

I know that my Senate colleagues join me in honoring Catholic Social Services of Wayne County on 50 years of providing outstanding service to the community.●

#### TRIBUTE TO COL. JAMES D. KNEELAND

● Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, on July 17, I flew home to Vermont to attend a funeral service for a man who passed away far too early. His name was Col. James D. Kneeland, a man in the prime of his life and career as a member of the Vermont National Guard. He will be remembered by all those whose lives he touched as a kind, honorable, and compassionate man. His legacy, a lifetime of extraordinary achievement.

Colonel Kneeland had a distinguished military career that began in 1964. In 1968 he received his commission and continued to rise through the ranks of the Army National Guard and was awarded his final promotion to colonel last September. As a National Guardsman and helicopter pilot, Colonel Kneeland was en route to Macedonia when he died unexpectedly. A tragic loss, not only to his family and friends, but to his country.

As I look through Col. Kneeland's long list of awards and decorations, it strikes me that his service was one marked by excellence. However, there is more to this tribute than to speak simply of his military career. Like many Vermonters, Jim had an abiding love of the outdoors and took pleasure in the simpler things, like chopping wood at his camp in Wolcott, or walking through the woods with family and friends. Many will also remember him as a man with a sense of humor who delighted in playing practical jokes and bringing a smile to those around him. I learned a lot about Jim Kneeland as I sat in Building 890, henceforth known as the Col. James D. Kneeland Aviation Facility, and listened as friends and family remembered and celebrated his life. Appropriately, the backdrop for his casket was the last helicopter he flew in, an OH6A Cayuse, as flying was both his occupation and his passion. Nearly 1,000 people came to pay tribute to Colonel Kneeland, some in uniform, some not, but all in tears. As Command Sgt. Maj. Michael Datillio said, Jim Kneeland was not your average officer. He was, "an enlisted man's officer." As a retired Naval Reserve Captain, I know of no greater praise.

Retired Gen. Benjamin Day had served with Jim and knew him for several years, both as a fellow officer and as a friend. General Day spoke of Jim fondly, and I was touched by some of his comments:

Monuments to Jim will not be found in material form . . . rather, Jim's monuments will be in the less tangible, but more important forms such as the indelible and unhesitating friendship that he so generously and readily gave to us all. His legacy to us are those priceless memories of his dry

wit, humor, easy handshake and friendly greeting. . . . With Jim there was no pretense, what you saw was exactly what you got. There was no smoke, no mirrors and no gilding the lily. A handshake on a deal with Jim was as good as gold and a commitment that would be honored. Regardless of the circumstances it was going to be carried out fully and properly. . . . Jim's dedication to his family, friends, God and country knew no limits."

I was pleased to know that the Vermont National Guard has paid further tribute to Colonel Kneeland by naming their helicopter hanger at the Burlington Airport after him. I was personally touched by the loss of Colonel Kneeland as he was the father of Jason Kneeland, a valued member of my staff. My heartfelt sympathy and condolences go out to Jim's wife, Jeanne, to Jason, and to all of Jim's family. He will be truly missed, and remembered by us all.●

#### UNITED WAY OF GREATER BATTLE CREEK

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the United Way of Greater Battle Creek on the 75th anniversary of its founding. In 1921, the Battle Creek Social Service Bureau was founded to raise money for organizations working to meet the health and social needs of area residents. After 75 years of faithful service to the community, it continues to meet its original goals.

The success of the United Way of Greater Battle Creek lies in the dedicated residents and volunteers who have donated their time and resources to improving the quality of life in the community. Over the past 75 years, the United Way has raised and distributed over \$75 million in its efforts to help those less fortunate. Over that period, the programs it supports have touched the lives of one out of every four members of the community.

I know my Senate colleagues join me in honoring the United Way of Greater Battle Creek for the extraordinary work it has done over the past 75 years in helping improve the lives of the people in this terrific American community.●

#### THE INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL ACT OF 1996

● Mr. D'AMATO. Mr. President, I rise in support of a bill, the International Narcotics Control Act of 1996, that was introduced yesterday. S. 2053 is a long overdue bill and I commend my colleague from Iowa for his work on this important legislation. Since 1986, we have had on a law requiring the President to certify that foreign countries are cooperating in the United States efforts to stop the flow of drugs into our borders. This law has not been revised for 10 years so it is critical that these important changes are made to ensure an effective antinarcotics effort.

The Foreign Assistance Act mandates that the President deliver to

Congress a list of countries that have been fully cooperating with the United States to stop international drug trafficking as well as those that have failed to cooperate by the 1st of March of each year. The Department of State details the decision in the International Narcotics Control Strategy Report. For those countries that have been decertified, sanctions may be imposed, or a waiver can be given.

But the intent of the original act has been lost. Rather than sanctioning countries that are not cooperating with the United States to halt the flow of illegal drugs, the process has been stifled with other considerations. It is high time for changes to the law.

Timing could not be better. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration released the preliminary estimates from the 1995 National Household Survey on Drug Abuse. Let me quote from the initial study,

The percentage of adolescents (12 to 17 years old) using drugs increased between 1994 and 1995 continuing a trend that began in 1993. In 1992, the rate of past month use among youth age 12 to 17 reached a low of 5.3 percent, the result of a decline from 16.3 percent in 1979. By 1994 the rate had climbed back up to 8.2 percent, and in 1995 it increased again to 10.9 percent.

According to the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America, overall use of all drugs among this age group rose 78 percent between 1992 and 1995, and 33 percent just between 1994 and 1995. In particular marijuana use among young people is up 105 percent since 1992, and 37 percent between 1994 and 1995. Monthly use of LSD and other hallucinogens is up 183 percent since 1992, and rose 54 percent between 1994 and 1995. Monthly use of cocaine rose 166 percent between 1994 and 1995.

It is clear that the number of teenagers using illicit drugs is rising—and that is unacceptable. After decades of working on reducing drug use, our young people are believing that it is OK to use drugs. The media, and even the administration, are sending signals that a little drug use is OK. It is not. The wrong message has been sent and it is time to change that. Teenagers must learn the harmful, even deadly, effects of illegal drug use.

The availability of illegal drugs must be curtailed. The best way to diminish accessibility is to stop drugs from crossing our borders. This bill would accomplish that goal.

International drug trafficking can only be halted with the full cooperation of a drug-producing or drug-transit country. It is imperative then, that foreign countries assist in the interdiction and prosecution of those responsible. We should expect this from our allies.

The provisions in the International Narcotics Control Act are comprehensive and tough. If a drug-producing or drug-transit country has failed to cooperate with the United States for 3 consecutive years, then sanctions must be applied. Decertification will no longer be a meaningless label to these countries.

The trade sanctions are particularly important to stopping the international drug trade. Trade sanctions will force the foreign country to sit up and take notice. Far too often, traffickers use legitimate commercial trade to smuggle illicit drugs into this country.

In addition, the administration has been less than forthcoming. Additional reporting requirements and notices to Congress will ensure that the American people are receiving prompt and accurate information.

I am pleased to have worked with my colleagues on this measure and urge my colleagues to support this bill's immediate passage. The communities that are fighting the war on drugs—and our children—deserve nothing less.●

#### COPE-O'BRIEN CENTER'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I rise to honor a special organization on the 25th anniversary of its founding. This year the COPE-O'Brien Center celebrates 25 years of outstanding service to Washtenaw County and the State of Michigan.

COPE stands for Center for Occupational and Personalized Education. The center works to address the major problems facing today's youth—high dropout rates, illiteracy, unemployment, substance abuse, and teen pregnancy. At a time when domestic spending is being cut, the COPE-O'Brien Center stands out as a successful, cost-effective program.

This innovative center strives to lessen barriers to employment for young men and women by offering skill training and placement into unsubsidized employment or entry into more advanced vocational and educational programs. The center provides daytime counseling, recreation, and alternative educational services for troubled and needy adolescents. Emergency shelters, foster care, and life skill training are also a part of the program. As an alternative to institutional placement, the program saves money by working with families and the juvenile courts to resolve long-term needs of youngsters.

The COPE-O'Brien Youth Center plays a critical role in offering essential educational and counseling services for at-risk youth in Washtenaw County. The center's accomplishments in meeting the multiple needs of youth for over two decades run deep. It is my pleasure to recognize their many valuable services which enhance the lives of our young people.

I know my Senate colleagues join me in congratulating the COPE-O'Brien center on its 25th anniversary of working with our most valuable resource—our youth.●

#### TRIBUTE TO HUBBARD FARMS ON THEIR 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

● Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Hubbard Farms

Inc. in Walpole, NH, for their 75 years of excellence in serving the poultry industry. For years now, Hubbard Farms has become internationally recognized for their research and development into chicken breeding and hatching. Amazingly, each year Hubbard Farms doubles their worldwide demand for chicken products. This annual profit increase is primarily due to their market-driven and customer-focused research. On the occasion of their 75th anniversary celebration, I applaud Austin, Oliver, and Leslie, the three Hubbard brothers, and all the employees at Hubbard Farms for their invaluable contributions to the national and international poultry industry. Having been raised on my grandparent's farm, I have the utmost admiration for the dedication and hard work of farmers and their families.

Few companies in the United States can trace their origins back to the 1700's and Hubbard Farms is one of them. In 1791, Levi Hubbard settled in the newly founded Walpole area and began working with poultry in addition to his general farming enterprise. Hubbard Farms was founded in 1921 when Ira's son, Oliver, graduated from the University of New Hampshire with one of the first majors in poultry and opened the company's doors. Oliver, who is now 96 years old, began the poultry breeding and hatching operations which have made his company so successful in the international poultry industry. In the 1930's, Oliver even helped develop a new chicken breed called the New Hampshire.

As Hubbard Farms began to experience an increase in sales, Oliver's two brothers, Austin and Leslie, joined the family company. During the 1930's and 1940's their breeding and commercial hatchery operations expanded considerably. As the boiler industry began to grow, the Hubbards produced a large volume of Barred Cross chickens in addition to their purebred New Hampshire chicks.

In the 1950's and 1960's, Hubbard Farms built hatcheries and breeding farms in Statesville, NC, and Hot Springs, AR, and opened an international subsidiary in Belgium. The three Hubbard brothers have enjoyed a steady increase in growth over the years that includes an extensive network of franchise distribution for the production, sale, and delivery of Hubbard meat-breeding stock. These franchise operations are in countries all over the world—Brazil, Ecuador, Mexico, Taiwan, Malaysia, Indonesia, South Africa, India, and China.

Hubbard Farms was acquired in 1974 by Merck & Co., a leading innovator of health products and is still considered an innovator in poultry genetics. Their company objective is to supply an increasing share of the market with broiler parent stock that consistently outperforms all competitors.

Hubbard Farm's 75-year history is marked by distinction and achievement. In 1973, the company received

the President's E-Star Award for Excellence in Exporting from the Secretary of Commerce and Secretary of Agriculture in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the increase of U.S. trade abroad. In addition, Hubbard Farms is one of the largest and most highly respected employers in the town of Walpole. Hubbard Farms has consistently supported Walpole and the surrounding areas for 75 exceptional years.

I am proud to join with other New Hampshire residents in congratulating this longstanding poultry leader. Hubbard Farms is a truly distinct company with their commitment to breeding excellence and their extensive record of achievement. I send my very best wishes on the memorable occasion of their 75th anniversary and wish Oliver, Austin, and Leslie continued years of success at Hubbard Farms.●

#### IRENE M. AUBERLIN

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor an incredible woman who has reached the age of 100 years. This is a remarkable moment not only for her longevity but also for the wonderful works her long life has produced. This year marks the 100th birthday of Irene Auberlin. You may not have heard her name before, but her vision and work have touched hundreds of thousands of people the world over.

In 1953, Irene Auberlin saw a television show that changed her life and the lives of countless others around the world. That show was about war-torn Korea and the plight of the many children who were left orphans by the war. In order to assist these children, Mrs. Auberlin began what would later be known as World Medical Relief of Detroit, MI.

World Medical Relief's mission is to provide donated medical supplies for the benefit and relief of indigent persons throughout the world who are unable to pay for medical and dental care. Over the past 43 years, World Medical Relief has provided three quarters of a billion dollars' worth of excess medical items around the world. World Medical Relief has also expanded its mission to include helping senior citizens who need prescription medicine in the Detroit metropolitan area.

It is a pleasure to rise today and honor the 100th birthday of Irene Auberlin, a woman who has done so much to help so many around the world.●

#### MILWAUKEE'S CAMPAIGN FOR OUR CHILDREN

● Mr. FEINGOLD. Mr. President, I want to take a few moments to applaud the efforts of the city of Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, the school system,