

Self" in the Woodbridge-Perth Amboy communities, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the Woodbridge-Perth Amboy Rotary Club on this occasion, its 75th anniversary.

RICKY RAY HEMOPHILIA RELIEF FUND

HON. JAMES A. BARCIA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 28, 1999

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to bring to the attention of my colleagues an issue that we have let fall through the cracks and as a result have further devastated an innocent group of people. In the 105th Congress this body passed the Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund Act by an overwhelming margin. The Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund provides a one time payment of \$100,000 as compensation to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) through contaminated blood products. To date not a single dollar has been allocated to fund the Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund Act.

Despite assurances from the government that these blood products were safe, nearly 7,500 hemophiliacs were infected during the 1980's. These tainted blood products being given to innocent people have resulted in the destruction of many families. Children grow up without a parent, husbands are left without their wives, and in the case of one of my constituents, a mother loses her son and her husband, and must endure the further pain of watching her daughter suffer from the same horrible disease. Human life is too precious not to recognize this devastating tragedy. One life lost is one life too many.

When other disasters arise, floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, we are quick to offer assistance. This body has been committed to helping people get back on their feet after they have experienced adversity. One hundred thousand dollars do not even begin to address the costs that individuals who must live with this disease face. One hundred thousand dollars do not justly compensate a family who has lost a loved one. But what the Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund will do is help pay for the astronomical expenses associated with the prescription drugs needed to treat this disease. It will help family members who are left behind pay for funeral expenses. It will help children who are left behind to plan for future education.

Members of the hemophilia community have been neglected by the government. I realize this bill allocates \$20 million for the Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund, but that is not nearly enough to fulfill our promises. I rise today to ask this House for a one time appropriation of \$750 million so that we may begin to address the suffering endured by 7,500 members of the hemophilia community. As was so eloquently expressed to me by my constituent, "there is no amount of money that can bring my loved ones back, but perhaps the Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund Act will bring some closure to this chapter of my life and restore my faith in the belief that the little people do matter."

HONORING EDYTH AND CARL LINDNER ON THE OCCASION OF THE TEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF CINCINNATI HILLS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 28, 1999

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my distinguished constituents, Edyth and Carl Lindner, who will be recognized at a gala dinner and pageant on Saturday, October 30, 1999 for their many contributions to the prestigious Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy (CHCA) located in Mason, Ohio.

CHCA is one of the fastest-growing schools in the country and has earned a reputation for excellent academics, competitive sports and extracurricular activities. In 1997, I had the privilege of presenting the U.S. Department of Education's Blue Ribbon School Award to CHCA Elementary. CHCA's goal is to nurture and support each student toward individual growth. The school embraces students parents and faculty within the care of a Christian community.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindner are among Cincinnati's most prominent and generous citizens, and they have been strong supporters of CHCA since its inception 10 years ago. Their devotion to the school is evidenced by the Edyth B. Lindner Elementary School and the Lindner Fine Arts Center.

In addition to raising a family that now consists of three sons, three daughters-in-law and eleven grandchildren, the Lindners give countless hours to many charitable causes in our community. Through her work on the highly successful fundraiser, the Greater Cincinnati Classic Horse Show, Edyth has assured significant contributions to the Shriners' Burn Institute and has built the endowed scholarship fund at CHCA to one million dollars.

The fact that the Lindner family calls Cincinnati "home" is a true blessing to our entire community. Edyth and Carl Lindner continue to make Cincinnati a better place for our children and we owe them much gratitude. I congratulate them on this well-deserved honor.

IN HONOR OF CLARENCE KAILIN AND THE WISCONSIN VOLUNTEERS OF THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE ON THE DEDICATION OF THEIR MEMORIAL IN JAMES MADISON PARK, MADISON, WISCONSIN

HON. TAMMY BALDWIN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 28, 1999

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Mr. Clarence Kailin of Madison, and the brave men and women who volunteered to serve in the Abraham Lincoln Brigade during the Spanish Civil War, especially those courageous volunteers from my home state of Wisconsin.

They, along with 45,000 volunteers from over 50 different countries, fought side by side during the early struggle against fascism. Their foresight in recognizing the rising tyranny of fascism was a call to arms that went

unheeded by the free world, and resulted in the long and bloody conflict that became World War II.

Mr. Speaker, I want to express my gratitude to these men and women who helped to defend the democratic Spanish Republic from fascist aggression, at a time when the fate of democracy in Europe was being threatened by all sides of the political spectrum.

On October 31st, in James Madison Park, in the state capitol of Wisconsin, a memorial will be dedicated to those sons and daughters of the "Badger State" that joined the Abraham Lincoln Brigade. A volunteer unit comprised of American citizens from all ethnic and religious backgrounds and walks of life, were all equal in their resolve to stem the tide of fascism. Our country's reluctance to aid the Spanish Republican government did not deter these brave people who understood what the consequences were if a legitimately elected government were to fall.

Mr. Speaker, for the first time in our country's long history of isolationism, United States citizens were reacting to threats to liberty and freedom on the international level more passionately than ever before. Mr. Kailin was one of those citizens, had it not been for him and other brave volunteers in the Lincoln Brigade, the tide of fascism would have swept over Europe unchecked. The corps of international volunteers who came together in Spain would be the same volunteers to comprise the victorious armies of the allied forces that triumphed over the fascists dictators Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to honor these dedicated men and women in the same rightful fashion as my state. The strength of character of Clarence Kailin and others from Wisconsin who volunteered in the Abraham Lincoln Brigade are the qualities which we all can take pride in and celebrate in this Congress.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. PERCY JULIEN FOR 36 OUTSTANDING YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 28, 1999

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mr. Percy Julien, a resident of the Ninth Congressional District. After 36 years of distinguished service with the Oakland Unified School District, Mr. Julien is retiring.

For the past 11 years, Mr. Julien has served as the Director of the Oakland Unified School District's Office of Adult Education. As Director of Adult Education, he was responsible for over 26,000 students per year and a budget of approximately \$10 million. Mr. Julien had jurisdiction over 5 administrative sites and 140 satellite sites throughout the city of Oakland. His agency was responsible for the educational development of persons ranging from young adults to senior citizens. His most recent accomplishment was the creation, development and building of the Oakland Adult Education and Technology Center, which hosted its grand opening in April of this year. This facility includes a state-of-the-art computer center, and houses many other vocational classes which help students prepare for their future.

Throughout his brilliant career, Mr. Julien has served the Oakland Unified School District in many capacities. These roles have included teacher, counselor, work experience coordinator, leader in the career opportunities program, vice principal, principal, and lastly an administrator. In addition, he was the first elementary school counselor in the Oakland Schools.

Mr. Julien has been recognized and received countless awards from organizations across the State of California. These awards include the Oakland Alliance of Black Educators—the Personal Achievement Award; St. Columba's Church—the Ujima Award for Community Service; and the Bahá'í—Annual Human Rights Award.

As an active member of his community, Mr. Julien has served on various boards and committees throughout the city including the Mercy Retirement and Care Center Board of Education; State of California Adult Education Master Plan Strategies Committee; and the St. Paschal Baylon's Board of Education.

The City of Oakland and its surrounding environs owe a great deal of appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Julien for his 36 years of committed service to education. It is for this reason that I take great pride and honor in saluting this education hero and thanking him for his many years of commitment to educating Oakland's students.

TRIBUTE TO KATIE BUFFHAM

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 28, 1999

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I take this time to honor a woman who has given her time in order to make the community of Maybell, Colorado a better place. For 24 years, Katie Buffham has worked tirelessly as the librarian of the Maybell Public Library.

Katie's story begins in Sterling, CO where she was born, in 1916. Not long after that her family loaded up their Model T, a wagon and saddle horse and headed off for Three Springs, CO. Several years later she and her husband decided to raise their family in Maybell, CO. It was there that this story of a woman's dedication to the community takes shape.

In 1975, the Maybell Public Library was moved from the inside of a bank to a trailer where, shortly after, it was scheduled for closure. Katie Buffham, upon hearing this, took on the amazing responsibility of keeping the library up and running. She did exactly that and more. Just 1 month after she took it over there were 72 people visits to the library. For nearly 22 years she worked tirelessly, all the while earning nothing. Her days were spent going from the farm to the library and back taking advantage of every hour.

Today the library is a modular school house which was brought in from another city. It has modern conveniences and a few employees. They have become interactive with other cities and technologically efficient.

For years Katie Buffham has had the dream of making her community a better place. Thankfully, she fulfilled this dream. The area would have suffered greatly without this insti-

tution. So, it is with this Mr. Speaker, that I say thank you to Katie Buffham for her dedication and hard work. She is a great American and I wish her all the best in her well deserved retirement.

MOTHER PEARLIE MAE BROWN

HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 28, 1999

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the extraordinary service of Mother Pearlie Mae Brown, a woman of strong devotion and commitment to her community and our Nation. Pearlie Mae Brown is currently the First Lady of the Greater Bible Way Church in Prince Frederick, Maryland, where she is the most active and most cherished member of its congregation. Her talents have her serving as President of the Field Missionary Board, the New Members Club, as advisor to the all Women's Auxiliaries and President of the newly formed Evangelistic Board.

Her tireless energy and determination in bringing the word of God to all have also taken beyond the boundaries of her own community to the National level where she was the President of the Clergy Wives and Widows for 19 years and currently the President of the International Women's Council. She is also the First Lady of the Maryland-Washington Metropolitan Diocese, the Vice Chair of the Board of the Interdenominational Council of Ministers' Wives and Ministers' Widows of Washington, D.C. and Vicinity and is also involved in the numerous other comprehensive programs throughout the region.

While Pearlie Mae Brown takes part in all of these wonderful service organizations, she takes the most pride in being the First Lady of the Greater Bible Way Church in Prince Frederick and the proud wife of First Vice President Bishop Joseph N. Brown, D.D. Together they have four children and five grandchildren who are all an integral part of their life. It is through the strength of her family that she gains the true inspiration to carry on her mission to serve God and her community.

We recognize all of these many achievements on the eve of the 40th Annual Women's Convention being hosted by the Greater Bible Way Church under the direction of Pearlie Mae from November 10th through November 12th in Prince Frederick, Maryland. This convention, which is held in Prince Frederick every ten years, celebrates women's participation in religious affairs and explores the "total man and women—body, spirit, and soul. This year's convention is expected to include around 800 participants from throughout the Nation in addition to people from Trinidad, England, Africa, and Jamaica.

Pearlie Mae's life has been punctuated with zeal and enthusiasm, commitment and servitude, honor and distinction. She is an example for all to follow and the people of communities far and wide have benefitted from her determination, tremendous dedication and hard work. As she embarks on the 40th annual Women's Convention may she have strength in accomplishing her mission and satisfaction in knowing she has touched the lives of thousands.

HONORING MARTHA AND CARL LINDNER III ON THE OCCASION OF THE TEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF CINCINNATI HILLS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 28, 1999

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Martha and Carl Lindner III, friends and constituents who will be recognized at a gala dinner and pageant on Saturday, October 30, 1999 for their leadership as one of the founding families of the prestigious Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy (CHCA) located in Mason, Ohio.

CHCA is one of the fastest-growing schools in the country, and has earned a reputation for excellent academics, competitive sports and extracurricular activities. In 1997, I had the privilege of presenting the U.S. Department of Education's Blue Ribbon School Award to CHCA Elementary. CHCA's goal is to nurture and support each student toward individual growth. The school embraces students, parents and faculty within the care of a Christian community.

Martha and Carl's involvement with CHCA began twelve years ago when they worked to develop a vision for the school, and their deep commitment to CHCA has never wavered.

Carl was instrumental in developing the curriculum, particularly in the area of Biblical Integration. He established the Carl H. Lindner III Chair of Biblical Studies in 1993, which brings a speaker to the school each year for Spiritual Life Emphasis Week. He was a member of the founding Board of Trustees and Education Committee.

Martha has participated in and led Bible studies at CHCA, served on the Visioning Committee, helped develop plans for the tennis complex and been very involved in numerous PTF and classroom activities. In addition to all this, Martha and Carl are enthusiastic supporters of the activities of their four children—all of whom attended CHCA.

Martha and Carl Lindner are committed community leaders, and I congratulate them on this much deserved honor.

TELEMARKETING VICTIMS PROTECTION ACT OF 1999

HON. MATT SALMON

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 28, 1999

Mr. SALMON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to introduce the Telemarketing Victims Protection Act of 1999. The bill directs the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to promulgate rules and regulations which require telemarketing firms to notify consumers that they are eligible to be placed on national and state do-not-call lists. If a consumer elects not to be called, the telemarketing firm must report that request to the appropriate state or national authority. Additionally, the legislation prohibits telemarketing firms from blocking the identity of their phone number in order to evade caller ID devices. Furthermore, it requires telemarketing firms to obtain (and reconcile with their own lists) the