

White would have no part of it. He was not for sale."

It is Tim's emotional candor that will be missed and we mourn his loss. As we honor Tim's memory, we should aspire to hold to the same ideals that Tim exhibited throughout his life: integrity, commitment and compassion.

IN MEMORY OF CHARLES "RUDY"
LONGO

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2002

Mr. GALLEGLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a good friend, Charles "Rudy" Longo, who died Sunday after a lifetime of devotion to his family, friends, the Navy and his community.

Rudy retired from the United States Navy in 1975 after a 31-year career, including eight years in my district at the Pacific Missile Test Center in Point Mugu. Thereafter, he made his home in Ventura.

He enlisted in 1944, was commissioned an ensign in 1946 and retired as a captain. To say Rudy was a photo specialist would be to gloss over his wide range of talents and accomplishments. He served as administrative officer for the Sixth Inter-American Naval Conference, director of the command staff and comptroller for the Naval Missile Center and public relations director of the Pacific Missile Test Center.

Aside from photography, he loved golf, table tennis, billiards, magic and cooking. Rudy was a longtime member of the Ventura Rotary Club, serving as its president and official photographer. He was also a member of the Retired Officers Association, the American Legion Post No. 339, and was a member and usher at Ventura Missionary Church.

Rudy met his wife of 50 years, Pati, while stationed at the Naval Photography School in Pensacola, Florida, where she also was stationed with the Navy. Together they raised three sons, who are now married and who have blessed them with four grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, Rudy believed in the American ideals of family and community and dedicated his life to promoting those ideals. I know my colleagues will join me in celebrating Rudy's life and in sending our condolences to Pati and their family.

RECOGNITION OF MS. EMILY GORE

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2002

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Ms. Emily Gore, a very special young woman who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in national government.

Emily is a junior political science major at the University of Missouri-Columbia and has distinguished herself as an intern in my Washington office by serving the great people of the 6th District of Missouri. Emily joined my staff for the 107th Congress as part of the House of Representatives intern program at the

United States Capitol in Washington, D.C., a program designed to involve students in the legislative process through active participation. Through this program, Emily has had the opportunity to observe firsthand the inner workings of national government and has gained valuable insight into the process by which laws are made.

During her time as an intern in my office, Emily has successfully demonstrated her abilities in the performance of such duties as conducting research, helping with constituent services, and assuming various other responsibilities to make the office run as smoothly as possible. Emily has earned recognition as a valuable asset to the entire U.S. House of Representatives and my office through the application of her knowledge and skills acquired prior to her tenure as an intern and through a variety of new skills she has acquired while serving the people of Missouri and our Nation.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Ms. Emily Gore for her many important contributions to the U.S. House of Representatives during the current session, as well as joining with me to extend to her our very best wishes for continued success and happiness in all her future endeavors.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF TONY
HALL

HON. WES WATKINS

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2002

Mr. WATKINS of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, I rise this evening to pay tribute to TONY HALL—a good and selfless man who has devoted his career to helping the world's poor and forgotten people. I also want to wish God's speed to TONY as he leaves us to take up his new post as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations food and agricultural agencies in Rome.

It has been my privilege to know TONY for almost 25 years. We both came to Congress in the late 1970s. Since that time, TONY has worked tirelessly on behalf of his constituents in Dayton—helping to bring good jobs to the community, working to provide health insurance to the poor, and strengthening scientific research at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. In these and many other ways, TONY HALL has been a forceful and successful champion for the people of Dayton.

But that is not why the history books will remember TONY HALL. His service has been about much more than the normal duties of an active and successful Member of Congress. TONY has been one of the most visible and tireless spokesmen for the poor, the disadvantaged, the hungry—not just here at home, but all around the world. He has lived the social gospel. He has helped his brothers and sisters in need. He has not sought personal gain or recognition for his actions. He has striven to make us all aware of the almost unimaginable poverty that lingers in the Third World. He has sought to use our astounding abundance to relieve the suffering of others. This is why TONY HALL will be remembered. This is what I will remember most of all about my friend.

Mr. Speaker, others will list the list of honors and accomplishments that TONY has compiled. Three nominations for the Nobel Peace Prize, a co-founder of the House Select Committee

on Hunger, service in the Peace Corps—the list is long and impressive.

But to me, Mr. Speaker, the most impressive testaments to TONY HALL are his family, his love and respect for this institution, his respect for his colleagues, his passion for advancing the ideas he believes in, his love for his fellow man.

I want to thank TONY HALL for the pleasure of his company and his friendship during our service together. I know that he will do much to make us proud in his new position as an ambassador to the United Nations. I am already proud of him.

HONORING MAJOR GENERAL JACKIE D. WOOD ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AS TENNESSEE'S ADJUTANT GENERAL

HON. BOB CLEMENT

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2002

Mr. CLEMENT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Tennessee's top National Guard official, Major General Jackie D. Wood, on the occasion of his retirement from the adjutant general post, after seven years of outstanding leadership to our state and years of brave service to our nation's military.

Major General Wood became the state's 73rd adjutant general in 1995, taking on the responsibility of supervising the Military Department including the Army National Guard, the Air National Guard, the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, and the Tennessee State Guard.

General Wood began his work in the United States Army in 1961 when he enlisted for the first time. He later served one tour of duty as a Sergeant (E-5) in Vietnam. After completing his active duty tour and a short tour of duty in the United States Army Reserve, he enlisted in the Tennessee Army National Guard in 1965, rising through the ranks before being named its top officer in 1995. He maintained a strong role in the military reserves while working in the private sector, retiring from South Central Bell with 31 years of service.

He completed Officer Candidate School at Tennessee Military Academy. General Wood served in a variety of staff and leadership assignments in the Tennessee Army National Guard including Executive Officer, 473rd Support Battalion; Commander, 4/117th Infantry, and was serving as Deputy Director, Plans, Operations and Training, State Area Command before his appointment as Adjutant General.

He was further educated at Cumberland University in Lebanon, Tennessee, earning a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Social Science in 1986, and completing Air University in 1992.

His military assignments include: Aug 66–Mar 70, Platoon Leader, Company A, 4th Battalion, 117th Infantry, Apr 70–Jan 92, Liaison Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters (—), 4th Bn, 117th Infantry, 3rd Bde, 30th Armored Div; Feb 72–Oct 73, Executive Officer, Det 1, Co A, 4th Bn, 117th Infantry, 3rd Bde, 30th Armored Div; Nov 73–Aug 75, Aide-de-Camp, Headquarters and Headquarters, 30th Separate Armored Brigade; Aug 75–Apr 81, Assistant S-1, Headquarters and Headquarters, 30th Separate Armored Brigade; Apr 81–Mar

82, Brigade Maintenance Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 473rd Support Battalion, 30th Separate Armored Brigade; Mar 82–Jan 84, Executive Officer, HHD, 473rd Support Bn, 30th Separate Armored Bde; Feb 84–Feb 85, Automatic Data Processing Systems Officer, HHD, 473rd Support Bn, 30th Sep Armored Bde; Mar 85–Apr 85, Transportation Staff Officer, HQ, State Area Command, Tennessee Army National Guard; May 85–Oct 86, Supply Staff Officer, Headquarters, State Area Command, Tennessee Army National Guard; Oct 86–Mar 90, Battalion Commander, 4th Battalion, 117th Infantry, 30th Separate Armored Brigade; Mar 90–Jul 93, Intelligence Officer, Headquarters, State Area Command, Tennessee Army National Guard; Aug 93–Apr 95, Deputy Director, Plans, Operations and Training Division, Headquarters, State Area Command, Tennessee Army National Guard; 26 Apr 95–Present, The Adjutant General, Tennessee National Guard.

Major General Wood has been honored numerous times by his peers and by the United States Government for outstanding service. These awards and decorations include: the Meritorious Service Medal; the Army Commendation Medal; the Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster; the National Defense Service Medal with 1 Silver Star; the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with gold hour glass devices; the Army Service Ribbon; and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon with "60" device.

May General Wood continue to prosper in all of his future endeavors and may he be richly blessed for his courage, dedication, patriotism, and service to Tennessee and to the United States of America.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CURT WELDON

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2002

Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 342, 343 and 344, I was inadvertently detained. I would have voted "nay" on No. 342, and "yea" on Nos. 343 and 344.

FRED WORTH

HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2002

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my constituent and friend, Fred Worth of Troy, Ohio, on the occasion of his 50th birthday on July 26, 2002.

Fred began his life of public service as a high school government and history teacher, and baseball coach. His enthusiasm for these subjects along with his dedication to his students have combined to make Fred Worth's 26 years as a public school teacher a success.

Fred's teaching methods have never been confined to the classroom. Fred and his students organize fundraising drives to provide Thanksgiving meals to families that are less

fortunate, and to purchase Christmas gifts for the children of these families. When the Ohio River flooded in 1997, Fred and his students traveled down to Hamilton County and assisted the local residents in the clean up of their flooded homes and businesses. Every election year, Fred makes sure that all of his eligible students are registered to vote, and also have the opportunity to volunteer for the campaigns of local candidates. And, twice a year, Fred arranges a trip to Washington, D.C., so that his students can meet their Congressman and see firsthand how their Federal Government works. Fred's commitment to providing his students with the opportunity and knowledge necessary for success has endeared him to two generations of young men and women who call Miami East High School their alma mater.

Also, Fred leads his students by example, and has been an active participant in all levels of government in Miami County. Every Republican candidate who has run in Miami County in the last 20 years has benefited from Fred's hard work. Whether distributing campaign literature, putting up yard signs, or serving as Chairman of the County Board of Elections, Fred has always dedicated his time and resources to local candidates and the Miami County G.O.P. owes him a great debt of gratitude. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize Fred Worth's career of public service, and to wish him a happy 50th birthday.

NURSE REINVESTMENT ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. MICHAEL BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2002

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, as the sponsor of H.R. 3487, I would like to revise and extend my remarks in support of passage of H.R. 3487, and I would like to note that this intent language is supported by all the members involved in reaching agreement on the final bill which passed the House and Senate on July 22, 2002. These members include myself, Senator BARBARA A. MIKULSKI, Congresswoman LOIS CAPPS, Senator TIM HUTCHINSON, Congressman W.J. "BILLY" TAUZIN, Senator JOHN F. KERRY, Congressman JOHN D. DINGELL, Senator JAMES M. JEFFORDS, Congressman RICHARD BURR, Senator JUDD GREGG, Congressman SHERROD BROWN, Senator BILL FRIST, M.D., Congressman ED WHITFIELD, Senator EDWARD M. KENNEDY, Congressman ELIOT ENGEL, Senator SUSAN COLLINS, Congressman ROBERT L. EHRlich, Senator HILARY RODHAM CLINTON, and Congressman HENRY WAXMAN.

1. FUNDING METHODOLOGY

During the last reauthorization of Title VIII in 1998, Congress required the Secretary of Health and Human Services to determine a funding methodology to be used for fiscal year 2003 and thereafter to determine the appropriate amounts to be allocated to three important programs within the Nursing Workforce Development activities—advanced nursing education, workforce diversity, and nurse education and practice. In developing this methodology, Congress outlined a series of factors that should be considered and required a report describing the new methodology as well

as the effects of the new methodology on the current allocations between those three important programs.

Given that the new funding methodology was to take effect in fiscal year 2003, Congress requested that the contract for the funding methodology be completed by February 1, 2002, and that the report to Congress regarding that methodology arrive no later than 30 days after the completion of the development of the methodology. Although Congress has not yet received the report, George Mason University has been working on this contract, and they have described the appropriate funding methodology on their website. This methodology states that advanced nursing education should receive 31.5% of the funds (a 46% decrease from fiscal year 2001 allocations), workforce diversity should receive 31.5% of the funds (a 25% increase over fiscal year 2001 allocations), and nurse education and practice should receive 37% of the funds (a 20% increase over fiscal year 2001 allocations).

Because Congress expected the funding methodology to be completed by the beginning of fiscal year 2003, current law does not state how the funds should be allocated if no funding methodology was available. Therefore, the discretion is left to the Secretary. Due to that discretion, it is the Congress' intent that the Secretary allocate funds in a manner that would most appropriately address any current or impending nursing shortage while minimizing disruption and report such allocations to the appropriate committees of Congress, along with a justification for those allocations. Further, given that Congress has requested a new funding methodology for fiscal year 2003, the Secretary is now requested to provide an update on the development of that methodology and the expected timeline for implementation.

II. AUTHORIZATIONS UNDER THE NURSE REINVESTMENT ACT

Throughout the bill, the legislation authorizes the appropriation of such sums as may be necessary to accomplish the objectives of the legislation. It is the Congress' belief that the current nursing shortage is a significant national problem that has a major negative impact on the delivery of high-quality health care in the United States. It is the Congress' belief that funds should be appropriated for the initiatives authorized by this legislation at a level that is commensurate with the significance of this problem.

The legislation authorizes the appropriations of such sums as may be necessary in order to accomplish the objectives of the legislation to allow flexibility in providing funding to respond to the ongoing needs of the programs authorized by the legislation. Although the legislation does not authorize the appropriation of specific dollar amounts, it is the Congress' belief that the investment of significant new resources, beyond those already provided under Title VIII of the Public Health Service Act, will be required in order to alleviate the current nursing shortage.

III. LOAN REPAYMENT AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Congress intends that nurses fulfilling their service requirement under the Loan Repayment Program or the Scholarship Program under Section 846 be able to fulfill their service requirement in a nurse-managed health center with a critical shortage of nurses.

The Congress further intends that, in determining the placement of nurses under section