

illegal imposition of antidumping duties to protect its domestic producers from United States exports. Such protectionism is contrary to the WTO Antidumping Code, and negates the benefits granted U.S. exporters under the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Despite the fact that Mexico is a contracting party to the Antidumping Code, recent cases involving United States exports demonstrate that Mexico is not always following the legal requirements for imposing antidumping duties. For example, although the Antidumping Code has been in force for more than 2 years, Mexico still has not revised its law and regulations to reflect the code's provisions. A basic precept of the Antidumping Code is that duties must be based on an apples-to-apples comparison of prices. To that end, the code requires that certain adjustments be made to ensure that prices are compared under the same conditions of sale and levels of trade. The Mexican authorities have not given our exporters adequate guidance on how to qualify for such adjustment. Under these circumstances, the provisions of the Antidumping Code afford U.S. exporters no real protection from the improper imposition of antidumping duties.

Mexico also is not granting United States exporters all of the procedural rights provided under the Antidumping Code—rights that are routinely provided Mexican exporters subject to similar proceedings in the United States. For example, in the investigation of United States apple exports, Mexico simply ignored the information submitted by the United States exporters and assigned the exporters a preliminary dumping rate of more than 100 percent. Mexico claimed that it was justified in doing so because it had minor questions regarding the accuracy of certain sales data. That is, Mexico presumed that the United States exporters were dumping, rather than requesting clarification of the information, or waiting until visiting the exporters to determine whether the reported information was correct.

We in the U.S. Congress will be watching closely Mexican Government deliberation on the apples case, the most recently initiated investigation of U.S. paper exports, and other investigations. We will be vigilant in monitoring Mexico's abuse of its antidumping law in these investigations, and take swift action to address all abuses. Otherwise, the rights and benefits that U.S. exporters were granted under the WTO agreements and the NAFTA would be worthless.

A TRIBUTE TO LT. COL. CLAUDE
V. "JIM" MEADOWS

HON. C.W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 29, 1997

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Lt. Col. Claude V. "Jim" Meadows, who retires this week after 25 years of faithful and honorable service to our Nation in the U.S. Army.

Lieutenant Colonel Meadows is a truly outstanding soldier whose career accomplishments reflect the type of military leader our Nation has depended upon during peace and war for more than 200 years. For the information of my colleagues, let me share with you some of Lieutenant Colonel Meadows' career milestones.

He enlisted in the U.S. Army in November 1966. After Basic Training at Fort Bragg, NC, Lieutenant Colonel Meadows was assigned to the 75th Engineers in Fort Lewis, WA, and from there reassigned to the 10th Transportation Battalion in the Republic of Vietnam. His arrival coincided with the onset of the Tet Offensive of 1968. Following 12 months of courageous duty in the Central Highlands, the Army recognized his exceptional abilities and reassigned Lieutenant Colonel Meadows to be an instructor at the United States Army Quartermaster School at Fort Lee, VA, where he helped train soldiers until he completed his enlistment and left the Army to attend college.

Lieutenant Colonel Meadows graduated from Old Dominion University's Reserve Officers Training Corps Program on May 11, 1975 and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Medical Service Corps. During the next seven years, he served in a mix of troop leading and hospital assignments at Fort Campbell, KY, the home of the 101st Airborne Division, Air Assault, and Fort Lee, VA.

While at Fort Campbell, he served as the field medical officer for the 20th Engineer Battalion. There he received the Division Commander's Award for Excellence for his work in providing medical support. Lieutenant Colonel Meadows pursued and completed his masters degree in systems management and his abilities in this field were quickly recognized by the medical community as he was reassigned to the hospital as the Administrator for the Department of Medicine. In the words of one staff physician, "Jim constantly afforded an air of encouragement. He remained patient with us when we, and I in particular, grew impatient. He demonstrated a self-sacrificing concern when detachment would have been far easier. He remained continually sensitive to needs which, at times, must have been very painful to reckon with. He persisted with remarkable endurance in pursuing objectives which frequently must have tempted him to give up."

Lieutenant Colonel Meadows once again demonstrated his excellence as a professional soldier and medical administrator as an operations officer at the Kenner Army Community Hospital. His commitment to duty and his strong leadership qualities led to his being identified to the Chief, Medical Service Corps as an extremely valuable asset to the Medical Service Corps and the Army. Lieutenant Colonel Meadows was selected for programs at military schools and additional graduate work and completed a masters degree in business administration. With his MBA, Lieutenant Colonel Meadows' career focus moved toward resource management and military comptrollership. As a resource manager, he served at the Tripler Army Medical Center, where he was awarded the Order of Military Medical Merit, an award for his exemplary contribution to the Army's Medical Department.

Lieutenant Colonel Meadows has spent the last 8 years of his Army career in the National Capital Area as the Comptroller of the hospital at Fort Belvoir, as a program and budget officer for the Army's Surgeon General, and for the past 4 years as the Army's liaison with my colleagues and I on the House Appropriations Subcommittee on National Security. As the chairman of the Subcommittee, I can tell you that Lieutenant Colonel Meadows has worked diligently with our members and staff through four complete legislative cycles in the areas of health care, personnel, and aviation programs.

Through his work with our subcommittee, he has made a significant difference in the lives of his fellow soldiers and their families.

Lieutenant Colonel Meadows has been widely recognized and honored during his service. These awards include the Legion of Merit, five awards of the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, a Meritorious Unit Citation, a Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation, the Expert Field Medical Badge, and the Army Staff Badge.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor to pay tribute today to the 25 years of service Lt. Col. Jim Meadows has given to our Nation. He is an officer who befits the Army's proudest traditions. He has dedicated himself to the peace and freedom that we as Americans enjoy today. On behalf of my colleagues on the Appropriations Committee and our National Security Subcommittee, as well as all my colleagues in the House, I want to personally express our sincere appreciation to Lt. Col. Jim Meadows and wish him and his family all the best as he embarks on a new career.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CREW OF
THE U.S.S. "DALY"

HON. GERALD B.H. SOLOMON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 29, 1997

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, there are so many instances of patriotism and displays of courage beyond the call of duty that make up the framework of World War II that it is simply astounding. Even for those of us who lived through that demanding and challenging time period, it is hard to get a grasp on the sheer magnitude and extent of the massive war effort we undertook. Virtually all corners of the globe were impacted by either the effects of battle, the philosophical fight over the human spirit and forms of government, and the subsequent fallout of this war of all wars. And thanks to brave Americans like those who comprised the crew of the World War II destroyer, the U.S.S. *Daly*, democracy and human rights prevailed over tyranny and oppression.

Mr. Speaker, this Sunday, November 2, the members of the crew of that destroyer will gather once again, this time in peaceful celebration of all they have accomplished on behalf of our country. They will be reunited in Saratoga Springs, NY, of my congressional district. I can't begin to tell you how proud I am to have such a distinguished group gathering in my congressional district to reminisce and rekindle old friendships and camaraderie. And that camaraderie, trust, loyalty, patriotism and unity of purpose is what made not only the U.S.S. *Daly* so successful and effective, but it is what made the entire U.S. war effort so special, special enough that it defined the remainder of the century, better than 50 years. I doubt these brave sailors recognized then the full significance their efforts and their victories would have on the course of history and the composition of the world. Ever since, America, and the American way of life, have been a beacon for the oppressed and underprivileged around the globe. This Sunday, Mr.

Speaker, I hope the surviving members of the 359 sailors who served on the U.S.S. *Daly* recognize just what they accomplished, and that those who can't be with us are remembered along with their comrades as what they are, American heroes.

Speaking of some of their feats, let me tell you a brief bit of the history behind the U.S.S. *Daly*. She was launched almost 55 years ago to the day, on October 24, 1942. And as a former Marine myself, I'm pleased to tell you that she was named after Sgt. Maj. Daniel Daly of the U.S. Marine Corps, from my home State of New York. He received, get this, not one but two Congressional Medals of Honor through his tours of duty in more than four distinct conflicts, including in China during the Boxer Rebellion in 1900 and in France during World War I.

Mr. Speaker, it was in Sergeant Major Daly's distinguished memory and record of valor and bravery that the crew of his namesake, the U.S.S. *Daly*, served. I can tell you this, they did him proud. There were a party to more than 15 distinct assaults, bombardments and occupations, including such daunting missions as at Iwo Jima and Okinawa, and the final occupation and evacuation of Allied prisoners of war from Nagasaki, Japan, before pointing her bow homeward bound on the 17th of November 1945. She had made two separate tours from the States during the war and had performed admirably. But mostly, Mr. Speaker, the crewmen did her proud and did America proud. In the course of their time at war, the U.S.S. *Daly* was responsible for eliminating 23 enemy bombardiers, 3 enemy ships, and 10 enemy planes.

Mr. Speaker, as those who put their lives on the line far away from home in strange waters aboard the U.S.S. *Daly* prepare to gather together again, I ask that you and all Members of Congress join with me in tribute to their tremendous service and sacrifice. They exemplify the spirit of patriotism, bravery, and volunteerism that helped make this country the greatest on Earth and put us in a position we enjoy today. By that measure, each and every one of them are truly great Americans. May our thoughts, best wishes and most importantly, our thanks, be with them this Sunday as always.

SILVER ANNIVERSARY OF
STERLING PUBLIC SERVICE

HON. JAMES A. BARCIA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 29, 1997

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, the most difficult and admirable public service is that which is closest to the people that one serves. While the office may be open only during part of the day, there are those frequent meetings with citizens at church, at school, at shopping centers, or at sporting events. People who serve in these posts are to be admired, and this weekend, the people of the charter township of Monitor will be recognizing 25 years of devoted public service from their treasurer, William Kramer.

Elected in November, 1972, he has served continuously ever since. He has instituted pro-

fessional recordkeeping in the treasurer's office, making sure that every dollar received or spent can meet a very demanding accounting. One of his most notable accomplishments is his work in the expansion of water and sewer service within the township. This was a most important undertaking, which required foresight and skilled management in order to make sure that this necessary project was implemented as frugally as possible.

Bill has been able to maintain this post based on the simple fact that he is very responsive to the people of the community. He is known for his most helpful nature. He has always had a most positive manner of directing people to those officials who could help in those cases where the matter wasn't his immediate responsibility. As we all should know, when a constituent calls for assistance, it is our job to provide them with information which lead to their problem being solved. Those officials who simply prefer to say "that's not my responsibility" soon find out that their bureaucratic narrow-mindedness cost them their position of responsibility.

Of course, Bill Kramer's careful management of money is no surprise to anyone who knows that for 35 years, up until 1977, he was a life insurance agent, who was a recognized sales achiever for many of his years. He learned early on the attention that people required when one deals with matters of finance, and he successfully carried forward that professional training as treasurer of Monitor Township.

At the same time, he also served his community as an active member of St. Paul's Lutheran church, where he served as chairman of the congregation for several years.

Mr. Speaker, public service done well is a model for all of us, and is an inspiration for those who may follow in years to come. I urge you and all of our colleagues to join me in congratulating Bill Kramer on his 25 years of service, and in wishing him the very best for the years to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF NATHAN L.
HILL'S OUTSTANDING SERVICE
TO ANNISTON ARMY DEPOT

HON. BOB RILEY

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 29, 1997

Mr. RILEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize one of Alabama's finest, Nathan L. Hill. Today, Mr. Hill will receive the Department of Defense Civilian Service Award, which is presented annually by the Secretary of Defense to a small number of civilian employees whose careers reflect exceptional devotion to duty and extremely significant contributions of broad scope in scientific, technical, or administrative fields of endeavor that have led to increased effectiveness in the operation of the Department of Defense. Mr. Hill has been honored with the presentation of this award for his outstanding service to both his country and to Anniston Army Depot [AAD], located in Anniston, AL.

Mr. Hill, the only civilian employee within the Industrial Operations Command of the Army,

has devoted over 30 years of his life to ensuring the security of our Nation. Mr. Hill began his service career as an enlistee in the Air Force in 1961. In August 1963, he was honorably discharged from the Air Force, and subsequently enrolled at Jacksonville State University. After receiving his undergraduate degree in accounting, Mr. Hill began working as an accountant for the Army Audit Agency in August 1967. Within 2 years, he was promoted to a GS-11 supervisor, which began his career of dedicated public service. For the next 6 years he held a variety of financial management positions culminating in his appointment as Anniston Deputy Comptroller, GS-13, in August 1975.

Nathan Hill's outstanding service to the depot has been marked by continued advancement through the ranks. His keen insight and understanding have made AAD the National Technical Center of Excellence for track and combat vehicles. Nathan Hill's innovative ideas, including partnership programs with the private sector to provide the military with state-of-the-art military hardware, will enable the depot to be at the forefront of the military as the new millennia approaches. This plan will allow for increased flexibility to pursue public-private partnerships and competitive smart-sourcing of depot maintenance. These partnering arrangements have been so successful at AAD that the U.S. Congress has adopted this model of public/private partnering for the remaining depots in this year's fiscal year 1998 defense authorization bill.

Mr. Hill's commitment to AAD extends beyond his official duties. He has spearheaded efforts to increase education for women and minorities in the area of electronics so that these individuals might qualify for better, higher paying jobs. Nathan Hill sits on the Equal Employment Opportunity Action Committee and he is active with the local lodge of the American Federation of Government Employees.

In addition to the role that Nathan Hill has assumed at Anniston Army Depot, he is also active throughout the community. Mr. Hill sits on the board of governors at Harry M. Ayers State Technical Colleges, he is a member of the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce, the Salvation Army and the Exchange Club. He is active in his church, holding both the position of lay leader and chairman of the Council of Ministries at First United Methodist Church.

The accomplishments that Nathan Hill has achieved are unparalleled. Col. Jerry J. Warnement's, who recently retired as AAD's commanding officer, wrote, "To say that Mr. Hill is an invaluable asset to the depot, the Army and Department of Defense would be an understatement. His professionalism, devotion to duty, knowledge and expertise are exemplary and rare commodities in today's fast paced and rapidly changing environment. A more deserving individual for this prestigious award would be hard to find!"

I know that everyone who has met Nathan Hill shares this opinion. Few individuals have devoted and given as much to their country and its military as Mr. Hill. The bestowment of the Department of Defense Civilian Service Award is but a small token of the recognition the Nathan Hill deserves. His actions and commitment to his country are without peer, and I am proud to say congratulations.