

to not really make a request, but almost impose upon you to say you have an obligation to work with us for all of your remaining years, to keep those columns coming, those op-ed pieces, to keep the letters and speeches coming, and never, ever stop probing our conscience, making us take that extra step to work for our constituents and the meaning of the United States.

Thank you, Senator MOYNIHAN.

#### TRIBUTE TO SENATOR DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 19, 1999, the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. LOWEY) is recognized during morning hour debates for 3 minutes.

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute to a great public servant and a dear friend, Senator Daniel Patrick MOYNIHAN. It is hard to believe, but we know you are going to stay fighting with us all this time.

Senator MOYNIHAN has served our country honorably through more than 4 decades of public life and four distinguished terms as Senator from New York. I want to especially salute Liz, our friend, your soulmate, your champion, your partner, your friend and fighter for all the causes that are good in New York and this country. We know you are going to continue to fight with us, Liz.

As a New Yorker, it has been an honor to be represented by Senator MOYNIHAN; and, as a Member of Congress, it has truly been a privilege for me to work with him. A leading advocate for New York's renowned medical schools and teaching hospitals, Senator MOYNIHAN has fought tirelessly to make sure that New York receives the Federal health care dollars that it deserves.

As a member of the Irish caucus, I have seen firsthand Senator MOYNIHAN's passionate commitment to establishing peace with justice for the people of Northern Ireland. Senator MOYNIHAN has also worked relentlessly to strengthen the United States-Israel relationship and to bring peace to that troubled region.

Yet Senator MOYNIHAN's storied legislative career, numerous political appointments and 62 honorary degrees are only part of what makes him so remarkable. Anyone who has had the pleasure of his company or the opportunity to work and fight by his side knows that his eloquence, intellect and dignity have made him a model leader for all Americans and a venerable advocate for the people of New York.

Indeed, Senator MOYNIHAN has been a guiding light on so many issues critical to the American landscape, perhaps nowhere more evident than his lifelong commitment to ending poverty in this country. With his incisive intellect, his boundless passion, Senator MOYNIHAN has worked tirelessly to speak for those who have no voice and to mend the social fabric of our Nation.

I know I speak for all New York and the Nation when I say that this institution will lose a brilliant mind when Senator MOYNIHAN retires next year, but we will continue to have your brilliant mind in fighting with us on all these critical issues that mean so much to New York and this country.

I will always treasure the time I have served with and have been represented by my good friend, Senator DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN. We wish you well. Godspeed to you, Liz, as well.

#### TRIBUTE TO SENATOR DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 19, 1999, the gentleman from New York (Mr. MEEKS) is recognized during morning hour debates for 1 minute.

Mr. MEEKS of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise this morning to join my fellow colleagues in honoring the distinguished Senator from New York. For almost a quarter of a century, DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN has represented the interests of the people of New York with a thoughtful, diplomatic leadership presence in the Senate. He has defined politics of civility.

His experience and expertise in domestic policy, foreign policy, science and the arts has guided our country through some of her toughest challenges. As a new Member of Congress seeking guidance, Senator MOYNIHAN and his staff were there for me whenever I called on them on behalf of the constituents of the 6th Congressional District.

Senator MOYNIHAN's professional story during four honorable Senate terms serves as a powerful contrast to the prevailing cynicism about politics and public service. PAT MOYNIHAN has been a larger-than-life figure for New York and the Senate, being a true role model and a great leader, with grace and wisdom, that has made all Americans proud, no matter what party, race, sex, religion or creed, no matter whether you are rich or you are poor. Indeed, Senator MOYNIHAN, your career has been about bringing people together. What a great legacy, about bringing people together and caring for all.

Open behalf of my constituents, I thank Senator MOYNIHAN for his dedication and distinguished public service; and I wish him and his wife, Liz, all of God's blessing. The people of New York will miss him greatly. So will the Congress, and so will our country.

#### TRIBUTE TO SENATOR DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 19, 1999, the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. KELLY) is recognized during morning hour debates for 3 minutes.

Mrs. KELLY. Mr. Speaker, when I first met Senator DANIEL PATRICK

MOYNIHAN, it was early in his career. As a graduate of the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts, he was, with characteristic concern for quality education, working with my husband and others to form a New York chapter of the Tufts Alumni Association. Its purpose was to found and fund scholarships and identify bright young students who would benefit from a college education. I remember then thinking how impressive he was in his grasp and understanding of the need of a quality education for all and the need for its early recognition.

When DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN ran for Senator from New York, it was as native son come home. A list of Senator MOYNIHAN's accomplishments would run on for hours, and we have heard many of them recounted here today. However, the most important things I believe so many will remember about him will be the fact that he changed their lives. He changed so many by applying intellect and concern for policy over politics.

During his distinguished career, many people gained a better quality of life and many people were able to better understand the government's functions, thanks to his thoughtful work.

Senator MOYNIHAN, it has been a great pleasure to work across the aisle from this House to the Senate and with you. We thank you for your hard work, and I thank you also for the work of your excellent staff. Although Washington may miss you, sir, we welcome you back to New York.

#### TRIBUTE TO SENATOR DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from the District of Columbia (Ms. NORTON) is recognized for 2 minutes.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased that a non-New Yorker has been able to get a word in edgewise this morning. I come to the floor as a fourth generation Washingtonian to pay tribute to a great New Yorker and a great American. Actually, I was a New Yorker. I was Chair of the New York City Human Rights Commission and I was the executive assistant to Mayor John Lindsey. The Senator introduced me when I was nominated to be the Chair of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

But I come this morning because Washingtonians would want me to come and other Americans would want me to come to thank the Senator for what he has done for the Nation's Capital, and, therefore, for his country. This is only one of the unique roles the Senator has managed to carve out in 25 years in the Senate.

As an African American, I also thank him for the prescient role he played in pointing out difficulties in the black family, a position that has now been embraced by black leadership themselves. As an academic, I thank him for

his work as a public intellectual. I fished out only two of the many books he has written from my bookcase this morning. How he has managed to write books and be a Senator, this academic still does not understand.

The lasting monument of this great man, I must say to you, for this city and the country, is surely his work in resurrecting Pennsylvania Avenue. From the Capitol to the White House, instead of a slum, the American people now see an avenue the equivalent of the Champs Elysee. It would not have been that way were it not for the determination and the sheer persistence of DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN.

We will not have to rename The Avenue for you, Senator, in order to remember you. We will remember your work on Pennsylvania Avenue by our ongoing work and by your remarks in your Jefferson lecture at the University of Virginia in April, where you said, "In all a reassuring tale. An urban design, indivisible from a political-constitutional purpose, endured during two centuries and has now substantially prevailed. Pennsylvania Avenue lively, friendly and inviting. Yet of a sudden closed. Just so. In 1995, blockades went up at 14th Street and at 16th Street in front of the White House. Blockades and block houses. Armed Guards."

We will open The Avenue for you, Senator.

#### TRIBUTE TO SENATOR DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 19, 1999, the gentleman from New York (Mr. HINCHEY) is recognized during morning hour debates for 3 minutes.

Mr. HINCHEY. Mr. Speaker, DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN has been valued and will continue to be valued for his wisdom on a kaleidoscopic range of subjects, for his prescient and nuanced analysis of social problems, his persistent and eloquent defense of government support for the poor and the disadvantaged, long after that position had become unfashionable; for his role in international affairs, as a participant and observer; as a courtly diplomat and passionate defender of democracy. His example, his independence of mind, his indifference to fashion, his rejection of cant and conventional wisdom, is perhaps the best demonstration of why his favorite cause, the dignity of the free individual soul, matters so much.

Perhaps the proudest achievement of our country and our democratic system is that we allow people like DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN to speak their minds and rise to power.

His particular legacy to New York lies in his understanding that the lives of free individuals can be enhanced by the beauty and grandeur of all that surrounds them: the landscape, the streetscape, and the history that

underlies them. So he made it his mission to see that our home, New York, would retain its distinguished features and add to its beauty and eloquence.

He committed himself to enhancing everyday life and to landmarks that spoke of the dignity of ordinary people, the efforts of the forgotten, and the conviction that every person matters. So throughout his Senate career, he worked to protect the landmarks of the women's rights movement in Seneca Falls, because he knew that the more celebrated proclamations of liberty in Philadelphia rang a little hollow for more than half the American people.

He worked equally hard to give Federal recognition to the Erie and Champlain Canals in New York, because he knows that the working folk who dug the ditches and piloted the boats, whose names we have forgotten, were more responsible for the westward expansion of our country and the opportunities it opened than the more celebrated frontier explorers.

He is working now to protect Governors Island in New York Harbor, the island most people ignored because its work was the daily grind of protecting the harbor, the overlooked work that sustains us. He has directed Federal funds to the protection of an ordinary businessman's house in Buffalo, because that little known man, Darwin Martin, had the daring and foresight to build a place of no pretension, but great beauty, by hiring an unregarded architect named Frank Lloyd Wright.

PAT MOYNIHAN insisted that public spaces where ordinary people pass daily and conduct their mundane business should remind them of their dignity and the soaring ideals of the American endeavor. So he insisted that the New York courthouses should be fine, even grand places, and he devoted himself to the rebirth of Pennsylvania Station as a place of splendor, a worthy replacement for the building we lost when people believed that public places should be drab and functional.

Of course, here in Washington, we know that it was PAT MOYNIHAN more than any other person who saw to it that Pennsylvania Avenue was also reborn, and again became a place of eloquence and beauty, appropriate to its place as the main boulevard of our Capital.

PAT MOYNIHAN made his home in New York, appropriately at the crossroads of the ordinary and the ideal, a tiny rural settlement named in honor of a classical poet, the Hamlet of Pindar's Corners. His home there at the same time was a modest rural farmhouse and a Greek temple, a common 19th century architectural style in upstate New York, but one rarely seen today.

His blending of the common, the human, the mundane, and of the highest ideals and greatest dignity, is a reflection of America at its best, what this country is all about. Nothing could be more appropriate for the man who best reflects that same vision, DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN.

Mr. Speaker, PAT MOYNIHAN has always appeared larger than life. From the day he arrived in the Senate as a freshman in 1977, he was not just another Senator. He has always stood apart. He is one of the few Senators of whom it can be said that his name is just as powerful, just as important, whether the title "Senator" is attached or not. After most of us leave Congress, the world has much less interest in what we have to say. But that will not be the case with PAT. When he speaks—whether he is Senator MOYNIHAN, Professor MOYNIHAN, or just DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN—the world listens.

He has been valued, and will continue to be valued, for his wisdom on a kaleidoscopic range of subjects—for his prescient and nuanced analysis of social problems, his persistent and eloquent defense of government support for the poor and disadvantaged, long after that position had become unfashionable, for his role in international affairs as participant and observer, as courtly diplomat and passionate defender of democracy and freedom. His own example—his independence of mind, his indifference to fashion, his rejection of cant and conventional wisdom—is perhaps the best demonstration of why his favorite cause—the dignity of the free individual soul—matters so much. Perhaps the proudest achievement of our country and our democratic system is that we allow people like DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN to speak their minds, and rise to power.

Any list of his achievements will be long. But we New Yorkers have some more particular and parochial reasons to thank him and to honor him, and reasons to be proud that we sent him to the Senate. He was born in Oklahoma, of course, and spent much of his professional life before he came to the Senate in Massachusetts. But we New Yorkers embraced him as he embraced us, and we will always be proud to count him as one of us.

His particular legacy to New York lies in his understanding that the lives of free individuals can be enhanced by the beauty and grandeur of all that surrounds them—the landscape, the streetscape, and the history that underlies them. So he made it his mission to see that our home, New York, would retain its distinguished features and add to its beauty and elegance.

It is telling that PAT MOYNIHAN did not put his greatest efforts into the more obvious treasures of the State, or into monuments to the great and famous. Instead, he committed himself to enhancing everyday life, and into landmarks that spoke of the dignity of ordinary people, the efforts of the forgotten, and the conviction that every person matters. So throughout his Senate career he worked to protect the landmarks of the women's rights movement in Seneca Falls, because he knew that the more celebrated proclamations of liberty in Philadelphia rang a little hollow for more than half the American people. He has worked equally hard to give federal recognition to the Erie and Champlain Canals in New York, because he knows that the working folk who dug the ditches and piloted the boats whose names we have forgotten were more responsible for the westward expansion of our country and the opportunities it opened than the more celebrated frontier explorers. He is working now to protect Governors Island in New York Harbor—the island most people ignored because its work was the daily grind of