

a violation of international norms and practices and the spirit of the Oslo agreements, casting strong doubt whether the Palestinians are in compliance with any of their commitments to Israel. Any kind of U.S. encouragement or tolerance for this practice by the most senior leadership of the Palestinians Authority is unacceptable. Sending taxpayer money to help sustain a killer like Arafat should not be the policy of the U.S. Government.

Personally, I would like to eliminate all assistance for the Palestinians, however, I offered this amendment because it is the right amendment at the right time. The State Department has failed the peace process by allowing Arafat's reign of terror to continue and by not demanding better compliance. I don't want to see the Israelis and Palestinians retreat from the principle of peace so an immediate prohibition of assistance may not be in order just yet. However, there are too many violations and instances of misconduct on the part of the Palestinians for us as a nation to ignore. We need to step back and reexamine what we're getting for our money. Are we getting an honest peace partner who respects its commitments to the Oslo accords? Is the U.S. assistance furthering the peaceful coexistence of Israelis and Palestinians? Currently, this is not the case.

That's why it is necessary to suspend aid to the Palestinian Authority and PLO for 3 months until the President can report and certify to Congress that yes, indeed, the Palestinians are complying with the letter and the spirit of the Oslo accords. Nothing more nothing less. We're not imposing new requirements on the Palestinians, merely asking them to play by the rules they agreed to in 1993 when they signed the Oslo accords.

It is important that my colleagues in the House are aware of the objective of this amendment. It is intended to suspend aid benefiting the Palestinian Authority and the PLO. Currently, the United States does not provide direct assistance to the Palestinian Authority or PLO, however, there are instances where U.S. assistance has been provided to them through a third party. Earlier this year, USAID was prepared to award a \$1.2 million contract for the purpose of providing technical assistance to the Palestinian Authority's Ministry of Finance. Recent reports of vast corruption within the Palestinian Authority worries me. Up to \$340 million, half the Palestinian Authority's budget, is estimated to have been misspent or embezzled. Does the Palestinian Ministry of Finance really deserves \$1.2 million in technical assistance? Talk about throwing good money after bad.

This amendment is intended to suspend the type of assistance where the Palestinian Authority or the PLO are benefiting from the assistance. The amendment is not intended to cut off all humanitarian assistance to the Palestinian people. To accommodate any reservations members may have about this amendment cutting off humanitarian assistance, it is our intention that the executive branch consult with Congress in determining what constitutes assistance benefiting the PLO or the Palestinian Authority. This is a reasonable, good government approach. Until we can be guaranteed compliance by the Palestinians, aid should be suspended. U.S. aid to the Palestinian Authority equals U.S. tolerance to terrorist acts in the Middle East.

I congratulate my colleagues for supporting this amendment. It will help get the peace

process back on track and will allow the President to verify that no U.S. assistance is making its way into the Palestinian Authority or the PLO or any of its affiliated entities.

REMEMBERING DR. DOLORES DYER

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 1997

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to remember and reflect upon the life of a friend and a great lady from Dallas. Dr. Dolores Dyer. Her faithful service to the citizens of Dallas affected and benefited the lives of those whom she came in contact with.

Despite dropping out of high school, Dolores accomplished many of her goals and received many accolades. Against all the odds, at the age of 30, she enrolled in the University of North Texas. Through her hard work and perseverance she graduated with highest honors while being named the recipient of the Outstanding Student Award. After being awarded a merit scholarship, she continued to pursue her graduate degree in psychology at Southern Methodist University. Because of her diligence, she was awarded a fellowship by the National Institute of Mental Health to attend the University of Texas at Austin to pursue a degree in clinical psychology. In 1973, she was awarded her doctorate by the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

Dr. Dyer began her service for the community immediately after receiving her doctorate. She interned for 30 months at local Dallas mental health centers around the city. Not seeking public praise or approval, Dolores was drawn to a calling of servitude. She wanted to work with people that needed her help the most. As a result of her desire to serve, mental health issues became the area that was closest to her heart. She gave her time, voluntarily, to fight for those whom were unable to fight for themselves.

For 20 years she worked with the Mental Health Association while leading committees on adults with mental illnesses and the Child and Family Guidance Clinic. For her years of dedicated service she was awarded the Prism Award/Pam Bluementhal Memorial Mental Health Award given to an outstanding professional. One of her most meaningful projects, was her tireless work on the mental health aspects of the future Dallas health plan. This plan will not only benefit this generation, but will ensure that health issues for the future will still protect those whose voice can not be heard.

Mr. Speaker I ask all of my colleagues to rise with me in this tribute. The greatest leaders are the greatest servants, let us take a moment to remember a great leader, woman, and friend, Dr. Dolores Dyer, a woman who embodies the spirit of service.

TRIBUTE TO A FRIEND

HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 1997

Mr. KINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, this text was written as a letter to Anna Kate and future grandchildren so that they could know a little about their grandfather's work. Later when I was asked to eulogize Mal it became my text.

MARCH 10, 1997.

Mal died yesterday. He had worked with us since the beginning. I got to know him in the '92 campaign. He was on the list of Wayne County Republicans that called in February 1992 about my campaign. I did such calling in all 22 1st district counties. Most led to no where but a rare few led to real recruitments, loyal GOP soldiers who raise money, put up signs, stuff envelopes, host parties, display bumper stickers, introduce me to VIPs, organize the county and do whatever needed to be done. Finding such a recruitment took about 20 calls and 5 false workers. Mal proved to be true. He asked me a barrage of traditional conservative litmus test questions on school prayer, abortion, education, gun control and so forth. Once satisfied that I had his philosophical interest he volunteered- 100% and became my foremost Wayne county contact. He did all of the above and was as happy as I was when we won the seat.

Months later while organizing the office another friend and supporter Brit Gaston was counseling me on hiring. When he called Mal for the interview he missed Mal but got his telephone recording: "Thank you for calling the Wayne County Headquarters of Jack Kingston for Congress. We're not in right now . . ." Brit's comment was that there were few such loyal folks. Mal became our Waycross manager.

He served there until Waycross was reapportioned back to the 8th district. Then he ran the Brunswick office.

He was a great detail man, often doing dry runs on various routes to determine exact time for scheduling. He never let a crumb fall to the floor. In our various rounds constituents constantly came up with social security, veteran, legal, IRS request and so on. Mal would whip out his tiny book get names, telephone numbers, addresses and the nature of the inquiries. Most of these people were unconnected common men not giving to titles, business cards and attorneys, but they were in good hands with Mal. In a time when Republicans were painted by Democrats and the press for being elitist and lofty it was extremely important for folks to know we were approachable and available to help serve them. With Mal I never heard a complaint, but wage earner, unemployed and itinerant would come up to me praising his work. In truth he did it not for politics or compensation but for God.

His eyes for detail served us well. One of my goals is to personally know lots of people. Unfortunately its beyond my feeble memory to do so. Seeing people briefly once or twice a year is insufficient to imprint their face indelibly on my brain. Mal however covered this. He'd write me notes—"Please call Joan Smith (sister to Perry Smith you saw him at the Patterson Lyons Club BQ last year. He was wearing the funny green hat and talked to you about his tobacco barn) about her mothers Social Security claim." or else, "When you write Bob Jones to thank him for the turnip greens please remember to congratulate him on winning the Pierce County Young Farmer of the Year." He knew what to say.

Mal also handled our Military Academy Appointments. Each year we get about 50 inquiries that result in 25 interviews for Annapolis, West Point, the Air Force Academy and Kings Point. Only three or four get appointments. Others get to compete for a nomination directly with other second place nominees. The first tier needn't worry, but for those on the 2nd tier only get a chance if a 1st place nominee drops out. To these Mal gave his heart. If a kid had just missed a 1st place but had his dream in an appointment Mal went to bat for him.

One such kid, Matt Brady of Savannah missed it the first year. He was determined sincere and certainly won the goodwill of the board, but that same year the top West Point candidate made higher SAT scores. Matt was beat. He went to Fort Valley Military. He worked hard and was the favored candidate the next year, but despite his best efforts his SAT's were still low and other candidates had 1570 and 1330. Thus to our collective heart break Matt was bumped again. But thru Mal's efforts knowing and working the system he found a way to get all 3 an appointment one year later, out of the entire West Point freshmen class, Matt Brady was selected Cadet of the Year.

There are other examples like the 3 kids from Twin City, a little town of 1500 in Emanuel County. All had come from the same Boy Scout Camp. Mal loved institutions like the Boy Scouts, any group dedicated to kids, God, and country. He beamed with pride about the ability of one den mother to produce so many outstanding kids.

These boys and girls don't even know Mal but you can be assured that if not for Mal their lives and military careers would be decidedly different.

Mal liked people but he also liked policy. More than any other employee he'd ask about votes. He liked to know the inside scoop—who was for it, who against it, who said what and why. He studied it. He read about it. He liked the legislative process, but it wasn't gossip or politics that caught his fancy it was policy. Are we building a better America? Did his hard work pay off? Will tomorrow's America be stronger? Will there be a better America for his children and grandchildren? How will it affect Anna Kate?

Here laid his real love. The country and the family. Mal wasn't doing this for a job, but for a better government. That would be the results of his efforts. He saw his mission as an extension to his fatherhood. Naturally a Dad—a loving Dad—is going to do what he can for America. Because in serving America, he was looking out for his kids.

His loved his daughters, son-in-law and grand daughter. He loved Tharen. He was comfortable in that love. He wasn't struggling with his family relationship, it was solid. It was like Mal—steady, loyal, kind yet strong. Very strong.

There's an old story of a child having a nightmare. He runs to his Dad saying that the world was going out of orbit. The wise father takes him out on the porch puts the young boy in his lap and says "See that moon? Keep your eye on it and when it moves we're in trouble." After some 30 minutes the boy was back asleep safe in his father's arm and of course the moon hadn't budged.

Just as the moon's steady glow and permanently had comforted the boy, Mal had a similar focus. His comfort was the Son. Steadfast and certain his Savior was Jesus Christ. If Mal was with us today he would tell us not to be troubled by his absence but to be joyful in the Son's presence. Mal now watches his family from above, but surely his Christian family will also see him when the time comes.

JACK KINGSTON.

P.S. A few days after the funeral Peggy Lee gave me the attached memo. It's the last one I ever received from Mal. It's typical and a fitting tribute to a kind and thoughtful man. Written ten days before his stroke, Mal's last memo was concerning someone else's stroke and condition.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

MEMORANDUM
TO: JACK/KARLEEN.
FR: Mal.

DT: February 5, 1997.

RE: Update on Way Carter of Waycross.

I think Jack is already aware that Way Carter of Waycross, one of the top Ten FOJK in Ware County, suffered a stroke last Sep 2d. It affected his respiratory functions and he is undergoing therapy to restore some speech and feeding functions. He has had no food by mouth since the stroke and breathes with difficulty. However, he is alert and lucid.

Jack, I believe, has talked to his wife, Mary, since the stroke.
Way Carter,
Wayscross, GA.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUTSTANDING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS FROM THE FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

HON. STEVEN SCHIFF

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 1997

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, the following graduating high school students from the First Congressional District of New Mexico have been awarded the Congressional Certificate of Merit. These students have excelled during their academic careers and proven themselves to be exceptional students and leaders with their scholastic achievements, community service, and participation in school and civic activities. It is my pleasure to be able to recognize these outstanding students for their accomplishments. Their parents, their teachers, their classmates, the people of New Mexico and I are proud of them.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AWARD WINNERS 1997

Albuquerque Evening High School, Jonathan Baird, Albuquerque, NM.

Albuquerque High School, Albert Leija, Albuquerque, NM.

Bernalillo High School, Melissa Anne Martinez, Bernalillo, NM.

Bernalillo High School, Jennifer M. Rivera, Algodones, NM.

Gibola High School, Rebecca Wong, Rio Rancho, NM.

Del Norte High School, Jay M. English, Albuquerque, NM.

Estancia High School, William D. Neish, Estancia, NM.

Freedom High School, Marcio Lujan, Albuquerque, NM.

Hope Christian School, Geoffrey Luke McKinnon, Albuquerque, NM.

Los Lunas High School, Sarah Archer, Los Lunas, NM.

Menaul High School, Jedidiah Garcia Glazener, Albuquerque, NM.

Mountainair High School, Jessica Dawn Barber, Mountainair, NM.

Rio Grande High School, Anthony Baca, Albuquerque, NM.

Sandia Preparatory School, Leslie Siegal, Albuquerque, NM.

Eldorado High School, Matt Byers, Albuquerque, NM.

Evangel Christian Academy, Amanda Brown, Albuquerque, NM.

Highland High School, Matthew Sullivan, Albuquerque, NM.

La Cueva High School, John B. Wenz, Albuquerque, NM.

Menaul High School, Anna Chrzanowski, Albuquerque, NM.

Menaul High School, Haven Annette Scogin, Albuquerque, NM.

New Futures High School, Angelita Garcia, Albuquerque, NM.

St. Pius X High School, Shabbon P. Walsh, Albuquerque, NM.

HONORING SMITH COUNTY LAW DAY WINNERS

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 1997

Mr. HALL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it is a privilege to recognize three outstanding individuals from Tyler, TX, who were recently honored during Law Day ceremonies in Smith County. Law Day is sponsored annually by the Smith County Lawyers Auxiliary in cooperation with the Smith County Bar Association.

Long-time Tyler attorney and my good friend, Murph Wilson, received the Justinian Award. Mr. Wilson has served the Tyler community in various capacities through the years. He served as mayor and as a member of the Tyler City Council, member of the Tyler School Board, president of the Smith County Bar Association, president of Southside Bank, member of Marvin United Methodist Church, and charter member of the Sharon Temple.

Preston McGee received the Outstanding Young Lawyer Award. Mr. McGee is a member of the Potter, Minton, Roberts, Davis & Jones law firm. He has been active with United Way, the American Heart Association, and Green Acres Baptist Church.

The Liberty Bell Award was given posthumously to Sally Ellis Dobbs for her efforts to educate the public about legal issues and the role of law in our society. Mrs. Dobbs was instrumental in developing the "Now You Are 18" Program and brochure and a similar program for eighth-graders. These programs are now used in educational efforts statewide. She is survived by her husband, J. Robert Dobbs Jr. and son, Smith County Assistant District Attorney David Dobbs, who accepted the award on her behalf.

These individuals have earned the respect of their peers in their community and of all those who seek to preserve and promote the ideals of law and justice upon which our great Nation was founded. Their integrity, hard work, and commitment to high standards of professionalism are exemplary.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in paying tribute to these outstanding citizens of Tyler, TX, and to the efforts of the Smith County Bar Association and Smith County Lawyers Auxiliary.