

Whereas, Arthur Tate, Jr. has used his position as Warden of the Belmont Correction Institution to help educate the public on Rehabilitation; and

Whereas, Arthur Tate, Jr. must be commended for his professionalism and his ability to motivate those around him by establishing a superb example; and

Whereas, Arthur Tate Jr.'s dedication and service will be missed by the entire law enforcement community;

Therefore, I join with the residents of the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in celebrating Arthur Tate's years of service and retirement from the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction.

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN, MOURNS THE
DEATH OF ITS GREAT MAYOR
JEAN HARRIS

HON. JIM RAMSTAD

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 17, 2001

Mr. RAMSTAD. Mr. Speaker, the people of Eden Prairie, Minnesota, and our entire state are in mourning today because we've had a death in the family.

Minnesotans are saddened over the passing of Mayor Jean Harris—a truly gifted and extremely dedicated public servant whose visionary leadership, courage, integrity and compassion has a huge impact on Minnesota and the nation. Dr. Jean Harris represented the best in public service and she will be sorely missed by all of us.

Not allowed to enter the public library as a child because of the color of her skin, Dr. Jean Harris was a true pioneer, an African-American who broke new ground from her childhood right through to the courageous way she dealt with her terminal illness. Raised in a second-floor apartment in a segregated neighborhood in Richmond, VA, Dr. Harris was a ground-breaking worker in the civil rights movement by the power of her example and accomplishments as physician, adviser to presidents, corporate executive and beloved mayor.

I will miss Jean Harris because she was a true friend and adviser I could always count on for wise counsel and sound judgment.

Mr. Speaker, the only black student in her class at Virginia Commonwealth University's Medical College of Virginia, Jean Harris advised five U.S. Presidents as a member of health commissions and served as Virginia's Secretary of Human Resources, overseeing a \$2.3 billion budget and 22,000 employees.

Dr. Harris also served with great distinction as a consultant on health issues to the U.S. Agency for International Development, the National Institutes of Health, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and Congress. Jean was a valued member of my Health Care Advisory Committee and highly respected faculty member of her medical school, Howard University, Johns Hopkins University and the Drew Post-Graduate School of Medicine in California. Later, she was Director of Medical Affairs for the University of Minnesota Hospital and Clinic.

Mr. Speaker, Jean Harris' voice was never still. She spoke out against injustice at every opportunity and made a real difference on so

many fronts. After moving to Minnesota to become Vice President of Control Data Corp., she became involved in our state's politics and earned a sterling reputation for her leadership and integrity. Dr. Harris served on the Eden Prairie City Council from 1987 to 1994 and was mayor from 1995 until her death. She was vice president of the Minnesota Mayors' Association and a member of the Women's Economic Roundtable and the Women's Health Leadership Trust.

In 1990, Mayor Harris was a candidate for Lt. Governor in Minnesota. Subsequently, Mayor Harris served on the Commission on Reform and Efficiency in State Government, the Judicial Selection Committee and the Minnesota Health Care Commission.

Mr. Speaker, Mayor Jean Harris never met a challenge she did not face head on, including the cancer that ultimately claimed her life. "You cannot offer me a challenge I won't take," Jean Harris said on the day she learned she had cancer.

Jean was a totally open and honest person, and that candor led to frank discussions. But she had consensus-building skills that brought people together, producing strong bonds between people, bonds which will never be forgotten. Her inclusiveness knew no bounds.

Mr. Speaker, we owe so much to Major Jean Harris' visionary, dynamic, caring leadership. She touched so many lives during her remarkable career, and she always put people first. Mayor Harris loved her City of Eden Prairie and its wonderful people who showed their great admiration at the pools each time she ran for election over her 14 years in office.

Jean Harris' pioneering voice for justice and fairness may be quieted now, but her actions will echo for time immemorial, in Eden Prairie, throughout Minnesota and across America. Jean Harris' legacy will continue to inspire all of us who knew and loved her.

Mr. Speaker, our thoughts and prayers are with Jean's wonderful family; husband Leslie Ellis, and daughters Cynthia, Soraja and Pamela. May God bless Jean Harris and her family.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING
PAUL SCHRECK

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 17, 2001

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, whereas, Paul Schreck has devoted himself to serving others through his membership in the Boy Scouts of America troop 401; and

Whereas, Paul Schreck has shared his time and talent with Steubenville by creating a website for the town; and,

Whereas, Paul Schreck has demonstrated a commitment to meet challenges with enthusiasm, confidence and outstanding service; and

Whereas, Paul Schreck must be commended for the hard work and dedication he put forth in earning the Eagle Scout Award;

Therefore, I join with the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in congratulating Paul Schreck for his Eagle Scout Award.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO ROBERT
DOLPHIN, JR.

HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 17, 2001

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Robert Dolphin, Jr. and thank him for his contributions to Ft. Lewis College and the Durango community. Bob will always be remembered as a dedicated administrator and leader of the community, and as he celebrates his retirement, let it be known that this will be a great loss for a college and town that has relied on him for his knowledge and wisdom in times of hardship and prosperity.

Bob became a member of the community when he came to the Ft. Lewis College in 1984 to become Dean of the School of Business Administration and to teach finance. His success and hard work as Dean was awarded several years later with an acting appointment as Vice President of Business and Finance, a position he served until his permanent appointment in 1988. I am especially thankful to Bob for his success in securing the funding to add several new buildings to the college, most notably the Center for Southwest Studies.

Not content with the financial responsibilities of Ft. Lewis College, Bob branched out his time to serve the community of Durango. After serving as a city councilman, he moved on to the Office of the Mayor where he served successfully and diligently for his constituents during prosperous and difficult times. Bob has also donated his leadership ability and efforts to other needful organizations throughout the community by serving as Chairman for the United Way of Southwest Colorado and President of the Durango Area Chamber Resort Association.

Mr. Speaker, I just mentioned several of the many accomplishments in Robert Dolphin, Jr.'s life, but none compare to his character and dedication to the people of Durango. Robert is a remarkable person in that he is kind and caring to others and always has an open ear to someone in need. He's not afraid to stand up for what he believes in and works tirelessly to achieve success in all of his civic and academic efforts. I would like to extend my congratulations on Robert's retirement and wish him and his lovely wife Nancy the best in their future endeavors.

ON THE SUFFOLK COUNTY POLICE
DEPARTMENT'S 3RD PRECINCT
GANG INTERDICTION TEAM

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 17, 2001

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the Gang interdiction Team in the Suffolk County Police Department's Third Precinct. This team has been incredibly successful and is making a real difference in the lives of the people of New York's Second District.

The Gang Interdiction Team was founded following a homicide that also involved the wounding of an innocent young child. From

October 29 to December 15, 2001, the team worked rotating shifts throughout the precinct from 8 in the morning until midnight.

The Gang Interdiction Team made 154 arrests and had 290 significant contacts in that short time. The level of gang activity decreased significantly in the almost two months the team was in operation.

Mr. Speaker, throughout the 1990's police departments across New York State once again learned how effective strong police deployments can be in reducing crime. In dealing with gangs, this is even more important, for if we can keep gang activity down, we may be able to keep young people out of the sort of major trouble that gang-life ultimately brings.

I would like to note in particular that I will be working closely with Tom Spota, Suffolk County's new District Attorney and the Suffolk County Police Department in efforts to continue this program to keep the 2nd Congressional District safe for our families.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING
BRIAN FEELEY

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 17, 2001

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, whereas, Brian Feeley has devoted himself to serving others through his membership in the Boy Scouts of America troop 401; and

Whereas, Brian Feeley is commended for his quick thinking and survival skills for saving his brother's life in a bicycle accident; and,

Whereas, Brian Feeley has demonstrated a commitment to meet challenges with enthusiasm, confidence and outstanding service; and

Whereas, Brian Feeley must be commended for the hard work and dedication he put forth in earning the Eagle Scout Award;

Therefore, I join with the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in congratulating Brian Feeley for his Eagle scout Award.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON S. 1438,
NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION
ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002

SPEECH OF

HON. JIM RYUN

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 13, 2001

Mr. RYUN of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, as our military forces continue to confront the terrorism, we must remember the burden that is being carried by our personnel and their families. They have been called on to make even greater sacrifices to protect the freedoms of our nation. For the past several years, military personnel accounts have been stretched at the expense of those who need it most.

With the largest pay raise since 1982, S. 1438 allows every service member to receive a 5 to 10 percent raise. This bill acts to cut out-of-pocket housing costs for military personnel, with a goal to completely eliminate the expense by 2005.

There are many pressures in today's force that influence the decision of a military family of whether or not to remain in the service. This body has witnessed an ever-increasing challenge of recruiting and retaining. We have found that providing a valuable, quality health care benefit is vital to maintaining the welfare of our families.

This bill works to protect the health care choices of one important group: military spouses. I have worked hard to put women back in charge of their pregnancy-related

healthcare. Provisions of this bill will eliminate burdensome red tape experienced when attempting to retain a physician of their choice. By fully funding the defense health program, we are striving to build a military healthcare system that attracts patients based on quality, not on rules & regulations.

Now, more than ever before we realize that our presence represents a stabilizing force to countries around the globe. With pace of deployments likely to be increased, the Armed Services Committee has appropriately concentrated on enhancing quality of life issues in support of our deserving personnel.

I am pleased that this bill directly addresses the quality-of-life problems of today's service members.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING
JASON PAUL HUBER

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 17, 2001

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, whereas, Jason Huber has devoted himself to serving others through his membership in the Boy Scouts of America; and

Whereas, Jason Huber has shared his time and talent with the community in which he resides; and

Whereas, Jason Huber has demonstrated a commitment to meet challenges with enthusiasm, confidence and outstanding service; and

Whereas, Jason Huber must be commended for the hard work and dedication he put forth in earning the Eagle Scout Award;

Therefore, I join with the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in congratulating Jason Paul Huber for his Eagle Scout Award.