

TRIBUTE TO DR. WILLIAM F.
BRADLEY, DVM

HON. DENNIS MOORE

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 26, 2001

Mr. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the late Dr. William F. Bradley, a veterinarian from Douglas County, Kansas, who passed away recently, after a full life that was dedicated to his family, his veterinary practice, and service to his community.

Dr. Bradley exemplified the kind of individual whose selfless dedication to others forms the glue that has held together so many Kansas communities over the past century. He is best known in Lawrence, Kansas, for his longtime service on the school board for Lawrence and Douglas County, where he served for four years as board president. Additionally, he spent many years as Wakarusa Township trustee and was an active participant in local Republican Party politics. His wife, Bev, was twice elected Douglas County Commissioner as the Republican candidate. More importantly, though, Dr. Bradley was a founding member of the O'Connell Youth Ranch and a founder of the Lawrence Boys Club.

An active member of several local service organizations, 4-H groups and the Lawrence Chamber of Commerce, with Bev, Dr. Bradley was a devoted father to six sons. He epitomized the public-spirited pillar of our communities who does so much in towns and cities across the United States to bring people together to solve problems and constructively face challenges. His sense of duty touched many lives in Douglas County and in Lawrence; I was proud to represent him in Congress and I join with my constituents in mourning his loss.

Mr. Speaker, I place into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD an obituary for Dr. William F. Bradley that was carried by the Lawrence Journal-World and I am pleased to have this opportunity to take note of our loss.

[From the Lawrence Journal-World (KS),
Jan. 28, 2001]

WILLIAM F. BRADLEY

Services for William Ferdie Bradley, 74, Lawrence, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the First Presbyterian Church in Lawrence. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Bradley died Friday, Jan. 26, 2001, at his home.

He was born Feb. 16, 1926, in Topeka, the son of Aubrey J. Bradley and Neta Bernice (Davis) Bradley.

He was raised on a farm near Blue Mound and attended Unity Township and Blue Mound schools before going to college at Kansas State University, where he earned his bachelor's degree in 1949 and his doctor of veterinary medicine degree in 1953.

Bradley practiced veterinary medicine in Mexico, Mo., then served in the U.S. Army until 1957. He then established the Bradley Veterinary Hospital in Lawrence. He sold the practice to his son, John S. Bradley, when he retired in 1990.

Bradley served on the Lawrence School Board for 11 years, four years as president. He was active in the Masonic Lodge and the Lawrence Host Lions Club. He was the Wakarusa Township trustee for many years, a 4-H leader for the Meadowlark and Kanza 4-H clubs and a trustee for the Kansas State University Alumni Assn. He was a member of numerous veterinary associations, the Law-

rence Chamber of Commerce, the Kansas Association of Commerce and Industry and the American Hereford Assn. He also served as an associate professor of biological sciences at Baker University for several years.

He was also a founding member of the O'Connell Youth Ranch and was a founder of the Lawrence Boys Club.

He married Beverly Ann Torrens on Aug. 23, 1953, in Independence. She survives of the home.

Other survivors include five sons, William Jr. of Jackson, Wyo., Roger Sebastopol, Calif., Philip and John, both of Lawrence, and Kent, Wichita; one foster son, Greg Evans, Lawrence; three brothers, Aubrey Jr., Wichita, H. Keith, Lenexa, and Wayne, Louisburg; one sister, Idabelle Ostrum, Houston; seven grandchildren; and one foster grandchild.

The family will meet friends from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at Warren-McElwain Mortuary.

The family suggests memorials to Pet Trust at Kansas State University in care of the College of Veterinary Medicine or the Douglas County 4-H Foundation, sent in care of the mortuary.

NATIONAL BURN AWARENESS
WEEK

HON. JOHN JOSEPH MOAKLEY

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 26, 2001

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask our colleagues to join me in recognizing the importance of National Burn Awareness Week that was observed February 4–10, 2001. Burn Awareness Week provides an opportunity to educate children and families about the risks that lead to unfortunate and tragic accidents, particularly for the youngest and most vulnerable—our babies and children. The children of Boston who have been the victims of burn accidents have been benefiting from the service of the Shriners Hospitals for Children since 1968 when the Boston burn center first opened.

Unfortunately, infants and young children face greater risks from burn injuries than adults or older children. They rely more on the adults around them to ensure their environment is safe and free from potential burn-causing hazards. That is why in addition to treating over 20 percent of all pediatric burns in the nation at their four national burn centers in Boston, Galveston, Cincinnati and Sacramento, Shriners Hospitals focus on education and prevention of burn injuries.

The Shriners Hospitals for Children is a unique charitable organization that has never sought nor received federal, state, local or third party funding of any kind. Additionally, Shriners Hospitals are distinctive in that they offer full physical, psychological, and emotional care to all the children they treat.

With the 2001 budget for the 22 orthopaedic and burn hospitals totaling \$567 million, and with an active patient roster at over 156,000 children, it is obvious how important the Shriners Hospitals are to the health of our children. The Shriners Hospitals are 100 percent free, despite the fact that they will spend \$1.55 million dollars on children every 24 hours in 2001.

In recognition of Burn Awareness Week, Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to commend

such charitable organizations as the Shriners Hospitals that contribute greatly to the care, education, and research necessary to treat and work to prevent children's burn accidents.

CONGRATULATING PRIME MINISTER-ELECT OF ISRAEL, ARIEL SHARON

SPEECH OF

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 13, 2001

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to voice my concern with H. Res. 34, an imperfect resolution congratulating the Prime Minister-elect of Israel, Ariel Sharon, calling for an end to violence in the Middle East, and reaffirming the friendship between the Governments of the United States and Israel. While I will vote in favor of this resolution, as I did on earlier resolutions late last year, I hold serious and continuous concerns about its implications for the peace process.

Like my colleagues, I applaud Israel on its open and democratic election process. While the process was encouraging, the results were disappointing. Voter turnout was the lowest in Israel's history and participation by the Arab population was minimal. This division in the population further fractures the possibilities for a lasting peace.

According to statistics released from the Israeli Embassy, 55 Israelis have been killed since September 27, 2000, in riot-related situations.

According to statistics released from the Palestinian Initiative for the Promotion of Global Dialogue and Democracy (MIFTAH), 366 Palestinians, Israeli Arabs, and Palestinians in southern Lebanon have been killed between the dates of September 28, 2000 and February 6, 2001.

H. Res. 34 specifically calls on Yassir Arafat, Chairman of the Palestinian Liberation Organization (and President of the Palestinian Authority) to "use his influence and resources to see that violence in the Middle East is brought to an end." This statement unevenly places the onus of peace solely on the shoulders of the Palestinians. I have been consistent in my calls for all parties to be accountable and willing to strive for a workable peace. Isn't it counterproductive to place the blame or praise wholly on one party?

Americans must be concerned about how the new government will proceed. I strongly hope that Prime Minister Ariel Sharon will look to the future with the goal of peace and reconciliation. Israel, the Palestinians, and the Middle East Region overall have suffered greatly throughout the last century. This new millennium offers a chance for hope. It is my wish that Mr. Sharon will take that chance for peace.

If the United States wishes to be an honest broker for peace, we must be fair-handed and aware of how our votes, actions, and statements will be viewed by all factions involved in this unsettled region of the world.