

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO LINDY WINSTON

HON. MARTIN R. HOKE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 1996

Mr. HOKE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend a man from my district who personifies the American work ethic and the American spirit. Lindy Winston just retired after 41 years as a postal carrier. The outpouring of affection for this man from those who know him is truly inspirational and is a testament to his lifetime of community service.

The son of a coal miner in Boomer, WV, Lindy Winston learned early that life would not be easy. After losing his father to black lung and then losing his job when the coal mine closed, Lindy moved to Cleveland to look for a new job. "I came to Cleveland on a wing and a prayer," he said. His prayers were soon answered.

Once in Cleveland, Lindy took a job at Thompson Products—now TRW, and in December 1954 he strapped an Uncle Sam mailbag onto his back and began his new career. "On my first day as a mail man there was a cold rain," he said, "my clothes were frozen stiff."

So 41 years and 50,000 miles later he walked his last route. At his last delivery—and this was a day when the temperature was below zero, Mr. Speaker—he was met by a group of friends, family, children, and officials who held a rally in his honor. You see, Mr. Speaker, Lindy Winston was not your ordinary mailman. He was a mailman who delivered more than the mail every time he walked up your drive.

Looking back Winston states, "I never wanted to be just a mailman. It's more than just putting letters in a box. I wanted to be an ambassador. I've seen kids grow up, go to college. I've gone to their funerals. I've been their psychologist, their doctor, their lawyer."

One individual had told me that Winston, who was also a pastor in his church, "was a preacher and we became his congregation." Here's what some of the other members of his congregation had to say about him: "He's like one of the family." "He walks on water." "I hug him every time I see him, he wears Old Spice."

Lindy can look forward to enjoying his retirement with his wife Carolyn, his childhood sweetheart who he met at age 12, and his family. But, there are those who find it hard to let Lindy go, especially the children on his route who will sadly miss their friend with the mailbag who fixed their bikes, untangled kites, played catch, and brought them presents.

Mr. Speaker, at a time when our newspapers are filled with stories about scandal and crime, and when role models for our young people are harder to find, I think it is important to take time out here in the Congress to recognize those in our community who are true role models and who represent what is best about our country. Lindy Winston is just such a person.

Lindy, on behalf of the hard working and compassionate people of this country I applaud you. Your love for the people in your community and the quality of service that you provided the residents of West Park, OH, can serve as an example to all of us of the good one man can do.

TRIBUTE TO EARL GRAVES, PUBLISHER, BUSINESSMAN, AND MORGAN STATE ALUMNI

HON. KWEISI MFUME

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MFUME. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute to Earl Graves, a nationally recognized authority on African-American business development and an alumnus of my alma mater, Morgan State University in Baltimore, MD.

On August 9, 1995, Morgan State University president Dr. Earl Richardson announced that the Morgan State School of Business and Management would be renamed the Earl G. Graves School of Business and Management. This high honor was due in part to Earl's entrepreneurial vision which has guided Black Enterprise magazine through 25 years of publishing and in part to his strong commitment to higher education.

As the publisher of Black Enterprise magazine, Earl has been one of the Nation's leading advocates for upscale black professionals, executives, entrepreneurs, and policy makers in the private and public sector. Earl has also applied much of what is discussed in his magazine to his professional life: he is the chairman and CEO of Pepsi-Cola of Washington, DC, the largest minority-controlled Pepsi-Cola franchise in the United States. The company covers a franchise territory of more than 400 square miles including Washington, DC and Prince Georges County, MD. Earl is also a General Partner of Egoli Beverages, the Pepsi-Cola franchise bottler of South Africa.

Earl has been very active in supporting historically black colleges and universities, with the recent contribution of \$1 million to our mutual alma mater, Morgan State University. President Clinton praised Earl's contribution as "an investment that will pay great dividends for the next generation and beyond, and I hope one that will encourage others to follow Earls lead and do their part to help expand opportunities in business and education for African-Americans."

In addition to his tremendous successes in business, Earl Graves has also been intimately involved in trying to improve the lives of all Americans. He served as an administrative assistant to Senator Robert F. Kennedy from 1965 to 1968: following Senator Kennedy's assassination Earl formed his own management consulting firm to advise corporations of urban affairs and economic development.

Earl Graves has also been a long and active advocate of the Boy Scouts of America;

he currently serves as the vice president, relationships/marketing and on the executive board of the national office.

The list of organizations on whose boards he voluntarily serves is as extensive as it is impressive: New American Schools Development Corporation, TransAfrica Forum; the Glass Ceiling Commission; American Museum of Natural History and Planetarium, and is chairman of the Black Business Council. Earl also serves on the board of selectors of the American Institute for Public Service, the executive committee of the Council on Competitiveness, the advisory council of the Character Education Partnership, and the board of directors of the Associates of Harvard University's Graduate School of Business Administration.

Despite all of these honors and responsibilities, Earl does not rest on his laurels. He continues to remain an active participant in all of his endeavors—a perusal of his monthly essays on the Publisher's Page of Black Enterprise magazine often leads the reader to consider such important issues as affirmative action and the fate of our national economy.

While this may be but a brief overview of the many accomplishments and contributions of Earl Graves to our Nation, it is clear that he is a remarkable man. The fact that he is willing—indeed, eager—to share his gifts makes him all the more extraordinary. We as a nation are certainly lucky to have citizens like Earl Graves among us, and it is an honor to be able to salute him.

TAYLOR MIDDLE SCHOOL—A MODEL OF EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 1996

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, the U.S. Department of Education has recognized Taylor Middle School in Millbrae, CA, as a "Blue Ribbon School." As a Blue Ribbon School, Taylor Middle School serves as a shining example of high-quality education for the rest of the country. The school is one of only 266 throughout our entire Nation and one of only 39 in California to be selected for this high honor.

I invite my colleagues to join me in extending our most sincere admiration and congratulations for the wonderful educational environment that Taylor Middle School provides for our young Americans. I am indeed proud to have this outstanding institution in my congressional district.

Taylor Middle School has achieved this high honor through its persistent and highly effective pursuit of local, State and national education goals. These goals reflect the areas in which our educational institutions across the country are most in need of improvement. Taylor Middle School's remarkable success in overcoming some of the most difficult problems our schools face today makes it a perfect

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example for schools around the country to follow.

Taylor Middle School has been highly successful in fulfilling the necessary conditions of effective schooling. Through the dynamic and productive leadership of Principal Sharon Fritz, Taylor Middle School has developed a nurturing teaching environment, a rigorous and engaging curriculum, a safe environment for students and teachers, and a healthy involvement of parents and the community in strengthening educational resources. Students from Taylor convincingly demonstrate the many benefits of a good schooling environment through impressive student performances on measures of achievement, attendance rates, and the varied and ambitious pursuits of graduates of the school.

Taylor Middle School is more than deserving of the recognition it has and will continue to receive as a Blue Ribbon School. I hope that other schools across the country will be able to learn by the example of Taylor how to confront some of the seemingly intractable problems facing our educational system. I also hope that, in recognizing Taylor Middle School, my colleagues recognize the necessity of making educational excellence one of our highest priorities in the United States Congress.

A TRIBUTE TO THE "I CAN" CHOIR

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 1996

Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an extraordinary group of young people from the country of South Africa. These individuals are members of the "I Can" Choir, which consists of 75 male singers who range in age from 14 to 24 years, and a coed traditional dance team.

The "I Can" Choir was formed in August 1990 and has performed throughout South Africa receiving numerous honors and winning several competitions. These singers possess strong, powerful voices and because of the group's commitment and hard work, this current 4-week tour of the United States has become a reality. The choir members combine their talent with information to direct attention to and educate their audience about the development of post-apartheid South Africa.

Their participation in the Black History Month program hosted by Mayor J. Christian Bollwage and Councilwoman Patricia Perkins-Auguste of the City of Elizabeth, NJ will help make this event extra special. In addition to singing, the choir will provide the audience with information on the historical effort to abolish apartheid and on actual conditions and challenges currently facing South Africa. As a member of the Subcommittee on Africa of the Committee on International Relations in the House, I am quite aware of the forces that help shape the decisions that are made in that country. I believe that it is important for our young people to use Black History Month to also become informed about conditions in African countries.

Mr. Speaker, I urge you and all my colleagues to join me in saluting this wonderful group of young people from South Africa, the "I Can" Choir. I think that the members of the

"I Can" Choir should be commended, not only for sharing their talent with the United States, but also for educating us about their country.

IN HONOR OF HARVEY HALL

HON. WILLIAM M. THOMAS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 1996

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to honor an outstanding individual, Harvey Hall, who is celebrating over 25 years of providing ambulance service to the people of Kern County. Harvey accepted his first job as an ambulance driver in 1960 because he thought it might be interesting. Little did Harvey realize that his interest in riding along for the night in his buddy's ambulance would lead to a job offer, 11 years with the Flinn Ambulance Co., and then 25 years as the owner of Hall Ambulance. Mr. Speaker, for his serendipitous ride, the residents of Kern County are grateful.

The first location for Hall Ambulance was in a house that also doubled as the living quarters for Hall, his wife, and their two children. Five years later Hall and his family moved down the street, but his work was never far as Harvey brought an ambulance home with him at night. Today, the dedication to service that caused Hall to take an ambulance home with him has helped create a business that services the cities of Bakersfield, Arvin, Oildale, Tehachapi, Lamont, Mojave, Boron, California City, Rosamond, and Taft.

The list of firsts for Hall Ambulance is impressive: 1975—the first mobile intensive care paramedic service in Kern County; 1975—first nonemergency transportation for wheelchair bound; and 1985—first private mobile medical communications unit for mass casualty incidents. But before Harvey achieved this stellar record, his beginnings were rather meager.

For his service, Harvey was designated in 1990 as one of the top three ALS providers in the United States by the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians and was awarded the 1991 Paramedic EMS Service of the Year award by the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians and the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons. In 1987, he offered basic life support training throughout Kern County and as a result 2,000 people were trained to help save lives. In 1992 he put in place one of the most sophisticated state-of-the-art computer-aided emergency communication centers in the country.

If this were not enough, Harvey also sponsors an Explorer Scout troop and he is involved in fundraising for the Boys and Girls Club of Bakersfield, the Police Athletic League, the Friendship House, and the Bakersfield College Foundation. In addition, Harvey has been the chairman of the Bakersfield Christmas parade for 11 years and has served on the Coalition to Protect Private Property Rights.

So Mr. Speaker, on the 25th anniversary of Hall Ambulance, congratulations and job well done to Harvey Hall for all his service to the people of Kern County.

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SPEECH OF

HON. BILL PAXON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 1, 1996

Mr. PAXON. Mr. Speaker, I want to address section 702 of the conference report that adds a new section 222(e) to the Communications Act which would require that subscriber list information be provided to independent telephone directory publishers on nondiscriminatory and reasonable rates, terms, and conditions. This is a simple requirement to protect an area of telecommunications where there has been competition for more than a decade, but where service providers have used pricing and other terms to try to limit that competition. Now we are prohibiting such anticompetitive behavior.

This provision is one of those covered by section 257 of the conference report that requires that the FCC make rules that identify and remove barriers to entry for companies involved with providing telephone and information services.

Since the FCC will soon be considering how to interpret the language in section 222(e) to prevent future problems with the sale of subscriber list information to independent publishers, I would like to emphasize one key point. I have consistently sought to assure that in determining what constitutes a reasonable rate under this bill, the most significant factor should be the incremental cost of delivering that listing to the requesting party.

I appreciate this opportunity to clarify this important provision.

TRIBUTE TO MAYA ANGELOU

HON. KWEISI MFUME

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 6, 1996

Mr. MFUME. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Maya Angelou, one of the most impassioned voices not only of the African-American community but of mankind as a whole. Ms. Angelou once explained, "I speak to the black experience but I am always talking about the human condition—about what we can endure, dream, fail at and still survive." For this reason, she was tapped by President Clinton to address the Nation during his inauguration. She was the first poet, since Robert Frost spoke at the Kennedy inaugural almost 32 years prior, to address the Nation during such a moment of political change. In composing a poem for the inaugural address, she sought to remind us all that we are more alike than unlike. She credits her ability to bring people together, as well as the President's fondness of her work, for why she was chosen.

Although many Americans became aware of Ms. Angelou during the swearing-in ceremony, she has been speaking to the Nation through a variety of mediums for decades. She is a woman of many talents—an author, actress, singer, dancer, songwriter, and teacher. Although much of her written work is based on the experiences of a black woman, she always manages to make her words applicable to everyone.