

drug test failure, Mr. Holly simply announced that he was "out of here" and walked through the unlocked door.

In the lawsuit, the Bailors' lost on a legal technicality. The 7th Circuit Court of Appeals recognized this technicality. The technicality was that, under law, apparently, no one had true custody of William Holly. The Federal Bureau of Prisons had legal custody of William Holly, but not physical custody. The Salvation Army had physical custody of William Holly, but not legal custody. Recognizing that this was legally untenable, the 7th Circuit recommended that Ms. Bailor apply to Congress for private relief.

I ask that my colleagues join in this effort to eliminate this gross injustice for Adela Bailor and Darryl Bailor. If we believe in victims' rights, then we must hold those who are responsible for the incarceration of violent criminals accountable for such conduct. Adela Bailor is an honorably-discharged Marine Corps veteran. At the time of the attack, she was helping to make this country a better place. We cannot, and should not, turn our back on her because of some legal loophole.

The 7th Circuit has reviewed this case fully and has made its recommendation. Although Congress is not bound by such recommendation, Congress should give great deference to the legal analysis by the 7th Circuit, which has determined that Adela Bailor and Darryl Bailor fall into an unusual legal situation.

Mr. Speaker, I urge you and all of my colleagues to support this legislation so that we may rectify a great wrong.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. LOU TRONZO UPON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. JOHN P. MURTHA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mr. MURTHA. Mr. Speaker, it's a pleasure for me to recognize an outstanding individual who will soon be retiring from the University of Pittsburgh, Mr. Lou Tronzo.

Lou has represented the University as a public affairs executive for the last thirty years, working at the local, state, and federal levels. In Western Pennsylvania and in the higher-education community, he's been an institution in the pursuit of programs to help universities and students.

Lou began his career in the public sector working for the Urban Redevelopment Authority of the City of Pittsburgh and for ACTION-Housing Inc., where he focused on land disposition, housing development, and economic research.

A graduate of the University of Pittsburgh with a B.A. and an M.A., he's been actively involved with the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges and the American Association of Universities. He's also served on the Boards of institutions such as the Community College of Allegheny County and Forbes Health System. He's the Founder and Co-Chair of the Institute of Politics at the University of Pittsburgh.

But this is a case where the details do not tell the whole story. Lou Tronzo has the respect of all of us who have worked with him over the years for his dedication, loyalty, common sense, and devotion to helping people.

The most recent project I've been working on with Lou is one that would bring economic progress and jobs to Western Pennsylvania—as always Lou's focus is on helping people and giving them a chance to improve their lives.

It's impossible to put any kind of number with the many, many students, educators, communities, institutions, and organizations that Lou has helped over the years. But it is possible to try on behalf of all of us who have benefited from knowing him to say: "Thank you, Lou, we recognize your outstanding contributions and hope you enjoy the time you will now have to spend with your family, especially your grandchildren."

TRIBUTE TO ROB SANDERS

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999
McINNIS.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a moment to recognize Rob Sanders, Moffat County High School Assistant Principal and Activities Director, for being honored by the Milken Family Foundation as a National Educator.

The Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award provides recognition and unrestricted financial awards to exceptional elementary and secondary school teachers, principals and other education professionals who are furthering excellence in education. This award is only given to four educators a year (in Colorado).

Mr. Sanders is an asset to Moffat County High School, as well as the entire country. Our education system thrives due to the efforts of individuals like Mr. Sanders. His dedication and hard work have proven to be a success in the third district of Colorado and I greatly appreciate his continued commitment to our youth.

A TRIBUTE TO ROGER ROBB

HON. CALVIN M. DOOLEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mr. DOOLEY of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Mr. Roger Robb, who is retiring this month as Manager of the Lower Tule River and Pixley irrigation districts in Tulare County, in central California.

Mr. Robb was born in Garden City, South Dakota, on October 5, 1937. He attended junior college in Porterville, expressing an early interest in serving as manager of an irrigation district. He received his bachelor's degree in civil engineering from California State University, Fresno, and his Master's degree in Geotechnical Engineering from U.C. Berkeley.

Early in his career, Mr. Robb held various positions with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Soil Conservation Service, serving in their Napa and Davis state offices. There he was active in a wide range of issues, including watershed management, drainage issues, small dams and irrigation efficiency studies.

In 1976, Mr. Robb began work at the Lower Tule River Irrigation District and Pixley Irriga-

tion District as a staff engineer. Only one year later, he ascended to his "dream job" of manager of the two districts. Mr. Robb took the position at a time when the Central Valley of California was facing one of its worst droughts in history, posing a challenge to the newly installed manager.

Throughout his career, Mr. Robb has been active in a number of associations, including the Friant Water Users Authority, Mid-valley Water Authority, Association of California Water Agencies-Joint Powers Insurance Authority, and Central Valley Project Water Association.

On the Tule River, Mr. Robb has overseen day-to-day operations for the Tule River Association, and helped lead the successful effort to establish a small hydroelectric power plant at Success Dam.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing Roger Robb for his contributions to his field and to the Central Valley community. We send our sincere congratulations and wish him well on the occasion of his retirement.

A SALUTE TO FLORETTA CHISOM ON HER RETIREMENT, OAKLAND, CA

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and to salute Floretta Chisom on her retirement from her position as the Director of the City of Oakland's Department of Aging, Health and Human Services.

Ms. Chisom's professional career, spanning more than a quarter century, began as the Director of the East Oakland Parent Participation Nursery School. She also served as Director of the District Parent Program for the San Francisco Unified School District and the Parent Education Program for the San Francisco Community College District, Assistant Director of the Life Enrichment Agency, and as Executive Director of Oakland's Community Action Agency.

Ms. Chisom also served for fifteen years as the Director of Oakland Head Start, helping the program to grow from serving fewer than 200 children to more than 1,500 children. While at the Oakland Head Start, Ms. Chisom was responsible for a number of innovative and pilot programs, including Home Base (where teachers visit families and provide instruction to parents in the home), services to homeless families with children of Head Start age, and a program to provide Head Start through family day care homes.

Since 1992, Ms. Chisom served as the Director of the City of Oakland's Office of Health and Human Services. In that role, she served as the Executive Director of the City's Community Action Agency as well as staffing a number of other city boards and commissions. She began Oakland's involvement with the California Healthy Cities program, assisted the City to develop a Child Care Plan, a Homeless Plan, and promoted expansion of programs to address homelessness, hunger, illiteracy and poverty.

In response to the termination of Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC),

and the creation of CalWORKSs, Ms. Chisom established the City of Oakland's Welfare Reform Coordinating Committee and served as Chair of the Committee. During this time, she was appointed as the Welfare Reform Manager for the City and, along with the Community Action Agency, coordinated the development of the City of Oakland's Welfare to Work Training Program.

In addition to her career in the public sector, Ms. Chisom is also active in many volunteer organizations including previously serving as a Board Member of the Breast Cancer Fund and her recent appointment to the California Breast Cancer Research Council.

I proudly join friends and colleagues in thanking and saluting Ms. Chisom on her twenty-five years of dedicated public service, leadership and innovation to the people and City of Oakland and extend my best wishes to her on her upcoming retirement.

TRIBUTE TO JOHNNIE HENDRIX

HON. SUE WILKINS MYRICK

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mrs. MYRICK. Mr. Speaker, on the eve of Veterans Day, I rise to bring to the attention of the House the extraordinary accomplishments of Johnnie Hendrix. Mr. Hendrix, a recipient of the Silver Star, deserves recognition for his valiant bravery on behalf of the American people while a member of our Armed Forces. I am proud to represent Mr. Hendrix in Congress.

Johnnie Hendrix, now 81, served in the 8th Infantry Division's 13th Regiment during World War II. While participating in an action against the German military in the Ruhr Valley, his commander was critically wounded. With concern for his commander and his fellow soldiers, Mr. Hendrix took up command of his company to lead the battle. Under his direction, a combination of tanks and infantry successfully broke the German defenses and the group captured more than 1,000 Axis prisoners.

Mr. Johnnie Hendrix is an outstanding and inspirational individual. His bravery and courage during this operation and throughout his service to our country is admirable and should be commended.

TRIBUTE TO JESSE AND EDUARDO MARTINEZ

HON. BRAD SHERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today and ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the vision and commitment of brothers Jesse and Eduardo Martinez, founders of Picosito.com, who have created a bilingual Internet website tailored to the U.S. Hispanic/Latino community. These first generation Mexican-American brothers established their parent company, VivaMedia Incorporated, in 1998 with the focus on educating, promoting and cultivating the online Hispanic/Latino community—regardless of income level or education.

Picosito.com provides free access to engaging, dynamic and culturally driven content including free email, news, entertainment, health, business and communications resources tailored to the needs of the growing online Hispanic/Latino community.

The stories featured on Picosito.com are exclusively written or selected because they address issues that affect the U.S. Hispanic/Latino population. The company is dedicated to identifying stories that will inform, educate and inspire Hispanics to make a difference in their lives and their communities.

Quizito, Person of the Day, and the Daily Fact are some of the unique features that allow users to test their knowledge and gain insightful information about their history, heritage and the vibrant culture of "la gente bonita."

Jesse and Eduardo Martinez are the first in their family to graduate from college, Jesse with a mechanical engineering degree from Texas A & M University and Eduardo with an electrical engineering degree from Stanford University. They credit their parents, Alfred and Socorro, who never graduated from high school, with instilling in them the courage, strength and determination to achieve academic success. Now they want to give back to their community and believe Picosito.com is the appropriate vehicle for this journey.

Picosito.com's first step at bringing technology into the Hispanic community is being demonstrated by the "Gift of Information" program, which involves donating computers to organizations that need computers and offer training in the usage of computers and the Internet throughout Los Angeles, New York and Miami.

Joining the entire Picosito.com team at the House of Blues in Los Angeles to help launch the "Gift of Information" program are Edward James Olmos and many personal and corporate friends from throughout the United States and around the world.

Mr. Speaker, Please join me in honoring Jesse Martinez and Eduardo Martinez as they pursue their dream—which is now reality: providing the resources to empower Hispanics to make a difference in their own lives, in their communities and in our country. They have earned our praise and respect.

HONORING BERNARD E. MADDEN

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to a dear constituent, Bernard Madden, who died on November 5 in San Luis Obispo at the age of 105 years.

Mr. Madden worked as a steam engineer in Omaha, Nebraska, for the Missouri Pacific Railroad. After his retirement, Mr. Madden and his wife, Eula, moved to San Luis Obispo. He spoke highly of his nieces and nephews, read the newspapers every day and spoke to my staff frequently about current affairs. One of his most passionate pleas was that prescription drug coverage be included in Medicare. Mr. Madden and I had a lot in common there. I will strive to see that this is accomplished in remembrance of him and the many seniors he knew and I know will benefit when this gaping hole in Medicare is fixed.

Bernard Madden had a wonderful and cheerful spirit and my staff and I will remember him fondly.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BUD SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, on the evening of Tuesday, November 9, 1999, I was unavoidably detained by matters relating to the Aviation Conference and because of this missed rollcall votes 580 and 581. On rollcall vote No. 580, House Concurrent Resolution 223, Expressing the Sense of the Congress on the Fall of the Berlin Wall, I would have voted "yea." In addition, on rollcall vote No. 581, House Resolution 1554—the Satellite Copyright, Competition and Consumer Protection Act, had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

IN HONOR OF OUR NATION'S VETERANS

HON. RON KIND

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mr. KIND. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow our nation pays tribute to the men and women who served in the armed forces. Veterans Day is an opportunity for everyone to stop and say thanks to those who have given so much to protect our freedom.

Since the beginning of our nation, the soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines of the Armed Forces have been called on to risk their lives and fight for the ideals that make America great. The level of our support for the Armed Forces has varied throughout history. Yet, regardless of what one thinks about the wars that they fought, or the wisdom of our involvement, we all should agree that those men and women responded to the call of their country and performed with honor and dignity.

This year we should take time to especially remember the veterans of World War II, many of whom are well into their 80's. Now more than ever, we need to listen to and preserve their collective wisdom and experience. Their devotion and courage can teach us about the importance of an individual's commitment to a cause greater than oneself.

On Veterans Day, in my congressional district, I have arranged to bring some of those veterans together with middle school students in several communities in western Wisconsin. My hope is that our children will learn the true meaning of duty, honor and courage from those veterans who were heroes on battlefields around the globe. It is important that our children learn about the sacrifices made by previous generations.

I recently read an excerpt from Senator JOHN MCCAIN's new book *Faith of our Fathers*. Senator MCCAIN spent more than 5 years as a prisoner of war in North Vietnam, in what was derisively referred to as the "Hanoi Hilton." In his book he talks about the meaning of glory.

For I have learned the truth: There are greater pursuits than self-seeking. Glory is