

confidence of our citizens as the same time we restore our system. While lives and property remain at risk, our normal procedures under the Endangered Species Act must, temporarily, stand aside.

The California Floods Emergency Repair Act of 1997 will ensure that the lives and property of our people will continue to be paramount.

RECOGNIZING THE INTERCOMMUNITY CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 40TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ESTEBAN EDWARD TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1997

Mr. TORRES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Intercommunity Child Guidance Center of Whittier, CA, which will celebrate its 40th anniversary on April 10, 1997. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the staff and volunteers who have worked diligently to provide counseling and treatment to the children and families of greater Los Angeles County.

The Intercommunity Child Guidance Center is a nonprofit agency, founded in 1957 by members of the Whittier Coordinating Council to provide low-cost quality mental health services for children, adolescents, and families who could not afford care elsewhere. Any family in need of services, regardless of income, is eligible if they reside within the County of Los Angeles.

Services provided include individual, family, and group treatment to children and adolescents with serious emotional problems. In 1994, a crisis intervention program was implemented to address the needs of children and families who have experienced recent crises, which includes follow up care to help alleviate serious emotional trauma. Also offered are parenting classes, which are provided free to the community, in both Spanish and English. These classes have become an essential part of client treatment plans in many cases. Psychological testing is available, when necessary, to assist in the treatment of a client, and medications are prescribed when needed.

The Intercommunity Child Guidance Center is a model public-private partnership committed to serving the mental health care needs of area families. Funded in part by the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health, the State Short-Doyle Program, and the United Way, the center also receives support from the communities it serves.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the staff and volunteers at the Intercommunity Child Guidance Center as they gather to celebrate 40 years of providing mental health services to the greater Los Angeles County.

HONORING BOB BROWN

HON. MAURICE D. HINCHEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1997

Mr. HINCHEY. Mr. Speaker, I wanted to take a moment tonight to recognize the ac-

complishments of Robert T. Brown who will soon be retiring after 23 years as president of the Ulster County Community College. Bob Brown embodies a rare combination of qualities: visionary and doer; philosopher and achiever.

As Ulster County Community College's leader, he has planned for and overseen important campus expansions during times of growth and developed innovative and bold programs and partnerships to respond to economic downturns. He is an educator who has never lost his commitment to putting students first.

Bob has been recognized locally, regionally, and nationally for his strong advocacy on behalf to 2-year colleges and the importance of their academic and community-based missions. He has been honored to receive the Northern Arizona University Distinguished Alumni Award, the Americanism Award from the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, and the University of Texas at Austin's Outstanding Community College President Award, among many others.

Mr. Speaker, tomorrow night I will be with Bob Brown and his family and his many friends to celebrate his life and his achievements, and most of all to thank him for being there for me and for our community. He is someone who has truly made a difference.

IN HONOR OF A GREAT MAN OF THE BENCH: FRED BORCHARD

HON. JAMES A. BARCIA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1997

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a man of great distinction from Saginaw, MI—the Honorable Fred J. Borchard, who is celebrating 50 years in the judicial profession. Saginaw is extremely lucky to have a man like Fred Borchard serve on its bench. He has a great judicial mind, believes in the values of hard work and education, runs a disciplined and efficient courtroom, and tempers his decisions with compassion and common sense.

Fred Borchard grew up in Saginaw and put himself through the University of Michigan Law School by working at boiler and iron metal companies. Upon graduation, his law practice was put on hold almost immediately by World War II. Fred signed up with the U.S. Naval Reserve as an ensign, and then became a forward observer, where he went ashore in search of enemy gunfire and then signaled naval guns for fire power. He participated in landings at Leyte and Luzon, and then Okinawa where he was wounded by sniper fire. Fred received the Purple Heart Medal for his courage and commitment to this country.

Upon returning to Saginaw 3 years later, Fred won the seat of municipal judge, which he held for 7 years until he ran and won the position of probate judge. In 1958, 4 years later, then Governor G. Mennen Williams appointed Fred to the Saginaw circuit bench, making Fred one of few to serve in all three judicial posts.

Fred's long and auspicious career ended on January 1, 1989 at which time he was the oldest judge in the State of Michigan, a distinction he still holds since he continues serving on assignment. Fred also has the honor of

being considered the Lou Gehrig of the bench, as he has the longest term of service.

In addition to his professional involvement with the Saginaw County and Michigan Bar Associations, and the Michigan Judges Association, where he served as president, Fred makes it a priority to be involved in civil organizations. He served as president of the University of Michigan Club, and belonged to the Kiwanis Club of Saginaw and the Arthur Hill Letterman's Club. He has served on the board of directors of St. Luke's Hospital and on the board of directors for the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce and the Alcohol Information Center. He also involves himself with Big Brothers of America, the Lutheran Children's Friend Society, and numerous veterans organizations.

Fred Borchard is a credit to the legal profession and to the community. I am extremely proud to know him and to say that we have both represented the people in Saginaw.

A SPECIAL SALUTE TO JOSEPH S. KREINBERG

HON. LOUIS STOKES

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1997

Mr. STOKES. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to salute today a very distinguished individual who resides in my congressional district. On April 22, 1997, Mr. Joseph S. Kreinberg will be celebrating his 95th birthday. Mr. Kreinberg has devoted much of his life to improving the quality of life for citizens in Cuyahoga County. Today, I rise to pay tribute to this outstanding American. I also want to share with my colleagues and the Nation some of the many achievements made by this remarkable citizen.

Joseph S. Kreinberg obtained his undergraduate and law degrees from the Ohio State University. He began the practice of law in Cleveland in the late 1920's with his brother, Herman. After World War II, Joseph began practicing law with A.E. Bernstein, whom, according to Joe, had a major impact on his legal career and served as Joe's professional mentor.

Mr. Kreinberg's distinguished career has enabled him to interact with prominent politicians such as Robert Taft and William Saxbe. Mr. Kreinberg was also afforded the opportunity to work with former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Harold Burton when Justice Burton served as mayor of Cleveland. As mayor, Mr. Burton appointed Mr. Kreinberg to the Cleveland Board of Zoning where he diligently served for 39 years. Mr. Kreinberg has also worked with public servants such as the late Senator Brickner, mayor and U.S. Senator Thomas Burke, and Mayor Frank Lausche. Mr. Kreinberg also had the privilege of working under my brother, the late Carl B. Stokes, former mayor of Cleveland, on many important issues. This extraordinary gentleman remains one of the most respected and vital members of the Cleveland community.

Certainly, Mr. Kreinberg's long and productive tenure as a public servant will forever remain in the hearts and minds of many citizens in Cleveland. However, for one to truly understand and appreciate the impact that Mr. Kreinberg has made in the city of Cleveland,

they need only to talk to a few citizens in my congressional district. Mr. Kreinberg's peers describe him as a highly ethical and moral man. Mr. Kreinberg's character and integrity serves as a portrait of what a public servant should be. To celebrate Mr. Kreinberg's birthday and many contributions to his community, his family has graciously created an endowed scholarship at the Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University to assist students who desire a career in public service and urban development.

Mr. Speaker, I take a tremendous amount of pride and honor in saluting Joseph Kreinberg, whose entire life stands as a picture of achievement. Today, I along with his family, friends, and colleagues, would like to take this opportunity to applaud Mr. Kreinberg's strong leadership and desire to improve his community and our Nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL G. OXLEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1997

Mr. OXLEY. Mr. Speaker, I will be unavoidably absent from the House Chamber during today's proceedings. If I were present, I would vote "yea" on both H.R. 1122, the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 1997, and House Resolution 91, a resolution providing amounts for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the Congress.

SALUTING THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS PLAN

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1997

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, 20 years ago this month the Santa Monica Mountains Planning Commission produced its comprehensive plan. There are few dates more important in the history of the environmental movement in southern California.

The plan that commission produced had many valuable components, including calling for the establishment of a Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. As a member of the California Assembly, I carried the bill that implemented the plan and established the conservancy. In the past two decades the performance of the conservancy has exceeded even my high expectations. Anyone who cares about the environment and the need to maintain the natural beauty of southern California is in the organization's debt.

While I do not necessarily subscribe to the "Great Man" theory of history, it seems evident that the conservancy would not have come this far without the superb leadership of Executive Director Joe Edmiston. I have known Joe a long time, and count him as one of my close friends. Putting aside friendship, however, I can say without bias that Joe knows how to get things done and get them done right. His utter commitment, his boundless energy, his no-nonsense style and his clear sense of direction have provided guidance to the conservancy and are responsible in large measure for its success.

Indeed, the conservancy has many accomplishments in which its friends and supporters can take pride. For example, the organization administers programs designed to serve minority and disadvantaged groups and those who otherwise can never get to southern California's mountains. The quiet, cool and serene setting is a welcome contrast to the often grim realities of urban living. The conservancy has also acquired over 21,000 acres of parkland in 20 years, which has increased the opportunities for people of any background to enjoy nature.

The work of the conservancy to preserve the environment, especially in an area growing with the speed of southern California, is of monumental importance. I ask my colleagues to join me today in saluting the 20th anniversary of the Santa Monica Mountain comprehensive plan, which has proven to be a most effective weapon in the arsenal of environmentalists. I applaud the conservancy's efforts, and wish it the best of luck for all the decades to come.

HONORING ROCK GROUP LOS LOBOS FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR YOUTH

HON. ESTEBAN EDWARD TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1997

Mr. TORRES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the internationally acclaimed rock group, "Los Lobos", for their commitment to the youth of our community. On April 11, 1997, Los Lobos will donate their time and talent to raise funds for the Broadoaks Children's School of Whittier College in Whittier, CA.

Los Lobos has received numerous distinctions for their innovative style of music, including two Grammy Awards, seven additional Grammy Award nominations, and was designated as having released the "Album of the Year" in 1992 by the Los Angeles Times, the Chicago Tribune, the Chicago Sun Times, and the Nashville Banner. Since 1978, Los Lobos has released over 48 film, television and commercial works. Their broad appeal has allowed them to perform for royalty in England, and for audience at Carnegie Hall.

What makes Los Lobos bandmembers truly exceptional, however, is their commitment to the education of our community's youth. In the last 4 years, Los Lobos has performed for three sold-out benefit concerts, each in the name of education. Proceeds from April's concert will enable Broadoaks to expand its services to children, families, teacher preparation, and professional development programs throughout the greater Los Angeles area.

To acknowledge the band's commitment and dedication to this endeavor, Broadoaks has named a building in the group's honor. The "Los Lobos Learning Center" includes two classrooms for fourth through sixth grade students, many of whom require special educational services. All students in the Los Lobos Learning Center are required to participate in volunteer service projects to instill the value of giving something back to our community. Los Lobos' generosity enables these young children to attend a school where volunteerism is part of the curriculum.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Los

Lobos bandmembers, Cesar Rosas, Louie Perez, David Hidalgo, Conrad Lozano, and Steven Berlin, for their generous spirit and contributions to our community. These truly exceptional musicians have become lifelong friends of our community through their commitment to promoting the welfare and education of our children.

IN MEMORY OF E.M. KNIGHT OF HOUSTON, TX

HON. KEN BENTSEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 20, 1997

Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the memory of a valuable member of the Houston community, E.M. Knight, who passed away on Saturday, March 8, 1997.

E.M. Knight was among Houston's most prominent community leaders, acting as a beacon for social justice and equality. He was a man of great character and great action, who gave Houston his all. Whether as a local chapter president of the NAACP or as Sunday school superintendent, precinct judge, or deacon at East Macedonia BC, E.M. Knight made a difference in so many lives. His legacy of service to the Houston community will be felt far beyond his passing. He was truly one of a kind who will be greatly missed.

E.M. Knight treated everyone in Houston as if they were family, and now that family mourns his passing. I ask unanimous consent to insert in the RECORD at this point an article and obituary which appeared in the Houston Chronicle on March 13, 1997.

E.M. KNIGHT

Ellis M. Knight (E.M.) departed this life on March 8, 1997, at the age of 84 years, 9 months and 5 days. He was born in Odenburg Louisiana to Mary Smoot and Ellis M. Knight Sr. The family moved to Houston after devastating floods. He was preceded in death by his parents, 14 brothers and sisters, and his wife Elsie. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife Janet, sons Ellis III, Ronald and Alan Wayne Knight, sisters Mary Harris and Lois Davis Gatterson, daughter-in-law Edna, grandchildren Sharmaine Stewart, Andre and Terrian Knight, great-grandson, Quentin Ellis Stewart, 4 stepdaughters, 9 stepgrandchildren, brother-in-law Cleve Gatterson, 6 sisters-in-law, a host of cousins, nieces & nephews and many, many friends.

He served in the United States Army. He retired from Southern Pacific Railroad after 37½ years of service, and since has been actively involved in community service, church activities and the political arena.

During his lifetime he served in many capacities: as NAACP local chapter president, president of HCCO, founding and life member of NCNW Elsie J. Knight section, chair of Gulf Coast Community Services Board of Directors, coordinator for Operation Big Vote, chair of Martin Luther King Health Center Council and chair of the Council-at-Large (HCHD), PTA president and VIPS at Fairchild Elementary, chairperson of the Keenage Klub, Sunday School Supt. and deacon at East Macedonia BC, and chair of deacon board, benevolence and building committees at South Park Baptist Church.

In spite of serious health problems, he remained active as Precinct Judge in Pct. 0240, a position he held faithfully since 1966; deacon at South Park BC, director for the Houston Food Bank Pantry at South Park BC,