

home many medals from the World University Games, NCAA indoor and outdoor meets, grand prix, and world indoor championships. Furthermore, Ms. Gaines has run on the U.S.A. Pan Africa Team and the U.S.A. versus Great Britain Team.

Not only is Ms. Gaines exceptionally talented in track and field, she has also excelled in her academic studies. She graduated valedictorian of South Oak Cliff High School in 1988 and went on to Stanford University to obtain a bachelor of science degree in psychology. Ms. Gaines is a member of the alpha Xi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

I wish to extend my congratulations to Chryste for your outstanding performance. We hope to see you in the year 2000 at the Olympics in Sidney, Australia.

GLENS FALLS' VOLUNTARY ACTION CENTER TURNS 25

HON. GERALD B.H. SOLOMON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, this fall will mark the 25th anniversary of the Voluntary Action Center, a truly remarkable organization located in my hometown of Glens Falls, NY.

For a quarter century, the center has helped thousands of needy folks every year. Each year, the center delivers nearly 100,000 Meals-on-Wheels in Queensbury and Glens Falls, helps thousands of families at Thanksgiving and Christmas, counsels hundreds of troubled persons on its Crisis Line and Teen Line, assists homeless families find emergency lodging, helps frail seniors perform simple household tasks so that they can maintain their independent lifestyle, places hundreds of court-referred clients in community service programs, and collects food for local food pantries. And by the way, that list is not exhaustive!

Mr. Speaker, I cannot tell you how much respect and admiration the surrounding communities have for the Voluntary Action Center. This group embodies effective compassion. It represents all that is good in America: service, voluntarism, pride in community, and a concern for fellow man.

In closing, Mr. Speaker, I want to reiterate my congratulations to the center on its 25 years of service to the communities of Glens Falls and Queensbury. I hope and pray that the center continues to provide its invaluable work well into the next century. The Voluntary Action Center proves every single day that Americans have not lost their desire and willingness to lend a helping hand. Voluntarism, I am proud to note, is alive and well in Glens Falls, NY.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TOBY ROTH

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. ROTH. Mr. Speaker, yesterday, the House approved H.R. 2579, the U.S. National Tourism Organization Act. Due to the speed

with which the bill moved through the House, Congressman BOB FRANKS of new Jersey and Congressman FRANK MASCARA of Pennsylvania were unable to be added to the list of cosponsors.

I would like to recognize their support and thank them for their desire to cosponsor H.R. 2579.

TRIBUTE TO SHERIFF JOSEPH U. MAINO

HON. BART STUPAK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. STUPAK. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I bring to the attention of the U.S. House of Representatives and this Nation the retirement of Sheriff Joseph Maino, an outstanding member of the law enforcement community in my northern Michigan congressional district. I also have the opportunity to relay to you and the Nation the many contributions Marquette County Sheriff Joseph U. Maino has made to his community, fellow officers, and the State of Michigan.

Sheriff Maino was born and raised in Negaunee, MI, where he attended St. Paul's School. Following graduation, he served his country by enlisting in the U.S. Army. In the military, he spent 3 years in the military police stationed in California and later in France. Upon leaving the service in 1967, he joined the Marquette County Sheriff's Department in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Sheriff Maino quickly worked his way up through the ranks, first to sergeant and then undersheriff. In 1976, at age 34, the people of Marquette elected him sheriff and he became one of the youngest law enforcement officials in the State of Michigan to guide a law enforcement agency. Presently, Sheriff Maino is serving his 20th year as sheriff marking him the second longest active serving sheriff in the State of Michigan.

Sheriff Maino has worked diligently over the past two decades to enrich his community and educate them on the dangers of drinking and drug use. During his first year in office, Sheriff Maino implemented the Narcotics Enforcement Team for the County of Marquette. In 1987, he pioneered the first DARE program for the Upper Peninsula. In addition, he served as executive director of the Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team during the outbreak and victory over the dangerous drug "CAT." Presently, Sheriff Maino is the project director for Marquette County Team Voice which teaches young people about the lethal combination of drinking and driving.

Sheriff Maino has not only been an asset the Marquette County, but also to the State of Michigan. He has been an active member of the Michigan Sheriff's Association, serving as president in 1981-82. He is a member of many other community service organizations including: The U.P. Children's Coalition, United Way, Kellogg Youth Initiatives Partnership, U.P. Law Enforcement Officer's Association, Marquette County Chief's Association, U.P. Law Enforcement Development Center, Public Safety Institute, Marquette General Hospital Mental Health Advisory Board, Alger-Marquette Human Services Coordinating Body, and the Central U.P. Planning and Development Criminal Justice Committee.

The Marquette County Sheriff's Department has earned several awards under the leadership of Sheriff Maino. They have received the National Recognition for Public Service Award for drunk driving enforcement, a resolution of tribute from the State of Michigan for its drug enforcement activities, and obtained over \$4 million in grants from local, State, and Federal sources to better serve and protect the citizens of Marquette County.

In addition to his dedication to the public sector, Sheriff Maino is a proud husband and father. His wife Jean was also born and raised in Negaunee and graduated from Negaunee High School. Jean is active in the Negaunee Booster Club & Iron Range Hockey Association. In addition, the Maino's son, Ryan, has been involved in community athletics including basketball, baseball, football, and hockey. A family of avid sports fans, they enjoy, fishing, hunting, and Joe's passion for horseshoes.

Mr. Speaker, Sheriff Joseph U. Maino will be retiring from the Marquette County Sheriff's Department on December 31, 1996. As a former city police officer and a Michigan State Trooper, I have had the honor of working with and personally knowing Sheriff Maino. He is one of the fairest, honest, and dedicated law enforcement professionals I know and I wish to thank him for all he has accomplished during his career. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the citizens of northern Michigan, the State of Michigan, and the Nation, I would like to extend best wishes for an enjoyable retirement to Marquette County Sheriff Joseph Maino.

HONORING DON GLENN ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE AFL-CIO

HON. ESTEBAN EDWARD TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. TORRES. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in honoring Don Glenn on the occasion of his retirement from the AFL-CIO after dedicating his entire adult life to the labor movement.

Don was hired as an AFL-CIO field representative in 1967. He was instrumental in establishing statewide central labor council conferences both in Wisconsin and California. He also assisted the Los Angeles Orange County Organizing Committee [LAOCOC] with organizing workshops, think tank sessions, and organizing projects.

Before joining the AFL-CIO field staff, Don served in the U.S. Army for 2 years, and was a member of the Meatcutters Union, the Structural Ironworkers Union, the Railroad Union, and the Steelworkers Union.

When he was a steelworker, he became a steward. He then took a position as an organizer, and worked as a negotiator and servicer for 6 years for a joint council in Chicago, which included several unions. Among them were the Distillery Union, and the Laborers International Union. Production Workers Union, Sheetmetal Workers Union, and the Laborers International Union. During this time he also attended Roosevelt University, and successfully completed a 4-year course in labor leadership.

Prior to completion of his studies, AFL-CIO Regional Director Dan Healy interviewed and

hired Don as a field representative, where he would serve for 20 years. He then transferred to California, where he began his assistance with the LAOCOC. He served in that capacity for another 8 years, retiring on July 1, 1996.

On Friday, October 4, 1996, the leadership of the AFL-CIO will pay tribute to Don Glenn as he retires after over 25 years of selfless service to the labor movement. I proudly ask my colleagues to rise and join in solidarity paying tribute to Don Glenn on the occasion of his retirement.

INDIAN REGIME KILLING FAMILIES OF SIKH ACTIVISTS

HON. PETER T. KING

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. KING. Mr. Speaker, recent reports show that the Indian regime has been killing and torturing the families of Sikh activists, whom the regime describes as militants. According to the video "Disappearances in Punjab," the grandfather of Paramjit Singh Panjwat, a man in his 80's, was tortured by the regime. His mother was killed and his brother and sister were murdered, as over 50,000 other Sikhs have, according to statements by Justice Aijt Singh Bains, the former judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court who heads the Punjab Human Rights Organization.

Gurbachan Singh Manochal was the head of the Panthic Committee until he was killed by the security forces. The Panthic Committee is the organization that declared the independence of Khalistan on October 7, 1987. His mother, father, sisters, and brothers—10 people in all—were all killed by the regime.

The Panthic Committee, which represents the full range of Sikh organizations in Punjab, Khalistan, authorized the Council of Khalistan to conduct Khalistan's struggle for freedom. The Council of Khalistan is committed to conducting that struggle by peaceful, democratic, nonviolent means. Even if these people are militants, this does not justify extrajudicial killings, torture, disappearance, and other acts of brutality against their families.

The Sikhs are struggling for freedom against a regime which has stationed half a million troops in Punjab, Khalistan. This oppressive regime continues to hold over 70,000 Sikhs under the repressive "Terrorist and Disruptive Activities Act," which expired last year. It has murdered over 150,000 Sikhs since 1984, including the families of political opponents. It kidnapped human rights activist Jaswant Singh Khalra after he exposed their policy of mass cremation of Sikhs. The regime refuses to allow American citizen Balbir Singh Dhillon to return to his family in California even though the charges against him have been proven false by the Human Rights Wing. Thousands of family members of Sikhs labeled "terrorists" or "militants" have been killed.

STATEMENT UPON INTRODUCTION OF THE HOME AND COMMUNITY- BASED CARE ACT

HON. STEVE GUNDERSON

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. GUNDERSON. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to say that I became a Member of the Task Force on Disabilities on the fifth anniversary of the signing of the American with Disabilities Act. As part of that Task Force, I would like to introduce today legislation that encourages the principles of home- and community-based care for the disabled on behalf of the advocates of personal attendants care.

Home- and community-based care allows disabled individuals maximum freedom by providing them with the necessary help to start their day, feed themselves, and perform everyday tasks that you and I take for granted. Often times, this help is the only help needed to send someone to work and to truly integrate that person into society. Just because someone's body might fail them does not mean that their mind does as well, and it is smart government to help facilitate that transition from welfare recipient to taxpayer from both a human and economic standpoint.

While I realize that the Republican Medicaid reform proposals that received wide bipartisan support from Members of Congress and the unanimous support of the National Governors Association would have given states the flexibility to develop these programs, President Clinton chose to twice veto these proposals. Now, in the absence of meaningful Medicaid reform, I am introducing legislation that would give states the needed flexibility to put these important programs in place.

Furthermore, I realize that this proposal is merely the starting point for a very important debate. While more input is needed on all aspects of this legislation, including whatever costs may be associated with it, I wholly support the concept of giving states the necessary tools to administer the most effective and efficient programs that best meet the needs of a diverse constituency.

I applaud Speaker GINGRICH for announcing this Task Force and for bringing the importance of home- and community-based care to light during this 104th Congress.

Please add the following cosponsors on the bill: Mr. GUNDERSON introduced the following bill, along with Mr. GINGRICH of Georgia.

HOME BUSINESSES

HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the more than 24 million citizens who have exemplified the American entrepreneurial spirit by establishing businesses in their homes.

Over the past several years, businesses being run from home have continued to increase in both numbers and in their success. From graphic artists to computer consultants, these men and women contribute significantly to the economic growth of our country, the

safety of our neighborhoods, and the health of our families. In addition, home-based business owners serve the community through their extensive volunteer work in our schools, churches, and civic groups.

I also wish to pay tribute to the American Association of Home-Based Businesses, headquartered in Montgomery County, MD, which I am honored to represent in Congress. This national, non-profit association represents the interests of American's home business entrepreneurs through a network of local chapters and a national education program for home-based business owners, as well as by lobbying for the rights and benefits of home-based businesses. Their president, Beverly Williams and their national directors, Jan Caldwell, Betty Stehman, John Scott Williams, Stu Rutchik, and Ron Wohl are community leaders, home-based business owners and outspoken advocates for the benefits and the rights of home businesses.

I am particularly proud to honor the American Association of Home-Based Businesses, their Montgomery chapter, and the city of Gaithersburg, MD, which for the third year in a row has been named one of the top locations for home-based businesses in America by a leading national magazine.

I also want to recognize the first national conference on home-based business sponsored by the Tampa, FL chapter of AAHBB, scheduled for October 11, 12, and 13. In celebration of Home-Based Business Week, October 6 to 12, 1996, I urge my colleagues to join me in commending all of the hard-working Americans who work from home, for their contributions to their communities and the economy. It can truly be said that the success of America starts from its home base.

HONORING THE KIWANIS CLUB OF OTTAWA ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 75TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise today and pay tribute to an outstanding service organization located in Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. On November 18, the Kiwanis Club of Ottawa, OH, will celebrate their 75th anniversary.

The city of Ottawa is a community renowned for its civic pride and commitment to service. Kiwanians are individuals who give a little of their time to make this community a better place to live and work. The Ottawa Club has sponsored Boy Scout Troop 224 since 1930 and the Kiwanis Key Club for high school students since 1962. The club helped provide funds for the Ottawa Glandorf High School Band and has conducted a blood screening program annually since 1988. The club erected a new Girl Scout house in 1971. The club also developed Tawa Manor, a housing project for the elderly.

The club has been active in the community from the very beginning. Throughout its history there has never been a lack of enthusiasm or volunteer labor for its many projects. In addition, the Ottawa Kiwanis Club has been active throughout the years in zone, State, and International Kiwanis.