

younger than our own is appalling. In Orange County, NY a few years ago, the death of a World War II veteran was recorded in the daily newspaper with this incredible line: "He was a survivor of when the Japanese dropped the atomic bomb on Pearl Harbor * * *"

Our generation has one last task before it.

The Great Depression, World War II, and the subsequent cold war are topped by one final burden: it is our responsibility to bear witness to what we have seen and what we have lived through.

It is important that we tell our youth, our grandchildren, our families, and any journalists we encounter of the goals, the ideals, and the vision of World War II. It is up to us to bear witness that the inhumanity of the Nazi and Imperialist Japanese war machines were not just in our imaginations.

It is incumbent upon us to leave permanent records of the sacrifices we made. We know that we cannot depend upon future generations to do this.

Accordingly, we are burdened with this final responsibility.

TRIBUTE TO JACQUELINE BERGMAN

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 28, 1996

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, Ms. Jacqueline Bergman has distinguished herself as the first female member president of the International Association of Lions Clubs, and I think it is important to recognize this landmark achievement. In 1987 she was installed as the first woman member of the Brooklyn Downtown Lions Club. This is indeed significant because it demonstrates that barriers to advancement for women are being overcome.

Ms. Bergman has served the Lions organization well. She has chaired major fundraisers, been the recipient of the organization's highest award by being designated as a Melvin Jones Fellow, and edited the club's newsletter. Jacqueline has also served as a delegate to numerous district, State, and international conventions. Jacqueline lives in Brooklyn Heights, has two children, Andrew and Mona, and adores her grandson Andre. Her commitment to service is only exceeded by her desire to do the best job possible. I am honored to recognize her dedicated efforts.

TRIBUTE TO ROSA LIVERPOOL

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, the Borough of Brooklyn is fortunate to have Rosa Liverpool as a citizen. Rosa has been an achiever in spite of adversity. She was the first African American graduate from the Slovak Girls Academy, and subsequently earned her undergraduate degree from Mercy College, and her master's degree in counseling from Manhattan College.

After receiving her degrees, Rosa began working for the city of New York. She has par-

ticular expertise in early identification and reporting of abuse and neglect of children. In 1979 Rosa began working with patients and their families who were addicted to opiates. Presently, Ms. Liverpool is the district guidance counselor for Community School District 19. She is also the child abuse and neglect liaison as well as the suicide prevention specialist for district 19. Rosa has been actively involved in the East New York community of Brooklyn.

Ms. Liverpool chairs the education committee for the Rosetta Gaston Foundation, and is also a member of Community Board No. 5. She has worked with local store owners to provide donations for block activities, and coordinated job fairs for East New York residents. Rosa leads by her example, and is destined to leave a lasting legacy.

TRIBUTE TO AGENTS PETER HARGRAVES, CHRIS REILLY, AND LARRY SALMON

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate three special agents of the State Department's Bureau of Diplomatic Security, Peter Hargraves, Chris Reilly, and Larry Salmon, who received Valor Awards at the U.S. Department of State on February 15. I was pleased to have a member of my staff represent me at this very moving awards ceremony where Secretary Warren Christopher presided. The Valor Award is one of the Department of State's highest awards and is given to those employees who demonstrate exceptional bravery in the face of life-threatening danger. Special Agents Hargraves, Reilly, and Salmon exhibited particular noteworthy courage in 1995 in their efforts to ensure the safe and secure conduct of U.S. foreign policy abroad. I am pleased to take this opportunity to recognize these three courageous public servants. At a June 29, 1995, oversight hearing on the Diplomatic Security Bureau, our House International Relations Committee heard about the details of some of the courage of these agents and their sacrifices in the service of their Nation. I am pleased to see they have been further honored by the Secretary of State.

Special Agent Peter Hargraves was the former Regional Security Officer assigned to the U.S. Embassy in Sarajevo. On August 19, 1995, Special Agent Hargraves was accompanying a United States peacekeeping delegation to Sarajevo for a meeting with the Bosnian Government. During the trek to Sarajevo over the dangerous Mt. Igman Road, one vehicle in the convoy, its weight too much for the road's shoulder, began a fatal spin down the mountain. The vehicle stopped 500 meters later. Special Agent Hargraves, who managed to get out of the vehicle, disregarded his own severe personal injuries and repeatedly returned to the burning vehicle in an effort to save others. After pulling one individual from the wreckage, his efforts were halted when the vehicle exploded. Special Agent Hargraves is still recovering from injuries suffered in this accident, which claimed the lives of three U.S. peace negotiators. Special Agent Hargraves is

a true American hero. The citation on his award reads, "For exceptional bravery and heroic devotion to your colleagues, in support of efforts to bring peace to the peoples of Bosnia."

Special Agent Chris Reilly was the former Regional Security Officer assigned to the United States Embassy in Bujumbura. On June 14, 1995, Special Agent Reilly accompanied United States Ambassador to Burundi Robert Krueger and former Burundian Foreign Minister Jean Marie Ngendahayo, on a fact-finding mission to the province of Cibitoke in northwestern Burundi. Late in the afternoon, during the return trip to Bujumbura, the eight vehicle motorcade came under heavy automatic weapons fire from at least two unidentified gunman. Special Agent Reilly immediately instructed the Burundian driver to leave the area. The driver froze. Special Agent Reilly, sitting in the front passenger's seat, reached over and shifted the car into reverse and stepped on the accelerator. After backing up, he shifted the car to drive and managed to get the driver to put his foot on the accelerator and leave the area. Our Ambassador, and the Foreign Minister escaped injury as a result of the heroic actions of Special Agent Reilly. Special Agent Reilly's citation reads,

For valor during an attack on an official motorcade in Cibitoke province, Burundi, on June 14, 1995. While the Ambassador's vehicle came under heavy automatic weapons fire, your rapid and effective response contributed directly to saving the lives of the Ambassador and the Burundi Foreign Minister. Your actions reflect the highest credit upon you and the Diplomatic Security Service.

Special Agent Larry Salmon, the Regional Security Officer at the United States Embassy in Windhoek, was on temporary assignment in Bujumbura, and had accompanied Special Agent Reilly on the trip in which the Ambassador's motorcade was attacked on June 14, 1995. Special Agent Salmon was driving the unarmed follow car directly behind Ambassador Krueger's car. When the attack began, Special Agent Salmon's vehicle was peppered with bullets. A Burundian bodyguard sitting in the backseat was injured by gunfire, and Special Agent Salmon was hit in the right shoulder by shell fragments. Special Agent Salmon spotted one of the assailants firing an AK-47 at the convoy. Without hesitation, he drew his Smith and Wesson and proceeded to fire six rounds at the attacker through the shot-out right rear window. Once Special Agent Salmon fired his weapon, the assault stopped. The Ambassador's vehicle and the follow car escaped. Special Agent Salmon's quick reaction to this attack saved the lives of the two people in his vehicle, and contributed to the safe escape of the Ambassador and Foreign Minister. His heroic response to such a life threatening situation demands our utmost respect. Special Agent Salmon's citation reads,

For valor during an attack on an official motorcade in Cibitoke province, Burundi, on June 14 1995. While the Ambassador's vehicle came under heavy automatic weapons fire, your rapid and effective response contributed directly to saving the lives of the Ambassador and the Burundi Foreign Minister. Your actions reflect the highest credit upon you and the Diplomatic Security Service.

Mr. Speaker, I take this opportunity to further recognize and share with my colleagues some of the details of the exceptionally courageous efforts by these special agents who

risked their lives to protect American personnel carrying out our foreign policy abroad. Their actions set the standard for valor in the line of duty. These American heroes are a credit to the Bureau of Diplomatic Security, the Department of State, and the people of the United States of America.

We must do all we can to protect American personnel abroad who we ask to carry out U.S. foreign policy, often in far away, and often dangerous places. The Diplomatic Security Bureau and agents like Hargraves, Reilly, and Salmon deserve our full support and understanding, as they carry out this difficult, and often dangerous task.

TRIBUTE TO JO ANNE SIMON

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 28, 1996

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, Jo Anne Simon is an outstanding community activist who represents the brownstone community of Boerum Hill in downtown Brooklyn. Ms. Simon is the president of the Boerum Hill Association. The association serves the historic community that has thriving merchant businesses.

Jo Anne works closely with local community board and public officials to ensure that critical issues such as education, crime prevention, historical preservation and quality of life issues are responsibly addressed on behalf of community and neighborhood members. Ms. Simon recognizes that her efforts must be special because Boerum Hill is a very special Brooklyn enclave.

An attorney and former teacher of the blind, Jo Anne has been very active in the disability rights movement. She is a founding member of the Association of Higher Education and Disability, a national organization which advocates for equal access to higher education. She currently serves on its board of directors. I am pleased to bring Jo Anne Simon's community activism to the attention of my colleagues.

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT E. DOYLE

HON. AMO HOUGHTON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 28, 1996

Mr. HOUGHTON. Mr. Speaker, Robert E. Doyle recently passed away at his home in Schenectady, NY. Robert was known as the "Commish". He served longer than any other State Liquor Authority Commissioner in the United States. He was considered by his colleagues as the dean of liquor administration.

Robert was born in Thendara, NY. This is in Herkimer County. He was a 1952 graduate of Siena College, and he served during World War II in the Pacific campaign as a Pfc. in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Robert began his tenure with the State Liquor Authority in 1959 as a deputy commissioner. His advice and counsel were sought by public administrators, elected officials, industry executives, and community leaders. He was a warm and caring man willing to help virtually anyone with a problem.

He retired from his post as commissioner in 1995. Mr. Doyle's wife Geraldine Fitzgerald Doyle passed away in 1990. He had five children and eleven grandchildren. He also had a brother, the Very Reverend Mathias Doyle, and three sisters Mary Lou Provost, Gayle Michon, and Joanne Dee.

Robert Doyle had made numerous contributions to his Nation, his State, and his Family. He was truly a good man.

Many including the family, the State of New York, and others mourn his loss. The "Commish" passed away on February 14, in the year of our Lord 1996.

TRIBUTE TO LETICIA P. JOHNSON

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 28, 1996

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, there is no greater calling than attending to the education and nurturing of our children. For the past 20 years Leticia P. Johnson has been performing that very vital task. Leticia is a graduate of Brooklyn College and received a master's degree in supervision and administration.

Leticia believes that early childhood learning sets the stage for positive human development. Leticia has dedicated herself to getting society and educators to focus on the total needs of our children.

Leticia's participation in various organizations reflects her commitment to children. She is a member of the National Black Child Development Institute, and is the cochair of the Early Childhood Task Force. Leticia is also a member of the Bedford-Stuyvesant Community Conference Inc. For the past 10 years she has served as the director of Young Minds Day Care Center, sponsored by Fort Greene Citizens Council Inc. Brooklyn sees the fruits of Leticia's efforts each time a child is nurtured and educated in her institution. I am happy to acknowledge her selfless efforts.

OFFICER ROBERT ALLMOND HONORED AT POLICE CEREMONY AWARDS

HON. JON D. FOX

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 28, 1996

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a resident of the 13th Congressional district who recently was named one of the best law enforcement officers in the Nation.

Abington Township, Montgomery county, Police Officer Robert Allmond was recognized as one of 10 honorable mentions during the Police Officer of the Year ceremony. Officer Allmond received the distinction from the International Association of Chiefs of Police and Parade magazine after his name was submitted for consideration by Abington Police Chief William J. Kelly and Edie Richards, director of community development for the Township of Abington.

Mr. Speaker, there are 604,000 police officers in the United States and many past winners have been picked for single outstanding

incidents involving a shooting incident or dangerous rescues. Officer Allmond's award is based on a long-term commitment to community policy work which has reduced crime, brought community support for police officers and raised neighborhood esteem.

Officer Allmond began his assignment in 1992 as community policing officer in the Crestmont area where crime, violence, and drug abuse were the highest in the township, according to Chief Kelly. Eighteen months later, a survey showed that overall fear of crime in the neighborhood had dropped by 12.75 percent, community support for police had increased 63 percent and neighborhood esteem was up by 4 percent.

Officer Allmond initiated several programs in Crestmont including organizing trips for youngsters to the New Jersey State Aquarium at Camden, the Franklin Institute Science Museum, the Philadelphia Zoo and the Academy of Natural Sciences. He has also taken children to Philadelphia Eagles, Phillies and 76ers games and arranged for weeks of free bowling so youngsters could participate in a league-like environment.

Almost as important as the outings was the fact that community leaders like Chief Kelly, the township commissioners, police officers, dispatchers, township staff and parents went along as chaperones and got involved with the children.

Officer Allmond organized a program to bring doctors and nurses into the neighborhood using a community policing vehicle as a mini-medical office to do free blood-pressure screenings and other tests for low and moderate income residents. The Lions Club used the vehicle to provide free vision screenings.

Allmond helped coordinate a Citizen's Police Academy to create better understanding between police and residents. Citizens were invited to participate in a 30-hour course about police duties and many Abington police officers volunteered to teach the courses and became involved in the interaction between police and citizens.

Officer Allmond also worked with Abington Memorial Hospital, a leader in community health services, to take information about the outstanding Children's Health Insurance Program [CHIPS] to the community, again using the specially equipped van. CHIPS officers subsidized health insurance for children based on family income.

Officer Allmond's work with the Crestmont Community Policing Program was recognized earlier this year when the program was one of six national winners of the Audrey Nelson Community Development Achievement Award and was honored by the National Community Development Association "for exemplary and creative uses of community development block grant funds which best address the needs of families, homes and neighborhoods of low and moderate income."

Officer Allmond's boss, Chief Kelly, has said of this outstanding citizen: "Bob's initiative, energy, and willingness to try new approaches are greatly responsible for his success, but at the same time, I know that he would be the first to point out that area residents and local beat officers are the keys to the long-term success of these programs in this neighborhood."

Mr. Speaker, that is high praise for the 34-year-old officer who joined this outstanding police department in 1986. Officer Allmond has