

In recognition of her work in the city of Dallas, Ms. Sampson was recently named the recipient of the Dr. Martin Luther King Junior Justice Award.

She is a successful practicing attorney and prominent community activist, and it is an honor to recognize DeMetris Sampson as the Woman of the Year. Through her tireless work and dedication Ms. Sampson is truly one of this Nation's greatest public servants.

GEORGIA AYERS, WOMAN OF THE YEAR FROM FLORIDA'S 17TH DISTRICT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from Florida [Mrs. MEEK] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mrs. MEEK of Florida. Madam Speaker, in our celebration of Women's History Month, we have chosen to honor exceptional women in public service. I rise here tonight to honor the Woman of the Year from my congressional district, Ms. Georgia Ayers, of Miami, FL.

Over the decade I have known Georgia Ayers, she has been a living example of the ideals of community service. She has dedicated her tremendous talents and energies—her life—to benefit others. She not only believes in helping those who have less in life—regardless of their race, creed, or gender, but she lives it. She started with few advantages herself, but chose to give her life to helping others get ahead.

Her awards and honors fill pages, and are a testimony to the respect she enjoys from Dade County's diverse communities. Just a few of the groups who have honored her include: the U.S. Coast Guard, the American Cancer Society, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Dade County Public Schools, the Dade County Community Action Agency, and Miami-Dade Community College, which is the largest community college in the entire Nation.

In a world where people's words don't always match their actions, Georgia Ayers stands out as direct, honest, and committed. Her actions match her words. With Ms. Ayers, you know where she stands on an issue and exactly what she wants to do about it, and her word is her bond. Yes, honest, plain-speaking and hardworking people can still make a difference in our society. Georgia Ayers is a shining example.

Of all the projects that Georgia Ayers has been involved in, perhaps the most important has been her work with young people in trouble with the law. Programs she has developed have turned around young people's lives and helped them find and establish their places as valued members of the community. In helping these youngsters, whose voices are often not heard in our society, she reminds me of the passage from the Bible "whatsoever you do to the least of these, you do to Me."

Georgia Ayers' leadership shows all of us what one dedicated woman can accomplish. In 1995, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference honored Ms. Ayers with the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Award. She is well-deserving of this great honor, for her leadership reminds me of a paraphrase of Dr. King's remarks about the church. The role of a civic leader in our society is to be a thermostat—a changer of society, rather than a thermom-

eter, which simply measures rather than molds popular thinking.

Georgia Ayers shows that one strong woman can be that thermostat, and can change society for the better. Her life inspires and challenges us all. Like Georgia Ayers, if more of us took it upon ourselves to become thermostats instead of thermometers, I have no doubt that the temperature of human compassion and dignity on the Earth could be raised to levels beyond what we can even imagine today.

Again, I thank Georgia Ayers for her exceptional leadership and service. She is truly deserving of being honored as the Woman of the Year.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. SANDERS addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. CLAY (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), after 4 p.m. today and the balance of the week, on account of a death in the family.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. DELAURO, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. YATES, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CRAMER, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. ORTON, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.
Mrs. LOWEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mrs. CLAYTON, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. TORRES, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. SAWYER, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. WARD, for 5 minutes, today.
Mrs. MALONEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. UNDERWOOD, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MEEK of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. SANDERS, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. LAZIO of New York) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. KELLY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. MILLER OF FLORIDA, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HOEKSTRA, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MORELLA, for 5 minutes, on March 22.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD) and to include extraneous matter:)

Ms. DELAURO
Mrs. MALONEY.
Mr. SERRANO.
Mr. TOWNS.
Mr. TORRES in two instances.
Mr. KANJORSKI.
Mr. VENTO.
Mr. FAZIO.
Mr. CRAMER.
Mr. MENENDEZ.
Mr. MORAN.
Mr. EVANS.
Mr. HALL of Ohio.
Mr. GEPHARDT.
Mr. SABO.
Mr. STARK.
Mr. ACKERMAN.
Ms. WATERS.
Mr. SCHUMER.
Mr. HAMILTON.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. MILLER of Florida) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN.
Mrs. KELLY.
Mr. HAMILTON.
Mr. REED.
Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey.
Mr. CASTLE.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. LAZIO) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. WALKER.
Mrs. ROUKEMA in two instances.
Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.
Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.
Mr. HUNTER.
Mr. CRANE.
Mr. GILMAN.
Mr. LIVINGSTON.
Mr. LAZIO.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 956. An act to establish a Commission on Structural Alternatives for the Federal Courts of Appeals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 1266. An act to provide for the exchange of lands within Admiralty Island National Monument, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1787. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act to repeal the saccharin notice requirement.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee did on this day present to the President, for his approval, bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 1266. An act to provide for the exchange of lands within Admiralty Island National Monument, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1787. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act to repeal the saccharin notice requirement.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 41 minutes p.m.) the House adjourned until Friday, March 22, 1996, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2279. A letter from the Chair, Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2280. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Tanker Navigation Safety Standards, Crew Qualifications and Training," pursuant to Public Law 101-380, section 4111(c) (104 Stat. 516); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2281. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Tanker Simulator Training," pursuant to Public Law 101-380, section 4111(c) (104 Stat. 516); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2282. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Beyond 2000: A Vision for the American Metal Casting Industry," pursuant to Public Law 101-425, section 10 (104 Stat. 919); to the Committee on Science.

2283. A letter from the Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's [NOAA] deep seabed mining report, pursuant to 30 U.S.C. 1469; jointly, to the Committees on Resources and International Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. ROBERTS: Committee on Agriculture. Supplemental report on H.R. 2202. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve deterrence of illegal immigration to the United States by increasing border patrol and investigative personnel, by increasing penalties for alien smuggling and for document fraud, by reforming exclusion and deportation law and procedures, by improving the verification system for eligibility for

employment, and through other measures, to reform the legal immigration system and facilitate legal entries into the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. 104-469, Pt. 4). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. SOLOMON: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 388. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 125) to repeal the ban on semiautomatic assault weapons and the ban on large capacity ammunition feeding devices (Rept. 104-490). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. CLINGER: Committee of Conference. Conference report on S. 4. An act to grant the power to the President to reduce budget authority (Rept. 104-491). Ordered to be printed.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Ms. FURSE, Mr. BUNN of Oregon, and Mr. COOLEY):

H.R. 3134. A bill to designate the U.S. Courthouse under construction at 1030 Southwest 3d Avenue, Portland, OR, as the "Mark O. Hatfield United States Courthouse," and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. ENGEL (for himself, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MANTON, Mr. SERRANO, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. FLAKE):

H.R. 3135. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to allow certain counties flexibility in spending funds; to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

By Mr. ARCHER:

H.R. 3136. A bill to provide for enactment of the Senior Citizens' Right to Work Act of 1996, the Line Item Veto Act, and the Small Business Growth and Fairness Act of 1996, and to provide for a permanent increase in the public debt limit; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Rules, the Judiciary, Small Business, and Government Reform and Oversight, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky:

H.R. 3137. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the reasonable cause exception from the penalty for failures to file tax returns or pay taxes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CANADY:

H.R. 3138. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to eliminate the time limitation on benefits for immunosuppressive drugs under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FORBES:

H.R. 3139. A bill to redesignate the U.S. Post Office building located at 245 Centereach Mall on Middle Country Road in Centereach, NY, as the "Rose Y. Caracappa United States Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. FOX:

H.R. 3140. A bill to prohibit gifts by lobbyists to Members of the House of Representatives, Senators, and officers and employees

of the House of Representatives and the Senate; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HEFLEY (for himself and Mr. SCHAEFER):

H.R. 3141. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, relating to scheduled passenger air service at reliever airports; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. HEFLEY:

H.R. 3142. A bill to establish a demonstration project to provide that the Department of Defense may receive Medicare reimbursement for health care services provided to certain Medicare-eligible covered military beneficiaries; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Commerce, and National Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. STARK, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. COSTELLO, and Mr. EVANS):

H.R. 3143. A bill to prohibit the use of funds for the construction or operation of the National Ignition Facility or any other facility that uses inertial confinement fusion at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, California; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. LIVINGSTON (for himself, Mr. GINGRICH, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. KASICH, Mr. HYDE, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. HUNTER, and Mr. HOKE):

H.R. 3144. A bill to establish a U.S. policy for the deployment of a national missile defense system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security, and in addition to the Committee on International Relations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. MORELLA (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER):

H.R. 3145. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit health insurance discrimination with respect to victims of domestic violence; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. RADANOVICH:

H.R. 3146. A bill to provide for the exchange of certain Federal lands in the State of California for certain non-Federal lands, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

H.R. 3147. A bill to provide for the exchange of certain Federal lands in the State of California managed by the Bureau of Land Management of certain non-Federal lands, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. SAXTON (for himself and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey):

H.R. 3148. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make matching payments to the State of New Jersey for activities to determine the incidence of cancer among residents of the Toms River area; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. SHAW (for himself, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. PAYNE of Virginia, Mr. JACOBS, Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. BILBRAY, and Mr. BURR):

H.R. 3149. A bill to permit the approval and administration of drugs and devices to patients who are terminally ill; to the Committee on Commerce.