

of his family and community during his outstanding career.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CARPENTERS AND JOINERS OF AMERICA, LOCAL UNION NO. 599 OF HAMMOND, IN

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 13, 1997

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, as a native of northwest Indiana, I have witnessed a great, unfolding story. This story is one of pride and principle, enterprise and excellence. It is the story of American workers given the chance to contribute to society, with the labor movement's guiding hand. Today, I would like to call your attention to 45 men of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, Local Union No. 599, of Hammond, IN, who will be recognized for 25 years or more of service. They will be recognized during a pin ceremony at a banquet to be held on March 15, 1997, at Carpenters Hall in Hammond, IN.

The Carpenters Local No. 599, which received its charter in 1899, will honor members for their years of service. The members who will be honored for 60 years of service include: John Horvath and John Stolarz. The members who will be honored for 55 years of service include: James Eminhizer, Frank Heitzman, Russell Kelley, Ray Ligocki, Oscar Wahlstrom, and Cecil Webb. The members who will be honored for 50 years of service include: Fred P. Dopoler, Carl O. Frisk, Michael Grimmer, Lawrence A. Hess, Joseph H. Hoadley, Joseph P. Lowry, Beryl Morris, Wayman Porter, John Sowinski, Walter Spencer, and George Warlsbaugh. The members who will be honored for 45 years of service include: Daniel D. Deflorio, Jack W. Depew, John Crzych, William Luckiewicz, Herman K. Nashkoff, and Joe Seneff. The members who will be honored for 40 years of service include: Edward A. Bulock, Wallace Cieszkiewicz, Eugene J. Langel, George Pooler, and Merlin Zahner. The members who will be honored for 35 years of service include: Melvin L. Blair, Richard Carnett, Ralph C. Graham, Aloysius Sajdyk, and Walter Scott. The members who will be honored for 30 years of service include: Roger Benson, Jr., William Chick, Eugene D. Hartz, Steve Hudi, Peter Lolkema, and Ronald L. Webster. The members who will be honored for 25 years of service include: Arthur A. Bach, Lewis Carver, John A. Tuskan, and Anthony R. Vigil.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other colleagues to join me in commending these dedicated members of the Carpenters Local No. 599 for their hard work in fulfilling the American dream. I offer my heartfelt congratulations to these individuals, as they have worked ardently to make this dream possible for others. They have proven themselves to be distinguished advocates for the labor movement, and they have made northwest Indiana a better place in which to live and work.

IN HONOR OF THE HERRIN ROTARY CLUB IN CELEBRATION OF THE DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY

HON. GLENN POSHARD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 13, 1997

Mr. POSHARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Herrin Rotary Club, which was chartered on February 27, 1922. This group of fine people have a history of community service. The first charter of Rotary clubs was started in 1905, and during World War I they were the first group to respond to the plight of war victims.

The Herrin Rotary Club aggressively attacked their list of things to do in order to help improve their community, such as help get "hard roads" in Blairsville Township, build a bridge over Pond Creek on Freeman Road, help put an extension to Route 148 for the city of Ziegler, add a much-needed extension to the Herrin water system, and financially contribute to the Crippled Children's School.

Many of the Herrin Rotary members rolled up their sleeves and went to work by supervising the public playgrounds, aided in the erection of a Scout cabin, worked on mosquito abatement, and provided student loans. And this was just the beginning. As they progressed in the 1950's, the new program continued to better serve the community. Being able to accomplish so many tasks left an indelible impression on the people of Herrin, IL. However, this is not the end, as this Rotary club strives for continued excellence in service.

Early in 1950, the Rotary constructed a pavilion at the nearby city park, built two baseball dugouts, helped start a senior citizen program, gave financial support to the United Way, the Boy and Girl Scouts of America, purchased safety equipment for the school-crossing patrols, provided scholarships for Herrin High School, and sponsored an international family in their effort to get a new start in the United States.

As the Herrin Rotary Club celebrates its Diamond Anniversary, I want to commend this wonderful group of people who have contributed in putting together this celebration: President Jeff Waddell, President Emeritus Carl Goodwin, and cabinet members Tom Cundiff, Greg Haub, Bill Harmon, Steve Walker, Carol Sluzevich, Dale Nofsinger, Gerald Bailey, and the hundreds of other gracious volunteers who have dedicated so much time, energy, and love. It is a true privilege for me to represent these fine citizens in the U.S. House of Representatives.

HONORING DON BAIN

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 13, 1997

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity today to honor the hard work and strong leadership of one of our Party's most dedicated volunteers. For the past 4 years, Don Bain has served as chairman of the Colorado Republican Party. Since taking office in 1993, Chairman Bain has worked tire-

lessly on behalf of the Republican Party and its candidates. He has striven to advance the principles of the Republican Party while maintaining the highest level of integrity and earning the respect of friend and foe alike. His record of achievement is truly impressive.

Mr. Bain's work has resulted in Republican gains across Colorado as well as an increase in voter participation—an essential element of our representative process. Our gains in registered Republican voters, gains in the State legislative majority and gains in Republican held statewide elected offices are due in large part to the Herculean efforts of Don Bain. These gains have elevated the Colorado Republican Party to its strongest level in years.

Mr. Speaker, the political process depends on the hard work of volunteers as well as the ability of all of us to engage in constructive and informative political discourse. As Don Bain ends his tenure as chairman of the Colorado Republican Party, I, along with the rest of the Republicans in the Colorado Congressional Delegation, want to thank him for his commitment to our cause and convey our utmost respect which he so rightfully deserves.

TRIBUTE TO BISHOP DAISY B. GARVIN

HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 13, 1997

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Bishop Daisy B. Garvin for her long and dedicated service to the community.

Bishop Garvin was born in Savannah, GA in 1924. She moved to New York City where she earned a bachelors degree from the Manhattan Bible Institute in 1958.

Over the past 35 years, Bishop Garvin has served as the pastor of the Greater Revivaltime House of Prayer. She is also the spiritual leader of Greater Revivaltime House of Prayer International, Inc. which oversees churches in New York, Virginia, South Carolina, and Florida.

Her ministry started in the Bronx in 1962 and was later moved to Harlem, where she served for 25 years. In 1990, the church was moved back to the Bronx, where she continues to faithfully serve the members of her ministry.

Through her church, Bishop Garvin has given to those in need, both of spiritual guidance and physical strength. With compassion and the strength of a spiritual leader, she has fed the hungry, clothed the poor, sheltered the homeless, succored the sick, and guided the young.

Bishop Garvin has helped reintegrate teenage runaways back into their families and communities, and has assisted the victims of drug abuse and AIDS. She has also tutored children and adults in math, reading and writing. Her mission has been to set people free from the bondage of poverty, despair, and sin.

Her formal education also includes a doctorate in Philosophical Theology from Unite Christian College, a doctorate in Divinity and a bachelors degree in Theology, these two from Dr. Rosalie Singleton School.

Bishop Garvin has served as a member of the board of directors of the United Covenant Sisters and Brothers International, Inc., the

board of elders of the Morris Cerullo World Evangelism, and as a member of Dr. Frederick K. Price's Ever Increasing Faith Network. She is also the president and founder of the Leadership Training School of Ministry.

Bishop Garvin has been honored with the Great Women in History award by Bronx Borough president Fernando Ferrer, the Award of Excellence by the National Black Association of Minority Business Women, and the Woman of Excellence Award by the New Greater Bethel Ministries, to name just a few.

She is the widow of Mr. Arthur Garvin, with whom she had a daughter who has followed in her footsteps, Reverend Juanita Davis.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Bishop Daisy B. Garvin for her longstanding commitment and dedication to those in need in the community.

REGARDING THE NEED TO SCHEDULE CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM LEGISLATION IN THE HOUSE

HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 13, 1997

Mr. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I would like to submit for the RECORD a letter signed by 112 Members of Congress to Speaker NEWT GINGRICH and Minority Leader RICHARD GEPHARDT calling for a commitment to bring campaign finance reform legislation to the House floor by the 100th of this Congress.

In the previous Congress we saw how much could be accomplished in 100 days with the political will to do so.

In this Congress, under Republican leadership, we have accomplished precious little to date this year. Worst of all, there has been nothing but silence from the Republican leadership on the need for reform of our campaign finance laws.

Speaker GINGRICH has not responded to our letter. However, others have called for fast action.

The President has called for action by July 4. The Senate Democratic leader, TOM DASCHLE, called for action early in the year. Democratic Leader GEPHARDT has called for action within 100 days, as have over 100 other House Members.

We must bring this issue to a vote early or it will be delayed until it cannot be brought forward at all.

I urge my colleagues to pressure the Republican leadership to commit to bringing a reform bill to the floor.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, January 6, 1997.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker,

Hon. RICHARD GEPHARDT,
Democratic Leader.

DEAR SIRS: I am respectfully submitting to you additional signatures gathered during the Holidays from our colleagues urging you to schedule substantive campaign finance reform during the first 100 days of this Congress. We must not let the congressional schedule kill reform as it has in the past. For your information, I am also enclosing the original letter we submitted to you on November 20.

With this second letter, 112 Members from both parties are calling for fast action on

this urgent issue. I hope that we will be able to accommodate this public priority.

Sincerely,

GEORGE MILLER, M.C.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, DC, January 6, 1997.

Re Letter also sent to Representative Gephardt.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: In a November 20 letter, 93 Members of Congress and Members-Elect urged you to commit to passing comprehensive campaign finance reform within the first 100 days of the new Congress. We are writing today to make the same urgent request. No other legislation could do more to end gridlock and begin to restore public confidence in Congress' ability to act on behalf of the American people.

Several times in the past you and Mr. Gephardt have stated your support for campaign finance reform. We believe that for reform to become a reality you must commit to passing it early in the new Congress. Any further delay in passing tough reforms that impose reasonable limitations on campaign financing and shut the loopholes once and for all is inexcusable. The need for reform has been dramatically apparent to us and to the public for many years. But each Congress, campaign finance reform legislation fails to be enacted. And lack of time is often used as an excuse.

We do not pretend that it will be easy to craft legislation with which all Members and the public will be pleased. But that is our challenge and we believe enough information and expertise exists to write an effective and fair bill.

All reform options should be on the table, including a constitutional amendment limiting campaign expenditures, restrictions on contributions from foreign-controlled interests, and limits on "soft money" spending that indirectly benefits or attacks candidates.

As the last Congress showed, a determined House of Representatives can pass complex and sweeping legislation within 100 days. There is no reason we cannot make—and keep—a promise that campaign finance reform be our highest priority and approved within the first 100 days of the 105th Congress.

Again, as our colleagues previously wrote, we respectfully urge you to commit now to campaign finance reform passing in the first 100 days of the new Congress.

Sincerely,

Tom Davis, Lloyd Doggett, James Walsh,
Tom Campbell, Robert Underwood, Eni Faleomavaega, John Lewis, Lee Hamilton, Frank Tejeda, Phil English, Joe Kennedy, Bernie Sanders, Henry Waxman, Ed Markey.

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Martin Meehan.
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David Minge.
Patsy Mink.
Alan Mollohan.
Jim Moran.
Connie Morella (signed her own letter of support on November 22, 1996).
Jim Oberstar.
Bill Pascrell.
Ed Pastor.
Nancy Pelosi.
Collin C. Peterson.
Earl Pomeroy.
Glenn Poshard.
David Price.
Bill Richardson.
Carlos Romero-Barcelo.
Lucille Roybal-Allard.
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GEORGE MILLER CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM
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