

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING BRIAN GOSSETT

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, whereas, Brian Gossett has been awarded the Rodney D. Hanson Memorial Scholarship for the 2002–03 academic year; and

Whereas, Brian Gossett is a senior at Ohio University Eastern majoring in middle childhood education; and

Whereas, Brian Gossett should be commended for his dedication and hard work; and Whereas, Brian Gossett has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to meeting challenges in juggling work and classes with enthusiasm and confidence;

Therefore, I join with the residents of the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in honoring and congratulating Brian Gossett for his outstanding accomplishment.

HONORING HERBERT H. PEARCE FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise today to recognize an outstanding community member and my good friend, Herbert H. Pearce, as he is honored by the New Haven Colony Historical Society with the Seal of the City Award.

The Seal of the City Award is presented annually to an individual or individuals who have strived to improve the quality of life for New Haven residents and have demonstrated a commitment to the overall improvement of the community. First presented to Mayor Richard C. Lee in 1992, this award reflects the dedication which we, the New Haven community, have toward the continued growth and revitalization of our city. Today, Herb will receive this award as a token of our sincere appreciation for his contributions to our community.

A New Haven native, Herb has a long and proud history of service to our community. He has been a strong leader in business and a vocal advocate for many local non-profit organizations. The founder of H. Pearce Real Estate, Herb has directed this company since its inception nearly half a century ago, introducing a number of innovative ideas in advertising and promotion. He also served as President of the Connecticut Association of Realtors and was a member of the National Board of Realtors.

The Quinipiac Council of Boy Scouts, Yale-New Haven Hospital, American Red Cross and the New Haven Symphony are just some of the local, state and national organizations

who have benefitted from his dedicated work. Past President of the Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce and the United Way of Greater New Haven, Herb's efforts have made a real difference in the lives of many. His generosity and good will are reflected in the myriad of awards and recognitions he has received throughout his lifetime. The City of New Haven is indeed fortunate to have such a dedicated individual working on behalf of our community.

His support of and active participation with non-profit organizations has served to enhance the quality and prosperity of the City of New Haven. I am proud to join with family, friends, and community members to recognize Herbert U. Pearce, as he is honored with this very special award. His outstanding record of service is an example for other community leaders—an embodiment of the very spirit of the Seat of the City Award.

HONORING TONY HALL

HON. DEBORAH PRYCE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, rise to congratulate and celebrate the accomplishments of my fellow Ohioan and good friend, TONY HALL, as he is confirmed today as the United States Ambassador to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization in Rome, Italy.

Over the years, I had the pleasure of working with TONY on the House Rules Committee, as well as on many issues important to our state. TONY has done so much good work for the people of Ohio. However, I rise today not just to recognize his service to my state, but to emphasize the immeasurable contributions he has made to our nation and our global community.

TONY was a voice of conscience to all of us and kept us keenly aware of human rights conditions around the world. Through his far reaching travels to the Philippines, East Timor, Paraguay, North Korea, Romania, and the former Soviet Union, TONY took an interest in relieving human suffering wherever it exists. With his personal experience, TONY was able to present us with a greater understanding of the realities of the human condition.

I will always remember TONY's life-long determination to fight and alleviate hunger in our poorest neighborhoods, towns, and cities at home and around the world. For four years, TONY served as the Chairman of the Select Committee on Hunger, and he went on hunger strike to protest the abolition of the committee. He founded and chaired the Congressional Hunger Center. He sponsored innumerable legislative efforts to provide food to war-torn areas around the globe, increase assistance to low-income Americans, and fight hunger-related disease.

His devotion and tireless effort to rid the world of hunger have been widely respected

and recognized. TONY received the 1992 Silver World Food Day Medal from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United States Committee for UNICEF 1995 Children's Legislative Advocate Award, the U.S. AID Presidential End Hunger Award, the 1992 Oxfam America Partners Award, the Bread for the World Distinguished Service Against Hunger Award, and the NCAA Silver Anniversary Award. He has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize no less than three times so far in his career.

I can think of no individual with more expertise, better experience, or a bigger heart to take on this position with the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

TONY has a long and proud record of public service—as a member of the Peace Corps, the Ohio House of Representatives, the Ohio Senate, and finally as a member of Congress for nearly 24 years. I know that in his new role, he will be serve the United States with the same dignity and dedication with which he has served in all his prior roles.

TONY, you will be truly missed around here. We have shared our happiness for legislative victories for our state, and shared our grief when we lost our children to cancer. You may no longer be a fellow-Member of the House, but you will always be a friend.

I congratulate TONY on his life of accomplishments and wish him the best of luck in his new position. He will be greatly missed by all of us here, and his legacy of passion, determination, and perseverance will be remembered and followed here in Congress for years to come.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATES FOR H.R. 4919

HON. JAMES V. HANSEN

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. Speaker, I request that the attached cost estimates for H.R. 4919 be submitted for the RECORD under General Leave.

As you know, H.R. 4919 passed the House under suspension of the rules on Tuesday, September 24, 2002. At the time of passage, the Committee on Resources had not yet received a cost estimate from the Congressional Budget Office.

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, September 24, 2002.

Hon. JAMES V. HANSEN,
Chairman, Committee on Resources,
U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 4919, the Tonto and Coconino National Forests Land Exchange Act.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Megan Carroll.

Sincerely,

BARRY B. ANDERSON,
(For Dan L. Crippen, Director).

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST
ESTIMATE

H.R. 4919—Tonto and Coconino National Forests Land Exchange Act—As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on September 12, 2002

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 4919 would not significantly affect the federal budget. The bill would affect direct spending (including offsetting receipts); therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would apply, but we estimate that any net change in direct spending would be insignificant. H.R. 4919 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

H.R. 4919 would authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to two private parties about 330 acres of federal lands in Arizona in exchange for roughly 760 acres of lands owned by those parties. If the value of those lands are not equal, the Secretary could make or accept cash equalization payments. The bill would authorize the Secretary to spend any receipts from such payments to acquire nonfederal lands in Arizona.

CBO estimates that enactment of H.R. 4919 would result in an insignificant increase in direct spending. According to the agency, the federal lands to be conveyed currently generate offsetting receipts (a credit against direct spending) from special use permits totaling less than \$20,000 a year. Those receipts would be forgone if H.R. 4919 is enacted. Based on information from the agency, we estimate that any cash equalization payments received under H.R. 4919 would total less than \$500,000. We also estimate that the agency would spend receipts from such payments in the same year they are received and that any resulting net change in direct spending would be negligible.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Megan Carroll. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

HONORING THE 180TH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION OF THE
BRENTSVILLE HISTORIC COURT-
HOUSE SEPTEMBER 26, 2002

HON. TOM DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to honor the anniversary of the historic Brentsville Courthouse in Brentsville, Virginia.

On Saturday, September 28, 2002, the first annual "Brentsville Court Day" will commemorate the national significance of this courthouse and the prominent position it held in Prince William County during the 19th Century. The day will be filled with activities designed to entertain and educate citizens of all ages on the key role this courthouse played 180 years ago.

When the Brentsville Courthouse was first in use, Washington City had been the Nation's Capital for only twenty-two years and the U.S. Constitution had been in place for a mere thir-

ty-four. It is believed that the first Fourth of July in Prince William County was celebrated on the front steps of the Brentsville Courthouse, with a speech given by Dr. Thomas Ewell, a noted surgeon of that time.

Recapturing the patriotic spirit of the American Revolution was of growing importance at that time, as the war generation was aging and memories of their sacrifices were fading. As a result, speeches honoring these patriots became the norm. Yet research undertaken by local historians indicates the speech given by Dr. Ewell that day was extraordinary.

The research uncovered twenty-five letters spanning twenty years of correspondence between Dr. Ewell and Thomas Jefferson. In his letter responding to Dr. Ewell's July 4th oration, Jefferson recognized Ewell's July 4, 1823 speech—on the 50th anniversary of the United States—as a reflection of "the true spirit of '76."

The 180th anniversary celebration will occur, Mr. Speaker, in a town new to the 11th Congressional district of Virginia, but rich in American history.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, given the historical significance and roots of Brentsville Courthouse, we have great reason to celebrate today. Accordingly, I extend my warmest congratulations on its 180th Anniversary. The Courthouse is a national treasure and a source of pride for both my constituents and me. I call upon my colleagues to join me in applauding 180 years of excellence and American spirit.

A PROCLAMATION
CONGRATULATING 5 B'S

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, whereas, 5 B's of Zanesville is successfully responding to Chapter 11 Bankruptcy and has been simultaneously expanding services and opportunities for employees; and

Whereas, 5 B's amazing success story is due to the determination, sacrifice, vision, and hard work of the company's owner, Lee Biles, and employees; and

Whereas, 5 B's has brought employment, investment, and progress to the Ohio valley; and

Whereas, the founders and employees must be commended for their long hours and commitment to excellence, which has allowed 5 B's to succeed;

Therefore, I join with the residents of the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in celebrating 5 B's record of determination and exceptional service.

HONORING THE BETHEL AFRICAN
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
ON THEIR 165 ANNIVERSARY

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to join Reverend

Daylan Greer, Sr. and the congregation of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church of New Haven, Connecticut as they celebrate their 165th Anniversary—a tremendous milestone for this New Haven institution.

Founded in Philadelphia in response to discrimination found in the Methodist Church, the first Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, now fondly known as Mother Bethel, opened its doors in 1794. The vision of the Reverend Richard Allen, a freed slave, the African Methodist Episcopal Church was the successful development of a separate religious identity for African Americans and was the first fully independent black denomination in America. Upon his election as the first Bishop of the A.M.E., Reverend Allen set the stage for the church in New England by sending preachers to cities that had a population of one hundred or more African Americans. New Haven was one of those cities.

The year 1838 is marked with the Reverend Eli N. Hall as becoming the first pastor of the Bethel-New Haven, Connecticut. Under the direction of Reverend Hall and the many pastors who followed, the church has flourished and become an important fixture in the Dixwell community. It is the dedication and commitment of their congregation that has made this church such a great success. Our churches play a vital role in our communities—providing people with a place to turn to for comfort when they are most in need. In over a century, there have been many who have worshiped within their halls and many who have found peace and strength in the outstretched arms of the congregation.

It is with honor and the deepest thanks and appreciation for all of their good work that I rise today to extend my sincere congratulations to the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church of New Haven on their 165th Anniversary.

IN MEMORY OF THE TRAGEDY OF
SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

HON. DEBORAH PRYCE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, just over one year after the tragic events that touched the life of every American, to give solemn remembrance to that darkest of days.

As do all Americans', my heart continues to ache when I think about the countless victims and families struck by the sad and shocking attacks of September 11, 2001. But, there is also pride in my heart for our great nation and the men and women who have responded so resolutely and valiantly to this challenge to our very way of life.

The stories of tragedy, and the compelling stories of heroism, that emerged from the smoke and shattered buildings will forever be a part of our memory that day.

When I rose to the House floor one-year ago filled with so many deep and powerful emotions, I pledged that we would not let the days that followed be remembered just for our sadness and anger, but for our national resolve. As a nation, we have pulled together in so many ways to overcome the vicious attempt to break our national spirit.