

USA, and executive board member of the Navy League. Currently, Mr. Tanzman serves as JVV national foreign affairs chairman.

Mr. Tanzman has demonstrated his leadership through every facet of his life. He has enjoyed a distinguished career as director for the real estate firm of Jacobson, Goldfarb and Tanzman Associates. He rose to the ranks of leadership in his profession as president of the New Jersey Real Estate Commission. He also demonstrated his commitment to his community as a councilman and mayor of Highland Park. He served on the State of New Jersey County and Municipal Government Study Commission, and the board of directors of the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

In his tireless efforts to further the cause of human rights and intergroup relations, Mr. Tanzman served as the national liaison officer to the Catholic War Veterans, national civil rights chairman and national legislative chairman and national chairman of American Indian Affairs. He has helped to build the civic life of his community and his country as a member of the executive committee and board of directors of United Community Services, trustee of the Middlesex-Somerset Chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Association, board member of Job Corps, member of the board of directors of YMHA, chairman of the Building Fund Campaign, and member of the board of directors of the Central New Jersey Home for the Aged.

Mr. Tanzman's hard work has been driven by the quintessential Jewish goal of rebuilding and improving the world around him. He currently serves as national vice chairman and national campaign cabinet member of Israel Bonds, and has served as general chairman of the Raritan Valley UJA Federation, as an executive board member of the Greater Monmouth Jewish Federation, a chair of Monmouth County's UJA, and regional chairman for Israel Bonds.

For Mildred S. Tanzman, Tikun Olam—rebuilding the world—has been the guideline by which she has lived her life. Her devotion to the Highland Park Conservative Temple has been a commitment for over 50 years. It includes active sisterhood and service on the Sisterhood Board. Mrs. Tanzman has been a life member of Hadassah and has served on the Hadassah Board. She has also served on the National Council of Jewish Women, Deborah Hospital, Roosevelt Hospital, Brandeis University, the Central New Jersey Jewish Home for the Aged, the Jewish War Veterans Post No. 133 Auxiliary, and as president of the Lions Club Auxiliary of Highland Park. She has been involved for a long time with the Borough of Highland Park Juvenile Court Commissions.

Several years ago, Mr. Tanzman met the internationally known Nazi hunter Beate Klarsfeld, and the two women became friends and colleagues in the effort to be vigilant against Nazi and neo-Nazi groups still operating throughout the world.

She has also been involved with an organization known as "Chamah," originally begun as an underground movement in the pre-Glasnost Soviet Union, which now works to start schools for Jewish children in Russia, as well as helping to provide Passover Seders for families in Russia, and assistance for Russian immigrants beginning new lives here in the United States.

Mr. Speaker, Mildred and Herbert Tanzman have dedicated much of their lives to serving others. Their dedication to their family, their community, the United States, the Jewish peo-

ple and the State of Israel has been exemplary, an inspiration to us all. It is an honor for me to pay tribute to these two outstanding leaders and to wish them continued happiness and success.

IF YOU THOUGHT THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY WAS SOMETHING

HON. JAMES A. BARCIA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 1996

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, the only thing more golden than a golden anniversary is the ones that come after that. The wonderful commitment two people make to each other that lasts half a century is more powerful, impressive, and exemplary with each passing year. This Sunday, June 30, Hannah and Harold McDowell will be celebrating their 60th anniversary.

Harold McDowell and Hannah Wright were married at Saint Andrews Episcopal Church in Flint, MI, on June 30, 1936. At a time when our Nation was struggling to shake off the shock of the depression, these two wonderful people found strength in each other to build a fulfilling life together.

They were blessed with three children: Sharon Rae, Jolene, and Harold Jr., who rewarded them with eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Over the wonderful years of their marriage, Harold and Hannah have had a fantastic share of memorable moments, both sweet and probably some everyone might prefer not to remember. But it is precisely those kinds of moments that make our lives worth living, and our families so precious.

Harold and Hannah were valuable members of the Flint production community. Harold worked for the Buick Motor Co. for 42 years. Hannah was a valued employee of Advance Furniture for a number of years as well.

Mr. Speaker, devotion to family is to be honored. Commitment to one's family is to be praised and emulated. Consistent hard work is to be respected. Harold and Hannah McDowell are the kind of people that we would like all Americans to be. I urge you and all of our colleagues to join me in wishing them the very best on their stellar 60th anniversary, and extend our best wishes for many more to come.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JAMES M. TALENT

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 1996

Mr. TALENT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to insert the following statement into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. On June 26, I missed three rollcall votes on the fiscal year 1997 VA/HUD appropriations bill because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows:

On rollcall vote 272, I would have voted "yes";

On rollcall vote 273, I would have voted "no"; and

On rollcall vote 274, I would have voted "yes."

WINNING ODYSSEY GROUP

HON. RONALD D. COLEMAN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 1996

Mr. COLEMAN. Mr. Speaker. I rise to pay tribute to a group of students from El Paso. They recently won first place at the Odyssey of the Mind World Finals in Ames, IA. Six girls from Glen Cove Elementary School, Lori Wurdeman, Michelle Ojeda, Danielle Borgaily, Tiffany Tajiri, Stephany Nebhan, Haley Cowan, and their coach, David Dominguez, deserve our recognition and congratulations for their extraordinary accomplishment.

At a time when it is easy to criticize our education system, those who represent the positive aspects of our public schools stand out. I hope the Odyssey of the Mind Team from Glen Cove Elementary School will continue to better their school and community. An article from the El Paso Herald-Post about the team follows.

[From the El Paso Herald-Post, June 11, 1996]

WINNING ODYSSEY GROUP GETS STAR TREATMENT

By Sonny Lopez

The frayed nerves and rushes of adrenaline are little more than distant memories for members of the Glen Cove Elementary School Odyssey of the Mind team.

After beating out teams from throughout the world, the six El Paso girls are reaping the rewards, giving televised interviews and making plans for next year's competition.

"When we first got there, we were pumped and just ready to go," said 11-year-old Tiffany Tajiri, who co-wrote the team's idea from a book about the Little Mermaid.

"But then we just got nervous because there was nobody there, but us on stage. It was like the world disappeared and it was just us."

Lori Wurdeman, 10, agreed, saying, "Nothing else mattered. We just ran out there when they announced we'd won. It was great!"

The Glen Cove team not only bested teams from countries including China, Venezuela, Hungary, Russia, Iceland and the Philippines, but was given the Ramatea Fusca Award for excellence in the spontaneous section of the contest.

The team was the only group from El Paso and West Texas at the world finals which were held in Ames, Iowa, in last month. The girls' received a gold medal for winning the finals and another for their top-notch work in the spontaneous session.

The Odyssey of the Mind contest, which was created by a university professor, is designed to enhance creativity.

Groups of students are given a set of rules and guidelines and then are asked to develop a long-term project, mainly a play, and subject themselves to a spontaneous session of questioning.

When performed, the completed play must be eight minutes long, must have cost \$90 or less to develop, must have been designed entirely by the team members and must have comedic value.

The spontaneous session can involve anything from a word association game to descriptions of an object.

For the Glen Cove team, the winning combination included Tajiri; Wurdeman; Haley Cowan, 11; Danielle Borgaily, 10; Stephanie Nebhan, 11; and Michelle Ojeda, 10.

They entertained audiences throughout El Paso and the region with a play about Queen

Nag, the queen of know-it-all, and an adventure in a far-away kingdom that included Greek gods, a life-size, pop-up-book-style castle and a witch.

On Wednesday, the girls will be honored by Ysleta Independent School District officials during a school-board meeting.

While there, they plan to display the 28 pins each of the girls traded and bartered with the more than 13,000 other contestants at the competition. Plans also are being made by City Council members to honor the team members with certificates.

"I want to continue with OM (Odyssey of the Mind) and encourage others to participate," said Nebban, who in the play was the green-faced witch who was pursued by Queen Nag.

"It's a really great thing to be a part of and can be started by anyone at any school."

HONORING THE CAREER OF JOHNNIE B. BOOKER

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 1996

Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating Johnnie B. Booker on her stellar career and wish her well in her retirement. Ms. Booker's excellent work came to my attention through her outstanding service at City National Bank in Newark, NJ. There, she provided the impetus for invaluable economic growth and opportunity in my district, and for that I am most grateful. She has been a dedicated public servant for over 20 years, and it is an honor for me to recognize her accomplishments here today.

For the past 2 years, Johnnie B. Booker has been a champion of minority rights and equal opportunity in her position at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation [FDIC]. There, she managed the corporation's oversight of programs to include minority- and women-owned business and law firms in contracting activities, with both expertise and care. Her work was invaluable in the corporation's quest to achieve equal opportunity and to create an environment which fosters and embraces diversity.

Johnnie B. Booker is an incredibly skilled woman, one whose experiences touched the lives of many. She served as a civil rights specialist as well as the director of consumer affairs and civil rights at the Federal Home Loan Bank Board. She also has worked for the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity at HUD where she refined and polished her managerial and administrative aptitudes.

It is an honor for me to rise today in commendation of such a genuinely generous and dedicated public servant. Johnnie B. Booker has been committed throughout the course of her career to serve those in need and to protect the rights of minorities and women. I hope you will join me in applauding her career and wishing her well in the future.

THE NATIONAL MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 1996

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, which today is one of the largest nonprofit health agencies in the United States, originated 50 years ago with an idea and a small three-line classified advertisement that appeared in the May 1, 1945 edition of the New York Times. The printed appeal for help was placed by Sylvia Lawry, the founder, whose late brother suffered from MS. In her ad, Miss Lawry asked that anyone who might know of a cure for MS contact her.

Thus was born the organization which today serves a membership of 430,000 through 140 chapters and branches. It is the only organization supporting both national and international research into the cause and cure of multiple sclerosis and a full range of services in areas of health, knowledge, and independence.

In my district, 2,200 people with MS are served by the Northwest Ohio Chapter alone. The chapter is able to raise funds that directly benefit local programs and allows for educational workshops, equipment loan services, aquatics programs, and so much more!

The Nation is very proud of the work of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and the contributions it has made to biomedical research. Since its founding, the society has invested more than \$175 million in scientific grants.

As a result, we are much closer today than ever before to understanding what causes multiple sclerosis and how to treat it. Someday soon we may possibly learn to prevent and cure it. Enormous strides have been taking place in the neurosciences recently, giving rise to a real hope that this may happen soon.

Sylvia Lawry continues to be active in the affairs of both the national and international MS societies. Her dedication, and the work of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society are an inspiration for all.

PRAYER OFFERED BY REVEREND JOE WRIGHT

HON. ROBERT K. DORNAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 1996

Mr. DORNAN. Mr. Speaker, is this Rev. Joe Wright perfectly on track, or what?

The following is excerpted from, and inspired by a prayer offered in the Kansas House on January 23d, by Rev. Joe Wright of Central Christian Church in Wichita.

We have ridiculed the absolute truth of God's word, and called it pluralism.

We have worshipped other gods, and called it multiculturalism.

We have endorsed perversion, and called it alternative lifestyle.

We have exploited the poor, and called it the lottery.

We have neglected the needy, and called it self-preservation.

We have rewarded laziness, and called it welfare.

We have killed the pre-born, and called it choice.

We have neglected to discipline our children, and called it building self-esteem.

We have abused power, and called it political savvy.

We have coveted our neighbors' possessions, and called it ambition.

We have polluted the airwaves with profanity and pornography, and called it freedom of expression.

We have ridiculed the time-honored values of our forefathers, and called it enlightenment.

We have indoctrinated our children, and called it education.

We have censored God from our public life, and called it religious freedom.

We have prevented our citizens from defending themselves, and called it gun control.

We have allowed violent criminals to prey on society, and called it compassion.

We have imprisoned the innocent and let the guilty go free, and called it justice.

Indeed, America is in much need of prayer.

THE SECURITIES AMENDMENTS OF 1996

HON. THOMAS J. BLILEY, JR.

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 1996

Mr. BLILEY. Mr. Speaker, today I offer an amendment to H.R. 3005, the Securities Amendments of 1996, that makes five important changes to this legislation.

This amendment ensures that the benefits of exemption from multiple layers of State regulation that this legislation provides to issuers of national securities offerings are available to large, established partnerships and limited liability companies. As passed by the Commerce Committee, the legislation included a limitation that prevented partnerships and limited liability companies from qualifying for the exemption from State regulation that the legislation provides to national securities issuers. This limitation was included—and remains in the legislation—to address concerns raised by some that these vehicles might be more prone to abuse. These concerns do not, however, extend to large, established companies that may be organized as partnerships or limited liability companies.

Therefore, the amendment I offer today eliminates State regulation over securities issued by a partnership or limited liability company that is either a registered dealer or an affiliate of such a dealer and has capital or equity of not less than \$75 million. In addition, to qualify for the exemption State authority that this legislation provides, if the issuer is not a registered dealer, the issuer must not use the proceeds of the offering to fund its non-financial business. I intend that dealer affiliates, however, be able to rely upon the exemption to finance the full range of their activities, whether or not involving transactions in securities. Dealers and their affiliates today are legitimately engaged in a broad range of investment-related activities. Accordingly, I intend the financial business for purposes of section 18(c)(4)(A)(3), to include any business or activity pertaining to securities, commodities, banking, trust services, or insurance as well as the financing of any related capital or operating expense.

I also recognize that issuers commonly add the proceeds of securities offerings to their