

White Sox in 1978, becoming only the second African-American manager in Major League history.

Mr. Doby was inducted into the Hall of Fame of the Cleveland Indians and Chicago White Sox in 1987. He also received recognition from the State of New Jersey, as the State legislature declared July 15, 1987, "Larry Doby Day," and Mr. Doby was presented with the Governor's Award. In addition, Baseball Commissioner Peter Ueberroth appointed Mr. Doby to serve on a special committee to help find ways to further integrate Major League baseball.

Despite his great accomplishment, Mr. Doby has remained modest and endearing, a true gentleman. Mr. Doby always give thanks to God for giving him the talent to help integrate baseball and American society, to Mr. Veeck for giving him the opportunity to use that talent, and to his wife, Helyn, for holding together their family while he was away.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me, our colleagues, Mr. Doby's family and friends, the Township of Montclair and the city of Paterson in recognizing Lawrence Eugene Doby for his outstanding and invaluable service to the community, to baseball, and to America.

TRIBUTE TO PAUL DEMOURA

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 8, 1997

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to recognize Mr. Paul DeMoura of Swan Sea, MA, who is one of the top collectors of hats and caps in the United States.

Paul has collected hundreds of hats and caps from all over the United States and the world.

Paul's father, Mr. Raymond DeMoura, served in Company "B" of the 78th Medical Battalion during World War II. The 78th Medical Battalion acquired the reputation for excellence in its assistance and treatment of the wounded during World War II. Members of the 78th Battalion proudly recount that not one life was lost while tending to the injured and evacuating them from the front lines.

The men of Company "B" are the primary source of Paul's hat and cap collection. A very religious individual, Paul says a prayer for each of the men who presents him with a new hat or cap.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Mr. Paul DeMoura for his status as one of the top hat and cap collectors in the United States. I wish Paul and his parents, Raymond and Evelyn DeMoura, all the best the future can bring.

TRIBUTE TO GWENDOLYN BROOKS

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 8, 1997

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I take this opportunity to acknowledge the 80th birth-

day of Ms. Gwendolyn Brooks, Poet Laureate of Illinois. Poet Laureate of Illinois; a communicator with the world, a song to be sung, a lesson to be learned, a life to be lived.

Gwendolyn Brooks, a master of using the written word, is the author of more than 20 books. The highly acclaimed "A Street in Bronzeville" was the first, published in 1945. For three decades, her works were published by Harper & Row. However, for economic reasons, she switched to the black-owned Broadside Press in 1969 and in 1974, to the Third World Press.

Gwendolyn Brooks was named Poet Laureate in 1968 and has continued to be relevant, fresh, and vibrant for all of these years. Therefore, our hats are off to a great American, a profound and prolific writer, a great humanitarian—Ms. Gwendolyn Brooks, Poet Laureate of Illinois.

PARTICIPANTS IN CONGRESS-BUNDESTAG YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM EXCEED 10,000

HON. LEE H. HAMILTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 8, 1997

Mr. HAMILTON. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring to the attention of our colleagues an excerpt from the May 15, 1997 record of the German Bundestag. Vice-President Hans-Ulrich Klose of the Bundestag interrupted proceedings on that day to acknowledge the presence in the visitors' gallery of American participants in the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program, and noted that the number of participants in this youth exchange program has now exceeded 10,000.

The Congress and the German Bundestag initiated this program in 1983 to strengthen ties between young people in our two countries, and I believe it is playing an important role in building strong United States-Germany relations for the future. The text of the Bundestag transcript follows:

GERMAN BUNDESTAG—13TH ELECTORAL TERM—175TH SITTING BONN, THURSDAY, MAY 15, 1997, EXCERPT FROM THE STENOGRAPHIC RECORD, FULL PLENARY SESSION (APPROX. 670 MEMBERS PRESENT)

Vice-President Hans-Ulrich Klose: I now close the debate.

Before we proceed to the vote may I ask for your attention for a moment. Three young Americans are sitting in the distinguished visitors' gallery. They belong to the group of 400 American students and young professionals who have spent a year in Germany as participants in the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program. (Applause in the entire House)

Why am I mentioning this today by way of exception? I am mentioning it, my dear Colleagues, because with this group the number of participants has reached and exceeded 10,000. (Sustained applause in the entire House)

I should like to welcome, on behalf of all this year's participants in the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program, the 9,999th participant, Kristina Bass from California, (Applause in the entire House) the 10,000th participant, Nicole Myers from Pennsylvania, (Applause in the entire House) and the

10,001st participant, Brian Blake from Connecticut. (Applause in the entire House)

The Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program, which was inaugurated in 1983 by the U.S. Congress and the German Bundestag, contributes with its special emphasis on young people to strengthening the close relationship between our two countries in the future—our common future.

We all know that both countries, the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany, face major challenges. There are substantial budgetary problems in both countries. However, I would like to take this special opportunity to appeal to our colleagues in the U.S. Congress and to the Members of this House to definitely continue this program on the present scale. (Lively applause in the entire House)

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank my colleagues in the Bundestag very warmly for their willingness to sponsor German and American participants year after year.

I hope that the participants will have a good time tomorrow. May you retain many pleasant memories of this exchange year in Germany, which is soon coming to an end: may it inspire you to make the good relationship between our two countries your personal concern. Welcome! (Applause in the entire House)

A PROMISE KEPT

HON. DOUG BEREUTER

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 8, 1997

Mr. BEREUTER. Mr. Speaker, this Member highly commends to his colleagues this editorial which appeared in the Norfolk Daily News on July 5, 1997.

A PROMISE KEPT—HONG KONG REVERTS TO CHINA; REASON FOR PRIDE IN WHAT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED

Hong Kong residents have been promised a capitalist economy and a relatively free society for at least 50 years. People now alive will be able to see whether the government of China, which continues to be governed by Communists, keeps its word as the British did in turning back this rich, small and independent enclave after their 99-year lease expired June 30.

A contract was honored; no gunfire exchanged.

That has not been the way of international relations; rather, it is an exception.

In farewell remarks, the last British governor of the territory, Chris Patten, said of Hong Kong: "It is a great Chinese success story written—to be fair—within a system of values and British institutions which have encouraged, not threatened, that success."

It is an example of what can be achieved when industrious people are free to profit from their hard work and enterprise, and able to live their lives without an oppressive government.

Britishers should be proud of what they accomplished as they relinquish control of this remnant of a once huge empire.

The future benefits to mankind might turn out to be as significant as those which followed the grim days when they stood virtually alone against Adolf Hitler's aggression.

DISAPPROVAL OF MOST-FAVORED-NATION TREATMENT FOR CHINA

SPEECH OF

HON. LOUIS STOKES

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 24, 1997

Mr. STOKES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my strong support for House Joint Resolution 79, a bill to disapprove most-favored-nation [MFN] trade status for China. House Joint Resolution 79 is targeted to send a strong message to the Chinese Government that continues suppression of human rights, flaunting of international agreements on nuclear nonproliferation, and engaging in unfair trade practices cannot be tolerated, ignored, or rewarded.

Denying most-favored-nation status for China is a reasonable response to the continuing controversy over trade and human rights policy with regard to China. It is absolutely imperative that the House of Representatives and the United States Government not reward the Chinese regime which brutally massacred pro-democracy demonstrators in Tiananmen Square. Granting most-favored-nation status for all Chinese products rewards the Chinese regime for its intransigence on human rights, and its refusal to engage in fair trade.

Mr. Speaker, despite the arguments of those who support unfettered trade with China, the fact remains that trade and human rights are inextricably linked. A nation that suppresses its citizens' human rights also suppresses their wages. This, in turn, leads to an unnatural advantage in trade, which adversely impacts American businesses and workers, and causes the loss of American jobs.

In fact, the United States receives more than 30 percent of China's exports, accounting for a significant portion of the Chinese GDP. While on the other hand, less than 2 percent of American exports go to China. China's extensive use of prison and child labor over the past decade has resulted in a staggering 1,000 percent increase in the China-United States trade deficit. This imbalance is projected to top \$40 billion this year.

The United States trade deficit with China is second only to our trade deficit with Japan. Yet, despite the freedom we grant to Chinese imports to the United States, China does not grant most-favored-nation status to United States goods, and continues to bar certain United States goods from the Chinese market. For those who advocate free trade, it seems rather illogical and inconsistent to grant free access to our market to a country which denies free access to their market for our goods.

Most-favored-nation status is perhaps the most effective tool for influencing the Chinese Government to improve their record on human rights. If the United States continues to grant most-favored-nation status to Chinese goods, without requiring improvements in human rights, there is no incentive for the Chinese regime to alter their policies.

Mr. Speaker, I strongly urge all of my colleagues to insist that the United States stand up for the principles of human rights, and for the freedom of the Chinese people. Vote for House Joint Resolution 79 and send a clear, unmistakable message to the dictators in Beijing, and your constituents, that you be-

lieve in freedom and democracy for people all over the world.

TRIBUTE TO MARK S. LEVENSON

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 8, 1997

Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to call to your attention Mark S. Levenson of Clifton, NJ.

Mark was born and raised in Boston, MA and graduated from Maimonides Day School. He is a cum laude graduate of Brandeis University where he majored in economics and political science and was a recipient of the William Mazur Scholarship. During and after college, Mark worked in Washington, DC, completing a tenure with Congressman Robert F. Drinan; the late Speaker of the House, Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, Jr.; Senator EDWARD M. KENNEDY's Energy subcommittee of the Joint Economic Committee; and the Urban Institute think tank.

Mark received his J.D. from New York University School of Law in 1982 where he served as research editor on the "Annual Survey of American Law." He has been a practicing attorney in New York for the last 15 years, specializing in domestic and international real estate transactions and corporate advisory matters. Mark has worked on major projects in the United Kingdom, India, the Czech Republic, Canada, Australia, Latin America, and throughout the United States. He is currently a partner with the firm of Kronish, Lieb, Weiner and Hellman, L.L.P. in New York City and is a member of the board of directors of the New York Chapter of the National Association of Corporate Real Estate Executives and the American Bar Association's Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section's Environmental Aspects of Corporation Subcommittee.

Mark is the honorary president of Congregation Adas Israel Synagogue having served as president for the previous 3 years. He is recording secretary of the Jewish Federation of Greater Clifton-Passaic and is a member of the executive committee; he chairs the Federation's young leadership development program and serves on the YM-YWHA Program Services Committee. Mark also is a member of the executive committee of the New York Regional Board of the Anti-Defamation League. He was a recipient of the 1994 Young Leadership Award of the Federation and has received several other awards for his charitable and volunteer work.

Mark has always been involved in giving back to the community. Prior to moving to the Passaic-Clifton area, Mark served as treasurer and then vice-president of the Young Israel of the West Side, New York, as co-chair of the UJA-Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York, Young Lawyer's Division, and as founding chair of the UJA Lawyer's Division Specialty Task Force Subcommittee on Corporations. He was also a member of the UJA Lawyer's Division Steering Committee.

Mark is a pro bono arbitrator in the New York City Civil Court System and serves on the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York, Mediation Panel. He is married to Eta Krasna Levenson. Professionally, Eta is assistant director of Yachad/The National

Council for the Jewish Disabled, but she also serves as vice-president for education of Congregation Adas Israel, chair of the Jewish Family Services Advisory Council, director of the Hand-In-Hand charitable organization, and as trustee of the Federation. Mark and Eta are the proud parents of Eric, Hadassa, and Jessica.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me, our colleagues, Mark's family and friends, and the congregation of Adas Israel in recognizing Mark S. Levenson's outstanding and invaluable service to the community.

A TRIBUTE TO DONALD "CY" WALSH ON 50 YEARS OF SERVICE TO VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTING IN RIVERHEAD

HON. MICHAEL P. FORBES

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 8, 1997

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to one of the heroes of our Long Island community. Donald "Cy" Walsh has served the Riverhead Fire Department with 50 years of devotion and selflessness on behalf of his neighbors. This small-town hero and World War II veteran has volunteered his time, energy, and leadership to the Riverhead, and community service has been the recurring theme of his life. He will be honored for that lifetime of service by the Riverhead Volunteer Firemen's Association on July 8, 1997.

Cy Walsh joined the Riverhead Fire Department in 1947, where he started as a volunteer member of Fire Police Patrol #1. His hard work, dedication, and perseverance in response to midnight calls and harrowing blazes were rewarded in 1953, when he was elected as the captain of his patrol. By 1955, "Cy" Walsh was quickly moving up the ladder of the Riverhead Fire Department having been elected by his peers as third, second, and first assistant chief. In 1962, Cy's many years of committed volunteerism culminated with his election to chief of the Riverhead Fire Department.

An outstanding fire chief, Cy's work on behalf of Riverhead and the firefighters of Suffolk County was far from complete. He served as sergeant-at-arms of the Riverhead Fireman's Association for 5 years and has been chaplain since 1970. He also served on the Southampton-East Hampton-Shelter Island Chief Council, including a year as president in 1970, and as president of the Suffolk County Volunteer Firemen's Association. Cy reached out from Long Island's east end and lent his vision and enthusiasm to the people of New York State, serving with the New York State Firemen's Association, and as the chairman of the Fire Police Committee. His many positions of leadership in the firefighting community are a sign of the high esteem that Cy's peers hold him in.

At the age of 85, Cy is still serving the town of Riverhead, as chaplain of the North Fork Volunteer Firemen's Association and as one of the chaplains of the Riverhead Volunteer Firemen's Association. As his 50-year volunteer career shows, Cy Walsh epitomizes the ideals of service and leadership that America was built on. He has touched many lives in the past 50 years—in meeting rooms and firehouses and in the shops and restaurants of