

a lasting difference in the lives of over 1,000 cadets during their 45 years of service at Carson Long Military Institute; Lt. Col. and Mrs. Kenneth P. Stuart. This June Lieutenant Colonel Stuart and his wife will end their magnificent careers at Pennsylvania's oldest military school, Carson Long in New Bloomfield, PA.

During his service, Colonel Stuart influenced the lives of over 1,300 young cadets. Since beginning his service in 1951, he has coached three sports, football, basketball, and baseball; he has served as the social studies department head, a building officer, the assistant to the president, and as the commandant of cadets.

Mrs. Stuart likewise shares a distinguished record of service at Carson Long. During her 20 years of service she has served as the librarian for the institute—a very important position in a school of higher learning, and as the social director for the institute since 1971.

I want to commend the outstanding efforts of these hard-working, exceptionally bright and dedicated educators. As our Nation looks for solutions to its many social shortcomings, the dedicated lives of these two brilliant people should shine as an example to our society on how to build communities and lives with purpose.

The Carson Long Military Institute has a long and honorable tradition dating back over 160 years to its founding in 1836. I know the staff and cadets of Carson Long are proud to be associated with such an historic institution and it is through this pride in Carson Long that they share in the lifelong dedication of these two great individuals.

Through their lives they have truly exemplified the ideal of community service and as a nation, we must be proud to have such individuals in our society. I for one am privileged that they reside in central Pennsylvania.

As the Colonel and Mrs. Stuart begin to celebrate their retirement, I know that all of the Members of Congress join me in wishing them every happiness in return and all the success in their future endeavors.

HONORING VIRGINIA DENT AND AURORA GAREISS

HON. GARY L. ACKERMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 29, 1996

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join with my colleagues and members of the Environmental Law Institute and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, as they gather on Thursday, May 30, to present Virginia Dent and Aurora Gareiss with the 1996 National Wetlands Award for volunteer leadership.

For the past 30 years, Virginia and Aurora have initiated programs to save the considerable salt marsh and freshwater estuaries surrounding Little Neck Bay in Little Neck, NY. Their heroic efforts have led to the acquisition of a series of wetland complexes throughout Queens, including, but not limited to, the 135-acre Udalls Cove Park Preserve, now protected by the New York City and State park systems.

However, Mr. Speaker, Virginia and Aurora's good work extends far beyond this valuable project. They have tirelessly strived to put an end to illegal dumping—a highly detrimen-

tal practice with far-reaching effects. Additionally, they have long tried to promote understanding of the causal link between environmental and physical health. In this vein, Virginia has served as the executive director of the New York State Northeast Queens Nature and Historical Preserve Commission, while Aurora has served as its commissioner. Furthermore, Virginia has spent the past 15 years on the Queens Borough president's Flushing Bay task force.

Mr. Speaker, Virginia and Aurora have come to symbolize the American spirit of voluntarism and generosity. I ask all my colleagues to rise with the grateful people of the Fifth Congressional District in extending to Virginia Dent and Aurora Gareiss the highest accolades of appreciation and admiration.

PARTIAL-BIRTH ABORTION IS TOTAL OUTRAGE

HON. MARTIN R. HOKE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 29, 1996

Mr. HOKE. Mr. Speaker, during the Vietnam war, journalists opposed to United States involvement sought to "bring the war into our living rooms" by showing images of the carnage and suffering on the nightly news. It made for disturbing viewing, but was effective in turning American public opinion against the war. It is in that tradition that I share with you the following description of something called partial-birth abortion, one of the most inhumane acts imaginable.

In this very late-term procedure, a breech position, feet first—labor is drug-induced and the baby is completely delivered except for the head. The baby is now moments and inches from birth—and from all the protections afforded by Federal and State law. But the birth is interrupted. The head is forced to remain in the canal. The base of the skull is then punctured, a vacuum catheter is inserted into the head, and the contents are suctioned out. The skull collapses, the baby dies, and the abortion is complete.

On April 10, President Clinton vetoed a bill passed by large majorities in each Chamber of Congress that would have outlawed this practice, a bill I was proud to help write as a member of the Judiciary Committee.

The President defended his veto on the grounds that the bill did not provide an exception for the health of the mother. But he knows full well that the Supreme Court has defined maternal health as "all factors—physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and the woman's age—relevant to the well-being of the patient." In other words, a health exception—which is synonymous with abortion-on-demand—would have gutted the bill. Also, the bill does provide an exception to save the life of the mother, even though in reality this grotesque procedure is never the only option available.

In response to this outrage, the Vatican took the unusual step of condemning the President's veto, calling it shameful and an incredibly brutal act of aggression against human life. It warned that legalizing partial-birth abortions "endangers morally and ethically the future of the society that allows it."

In addition, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, headed by Bishop Anthony

Pilla of Cleveland, wrote this stinging rebuke: "Mr. President, you and you alone had the choice of whether or not to allow children, almost completely born, to be killed brutally in partial-birth abortions. Your choice was to say yes and to allow this killing more akin to infanticide than abortion to continue."

While there may be a large difference of opinion in the way that Americans view the issue of abortion, on this issue they are of one mind. In fact, recent polls show that almost 80 percent of women and 65 percent of those who describe themselves as pro-choice oppose partial-birth abortions.

By his veto the President has shown that for all his talk about making abortion safe, legal, and rare, he is a captive of abortion-on-demand extremists. If he will not outlaw this heinous practice that affects "only" a thousand or so babies a year, he will never support any abortion restrictions.

One thing is certain, this issue will not go away. President Clinton will have to explain why, when it came time to choose between the culture of life and the culture of death, he chose death.

HONORING LIVONIA CTC COMPUTER STUDENTS

HON. JOE KNOLLENBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 29, 1996

Mr. KNOLLENBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my district's latest national champions—Livonia Career/Technical Center students Eric Bode, Jill Thompson, and Mike Purcell.

For the second straight year, Livonia CTC computer programming students have finished 1–2–3 in the Business Professionals of America National Leadership Conference's competition.

In Phoenix, AZ, more than 4,000 delegates throughout the United States participated in the conference which included competitive events, leadership workshops and keynote speakers. More than 375 high school and college students who participated in the events were from Michigan. And for the fourth-straight year, Michigan won the most awards.

Congratulations Eric, Jill, and Mile. Once again, you have not only distinguished yourself with your outstanding performance, you have highlighted the excellent work of Livonia CTC, computer programming teacher Dennis Vince and Principal Janet Haas.

Vocational education, as well as improved leadership and development of our future business leaders is vital to our country's future. Livonia CTC is playing their part. I am very proud of their great work and their outstanding, success-driven students.

TRIBUTE TO TALLY C. TALBOT

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 29, 1996

Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, on Saturday, May 25, a retirement party is being held in honor of Tally C. Talbot. Mr. Talbot is

a man for all seasons. He has spent nearly all of his life in public service.

Tally Talbot was born in Newark, NJ, my hometown. He is a man of diverse interests and experiences. He has been an educator, labor leader, senior citizen advocate, musician, public housing administrator, and Democratic district leader. He has truly served his community well.

Mr. Talbot's retirement will mark the end of a 32-year career with the Newark Housing Authority. During these years, he has used his education, skills, and life experiences to help others. He has worked with, counseled, and served countless individuals.

Mr. Speaker, I am sure my colleagues will join me as I offer congratulations to Tally C. Talbot. I would also like to extend my best wishes to him and his family—his wife, Marta Adelina Talbot, and his two children, Erica and Joanne.

THE POST WITH THE HEART

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 29, 1996

Ms. KAPTUR Mr. Speaker, I rise this evening to pay tribute to the Goldstein-Goodman Post No. 6909 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars as it celebrates its 50th anniversary this month. For the Goldstein-Goodman Post, it has been 50 years of dedication to community service that has brought honor to the memories of the two servicemen after whom the post is named.

Morris Goldstein and Barney Goodman were the first Jewish men from the Toledo community to be killed in action in their respective theaters of war in World War II.

From its earliest days, Post 6909 lived up to its more recently adopted motto: "Dedicated to Community Service." Even with its modest treasury, the post was able to donate time and money to schools, hospitals, and other community institutions such as the National Home in Eaton Rapids, Criel Hospital in Cleveland, St. Anthony's Orphanage, Cherry and La-grange schools, the Jewish Community Center, the Society for Crippled Children, Darlington House, and numerous churches and synagogues.

Today, Post 6909 is known throughout Toledo as "The Post with the Heart." It sponsors The Goldstein-Goodman Scholarship Fund at the University of Toledo, and over \$1 million has passed through the post's treasury to beneficiaries such as the Medical College of Ohio, Riverside Hospital, and local schools systems. Post members have and are still devoting hundreds of hours of time to community projects.

In May, 1946, Vice Mayor Michael DiSalle and Rabbi N. Katz installed Louis Baum as the first commander of Post 6909, and it is still going strong today.

Mr. Speaker, I commend to my colleagues Toledo's Post with the Heart on their 50th anniversary and wish them 50 more years of service to our community.

TRIBUTE TO THOMAS E. DELBRIDGE

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 29, 1996

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Thomas Delbridge of Rutherford County, TN. Mr. Delbridge leaves his position as director of administrative services at the Tennessee State Department of Human Services on Friday, May 31. What will be a gain for his family will be a loss for all of Tennessee because this loyal service and dedication have meant so much throughout his 26 years of public service.

In February 1973, Tom began his tenure with the Tennessee State Department of Education as a supervisor of the trade and industrial program. His title reflected technical expertise gained through 21 years of vocational experience in the U.S. Air Force. Following his transition into civilian life, he worked as an industrial arts teacher at Hendersonville High School. His duty to country completed by military service, Mr. Delbridge found an equally high calling in education.

He accelerated from supervisor of trade and industry to the director of the comprehensive vocational education department, where he served until 1981. He then moved to the divisional level as director of administrative services for the vocational education department. There, in 1984, Mr. Delbridge made the transition to the Department of Human Services, where he now serves.

We honor Mr. Delbridge today because he held the education of young people and public service as his first priority. He has been entrusted with Tennessee's future, and the future of America as well. It is a trust he has earned respectively, and a bright future for Tennessee he has shaped.

CONGRATULATING VANDY L. MILLION ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. ALBERT RUSSELL WYNN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 29, 1996

Mr. WYNN. Mr. Speaker, there are many people in Federal Government whose specific contributions to our society are unknown to the vast majority of the public. They do their jobs year in and year out, working behind the scenes, largely unrecognized for their efforts on the public's behalf.

That is why I rise today, Mr. Speaker, to take this opportunity to recognize 42 years of dedicated Federal Government service by my constituent, Mr. Vandy L. Miller of Silver Spring, MD, on the occasion of his retirement. In a career of military and civilian service spanning over four decades, Mr. Miller has earned a tremendous amount of respect and a reputation as a committed and effective leader and manager. Integrity and humility have been hallmarks of his career.

Mr. Miller, a native of Bluefield, WV, began his Federal service in the U.S. Army in 1954 as a second lieutenant and distinguished military graduate of West Virginia State College, Institute, WV, and rose to the rank of full colo-

nel in the Medical Services Corps. During his 24 years as an Army officer and soldier, he held many positions of increased technical and leadership responsibility in military installations in Europe and the United States, culminating with his retirement from military service as the Radiological Hygiene Consultant, Officer of the Army Surgeon General in the Pentagon.

Mr. Miller joined the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in 1978 as the Branch Chief, Material Licensing Branch. He was promoted to the Senior Executive Service, a military two-star general equivalency, in 1984 while serving in the Branch Chief position. In 1988, he was promoted to Assistant Director for Agreement States, Office of State Programs. In October 1993, Mr. Miller was appointed to the position of Director of the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization and Civil Rights.

Throughout his career, Mr. Miller has always advocated the concepts of professional growth and development, networking, and continuing education. A humble and dedicated man, he has constructed a career of service and accomplishments using his values and principles he brought with him to work each day. Under Mr. Miller's leadership as the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Assistant Director for Agreement State Program, Office of State Programs, realistic policy guidelines were developed for the States to ensure the technical adequacy and compatibility of their programs for regulating nuclear materials. In his position as the Director, Office of Small Business and Civil Rights, he successfully led the implementation and coordination of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Equal Employment Opportunity [EEO] Program, the Small Business Program, and the Affirmative Employment Program. Under his direction of the EEO program, the number of formal EEO complaints being filed remained relatively low.

His dedication, competence, and professionalism are unsurpassed, and they have been recognized by a number of awards over the past decades. Mr. Miller has been recognized by the Federal Government for his outstanding public service. He was presented with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Meritorious Service Award in 1992 and the Presidential Meritorious Executive Rank Award earlier this month. He has been the recipient of the Outstanding Community Leader in Education Award from the Montgomery County Council and numerous other community awards and citations.

In addition to his full time work for the Federal Government, Mr. Miller also understands the importance of community service to ensure the efficient running of our society. With this mind, he has held leadership positions in this Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, the Washington Metropolitan Organization of Black Scientists, the West Virginia State College "W" Club Association and the Woodside Civic Association, Silver Spring, MD. With his remaining spare time, Mr. Miller has served as a mentor for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Mentor Program and as an active member of the Deacon of the 12th Street Disciples of Christ Christian Church. Mr. Miller has not only served the public, but has encouraged others to follow his lead. Members of his own family, his wife, Sylvia, and three children, Kerwin, Karen, and Karmen are among the many people who have been drawn into community service, inspired by his example. I am