

ever, New Yorkers have demonstrated their grit, their courage and their determination. On September 11, 2001 New York took our enemy's best shot and never wavered or faltered. The police officers, fire fighters and all the rescue workers who raced into the inferno demonstrated unsurpassed courage and set the tone and standard for our nation and the world. Just as significantly, the families of the brave men and women who were murdered that day just because they went to work in the World Trade Center have demonstrated a class and dignity that defy comprehension.

None of us will ever forget where we were or what we were doing when we first heard the news of the terrorist attacks of September 11—the attack on the World Trade Center, the attack on the Pentagon and the bringing down of Flight 93 in Pennsylvania by uncommonly heroic passengers. Nor will we forget how our nation rallied behind President Bush as he commanded the war against international terrorism. That war will be waged on many battlefields and in many ways for many years to come. But we know that America will prevail. It will prevail in large part because of the fighting spirit that rose from the flames and smoke which engulfed lower Manhattan. And it is that spirit that the United States Congress has honored and acknowledged by holding this extraordinary session in Federal Hall. God Bless America.

IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF
CHRISTINA SUNGA RYOOK

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2002

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor, recognition, and remembrance of Christina Sunga Ryook, whose young and vibrant life was tragically cut short on the darkest day in the history of America.

Despite their profound sorrow and pain, Dae Jin Ryook and Kyung Woo Ryook, father and mother of Christina, have found the courage to speak of their beloved daughter—to share their thoughts with the world, letting us know and understand the beauty within the heart, soul and spirit that characterized Christina.

Christina's love for life, and love for her parents, extended family and close circle of friends, was a true gift—a gift she gave freely. She kindly extended her generosity, compassion and thoughtfulness to everyone she knew, and her kind and loving spirit will live on forever in all who knew her.

Mr. Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honor and remembrance of Christina Sunga Ryook, who possessed a profound sense of joy for life, and whose inner light radiates within the hearts of everyone who loves her. Please join me as I extend my deepest condolences to Christina's beloved parents—Dae Jin Ryook and Kyung Woo Ryook. May you both find solace and comfort by the light and memories of your special, cherished and beloved daughter, Christina Sunga Ryook.

CONDEMNING THE ATTACK ON
THE SWAMINARAYAN TEMPLE IN
GUJARAT

HON. EDWARD R. ROYCE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2002

Mr. ROYCE. Mr. Speaker, this week, the world witnessed yet another act of senseless violence. I rise as the Co-Chairman of the Congressional Caucus on India and Indian Americans to express my condolences to the families of the victims of the brutal attack on the Swaminarayan Temple in Gujarat.

Thirty-two—including many children—died in an attack in Gandhinagar.

Last year, I led a congressional delegation to Gujarat immediately following the devastating earthquake that hit the state. From that trip and my dealings with the Gujarati community in the U.S., I have developed a deep fondness for the people of Gujarat.

During my visit, I visited the Swaminarayan Temple and witnessed first hand the efforts of the Swaminarayan Temple to assist victims of the earthquake. Our heart goes out to all Gujaratis harmed by this violent act.

The Swaminarayan organization was established in 1907. It is a religion that preaches religious tolerance and practical spirituality. I only wish that more people in this world shared those values.

IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF
MADELINE L. RYAN

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2002

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and remembrance of Madeline L. Ryan, social and community activist, and above all, devoted wife, mother and grandmother, and friend to many.

Mrs. Ryan was born in Collinwood, Ohio, to working class parents who instilled values of social action and personal responsibility regarding the American labor movement.

While working and raising her three sons, Mrs. Ryan also found time to volunteer on behalf of workers' rights. She was an active member of the Communications Workers of America, and later was elected Vice President of the CWA Retirees Club. She lived by example, teaching others that the path for change was action and involvement. Mrs. Ryan helped organize workers; she walked the picket line; attended countless meetings; and even traveled to Washington, DC, to lobby Congress to secure positive change on behalf of the CWA.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor and remembrance of Madeline L. Ryan, whose eloquent dedication to social justice, in word and deed, significantly impacted all who knew her. I extend my deepest condolences to her beloved husband, Arthur Ryan, sons Michael, Jeff and John; and also to her grandchildren, great grandchild, and extended family and friends. Mrs. Ryan's devotion to family and community will never be forgotten.

CONGRATULATING THE CONGRESSIONAL COALITION ON ADOPTION INSTITUTE'S "ANGELS IN ADOPTION" PROGRAM AND THE HALLMARK CHANNEL

HON. JAMES L. OBERSTAR

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2002

Mr. OBERSTAR. Mr. Speaker, last night the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute celebrated the fourth annual "Angels in Adoption" program. It was a remarkable celebration of the many heroes throughout the nation who have advanced the cause of adoption.

I had the great privilege to present to Lana Corbi, President and CEO of the Hallmark Channel, one of the 2002 National Angel Awards to recognize the Hallmark Channel's outstanding contributions to promote adoption through their television programming.

There are many who made the "Angels in Adoption" event such a tremendous success, among whom I would like to commend my Congressional Coalition on Adoption Co-Chairs, Senator LARRY CRAIG and Senator MARY LANDRIEU for their leadership and advocacy. I would also like to thank Maxine Baker and the Freddie Mac Foundation, and Paul Singer and the Target Corporation for their generous sponsorship of the "Angels in Adoption" celebration.

I want to add a special word of thanks to Kerry Hasenbalg, the Executive Director of the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute, and her marvelous and dedicated staff (Wendy Cosby, Lynnette Cole, Katie Richardson, Jenni Byrd, and summer interns Kaitlin McNew and Emily Bonhoff) who gave so tirelessly of their time and talent to make this event such a success. I also wish to thank Chip Gardiner of my staff, Brooke Roberts of Senator CRAIG's staff and Kathleen Strottman of Senator LANDRIEU's staff for their significant contributions to adoption advocacy.

Mr. Speaker, at this time I would like to enter in the RECORD my remarks from last evening's "Angels in Adoption" program.

REPRESENTATIVE OBERSTAR'S PRESENTATION OF THE 2002 NATIONAL ANGEL IN ADOPTION AWARD TO THE HALLMARK CHANNEL

Tonight, we celebrate the men, women and children who have made profound contributions to adoption in their communities. Each Angel in Adoption has been deeply moved by this life-changing and life-affirming experience. For the Members of the Congressional Coalition on Adoption, tonight is our opportunity to recognize their story, their experience. We are a better nation, and the lives of countless children and families have been touched in a powerful manner through adoption.

I have seen many families in my congressional district in Minnesota that have been touched by adoption, and I am delighted to recognize one of my constituents, Linda Forde from Deerwood, Minnesota for sharing her personal experience with adoption with me. Ms. Forde is an adoptive parent of two wonderful children who were born in Vietnam. Because of her concern regarding the treatment of U.S. families seeking to adopt from Vietnam, she contacted me to voice her support for these families. Through her advocacy, Ms. Forde has demonstrated that motivated citizens can make a difference to promote adoption. It is for this reason that I am pleased to recognize Ms. Forde for her dedication to orphans who seek their forever families.

Adoption changes lives—it changes families, neighborhoods, and communities. Adoption has also changed attitudes and beliefs. Through the advocacy and dedication of adoptive families and professionals, adoption has changed our nation and our world. My colleagues and I have seen adoption officials of other nations, upon experiencing the joy of the young children whom their government and people have allowed to be adopted by U.S. families, spontaneously make unexpected proclamations to expand their nation's adoption programs. I have heard powerful testimony of children in our foster care system describe their heart-moving desire for a forever family. As an adoptive parent, I also know the thrill and excitement of receiving "The Call" that told us that our son Ted would soon be with us.

The Nobel Prize Chilean poet, Gabriella Mistral wrote: "We are guilty of many errors and faults, but our worst crime is abandoning children, neglecting the fountain of life. Many things we need can wait; the child cannot. To the child, we cannot answer: 'Tomorrow'. The child's name is 'Today'!" Those words have particular meaning for the more than 117,000 children in foster care who are available for adoption, and to whom we must say: "TODAY".

Until recently, the wonderful adoption experiences that we celebrate this evening were unreal and intangible to those unfamiliar with adoption. The Hallmark Channel travels into the households of 45 million subscribers around the globe. Thanks to Hallmark, families in the United States and throughout the world now have the opportunity to see the real stories of adoptive families.

In June of this year, the Hallmark Channel initiated their first original series entitled "Adoption" which is a non-scripted, reality program, that captures the journey and real life experience of birth parents, adopted children and adoptive parents. I want to commend and congratulate the Hallmark Channel for your leadership and vision to bring these great stories to life.

With the premiere of "Adoption," Hallmark Channel has dedicated the network's inaugural national corporate outreach initiative to supporting and creating grassroots programs dedicated to positively impacting awareness of adoption in the U.S. By providing the tools that enable viewers to make a difference in their communities, Hallmark Channel hopes to dispel the myths surrounding adoption, and shed a positive light on the process. The Adoption initiative encompasses several elements that can be tailored to a variety of needs, including: turnkey promotions, public service announcements, educational tools, and programming elements to allow select markets to reach out and highlight relevant adoption stories in their community. This fall, as part of their corporate initiative, Hallmark will unveil a special ornament that celebrates adoption. They have generously included in each of your gift bags coupons that may be redeemed by mail for one of these ornaments.

At this time, I would like to direct your attention to the video monitors to see a short excerpt of the Hallmark Channel's programming from their wonderful "Adoption" series.

We are delighted to have Lana Corbi, President and CEO of Hallmark Channel, with us this evening to accept the 2002 National Angel in Adoption Award for the Hallmark Channel. Lana is a remarkable woman who has recently been named one of the "50 Most Powerful Black Executives in America" by Fortune Magazine. The Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute is very pleased to present this award to Lana

Corbi in recognition of the Hallmark Channel's outstanding contributions to raise adoption awareness through leadership in television programming.

UKRAINIAN AMERICAN VETERANS

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2002

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of the Ukrainian American Veterans, on the historic occasion of their 55th Annual National Convention.

American veterans of Ukrainian heritage have a rich and significant history in defending our nation's democracy and freedoms, during times of peace and times of war. American veterans of Ukrainian descent have been an ongoing and vital source of strength in every branch of the United States military, dating back to the dawn of America.

Ukrainian American Veterans, here in Cleveland, and across our country, have reflected a dedication to promoting peace, goodwill, faith and community for all citizens.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor of all Americans of Ukrainian heritage—especially our veterans—who proudly joined the United States Armed Forces to defend the liberties of America. Let us not ever forget those veterans, of every heritage, who made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of all Americans. Today, I congratulate the Ukrainian American Veterans on the significant occasion of their 55th Annual National Convention. The deep dedication to justice and significant contribution to American society by Ukrainian American Veterans has been, and continues to be, a vital strength within our community, and within our nation.

AMERICAN FRONTIERS: A PUBLIC LANDS JOURNEY

HON. THOMAS G. TANCREDO

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2002

Mr. TANCREDO. Mr. Speaker, a unique expedition is now underway out West to draw attention to America's public lands legacy.

"American Frontiers: A Public Lands Journey", began July 31 and will conclude September 28 in Salt Lake City. Two teams of adventurers are traveling by foot, horseback, ATV, canoe, boat and bicycle entirely over public lands on this 3,000-mile trek. Along the way, they are sharing their experiences and thoughts with school children, local communities and the world via videophones and an interactive Internet website, www.americanfrontiers.net.

In Colorado, as in much of the rugged American West, our public lands play an important role in our lives, our economies, and our communities. We take pleasure in hiking, biking, skiing, rafting and hunting on public lands. And the natural resources on our public lands provide us with the timber, energy, water, minerals and livestock forage that support our unique quality of life. I applaud this effort to encourage a better understanding of the

importance of America's public lands spearheaded by the Public Lands Interpretive Association. Those participants in this endeavor who complete this journey should be congratulated for the pioneering and age-old spirit of the American West that they embody as they persevere along the trail.

I hope all Americans will join in celebrating our shared legacy—and the accomplishments of the American Frontiers adventurers—on National Public Lands Day, this Saturday, September 28.

TRIBUTE TO BISHOP BEUFORD J. TERRY

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 25, 2002

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of Bishop Beuford J. Terry, on the occasion of his consecration to the office of Jurisdictional Bishop of the Ohio Northeast Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.

Bishop Terry, who is also the Presiding Prelate to the Ohio Northeast Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, has dedicated his life to not only the spiritual enrichment of his congregation, but also to the overall enrichment and improvement of the East Cleveland community.

Bishop Terry continues to demonstrate his commitment and dedication to his faith, and to the individuals and families he serves. He is the reason why his church, the Community Temple Church of God in Christ, is an ongoing source of comfort and inspiration for its members. Moreover, Bishop Terry provides a light of hope and beacon of possibility for the entire East Cleveland neighborhood.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honor and recognition of Bishop Beuford J. Terry, on the momentous occasion of his consecration to the office of Jurisdictional Bishop of the Ohio Northeast Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction. Bishop Terry's life-long dedication to helping others, as well as his spiritual guidance, generosity, and activism, significantly inspires the lives of his family, friends and congregation, and continues to positively impact our entire community.

RECOGNIZING HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF 100 YEARS OF KOREAN IMMIGRATION TO UNITED STATES

SPEECH OF

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 24, 2002

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, as a co-sponsor of this resolution, I am pleased to see it being considered by the House today and I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

In 2003, communities throughout the United States will celebrate the 100th anniversary of Korean immigration to the United States. Many Korean immigrants came to the United States in the early 1950's, fleeing from war, poverty and the threat of communism. As the hope to return to a united and democratic Korea diminished, Korean immigrants were left