

Mr. Javier's dedication to the Latino community has been recognized by various organizations. He volunteers his time and has served as Master of Ceremonies or Keynote Speaker at various community functions. Most recently he was recognized for his work with the American Diabetes Association's "Diabetes, Como Afecta A Su Comunidad" an information conference targeting the Spanish speaking communities in the San Fernando Valley. Mr. Javier has also served as Master of Ceremonies for the City of San Fernando Cesar E. Chavez Commemorative Committee.

An outspoken advocate of education, Jesus Javier has volunteered countless hours visiting elementary and secondary schools, Community Colleges and Universities always encouraging the youth to take advantage of the educational opportunities made available to them.

Mr. Jesus Javier is a native of Techaluta, Jalisco, Mexico. He received his degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of California at Berkeley. Mr. Javier has three adult children and lives in Northridge, California.

For all he has done on behalf of the Latino community, we salute Jesus Javier.

IN HONOR OF WENDELL NILES

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2001

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Wendell Niles, President and Chief Executive Officer of Niles Communications Group, Inc., in recognition of his contributions to the East New York community.

Wendell has and continues to be at the forefront of visual communications. In 1967, he joined the award winning Rodgers Studio where he worked on many noted accounts including Bulova Watch. Mr. Niles served in the United States Army as a graphic design specialist in Strategic Communications as well as a musician in the 36th Army Band. During his two-year service in the Army, he was promoted four times and received numerous awards and citations.

Wendell Niles' talent for visual communications has been cultivated since a young age. He graduated from The High School of Art and Design as well as a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in media arts from the School of Visual Arts in New York.

Wendell's work and efforts have made an impressive impact in the African American community. He is highly recognized for his ability to develop and implement creative strategies that are effective in reaching the African American consumer marketplace. In fact, Niles Communications Group, Inc. is becoming one of the most successful and most sought after African American owned graphics and communications companies in the United States. Some of his clients include African Heritage Network, National Black Leadership Commissions on AIDS, and many more.

In addition to working 90 hours a week to build his company, he serves on the boards of both the National Alliance of Market Developers and the Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. Memorial Committee. He is also an active and participating member of the New York Software Industry Association. In addition, for

more than 20 years, he has served as a mentor, instructor, and coach to members of his community. Wendell also sponsors disadvantaged students who want to enter the field of media arts and entrepreneurship.

Mr. Speaker, Wendell Niles has devoted his life to helping members of his community. For his service, he is worthy of receiving our recognition today. I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in honoring this truly remarkable man.

INTRODUCTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOREIGN MILITARY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL AMENDMENT TO THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2001

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today, I am introducing a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to clarify the process by which the United States Agency for International Development already provides HIV/AIDS education and prevention programs to foreign military and law enforcement personnel.

The United States is committed to the development of nations, and a major effort of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) is to address the HIV/AIDS pandemic, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa. In the past decade, USAID has committed more than \$800 million in funding to global HIV/AIDS education and prevention efforts.

However, HIV/AIDS education and prevention efforts are not as effective as they should be. While it is perfectly legal to do so, there has been some confusion in providing HIV/AIDS information to soldiers and other law enforcement forces due to restrictions imposed by Section 660 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961. Currently, only 8 of 19 USAID missions in sub-Saharan Africa provide such information to military or law enforcement personnel. Military and law enforcement forces are important in HIV prevention efforts due to their large itinerant populations, which have comparatively high HIV infection rates. These soldiers have multiple sex partners and frequent contact with prostitutes. Education efforts directed at such audiences can be particularly effective. If assistance to military and police forces is not provided, the general population is placed at risk.

To clarify the position taken by USAID's General Counsel that Section 660 does not prohibit participation of foreign police or military forces in their HIV/AIDS prevention programs, I have introduced legislation that amends Section 104(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 by adding the following language:

In providing assistance under paragraphs (4) through (7), the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development is authorized, notwithstanding section 660 of this Act, to provide education and related services to law enforcement and military personnel of foreign countries to prevent and control HIV/AIDS and tuberculosis. The education and related services may be provided only if the

Administrator determines that—(i) the education and services for police and military forces are part of a larger public health initiative; (ii) failure to provide the education and related services to law enforcement and military personnel of the foreign country would impair the achievement of the overall objectives of the health initiative; (iii) the education and related services are the same or are similar to the education and related services to be provided under the health initiative to other population groups in the foreign country; and (iv) none of the education and related services, including any commodity, can be readily adapted for law enforcement, military, or internal security functions.

The AIDS pandemic is proving to be one of the most important issues of our time. Since the advent of the AIDS epidemic, more than 22 million people worldwide have died from the disease. Currently, more than 36 million people are living with HIV/AIDS, the majority in sub-Saharan Africa. As the most technologically advanced nation and the leader of the free world, the United States has both a moral obligation and compelling national security interests to address the global HIV/AIDS crisis. My legislation streamlines the process by which USAID already provides HIV/AIDS prevention and education programs to foreign military and law enforcement personnel and clarifies the importance of including these high-risk groups in prevention efforts.

EXPRESSING SORROW OF THE HOUSE AT THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE JOHN JOSEPH MOAKLEY, A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

SPEECH OF

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 6, 2001

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a great friend and colleague, the late Congressman JOHN JOSEPH MOAKLEY. The passing of JOE MOAKLEY is a loss for the entire country. Indeed, those of us who had a chance to learn from and serve with this great man will truly miss him.

Throughout his career in public life, JOE MOAKLEY was a spokesman and warrior for the people of South Boston. He made it no secret that he would do whatever he needed to bring federal funds and programs to the State of Massachusetts and the rest of the U.S. With JOE's help, Boston was able to cleanup the Boston Harbor, establish an African-American historic site within the borders of the city, create a subsidized home heating credit for those who could not afford to heat their homes in the winter, as well as move forward with a variety of major infrastructure projects. Many of us, at one time or another, looked to JOE for advice on how to get funding for programs in our own districts.

While serving as a Member of Congress, JOE MOAKLEY rarely stood at the back of the line and followed the group. On the contrary, he walked to the front of the line and lead. JOE was a leader in Latin American issues. With this profile, he often took stances on

issues that were not always looked favorably upon by many of his colleagues, including taking meetings with Cuba's Fidel Castro. As Chairman of the House Committee on Rules for more than four and a half years, JOE helped structure the operations of the House and lead the Democratic Party in improving the overall quality of life in the U.S.

The one thing that I will miss most about JOE MOAKLEY, however, is the enjoyment I have gotten from watching the late Congressman fight for the issues he held closest to his heart. Last week, the Boston Daily Globe referred to JOE as the "People's Legislator." That he truly was. JOE always looked forward to going home and being with the people he represented—the people he loved. As Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino said, "The people of Boston have lost a true friend and a legend . . . one of the giants." During my tenure as a Member of Congress, I have attempted to emulate JOE's dedication to the people he represented. I can only hope that when I pass, I too will be referred to as a people's legislator. Thank you JOE for everything you have done for this the people of America as well as this institution. Your leadership and smile will be truly missed.

ACKNOWLEDGING THE TEACHING EXPERTISE OF JOHN CAVANAUGH

HON. TOM DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2001

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor an individual who has played an essential role in our society. That individual is John Cavanaugh. Mr. Cavanaugh was born in Bethesda, Maryland, and graduated from Georgetown University. He entered the teaching professional in 1973 as a German instructor at Georgetown Preparatory School. In 1976, he began teaching at the Congressional School of Virginia. During his tenure, Mr. Cavanaugh has taught United States History, American Government, World History, Geography, Latin, Italian, and Spanish. He has served as Yearbook Advisor for over two decades and is currently Chair of the Social Studies Department at the Congressional Schools of Virginia.

The range of courses Mr. Cavanaugh has taught reflects the expansiveness of his mind and his concern for the interactions of the multifarious peoples within our society. Mr. Cavanaugh also brings keen intellect to his work and inspires his students to be like him—that is, to use their intellects. He is a model teacher because he creates an appetite for knowledge and then teaches his students how to satisfy this appetite.

When this school year draws to a close, John Cavanaugh will have completed 25 years as a teacher at the Congressional Schools of Virginia.

As we contemplate the problems of our education system and debate the solutions to those problems, it is important to focus on the many great educators within the system who have committed their lives and careers to inspiring youngsters to learn. John Cavanaugh stands for them all.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I want to congratulate John on his many achievements and wish

him the best of luck in his future endeavors. I hope my colleagues will join me in saluting a man who gives much hope to our future.

A TRIBUTE TO LION LEROY FOSTER

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2001

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Lion Leroy Foster for his tireless work on behalf of his community.

Leroy Foster is a charter member of the Laurelton Lions Club. Since the club's inception in 1980, he has maintained a 100 percent attendance at all meetings and events. His dedication has shown throughout his 21 terms as a Member of the Board. During those 21 terms, he has served as President, first Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, as well as the Chair of numerous Committees.

Leroy earned is BBA in Accounting from Pace University. He is currently a Second Vice President of the TIAA-CREF directing the Tax Reporting Division. He is the father of two children, Tanya and his deceased son, Leroy Jr.

Leroy works extensively for his community at the district level. He is currently serving as a Board Member of the Habitat for Humanity Brooklyn Chapter. He has also served as Vice District Governor, Zone Chair, Region Chair and many other distinguished positions. While serving as District Governor, Mr. Foster organized the members of his district to build houses in Brooklyn and Queens.

Having a long and distinguished career as a delegate, he has attended international, national, regional, state and district conventions and Leadership Forums.

In addition, Leroy has received numerous awards for his community service. He is a Melvin Jones Fellow and is a recipient of The Boy Scouts of America Citizenship Award to name a few.

Mr. Speaker, Lion Leroy Foster has devoted his life to serving his community. However, what sets him aside from his peers is that he has never faulted in his commitment. Lion Leroy Foster is and has been a man to respect and emulate. As such, he is more than worthy of receiving our recognition today. I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in honoring this truly remarkable man.

COMMENDING YOUNG SOUTHWEST FLORIDIANS FOR THEIR SERVICE AND HEALTH CARE TO ELDERLY COSTA RICANS

HON. PORTER J. GOSS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2001

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, while for most of us it is sometimes difficult to find time to participate in service activities locally, it is nearly impossible to reach out to those who need assistance internationally. As the plight of many citizens of poorer countries often goes unrecognized, it is notable when a group reaches across our nation's borders to offer aid. It is even more impressive when those taking the initiative to do so are young people.

Recently, twelve of my constituents, members of the Barron Collier High School Key Club, traveled to San Jose, Costa Rica to charter the first Key Club in that country. This was a large undertaking, supported by almost 50 businesses, Kiwanis Clubs and individuals. These young Southwest Floridians trained their counterparts at the Marian Baker High School and then set out together to provide service and health care necessities to elderly Costa Ricans. The students also demonstrated their eagerness to serve the community as they worked to improve conditions at a local park and clean the littered beaches.

These students have proven that respected values exist worldwide. As these culturally dissimilar teens worked side by side, they exhibited that compassion is an attribute native to all. It is outstanding international efforts such as these that restore faith in America's youth. I congratulate the Barron Collier students and encourage them to continue upholding the mission of Kiwanis International to improve the quality of life for children and families everywhere.

TRIBUTE TO THE PRESIDENT OF HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY, DR. JAMES SHUART

HON. CAROLYN McCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2001

Mrs. McCARTHY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of Hofstra University President Dr. James Shuart's unique and lifelong commitment to Nassau County.

Our community is indebted to Dr. Shuart. His lifelong relationship with Hofstra University alone is notable. Not only did he attend the University for undergraduate and graduate studies, but he joined the University staff and rose steadily through the ranks. For 42 years, Dr. Shuart has served Hofstra University as an integral staff member, from his initial position as an admissions officer until his appointment to University President 25 years ago.

Dr. Shuart's term as Hofstra President benefitted both the University and the outlying community. While Dr. Shuart brought technological innovations to the campus for both students and staff, he brought national recognition to the University for its art museum and arboretum. Today, Nassau residents can take advantage of the campus' art galleries and exhibitions, outdoor sculptures and more than 7,000 trees. They can attend lectures, conferences and symposia on a variety of topics and enjoy dozens of concerts and plays performed in campus theaters.

Yet Dr. Shuart's tenure at Hofstra is just part of what makes him invaluable to our community. His work to improve our children's education on the local and state levels has set him apart from other educators. He has been involved in Nassau government consistently since 1971. Throughout the years, Dr. Shuart has consistently volunteered for a variety of community service organizations. His interest in the public good has made Dr. Shuart a role model for our children, their parents, indeed all of us.

I consider myself to be a better person because of my friendship with Dr. Shuart. He has shown me what comes with commitment