

given of herself unselfishly to not only her community but to the State of California. I extend my congratulations on her retirement, and hope that the future holds only good endeavors.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY POLICE

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 1996

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I invite my colleagues to join me in honoring a group of citizens that glorify the State of New Jersey. On May 14th of this year the city of Camden held its' Police Awards Banquet. The event recognized citizens and police officers that went beyond the call of duty in their particular areas of service. I would like to highlight the officers of the Rutgers University Police Department who protect our communities and place our lives before their own. Their dedication and service to the people enables us to live in safety. Moreover, their example serves as a model for all citizens.

The following Rutgers University Police should be recognized for their meritorious service: Capt. Guy Still, Lt. Edmund Johnson, Sgt. Michael Amorim, Sgt. Louis Capelli, Officer John Denmark, Officer William Singleton, Officer Lynn Vrooman, Officer Tracy McGriff, Officer William Princiotta.

The following officers were killed in the line of duty: Officer George F. Jefferis 1951, Sergeant Carmin Fuscillaro 1961, Officer George Schultz 1969, Officer Charles Sutman 1969, Officer Rand Chandler 1969, Officer Elwood Ridge 1973, Officer Stuart Roberts 1975.

MILFORD TOWNSHIP CLERK 24
YEARS OF SERVICE

HON. JOE KNOLLENBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. KNOLLENBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my friend Elaine Skarritt who will retire after 24 years of dedicated service to Milford Township, MI. A devoted servant and loyal friend to all residents in Milford Township, Elaine has a distinguished career and reputation throughout the State. She was the charter president of the Michigan Association of Clerks and also served as a past president of the Michigan Townships Association.

Elaine is so popular in the community, she was selected by the Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce as Citizen of the Year in 1982, as well as being named a Distinguished Graduate of Milford High School in 1990. The recognition she has received from the community is a testament to her standing in the community. It also shows how much Elaine will be missed.

Since 1972, Elaine has run every election in Milford Township with a fair and even hand. She also achieved accreditation by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks, the highest professional accomplishment for a municipal clerk. She is only the 54th clerk worldwide to receive such an honor.

Elaine Skarritt is a model citizen, community leader, and public servant. Her hard work and

dedication is reflected in the praise and friendships she has throughout the community. Congratulations Elaine. We wish you a long and healthy retirement.

TRIBUTE TO JUDGE EDMUND A.
SARGUS, JR.

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

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

Whereas, Judge Edmund A. Sargus, Jr. will be invested as a United States District Judge in the Southern District of Ohio; and,

Whereas, The Honorable Edmund Sargus has shown exemplary dedication to justice and the practice of law; and,

Whereas, Judge Sargus has honorably served the City of Bellaire and the State of Ohio as a Law Director, United States Attorney and special Council to the Ohio Attorney General; and,

Be it resolved, the residents of Belmont County, with a real sense of pleasure and pride, join me in commending The Honorable Edmund A. Sargus, Jr. for his hard work and commitment to justice and to the law.

IN HONOR OF MR. ALBIN GRUHN
CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL'S
"LABOR LEADER OF THE YEAR"

HON. CALVIN M. DOOLEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. DOOLEY of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise before my colleagues today in order to pay tribute to an important individual from California's Central Valley, Mr. Albin Gruhn. Mr. Gruhn is being honored during a special ceremony in Bakersfield next week as the Central Labor Council's "Labor Leader of the Year."

As the 27th recipient of this prestigious award, Mr. Gruhn has joined a legacy of key leaders in the central valley's labor community. With one look at his remarkable record, it's not difficult to determine why he is so deserving of this honor.

For more than six decades, Mr. Gruhn has faithfully devoted himself to organizing successful worker unity campaigns. In July of this year, he retired from 36 years of service as president of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO. While this position was perhaps his best known, Mr. Gruhn has also given his talents to the labor community in other capacities.

Mr. Gruhn served as executive board member of Northern California District Council of Laborers for nearly 50 years, in addition to being appointed by State and Federal officials to several commissions and advisory committees.

Mr. Gruhn, who triumphed as a potent force in the labor community more than 60 years after being blacklisted for union activities, is a natural choice for this award. I applaud Mr. Gruhn for his commitment and perseverance, and I hope that his enthusiasm for protecting workers' rights will live on within the valley's labor community.

THE FRIENDS OF RAOUL
WALLENBERG FOUNDATION—
ANALYSIS AND ACTION AGAINST
OPPRESSION AND HUMAN
RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, in just a few days we will mark the 15th anniversary of the adoption by the Congress and the signature by the President of legislation making Raoul Wallenberg an honorary citizen of the United States—the second individual after Sir Winston Churchill to be so honored by the Congress and the American people.

As my colleagues know, Raoul Wallenberg is the Holocaust hero who saved the lives of as many as 100,000 people in Hungary during 1944. His extraordinary achievement has been rightfully and appropriately honored around the world.

Mr. Speaker, among the unique and important ways the memory of Raoul Wallenberg is honored, perpetuated, and memorialized is through the establishment of the Friends of Raoul Wallenberg, a nonprofit foundation organized in Washington, DC. In a statement explaining the purposes which motivated the creation of this foundation, the organizers said: "The experience of this heroic individual demonstrates that violations of human rights are neither singular nor isolated, and that effective resistance in one such situation may not pertain to another. The Friends of Raoul Wallenberg concerns itself with the comparative analysis of the many forms of resistance and oppression and with the direct application of the resultant knowledge to current situations in which the full exercise of human rights is curtailed or endangered."

Mr. Speaker, currently the Friends of Raoul Wallenberg Foundation is pursuing a two-part project. The first calls for the establishment of a network of individuals who are qualified and willing to promote the cause of human rights through active, peaceful engagement. The second is the convocation of a major symposium entitled "Beyond Lamentation: Options in Preventing Genocidal Violence."

The purpose of the symposium is to identify successful techniques and strategies for preventing and mitigating violence. An important source of these techniques is "The Roots of Evil," an outstanding book by Professor Ervin Staub, a psychologist whose family was rescued from Budapest by Wallenberg himself. Staub—who has spent his professional life studying conflict from the point of view of the victim, the perpetrator, and witnesses—argues that passive bystanding promotes the spread of violence, whereas protest impedes it.

This conference will take place in Stockholm on June 13–16, 1997. The conference will provide an opportunity for agencies and organizations with similar concerns to establish connections, and the ideas of Professor Staub will be examined in some detail. Targets will be identified for a his new army of "young Raoul Wallenbergs" who will learn how, when, and where to exert the great potential force of becoming "active bystanders."

Case studies that will be considered in detail are South Africa, where bystanders from many nations had a clear impact; the Scandinavian reactions to the Nazi Holocaust,

which evidenced degrees of activity/passivity; the current problems between Israel and the Palestinians; and the case of Bosnia, where healing clearly is a critical need. Several important international leaders have agreed to participate in this conference, including the Dalai Lama, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Sadako Ogata, and Richard Holbrooke, the former United States Assistant Secretary of State, who negotiated the Dayton Peace Agreements on Bosnia. In addition to these individuals, journalists, scholars, and interested individuals with experience and background in these issues will also participate.

The Friends of Raoul Wallenberg Foundation does not aim to compete with existing human rights and humanitarian organizations. It seeks to identify and explore the active steps that can be taken beyond the perpetuation of grief and the documentation of abuses. It offers a force and a remedy. History has thus far not shown us a way to eliminate group violence, but there are ways we can reduce that violence, and we must examine patterns and encourage constructive efforts.

The Friends of Raoul Wallenberg is administered by a board consisting of Wilton S. Dillon, long-time director of international studies for the Smithsonian Institution; Stephen P. Goldman, foundation attorney and incorporator of Amnesty International, American Branch; Barry Jagoda, an investigative journalist and head of communications in the Carter White House; and Robert Walker, historian of social change, professor and first director of educational and public programs of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Mr. Speaker, the Congress of the United States relies for its effectiveness on educated, concerned, and active voters. Similarly, safety and liberty within the community of nations depends on educated and concerned activists capable of turning passive bystanders into active involvement. No action could more fittingly perpetuate and symbolize the honored legacy of Raoul Wallenberg.

INTRODUCTION OF THE CHILD PASSENGER PROTECTION ACT

HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, today I am introducing the Child Passenger Protection Act which would prevent injuries to children in motor vehicles and ultimately save lives through improved child passenger education safety programs. This bill would provide grants to experienced child passenger safety organizations to carry out effective child restraint education programs.

Recently, the National Transportation Safety Board [NTSB] held a press conference during which they released figures relating to the use of child restraints. They discovered that a majority of parents are not properly installing their children's safety seat. With more than 50 different kinds of child restraint designs and numerous seat belt configurations, putting children in properly-used safety seats can be a complex process.

So many combinations of seats and car models exist that parents cannot easily figure

out what is safe. A seat that works well in one car may not work well in another. Consequently, too many children riding in child restraint seats are at risk.

I have been working on initiatives to educate families across the country about the safety seat incompatibility problem. I have been working with the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration [NHTSA] in getting the word out about the proper installation of safety seats to parents, grandparents, and anyone who transports a young child. One of my goals is to provide NHTSA with enough money to fully carry out its child passenger safety program.

I also have been working with the D.A.N.A. [Drivers' Appeal for National Awareness] foundation and its founder, Mr. Joseph Colella. D.A.N.A. was established in memory of Dana Hutchinson, age 3, who died in an automobile accident while secured in a child safety seat.

It was a rainy day in the fall of 1994 when Dana's mother strapped her into her child-safety seat for a trip to her grandmother's house. As always, Dana's father checked to make sure that the seat was held tightly, sure that he was doing everything possible to keep his little girl safe.

Dana's mother was driving; the roads were slick and slippery. Their car collided with a pick-up truck. Dana's car seat pitched forward and her head struck the dashboard. The police report stated an opinion that her child safety restraint was improperly secured.

Dana's father, looking for an answer, called his local dealership and was told that everything he did was correct. Then he looked in his owner's manual. After pages of information he found the answer: the seatbelt system in their car was incompatible with their child-safety seat.

Joe Colella is Dana's uncle, and it is through his tireless work and the establishment of the D.A.N.A. foundation that efforts are being made to alert the public about the compatibility and misuse problems that exist between child restraints and vehicle seat belt systems.

I am pleased to introduce the Child Passenger Protection Act, which I call Dana's bill, and I am committed to continue working with Joe Colella and with NHTSA to encourage parents to properly use child restraints to protect our Nation's children.

UNITED STATES NATIONAL TOURISM ORGANIZATION ACT OF 1996

HON. RANDY "DUKE" CUNNINGHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, I strongly support the United States Travel and Tourism Partnership Act (H.R. 2579). This important legislation will use the entrepreneurial spirit of the private sector with the international reach of the Federal Government. This private/public partnership will improve the promotion of international travel and tourism to the United States.

H.R. 2579 establishes a National Tourism Board to oversee and regulate the National Tourism Organization. The NTB would be comprised of 36 members appointed by the President and their mission will be responsible

to utilize the joint private/public partnership for travel and tourism policy making; develop a national travel and tourism strategy for increasing travel and tourism to and within the United States; advise the President, Congress, and the travel and tourism industry on strategies to improve tourism; and provide guidance to the National Tourism Organization.

The National Tourism Organization will be the successor to the now disposed United States Travel and Tourism Administration. The NTO would be established by Federal charter as a not-for-profit organization. The board of directors for the NTO will be comprised of 45 travel and tourism industry leaders appointed by the President and accountable to the NTB. The NTO's mission will focus on increasing the U.S. share of the global tourism market; operating travel and tourism promotion programs outside the United States in partnership with the travel and tourism industry; establishing a travel-tourism data bank which would collect international market data for distribution to the U.S. travel and tourism industry; and promoting U.S. travel and tourism at international trade shows.

Last year, travel and tourism contributed nearly \$430 billion to the U.S. economy. In my District of San Diego, CA, the tourism industry is the second largest employer accounting for one out of every eight jobs and adds \$3.8 billion to the local economy.

I would like to thank the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. ROTH] for his work on this issue. It is through his leadership as chairman of the Travel and Tourism Caucus that we are here today moving America's travel and tourism industry forward into the 21st century.

TRIBUTE TO DR. LYUSHUN SHEN, DIRECTOR OF CONGRESSIONAL AFFAIRS, TAIWAN MISSION

HON. JOE SCARBOROUGH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. SCARBOROUGH. Mr. Speaker, earlier today I paid tribute to the brave people of the Republic of China on Taiwan. I should now like to single out for particular mention one citizen of that nation who has distinguished himself in its service.

Dr. Lyushun Shen has served for the last 2 years as the Director of Congressional Affairs for the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in the United States. In that capacity, Dr. Shen has proven to be a most able diplomat, making a substantive and important contribution to the betterment of relations between Taipei and Washington, DC. In the continuing effort to bring amity and greater understanding between the Republic of China on Taiwan and the United States, Dr. Shen has been a crucial player.

Dr. Shen is now leaving to return to Taipei for a promotion. I am sure I join all of my colleagues who have worked with Dr. Shen in wishing him Godspeed and best wishes in his next assignment.