, came to Washington in 1942 to work for the Federal Bureau of Investigation. As he tells it, "there was a war on," and with three brothers in military service, she came here to help.

In 1945, Helen began attending dances sponsored by the Illinois State Society. In 1947, Helen recognized that your membership card got you into the dances free, and she decided to join. Well, the spark fanned the flame, and Helen has been warming the hearts of Washington-based Illinoisans for more than half a century.

In the 1958-59 season of the society, Helen became an officer, and proceeded to hold every position the board had to fill, including two terms as president. This led to her being elected president of the Conference of State Societies in the 1973-74 season.

The signature event for the society has always been the inaugural ball. Helen's first inaugural party was for the inauguration of President Nixon, and she has been a driving force in every event since then. Of course, it's not difficult to find people willing to help with

the glamorous events. It's a little bit tougher to find people willing to commit of their time and energy to keep the mailing lists, select locations for events and keep the membership informed. For the Illinois State Society, we have always turned to Helen Lewis, who has organized the meetings, kept us faithful to our by-laws and made sure that everything was done with class and made everyone feel welcome.

Many people live here for many years without giving up what Helen has. In fact, Helen says she's gone "home, to my real home, Illinois," back to Macomb, where she is settling in, making new friends and renewing old acquaintances. She is genuinely missed.

When the history of Illinois in our capital city is written, the names Lincoln, Stevenson, Dirksen and Michel will surely be included. But no chronicle will be complete without recognizing the contributions of Helen Lewis, who helped make any prairie State transplant feel at home. Helen, for all you've done for the thousands of people who have been a part of the society, we are eternally thankful. Good luck and God bless.

THANKS TO LORRAINE HURLEY

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 9, 1995

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the achievements of Ms. Lorraine Hurley who is retiring after 40 years of dedicated service to the school children of the 13th Congressional District.

Ms. Hurley was born and raised in San Lorenzo. She graduated at age 15 from Hayward High School and dedicated the rest of her life to teaching. She taught in the Oakland School District for 10 years and then returned to the San Lorenzo Unified School District to teach for the next 31 years.

She has been the recipient of many awards, including the Alameda/Contra Costa Teacher of the Year. She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, the Teachers' Honor Society. Ms. Hurley is also an advocate for and supporter of her fellow teachers. She was very active in the San Lorenzo Teachers' Association and an officeholder in the National Education Association. She was chosen to be a mentor/teacher.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Ms. Lorraine Hurley for her commitment to our children and am certain that she will be sorely missed.

TRIBUTE TO GREG STEEL

HON. GARY A. CONDIT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 9, 1995

Mr. CONDIT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mr. Greg Steel on the completion of 21 years of dedicated service to the Stanislaus Area Association of Governments, the last 5 of which he spent as executive director.

Among his many accomplishments, Greg was most instrumental in preparing the air quality maintenance plan which was adopted

by the local governments and the California Resources Board, and approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Greg also prepared the nonattainment plan for Stanislaus County, of which the applicable portions were adopted by the county and the nine surrounding cities which make up the Association. This plan included a commitment from each of the jurisdictions to implement control measures, for the purposes of improving air quality.

Mr. Speaker, on July 28, 1995, the Stanislaus Area Association of Governments will formally recognize Greg Steel for his many years of dedicated service.

On behalf of the 18th Congressional District of California, I would like to extend to Greg my best wishes for continued success and for many years of personal happiness.

LEGISLATION AMENDING THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE RELATING TO THE TREATMENT OF LIVESTOCK SOLD ON ACCOUNT OF WEATHER-RELATED CONDITIONS

HON. TIM JOHNSON

OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 9, 1995

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased today to introduce legislation that would make our Tax Code fairer and more equitable for farmers and ranchers who are forced to sell their livestock prematurely on account of weather-related conditions.

Our current Tax Code contains two provisions dealing with livestock sold because of drought conditions. One of these provisions allow producers to defer tax on any gain from these sales by reinvesting the proceeds in similar property within 2 years. The other provision permits producers who do not reinvest the proceeds from the sale in similar property to include these proceeds in their taxable income in the following year.

While these provisions provide some assistance to producers who have experienced a drought, they do not apply to livestock sold on account of flooding. However, floods can be just as devastating to producers as drought conditions, and can cause the destruction of crops grown to feed livestock, damage to fences, and high losses of young stock. The heavy rains and flooding we have been experiencing in my State of South Dakota have caused calf losses as high as 40 percent in some areas.

In addition, farmers who lose crops due to any natural disaster, including flooding, are able to benefit from certain provisions in the Tax Code. For example, farmers who receive insurance or disaster payments when their crops are lost or damaged due to severe weather conditions are often permitted to include these payments in the year following the disaster. Provisions such as this are designed to spread out the impact of taxes on farmers in these situations. I find it difficult to justify the fact that farmers who lose crops on account of flood conditions are covered by these provisions, while producers who are forced to sell livestock because of flooding are not.