

since entering the Program. In his words, "without the Shelter Plus Care Program, I would have been unable to survive."

Glenda is a single mother in recovery who until recently was homeless in Berkeley with her young son. She has been diagnosed with clinical depression, ADD and bulimia. Since entering the Shelter Plus Care Program, she participates in regular case management counseling as well as receiving needed medical follow-up for her health conditions. In her words, "I know that without Shelter Plus Care I would still be on drugs, homeless or dead and my son not with his mother like God intended him to be. Without the services that Shelter Plus Care requires, I would never be where I am today. In September I start school. I need Shelter Plus Care to continue to progress in my life and future."

The positive impact that Shelter Plus Care housing has had on people could be repeated in any other city in the U.S., because it is such a vital and successful program. Mr. Speaker, I hope we can work together in conference to make the expiring Shelter Plus Care projects eligible for renewals from the Section 8 program rather than the current year McKinney appropriation. I also ask that Section 8 be provided with adequate funding to incorporate this request.

AMERICAN ZIONIST FUND
BANQUET

HON. WILLIAM J. COYNE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 13, 1999

Mr. COYNE. Mr. Speaker, on Sunday, October 10, the Pittsburgh District of the Zionist Organization of America will hold its 54th Annual American Zionist Fund Banquet. The banquet, which is dedicated to the memory of Doctor Norman Cohen, a longstanding supporter of Israel and the Pittsburgh Jewish community, will honor community businessman Jeffrey Markel and Pittsburgh City Council President Bob O'Connor.

Mr. Markel will be honored with the Israel Service Award for his many efforts in support of Zionism. Mr. Markel is currently the chairman of the United Jewish Federation's Partnership 2000 Initiative, which links Jewish communities in the United States with communities in Israel. The Partnership 2000 Initiative works to foster person-to-person contacts and economic development between American and Israeli Jews. Mr. Markel has served the UJF in many other capacities as well. In addition, Mr. Markel serves or has served on the Board of Directors of the Jewish Family and Children's Service, the Board of Directors of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, the Board of Directors of the American Jewish Information Network, and as a member of the Technical Advisory Board of the Jerusalem One Network, the first computer network to link the major universities in Israel with the Knesset.

Pittsburgh City Council President Bob O'Connor will receive the Natalie E. Novick Community Leadership Award for his many contributions to the Pittsburgh Jewish community and to community life in Pittsburgh. Council President O'Connor is in his second term on Pittsburgh City Council. His service on City Council has been marked by action on trans-

portation issues, public safety, and programs that benefit children. Mr. O'Connor also serves on the Board of Directors of a number of civic and charitable organizations, including St. Francis Central Hospital, the Carnegie Institute, the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust, the Southwest Regional Planning Commission, and the Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Alliance. Mr. O'Connor was a founding member of the Pittsburgh Center for Grieving Children. In addition, he was actively involved in the United Jewish Federation's Renaissance Project, which built or renovated a number of Jewish community facilities. And Mr. O'Connor provided substantial assistance to Pittsburgh's Beth Shalom Congregation after a 1997 synagogue fire.

On behalf of my constituents and myself, I want to thank Mr. Markel and City Council President O'Connor for their many contributions to the City of Pittsburgh and Pittsburgh's Jewish community, and I want to congratulate them on their selection as honorees at the 54th Annual American Zionist Fund Banquet.

TRIBUTE TO ISOLINA FERRÉ

HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 13, 1999

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Isolina Ferré, an outstanding individual who has devoted her life to serving the poor. Sister Isolina, a Missionary Servant of the Most Blessed Trinity, received the nation's highest civilian honor during a White House ceremony on Wednesday, August 11, 1999. She was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Sister Isolina, known as the "Angel of Ponce Beach," was born on September 5, 1914 to one of the most affluent families in Puerto Rico. Raised in a wealthy family, she decided early in life that she wanted to dedicate her life to the less fortunate. She joined the Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity at age 21 in Philadelphia. After she completed her training, she was assigned to the Appalachian coal mining region of West Virginia and then worked among Portuguese immigrants on Cape Cod, Massachusetts.

In 1957 Sister Isolina went to work at the Doctor White Community Center in Brooklyn, where she offered to be a mediator between African-American and Puerto Rican gangs. For her efforts she received the key to the city of New York from Mayor John Lindsay and the John D. Rockefeller Award for Public Service and Community Revitalization.

Mr. Speaker, Sister Isolina Ferré founded community service centers, clinics and programs to empower the poor in Puerto Rico, New York and Appalachia. She does this through the Centros Sor Isolina Ferré, a group of five community-service centers she has run for 30 years. One U.S. author who wrote about turning around poor, crime-ridden communities called her "Mother Teresa of Puerto Rico."

The Centros Sor Isolina Ferré has 350 employees, five offices throughout Puerto Rico, a postgraduate business and technical school and 40 programs aimed at stemming juvenile delinquency and strengthening families. With government and private funding, it serves more than 10,000 people a year.

The operation is built on Ferré's main principle: Poor communities have many resources they can use to improve their condition, and they can be taught to seek their own solutions and take control of their lives. Staff members teach leadership and strategic planning to people in public-housing projects, in Ponce—skills used to start businesses and organize community improvements. Through counseling and other services for youth and families, Ferré's group has dramatically reduced the school dropout rate within a public housing project in the San Juan area.

Mr. Speaker, Sister Isolina is the fourth Puerto Rican to receive the award. The others are former Puerto Rico Gov. Luis Muñoz Marín, a founder of the Popular Democratic Party; Anotnia Pantojas, founder of Aspira, an agency known for helping Hispanic youth; and Sister Isolina's brother, former Puerto Rico Gov. Luis A. Ferré, founder of the pro-statehood New Progressive Party.

Sister Isolina attended Fordham University in New York where she earned a bachelor of arts and master's degree in psychology.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in commending Sister Isolina Ferré for her outstanding achievements and in wishing her continued success.

TRIBUTE TO CANDY COONERTY

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 13, 1999

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a beloved local entrepreneur. Candy Coonerty, co-owner of Bookshop Santa Cruz, died this last July of a stroke at the age of 49.

Candy was more than just a local businesswoman; she provided the community with an eclectic and unique selection of books as well as an environment where local community members could meet and interact. Bookshop Santa Cruz serves as a hub and mainstay of the historic downtown. Candy was also actively involved in the community serving on the board of directors of Friends of the UC Santa Cruz Library and advisory council of the Santa Cruz Hillel Foundation.

Candy Coonerty will be sorely missed and remembered for her presence in the Santa Cruz community as a local hostess and her compassion for literature. My thoughts are with her family.

HONORING MAMA ANNA MKABA,
FIRST LADY OF TANZANIA

HON. MICHAEL E. CAPUANO

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 13, 1999

Mr. CAPUANO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure and profound admiration that I rise today to welcome the First Lady of Tanzania, Mama Anna Mkaba, to the United States.

Mrs. Mkaba has gained international recognition for her extensive humanitarian work and efforts on behalf of charitable organizations. She has founded the Equal Opportunities for All Trust Fund (EOTF), a registered,

non-profit, non-governmental charitable organization whose mission is to empower women through increased economic and educational opportunity. EOTF is dedicated to fighting and eradicating poverty by providing women, especially rural women, with access to credit, health care, job training, and market education. In addition, EOTF provides a forum for women to exchange ideas, express their concerns, and communicate with a larger network of national and international organizations. EOTF has also initiated a multidisciplinary program, Women in Poverty Eradication (WIPE.)

This week, Mrs. Mkaba is visiting Massachusetts to meet with the Cambridge-based Sabre Foundation, Inc, in an effort to establish a partnership with the Foundation to promote a book donation and distribution project in Tanzania. This project is a testament to Mama Anna Mkaba's relentless desire to further educate and empower the people of Tanzania. With a population of over 30 million, and an increasing number of public and private schools, colleges, and universities, Tanzania is richly endowed with human and natural resources. The initiative between EOTF and the Sabre Foundation will contribute to Tanzania's remarkable intellectual development and will help her nation as it prepares for the 21st century.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to celebrate Mama Anna Mkaba's achievements and the cooperation of our constituents in her many good works, and I wish Mrs. Mkaba well in all of her future endeavors on behalf of the people of Tanzania.

TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH GOLD

HON. STEVEN R. ROTHMAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 13, 1999

Mr. ROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Joseph Gold. Thought to have been the oldest living Marine in the country, Joseph Gold passed away at the age of 107 on Wednesday, August 25, 1999, in Tenafly, New Jersey.

In so many respects, Joseph Gold was a genuine American hero. A native of Cleveland, Ohio, he enlisted in the Marines at the onset of World War I and served as a distinguished member of the American Expeditionary Force. As part of one of the first Marine contingents to fight in Europe, Mr. Gold fought in the historic battle of Belleau Woods. It was at this battle in 1918 that he and his American comrades fought through a dense forest and ultimately captured terrain from well entrenched German forces.

Only about 2 months ago, on July 8, 1999, the French Government, in commemoration of the 80th anniversary of the end of World War I, awarded Mr. Gold the French Legion of Honor. This prestigious award, granted to Mr. Gold, was a well deserved tribute to a true American patriot.

I want to express my condolences to the Gold family on the passing of their father, grandfather and great-grandfather. I also want to express my admiration to the Gooney Bird detachment of the U.S. Marine Corps League who arranged to have an honor guard ceremony at Mr. Gold's funeral.

Joseph Gold was an extraordinary person, whose legacy to our Nation is a story of self-

less sacrifice and a story that all Americans would do well to remember.

TRIBUTE TO MR. AND MRS.
FELTON KILPATRICK OF
CULLMAN, ALABAMA

HON. ROBERT E. (BUD) CRAMER JR.

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 13, 1999

Mr. CRAMER. Mr. Speaker, on October 6th of this year, a wonderful couple, Mr. and Mrs. Felton Kilpatrick will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary. In 1929, Mrs. Clara McClellan Kilpatrick and Mr. Felton Kilpatrick exchanged wedding vows to spend a lifetime together.

Now 70 years later, they shine as pillars of matrimony. The Kilpatricks are a loving man and woman who have come together to share their lives, raise a family and prove that family values and selfless commitment still have a place in a world whose fleeting values can be confusing and fastpaced.

Many generations of the Kilpatrick family look up to the remarkable couple as role models on how to live and love successfully.

This tribute is a fitting honor for the Kilpatricks who have shown us that commitments can be honored through seven decades of the trials and tribulations of life.

I commend Mr. and Mrs. Felton Kilpatrick on their happy and strong marriage and I wish them a joyous and special celebration on October 6th with their friends and family.

BROTHER MCGINNIS INDUCTED AS
PRESIDENT OF LA SALLE UNI-
VERSITY

HON. ROBERT A. BORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 13, 1999

Mr. BORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to announce that Brother Michael J. McGinniss, FSC, Ph.D., will be inducted as La Salle University's 28th President on September 24 at a 3 p.m. ceremony at the University's Hayman Center.

Brother McGinniss was a member of the school's religion department and for the past five years was president of Christian Brothers University in Memphis, TN. He maintained a close connection with La Salle—his alma mater—while serving on the school's Board of Trustees.

McGinniss, 51, grew up in a Philadelphia neighborhood near the university. As a boy, he and his aunt would often ride the Number 26 trolley past College Hall. "She'd tell me that some day I would go to school in that building. I can't help but wonder what she would say about my being president if she were alive today," he said.

He joined the Christian Brothers in 1965 and graduated Maxima Cum Laude from La Salle in 1970 with a degree in English. He obtained his Master's and Ph.D. in theology from the University of Notre Dame.

His first teaching assignment was at the South Hills Catholic High School in Pittsburgh, PA, where he was a member of the English

and Religion departments. He returned to La Salle as a visiting instructor in the Graduate Religion program in the summer of 1978. McGinniss has also taught at Washington Theological Union and Loyola University's Summer Institute of Pastoral Studies.

In 1984 he joined the faculty at La Salle on a full-time basis, reaching the rank of full professor in 1993. Recognized by the De La Salle Christian Brothers for his qualities as a leader, he attended La session internationale des études lasalliennes (a program of study of Lasallian spirituality) in Rome. He eventually became Chair of La Salle's Religion Department and in 1992 he received the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching.

During his tenure as President of Christian Brothers University, undergraduate enrollment and retention rates increased; a Master's of Education program was established; the Athletic Department joined the NCAA Division II Gulf South Conference; new residence halls were constructed; science labs and facilities were enhanced; engineering departments were reaccredited; information technology systems throughout the campus were upgraded; and the Center for Global Enterprise was founded. He also played a key role in the school's 125th anniversary celebration.

Brother McGinniss also took an active part in the Memphis area community, serving on the boards of the Economic Club of Memphis; National Conference of Christians and Jews, Memphis Chapter; Memphis Brooks Museum of Art; the Memphis Catholic Diocesan Development Committee; and Christian Brothers High School, Memphis, TN.

He has published articles in scholarly journals on many topics, written chapters in religious books and edited six volumes of the Christian Brothers' Spirituality Seminar Series. He has lectured to academic and professional groups on issues related to spirituality, pastoral care, and theology. His processional memberships include Catholic Theological Society of America, American Academy of Religion, and College Theology Society.

It is with great pleasure that I recognize Brother McGinniss today. He is a man who has contributed greatly to many educational institutions and to the communities in which they are located. I would like to extend Brother McGinniss my warmest wishes and congratulations on his induction as President of La Salle University.

TRIBUTE TO LINDA BOURGAIZE

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 13, 1999

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a woman who tirelessly worked to advocate for the rights of special education students and disabled individuals. Ms. Linda Bourgaize passed away on June 15, 1999 in Santa Cruz.

Linda began her career after graduating from San Jose State University as a school psychologist after which she was selected to be the Special Education Local Plan Area Administrator for Santa Cruz and San Benito counties. Ms. Bourgaize devoted herself to ensuring students in these communities had equal access to the best possible special education services. Linda went beyond the scope