

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CONGRATULATING DETROIT RED WINGS FOR WINNING 2002 STANLEY CUP CHAMPIONSHIP

SPEECH OF

HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 15, 2002

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate the 2002 Detroit Red Wings who have won the most coveted trophy in professional sports.

This legislation, introduced by Representative CAROLYN KILPATRICK, congratulates the Detroit Red Wings for winning the 2002 Stanley Cup Championship. I am pleased to report to my colleagues that I, along with the entire Michigan House delegation, have signed on as an original cosponsor of this measure.

The 2002 Stanley Cup Champion Detroit Red Wings are considered by many to be one of the greatest hockey teams. This Red Wings team was led by nine future Hall of Famers including, the best captain, defenseman, coach and goalie. After dominating the National Hockey League in the 1990s by winning two Stanley Cup Championships and dubbing Detroit "Hockeytown," the Red Wings have captured their third Stanley Cup in 6 years. The championship work ethic and perseverance displayed by the Red Wings reflects the values of the people of Michigan.

The 2002 Red Wings are a symbol of team effort. Comprised of a diverse mix of experienced veterans, inexperienced youth, future Hall of Famers, Olympians, North Americans and Europeans, the Red Wings always put the team and their ultimate goal before individual achievement. The Red Wings, who started the 2001–2002 season with the highest expectations, were led by their selfless captain Steve Yzerman. Yzerman, who always exemplified team unity, led the Red Wings to the Stanley Cup despite being nearly crippled by a knee injury.

Not only have the Red Wings displayed excellence on the ice, but also in their communities, often volunteering their time to make significant contributions to those who are less advantaged. Unlike many professional athletes today, the Red Wings have welcome the time of "role model." The Red Wings are an example of what can be achieved through hard work and team effort. Congratulating them with this Congressional Resolution is just one way we can pay tribute to their accomplishments and I urge support for the bill.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. VITO FOSSELLA

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2002

Mr. FOSSELLA. Mr. Speaker, I am not recorded on rollcall Nos. 319, 320, 321, 322,

and 323. I was unavoidably detained and was not present to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on rollcall Nos. 319, 320, 321, and 323. I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 322.

TRIBUTE TO NAPOLEON BANK

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2002

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, let me take this means to recognize the 100th anniversary of the Napoleon Bank of Napoleon, MO. This bank has given diligent service to eastern Jackson County and western Lafayette County citizens since 1902.

Napoleon Bank was founded in 1902 by local stockholders who felt that the area in and around Napoleon needed a bank. After the founding of the Napoleon Bank, John Strodtman was named its first president.

Since 1902, Napoleon Bank has outgrown its original placement and has had several additions, including five since 1966.

Mr. Speaker, the citizens of Napoleon can be proud of the 100-year history of the Napoleon Bank. I know the Members of the House will join me in congratulating Napoleon Bank on a century of the fine service.

IN COMMEMORATION OF THE 28TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TRAGIC INVASION AND OCCUPATION OF CYPRUS BY TURKISH ARMED FORCES

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2002

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join the Cyprus Federation of America, Inc., in remembering the 28th anniversary of the tragic invasion and occupation of Cyprus by Turkish armed forces. To commemorate this anniversary, a concert was held at the Summer Stage in Central Park on Saturday, July 20, 2002, featuring two exemplary artists from Greece, Dionyssios Savopoulos and Alkinoos Ioannides. On Sunday, July 21, 2002, memorial services were held for the victims of the Turkish invasion and occupation of Cyprus at the Cathedral of Holy Trinity in New York City.

On July 20, 1974, Turkey invaded the sovereign Republic of Cyprus and placed 37 percent of its territory under military occupation. Over the past 28 years, hundreds of thousands of Greek Cypriots have been expelled from their homes and forced to live as refugees in a homeland ravaged by ethnic strife and human rights abuses. This illegal occupation persists today, infringing upon principles of national sovereignty and violating the Cypriots' natural right of self-determination.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in solemnly commemorating the 28th anniversary of the invasion of Cyprus. I further ask you to stand firmly with the people of Cyprus in their quest to cast aside the chains of oppression and restore their fundamental rights of self-determination and self-government. To our friends engaged in the struggle for freedom in Cyprus, I offer the words of the American patriot Thomas Paine: "Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered; yet we have this consolation with us, that the harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph." Let us hope that this anniversary will herald the coming of a glorious triumph for the Cypriot people after decades of injustice and for the cause of freedom throughout the world.

TRIBUTE TO MR. GILES H. MILLER, JR.

HON. ERIC CANTOR

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2002

Mr. CANTOR. Mr. Speaker, I have known few people who represent the terms "service to others" and "good citizenship," better than Mr. Giles H. Miller, Jr.

Mr. Miller was born in Lynchburg, VA, July 26, 1903. He was admitted to VMI in August 1920, graduating in June 1924. He received many honors while in attendance there. In more recent years, Mr. Miller has been president of its board of visitors, formed the Miller Basketball Scholarship Program, received its Keydet Board Spirit Award, served as trustee of the VMI Foundation, became an honorary coach, was chairman of the VMI Flying Squadron, and received VMI's Distinguished Service Award. He is presently the senior living alumnus of VMI.

Mr. Miller became a resident of Culpeper, VA in 1930, and has selflessly served that community for over 70 years. He became president of the Culpeper National Bank, as well as its chairman of the board, was elected to the Culpeper Town Council and subsequently received its 20 Year Town Council Award. He assisted in the organization of the Culpeper Host Lions' Club as its first president, represented Culpeper as director of the Maryland and Virginia Milk Coop, served two terms as president of the Culpeper Chamber of Commerce, served on Culpeper's 250th Anniversary Committee, and with the assistance of others, obtained a new weight room at Culpeper County High School, resulting in what is now called the Giles H. Miller, Jr. Training Center, and was honored at "Miller's Day" at Broman Field, Culpeper County High School, for his service. Mr. Miller was a Director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond and the chairman of the first board of the Culpeper Memorial Hospital, now Culpeper Regional Hospital, and has acted as chairman of its fund drive. In fact, Mr. Speaker, Mr. Miller was instrumental in bringing the Federal

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Reserve to Culpeper, as well as the Culpeper Memorial Hospital. Today, at the entrance of the Emergency Room of the Hospital, hangs a large bronze plaque, depicting Mr. Miller's likeness, which reads "Giles H. Miller, Jr., Ambulatory Service Center, In Recognition of Outstanding Leadership and Support of Culpeper Memorial Hospital."

Mr. Miller has received numerous awards, including, but certainly not limited to, Outstanding Citizen of the Year in Culpeper, was honored by resolution of the Virginia General Assembly for his service to VMI, Culpeper and the Commonwealth of Virginia, was presented a certificate as a member of the Culpeper School Board Selection Committee, received the Culpeper Colonel Award from the Board of Supervisors, was honored with a Certificate of Appreciation from Keep Virginia Beautiful, having served as its president, and received the Good Scout Award from the Boy Scouts of America.

Mr. Speaker, these few paragraphs do not begin to relate the accomplishments of this outstanding gentleman, known affectionately as Mr. VMI and Mr. Culpeper. He has been a friend to so many, has supported numerous causes and inspired others his entire life. On the occasion of his 99th birthday, I hope you will join me in recognizing Mr. Miller's positive influence and many contributions to the community of Culpeper, the Seventh District of Virginia and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

STOP HATE

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2002

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly." Dr. King was referring to the struggles of African Americans to achieve basic civil rights and equality of opportunity in the civil rights movement of the 1960's and this same sentiment is applicable today. I come to the floor of the House of Representatives today in support of H. Res. 393. Concerning the rise in anti-Semitism in Europe because I believe it is time for us to speak out against this rise to expose and combat it.

The rise of anti-Semitic sentiment in Europe over the last 18 months is abominable, and detestable. The attacks on Jewish people and Jewish institutions are upsetting and should be the source of great concern by us all.

Anti-Semitism is just a fancy name for stupidity and ignorance. It is imperative that a goal of the governments in Europe be to eradicate sentiments and expressions of hate against any culture anywhere in their nations.

I stand in support of this bill, H. Res. 393, to express my belief that if we don't stop the spread of anti-Semitism in Europe we as Americans are as accountable as the arsonists who burned down the Or Aviv synagogue in Marseilles, France on March 31, 2002.

Individuals who harbored feelings of hate toward Americans and our way of life attacked

the United States of America. That attack, September 11th, has permanently scarred us as a country. I believe that there is a direct correlation between anti-Semitism and terrorism.

It is therefore our duty, as Americans not to stand silent while our brethren across the pond allow for the spread of this form of terrorism.

To quote the great Dr. King again "Nothing in the world is more dangerous than sincere ignorance and conscientious stupidity." It is therefore our responsibility to pressure the European of governments to root out anti-Semitism. I agree with my colleague, Congressman JOSEPH CROWLEY; who authored the resolution "the governments of Europe should make a concentrated effort to cultivate an atmosphere of cooperation and reconciliation among the Jewish and non-Jewish residents of Europe".

If we do not stop the spread of anti-Semitism in the streets of Germany, in the stadiums of Italy, in the Cafe in France, then what stops this hate from arriving here in the institutions of the United States of America?

THE MONTGOMERY GI BILL ENHANCEMENT ACT

HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2002

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, I was recently contacted by one of my constituents who has dedicated his life to defending our Nation. His honorable service covers 19 plus years in the Air Force but he is denied the opportunity to participate in the Montgomery GI bill. Today, I am introducing the Montgomery GI Enhancement Act of 2002 to correct the unfair restrictions that are preventing some of our career servicemembers from using educational opportunities that they deserve.

Education assistance has been a cornerstone of military benefits for over 50 years. Congress recognized that military service often prevented young people from attending school and attaining higher levels of education. In 1944, Congress passed the original education bill for servicemembers, the Servicemen's Readjustment Act. This World War II era legislation provided billion of dollars in education and training incentives for veterans and active duty personnel. The Nation has reaped many times that amount in return investment from a well-trained workforce and a more productive society.

Building on the success of the original GI bill, Congress has passed several other pieces of legislation expending veterans' educational benefits. The Veterans' Educational Assistance Program, VEAP, was enacted in 1976 as a recruitment and retention tool for the post-Vietnam era. This was the first program requiring payment contributions from military personnel while they were on active duty and was available to people who entered active duty between December 31, 1976, and July 1, 1985.

In 1984, Congress passed the All Volunteer Force Educational Assistance Program; more commonly call the Montgomery GI Bill, MGIB. This expanded program provided better benefits that offered under VEAP and last year Congress passed legislation to boost MGIB by

a record 46 percent over 2 years. With the enactment of this legislation, an estimated 409,000 veterans and servicemembers will receive assistance under MGIB for education and training in 2003.

In 1996, Congress passed Public Law 104-275, allowing VEAP participants to transfer their education accounts to MGIB and 41,041 veterans and servicepersons took advantage of the opportunity. The opportunity to convert to MGIB is very important because the benefits available are much greater. Unfortunately, those individuals who were on active duty before 1985 and did not participate in VEAP were not eligible to sign-up for MGIB, leaving a gap in available coverage for certain career military personnel. Congress has voted several times in the last decade to allow VEAP participants opportunities to transfer to MGIB, but there has not been an opportunity for those who did not have VEAP accounts to sign up for the new program, excluding them from taking advantage of great educational benefits.

This unjust situation can easily be remedied. My legislation provides a one-year open enrollment period for individuals falling into this gap to attain the benefits that they deserve. This is a matter of equity. We cannot neglect our career military personnel; they have served bravely and honorably for decades and their experiences are crucial to the security of our Nation. Now is the opportunity to ensure that they are provided for and have the same benefits that are available to other members of the Armed Forces.

COMMENDING JUANITA JOHNSON- CLARK

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2002

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I want to commend Juanita Johnson-Clark as she retires after 25 years of public service in Camden County. While I must be in Washington, DC during a ceremony in her honor, I want to recognize her achievement here in the House of Representatives.

Juanita Johnson-Clark's had work at the Camden County Department of Health and Human Services has benefited scores of people in South Jersey. I especially comment her important work to help people with substance abuse problems. I wish her continued success with whatever she chooses to pursue during this new phase of her life.

HONORING DR. BRUCE TAUCHER

HON. ELLEN O. TAUSCHER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2002

Mrs. TAUSCHER. Mr. Speaker, as we mark the end of Dr. C. Bruce Tarter's tenure as the Director of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, I would like to take this opportunity to celebrate his career and honor his accomplishments. During his more than 30 years with Livermore Laboratory he has served in capacities that truly span the broadest possible range, beginning with a summer internship as a graduate student, and culminating