

behalf of AOPHA-member facilities that serve more than 50,000 elderly Ohioans daily and employ more than 20,000 people statewide.

Before coming, to Congress, I served as the Chairman of the Committee on Health, Human Services and the Aging. I knew I could always rely on Clark Law and AOPHA to provide sound advice and to bring any problems affecting seniors to my committee's attention.

Clark's efforts were instrumental in helping win approval of the Seniors Healing at Home Act. This bill is now a federal law, and provides seniors the option of where they choose to recuperate following a hospital stay.

After making sure that we in Congress knew that this problem was impacting seniors, AOPHA took up the charge by making its members available to testify, and helped spread the word that seniors were being negatively affected by Washington's Medicare bureaucracy.

In all the years I have known him, Clark has never been shy about standing up for those seniors who rely on AOPHA to be their voice in matters of public policy. His willingness to get involved and to fight hard on behalf of Ohio's seniors and assisted living care professionals has improved the quality of life for thousands of Ohioans.

As Ohio's Seventh District Representative to the Congress of the United States, I take this opportunity to publicly recognize Clark R. Law and his achievements on behalf of Ohio's senior citizens. His contributions to the quality care of the elderly in our state are too numerous to list and I thank him for his years of dedicated service.

HONORING DR. GINA SEGOBIANO
UPON BEING NAMED A NATIONAL DISTINGUISHED PRINCIPAL

HON. JERRY F. COSTELLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 2002

Mr. COSTELLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Gina Segobiano as she receives the 2002 National Distinguished Principal award from the State of Illinois.

Each year, one principal from each state is chosen to receive the award. I am pleased that this year Dr. Segobiano, from the Signal Hill School District in Belleville, Illinois, has been chosen by the Illinois Principals Association to receive the award.

In 1984, the National Distinguished Principals Program was created in order to honor principals from elementary schools and middle schools who reach a high standard of quality education. The National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP), an organization founded in 1921 representing 29,500 educators throughout the nation, created the program. This year's awards are sponsored by the NAESP and the U.S. Department of Education in partnership with the Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company.

Since 1993, Dr. Segobiano has been the principal of Signal Hill School, and she was a fifth grade teacher at the school for the prior six years. As principal, she is responsible for 450 students ranging from pre-kindergarten to 8th grade. While at Signal Hill, she has been

pivotal in the development of a successful technology program. Furthermore, she has initiated a character development program and a Fight-Free program.

Dr. Segobiano was chosen to receive this award because of her strong commitment to excellence. She has demonstrated a willingness and ability to actively involve parents in their children's education. She has also shown that she is dedicated to meeting the varied needs of the students in her district.

Dr. Segobiano has been a valuable asset to the Belleville community, the Metro-East area and the State of Illinois. She has made outstanding contributions to the school and to the education profession. She is a distinguished public servant and deserves this recognition.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring, Dr. Gina Segobiano as she receives this prestigious award.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE JESSE BURKETT LITTLE LEAGUE ALL STARS ANDY FALLON, DAN RICE, KURT SABACINSKI, JOE PETRY, MATT BALL, TEDDY DALY, ZACH FORD, MICAH GOLSHIRAZIAN, BEN LANDERS, KEITH LANDERS, FRANKIE FLYNN, RYAN GRIFFIN, GORDIE LOCKBAUM.

HON. JAMES P. MCGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 2002

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join the community of Worcester, Massachusetts in celebrating the achievements and accomplishments of the 2002 Jesse Burkett Little League All-Star Team. Throughout their run from the city title to the U.S. Championship game, this terrific team won the hearts of Worcester, of Massachusetts—indeed, all of New England. By advancing to the National Championship game, these fine young men advanced further than any other team in the history of Massachusetts.

This accomplishment is impressive in and of itself, considering that this team has only played together for a few short months. They made us all proud. Proud not just because of their amazing play on the field—but also because of the way they conducted themselves off the field. The image I'm going to take from the World Series isn't a home run or a great defensive play or a nasty breaking ball. I'll remember that after the game against Kentucky, this team stood on the field and applauded their competitors.

They acted like true gentlemen, true sportsmen, and that is what we are most proud of. That is what we will remember for years to come. During a time when the sports headlines are dominated by things like revenue sharing and luxury taxes and salary caps, they reminded all of us why we fell in love with the game of baseball.

Mr. Speaker, the Jesse Burkett All-Star Team reminded us of the sheer joy that can come from doing your best, playing hard, playing fair and playing as a team. This is one of the best stories of the year, and I was honored to be a part of celebrating it in Worcester.

A special thanks needs to be extended to the Manager Fran Granger and Coaches Tom

Daly, Paul Flynn and Chris Doyle. They have reminded us all of what baseball is all about . . . good sportsmanship, teamwork, young boys playing their hearts out, and most of all—having fun.

Mr. Speaker, it is with tremendous pride that I recognize the exceptional players, coaches, parents, family members and other supporters of the Jesse Burkett All-Star Team for a remarkable run to the Little League World Series. I am tremendously proud of all of them and congratulate them on their accomplishments. I wish them the best of luck in years to come.

ARTURO SANDOVAL TRIBUTE

HON. JOHN CONYERS, JR.

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 2002

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, as the Dean of the Congressional Black Caucus, and chairman of its annual Jazz Issue Forum and Concert, I rise to call to this body's attention the achievements of a distinguished musician, Mr. Arturo Sandoval. At the age of 52, he continues a career that has brought him international acclaim as a musician, composer, and bandleader. I am extremely honored that he will be my guest here in Washington, DC, on Thursday, September 12, 2002, during the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's Annual Legislative Conference. That evening, my colleagues and I will have the opportunity to thank him for the great pleasure that his life's work has brought to its, and to millions across this nation and around the world.

The Congressional Black Caucus is not alone this year in recognizing the magnificence of what Arturo Sandoval has accomplished. Sandoval, a founding member of the Grammy-winning group, Irakere, has been honored by the Recording Academy with twelve nominations and four Grammy Awards. Sandoval received Cuba's Best Instrumentalist of the Year Award from 1982 through 1990. In 2001, he was awarded the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers Founder's Award for his accomplishments as trumpeter, composer and arranger. He is currently the Professor of Trumpet at the Florida International University School of Music. However, Mr. Sandoval's accomplishments are hardly limited to the trumpet, he is an accomplished pianist in both classical and jazz styles.

Born November 6, 1949, in Artemisa, a small province of Havana, Cuba, Arturo Sandoval has for 40 years been a musical prodigy. He began his musical career in his village band at the age of 13. In 1964, he began three years of classical trumpet study at the Cuban National School of Arts. At 16, he earned a place in Cuba's national all star band. Drafted in to the military in 1971, Sandoval was able to play with the Orquesta Cubana de Musica Moderna and continued his daily practice regimen.

Sandoval's talent has led him to associations with many of the great jazz musicians, but his most important association was his friendship with the legendary Dizzy Gillespie. In 1977 Gillespie was visiting Cuba, when Sandoval decided to seek his counsel. Sandoval and Gillespie quickly became friends and Gillespie invited Sandoval to perform and

tour with Gillespie's United Nations Orchestra. Arturo looked to Gillespie "as a spiritual father" and their collaboration led to further innovations in Afro-Cuban music and jazz. Their collaboration is featured on the 1992 Grammy winning recording *Live at Festival Hall*.

After his discharge from the military he co-founded Irakere, which became Cuba's most important jazz ensemble, with saxophonist Paquito D'Rivera and pianist Chucho Valdes. Their performance together at the 1978 Newport Jazz Festival in New York introduced Arturo to American audiences and led to a recording contract with Columbia Records. Their collaborations culminated in 1979 when Irakere won the Grammy for Best Latin Recording. In 1981, Arturo left Irakere to pursue new musical possibilities, continuing to tour worldwide with his own band and as a classical trumpeter.

In 1990, in the midst of a European concert tour, he defected at the American Embassy in Rome.

In 1994, he received a Grammy for Best Latin Jazz Album for his recording *Danzon*. He received that prestigious award again in 1998 for his work, *Hot House*.

In 1998, with President Clinton as a cosponsor, he became an American citizen.

His most recent work *My Passion for the Piano*, released in 2002, is a remarkable recording inspired by following one's musical passions. He has long been known for his proficiency on the trumpet, but his mastery of the piano is a marvel to which he credits his friend Dizzy Gillespie.

"My inspiration to play came from Dizzy Gillespie. I remember reading in a jazz history book about Miles Davis when he was young asking Dizzy for some lessons. Dizzy told him 'Sure, let's go hit the piano and do some work,' to which Miles replied he didn't play piano. Dizzy's answer? 'You'd better learn how.' Well I took his advice and it's paid off.

"I'm a better trumpeter as a result. The piano is the best teaching tool for composing, arranging and orchestrating. I wrote my first classical concerto for trumpet on the piano."

Sandoval is also a tireless music educator, both as a tenured Professor at Florida International University and as a visiting guest lecturer. Three scholarships are associated with him: the University of Idaho's Arturo Sandoval's Dizzy Gillespie Trumpet Scholarship Award, Central Oklahoma University's Sandoval Trumpet Scholarship, and FIU's Sandoval Trumpet Scholarship. Arturo has lectured at the Conservatoire de Paris, the Tchaikovsky Conservatory in the Soviet Union, the University of California in Santa Barbara, the University of Miami, the University of Wisconsin, Perdue University, and at many other institutions throughout the United States, Europe and Latin America. Sandoval has performed as a classical trumpeter with the National Symphony, Los Angeles Philharmonic, Toledo Symphony, Detroit Symphony, Indianapolis Symphony, Oklahoma Symphony, and Atlanta Symphony, among others.

Mr. Speaker, Arturo Sandoval has established himself one of our nation's greatest cultural heroes and ambassadors. Therefore, I urge all Members to join me in paying him this well deserved tribute.

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT BARNES

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 2002

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Robert Barnes, one of San Francisco's premier political consultants who died on August 9, 2002 at the age of 42. A fifth generation San Franciscan, his leadership and tenacity greatly influenced the political landscape of San Francisco for the past 20 years.

Robert Barnes was a passionate advocate for his candidates and causes. He was responsible for electing more gay and lesbian candidates to office than any other political consultant in California. He also co-managed the first domestic partners initiative in San Francisco.

Barnes served as consultant and advisor to dozens of elected officials, including Mayor Willie Brown, City Attorney Dennis Herrera, Supervisor Mark Leno, and Assemblywoman Carole Migden. He was a consultant for many important civic institutions and their bond campaigns, including San Francisco City College, San Francisco Unified School District, Laguna Honda Hospital, California Academy of Sciences, the De Young Museum, and the San Francisco Public Library.

Robert Barnes' commitment to gay rights, social change, and political involvement began early. He founded one of the nation's first teenage gay clubs at San Francisco's Lowell High School. At the encouragement of the late Supervisor Harvey Milk, the 18 year old worked as the youth coordinator for the No on Proposition 6 campaign to defeat the anti-gay "Briggs" initiative.

Barnes held numerous leadership positions in Democratic and LGBT community organizations. He was Chair of the Lesbian and Gay Caucus of the State Democratic Party and was elected to the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee. As president of the Alice B. Toklas Lesbian and Gay Democratic Club, he transformed the organization into one of the most influential local gay political organizations in the country.

Robert loved San Francisco and was grateful for its tolerant climate that encouraged his success. San Francisco was well served by his passionate convictions and advocacy.

To his partner and middle-school classmate Carlos Molina, his father Bob, and his sister Mauri Barnes Luna, I extend my deepest sympathy. I hope it is a comfort to his family that so many people share their loss at this sad time.

SPECIAL JOINT CONGRESSIONAL SESSION AT FEDERAL HALL IN NEW YORK CITY

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 2002

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to this historic session of Congress which has been called for September 6 in New York City in remembrance of all those who tragically lost their lives in the barbaric terrorist attacks of September 11. On that horrible day

last September, our Nation witnessed the best and the worst of humanity. We will never, and can never, forget the human suffering, the pain that our Nation went through as a result of those horrific attacks perpetrated against our Nation.

However, when we witnessed the people of our Nation uniting as one in the immediate aftermath of September 11 and in the days, weeks, and months that have followed, we recognized the overwhelming hope for the future of our great Nation. In our darkest hour, we witnessed the unparalleled courage, compassion, and strength from untold numbers of our fellow citizens. Accordingly, it is fitting for the Congress not only to honor those who were tragically taken from us on that day, but also those among us who bravely risked their lives for others and for everyone who has since that tragic attack, stood steadfastly united in this war against terror.

On Friday, September 6, 2002, our special session of Congress has been convened in Federal Hall, just 5 blocks from where the Twin Towers once proudly stood and where George Washington was sworn in as the first President of the United States. Accordingly, it is only fitting that we are honoring the victims of September 11, sending our deepest sympathies to their families on this sacred ground. This Special Joint Congressional session is a tribute to their memory and to the heroism of our fellow citizens. It is of special significance that we take part in this solemn, historic event to tell the rest of the world that our Nation stands united as one because we truly are the "United" States of America.

IN MEMORY OF ETHEL MARIE SILVER

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 2002

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an individual whose dedication to the community and to the overall well being of the city of Riverside, California, was unparalleled. Riverside was indeed fortunate to have such a dynamic and dedicated political and community leader who willingly and unselfishly gave of her time and talents to make her community a better place in which to live and work. The individual I am speaking of is Ethel Marie Silver, a close friend and mentor. She passed away Sunday, September 1, 2002 at the Riverside Community Hospital after complications from surgery at the age of 76.

Ethel was born in Hemet, California but lived most of her life in Riverside and graduated from Riverside Poly High School in 1944. She earned her registered nurse degree from Los Angeles County General Hospital School of Nursing where she met her husband, Dr. Harrison Silver. After graduation, she played a vital role in establishing the Riverside General Hospital Medical Auxiliary and later served as president. Ethel also regularly volunteered at the hospital blood bank.

Ethel's passion for her work as a nurse was matched by her passion for politics. Throughout her life, she had been involved in campaigns from the local level to the federal level. Ethel got her start in politics volunteering on a