CONGRATULATING SAMUEL NELSON GREENWOOD ON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY HALL OF FAME

HON. MICHAEL E. CAPUANO

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 12, 2002

Mr. CAPUANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Samuel Nelson Greenwood upon his induction into to the Villanova University Hall of Fame. He was a premier college athlete who achieved a great deal during his athletic career.

Mr. Greenwood is a 1963 graduate of Somerville High School in Somerville, Massachusetts. He ranked second in his class for scholastics. In addition to his academic accomplishments, Mr. Greenwood was an accomplished baseball player. In fact, the Boston Red Sox drafted Mr. Greenwood after graduation, but he chose, instead, to accept a full four-year scholarship to Villanova University.

Mr. Greenwood played baseball for three years at Villanova University, playing primarily in center field. During his senior year, Mr. Greenwood was the captain of the university's baseball team. In 1967, he graduated from Villanova with a degree in Education.

Mr. Greenwood's baseball career continued when he was drafted by the Cincinnati Reds to play first base and center field. He was a member of the Reds for three years.

It is unusual for someone to get accepted into the Villanova University Hall of Fame the first time they are nominated. Mr. Greenwood will be inducted into the Hall of Fame on November 1, 2002, the first year that his candidacy was considered.

I offer my congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Greenwood.

TRIBUTE TO MONTE VISTA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this moment to pay tribute to the first National Wildlife Refuge in Colorado. The Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge, established in the San Luis Valley, is an example of how much Coloradans value their lands and wildlife. As the refuge celebrates its golden anniversary, it is my honor to pay tribute to it before this body of Congress and this nation.

Established in June 1952, the Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge created a safe haven for waterfowl and migratory birds to coexist alongside nearby agricultural communities. The snowy and cattle egrets, American bitterns, white-faced ibis, and black crowned night herons have all found a home in the refuge. Its habitat along the Spring Creek currently boasts some of their largest Colorado nesting populations. The refuge's wetlands witnessed the re-introduction of Canada geese into the San Luis Valley and helped the Aleutian Canada goose recover from its endangered species status.

As an important habitat for so many species, the Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge

lives up to its designation as a land of many uses. Besides alleviating the wildlife impact on local agriculture, the refuge boasts the longest running duck nesting density study in North America, as well as important education and observation facilities. The refuge provides a place to hunt and fish, and holds an annual fishing event for children, as well as a crane festival each April.

To celebrate its 50 years, the refuge marked the anniversary year by opening three new viewing pullouts along Colorado Highway 15. When completed, the pullouts will include information kiosks, viewing scopes, and interpretive signs. It has taken 15 years of staff and local support to obtain the funds for the improvements with 20% of the \$190,000 raised locally. Such success is a testament to the local leadership, so it is fitting that former refuge manager, Charles "Pete" Bryant was also recognized as a conservation pioneer and for his immeasurable service to the refuge. Mr. Speaker it is my privilege to rise today to honor the Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge. It stands as a model of 50 years of cooperation between the public's many interests, integrating the refuge seamlessly into the agricultural community around it. The refuge and its partners have shown great dedication to conserving wildlife habitat and I am honored to extend this recognition to them for all they have accomplished.

RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF DR. GUY STEVER TO THE UNITED STATES SCIENCE COMMUNITY

HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 12, 2002

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a very special constituent, a man who was one of the central figures in the twentieth century science community, Dr. Guy Stever. Dr. Stever has recently authored his memoirs titled, "In War and Peace: My Life in Science and Technology." In this thoughtful and well-written work, Dr. Stever retells his extraordinary life as one of the key figures in many of America's scientific developments in the past century.

As a past president of Carnegie Mellon University, former Chief Scientist of the United States Air Force, Director of the National Science Foundation, professor at MIT for 20 years, member of the National Academies of Sciences and Engineering, and as Presidential Science Advisor for both Presidents Nixon and Ford, Guy Stever has spent his entire life committed to excellence in the science community and to service of his country.

He was a key figure in developing America's guided missile program after World War II, and also worked intimately on our country's anti-ballistic missile defense program during the Cold War. He was instrumental to the creation of NASA, and to the founding of Carnegie Mellon University. He also chaired the oversight committee that redesigned NASA's space shuttle boosters after the Challenger disaster.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Stever's memoirs tell the story of a man who was critical to the United States emergence as a leader in the science

and technological advancements of the last century. I think it is only appropriate that the 107th Congress honor and thank him for his outstanding contributions to the world of science and to our nation. May we only hope that our nation is blessed with more outstanding Americans like Dr. Stever to lead our country into the years ahead.

TRIBUTE TO TRACY SPINUZZI

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 12, 2002

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I recognize Tracy Spinuzzi of Pueblo, Colorado for her outstanding service as a health educator at Centennial High School. Tracy has recently been named Colorado's Outstanding Health Educator of the Year and, as she receives this recognition I would like to pay tribute to her career and the irreplaceable contributions she has made toward educating Colorado's future generation.

Tracy began her career teaching physical education, which she did for almost nine years before realizing that her true passion was in health education. Over the years, Tracy was naturally drawn to many health related issues including nutrition, exercise, communication and healthy habits. By employing her interest in health related subjects and utilizing her expertise as a teacher, Tracy is providing her students with the lessons necessary to become happy and healthy adults.

Perhaps one of Tracy's greatest talents as an educator is her ability to relate and communicate with her students on a daily basis. Although she has been teaching health education for nearly nine years now, she still arrives to school each morning with the same interest and enthusiasm for her subject that has become her hallmark. The passion and energy that Tracy brings to her lectures each day helps to captivate her students' attention and teach them to think critically about the decisions they must confront on a daily basis.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great distinction that I recognize Tracy Spinuzzi of Pueblo, Colorado before this body of Congress and this nation. For nearly 20 years, Tracy has dedicated her time and energy in the service of education. She has provided her students with the information necessary to make healthy and well informed decisions throughout their lives. I commend Tracy for her efforts and wish her luck in all of her future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO JUDGE ALICE A. LYTLE

HON. ROBERT T. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 12, 2002

Mr. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise in tribute to Judge Alice A. Lytle, one of Sacramento's most capable jurists and dedicated public servants. After 20 remarkable years on the bench, Judge Lytle will be retiring from the Sacramento County Superior Court at the end of the year. As her friends and family gather to celebrate Judge Lytle's illustrious career, I ask all of my colleagues to join me in saluting this outstanding judicial officer.

After graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree in physiology from Hunter College in New York City, Judge Lytle headed out west to attend Hasting College of Law. Judge Lytle was successively secretary and president of the Black Law Students Association, member of the Student Facility Curriculum Committee and the Student Faculty Academic Standards Committee. Throughout law school Judge Lytle was also employed as a law clerk for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and various attorneys in private practice.

Soon after completing law school, Judge Lytle became an instructor of Criminal Law at New College of Law in San Francisco. At the same time, she also served as a Rural Housing Specialist with the National Housing and Economic Development Law Project. Eventually, Judge Lytle would make her way to Sacramento where she would serve as the Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary in the office of Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr.

As a result of her strong civil rights background, Judge Lytle was appointed by Governor Brown to head the Division of Fair Employment Practices with the Department of Industrial Relations.

In this capacity, Judge Lytle managed a staff of approximately 200 workers in 10 offices within the state. She would ultimately be appointed as the Secretary of the State and Consumer Services Agency, a Cabinet-level agency in the State of California that exercises general management, coordinative and liaison responsibility over 13 departments and program entities.

In 1983, Judge Lytle was appointed to the Sacramento Municipal Court, sitting in trial court hearing misdemeanor trials, felony preliminary hearings and civil court as well as jury trials. From June 1988 to September 1989, Judge Lytle served as presiding Judge of the Municipal Court. Judge Lytle also served as the Master Calendar judge for unlawful detainer matters.

Currently serving on special assignment as a Superior Court judge to the Juvenile Division of the Superior Court, she is the Lead Judicial Officer for juvenile dependency cases. Judge Lytle has remained especially giving with her time and energy through financial contributions and services to programs that benefit youth and the underprivileged. Judge Lytle received funding from the Wellness Foundation to create a mentor program for delinquents called the SacraMentor Program. Judge Lytle also established the Healthy Teen Mothers program and served as a mentor for pregnant teens while working with the Birthing Project.

Mr. Speaker, as Judge Lytle's friends and family gather to celebrate her great career, I am honored to pay tribute to one of Sacramento's most honorable citizens. Her successes are considerable, and it is a great honor for me to have the opportunity to pay tribute to her contributions to the city of Sacramento. I ask all of my colleagues to join with me in wishing Judge Lytle continued success in all her future endeavors.

CONGRATULATING THE 38TH DISTRICT'S BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS

HON. STEPHEN HORN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 12, 2002

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, I am very proud that two schools in California's 38th District recently were honored as Blue Ribbon Schools by the U.S. Department of Education for the 2001–2002 school year. Elementary and secondary schools compete for this honor in alternate years. Last year I was proud to recognize the two elementary schools in my district chosen for this honor. This year, I am pleased to announce that St. Matthias High School of Downey and St. Joseph High School of Lakewood have received this prestigious award.

According to Education Secretary Rod Paige, Blue Ribbon Schools share several characteristics, including a clear vision and shared sense of mission, a challenging, up-to-date curriculum, policies and practices to ensure a safe campus conducive to learning, evidence of family involvement, and a commitment to help all students achieve high standards. Moreover, by their very nature, these two schools stress the importance of moral character and community service to their students.

These two schools are examples of what is right in education. They show the remarkable successes that happen when teachers, parents and students are committed to a superior standard of education. I congratulate the faculty, teachers, parents and students of St. Matthias and St. Joseph on this remarkable achievement, and wish them well in their continued pursuit of educational excellence.

TRIBUTE TO CHINA ROEBER

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 12, 2002

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this moment to pay tribute to an outstanding Colorado restaurateur who has been serving South Fork, Colorado for 25 years. China Roeber, owner of La Casita restaurant, is an example of the entrepreneurial spirit that keeps our country strong. It is for her dedication and service to the South Fork community that I stand to pay tribute to China Roeber before this body of Congress and this nation.

For more than 25 years, China has owned and operated La Casita, with many of those years spent in Creede before the restaurant moved to its present location in South Fork. Because she suffers from Lupus, China can no longer keep La Casita open everyday. Rather, she opens it for the summer and spends her winters with her husband, Mac, in their Creede home.

Since the beginning, China's La Casita restaurant has drawn returning customers from throughout the state and region as people pass though during the summer season. Her exclusive use of corn tortillas, along with her commitment to serving authentic Mexican food, has made her establishment a great

choice for dining. The jobs China provides to local Coloradans in the summer are also an important addition to the local economy.

Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to rise today to honor this outstanding citizen before this body of Congress and this nation. China Roeber has shown great dedication to the communities and people she serves, and I am glad to extend to her my gratitude for all of her service.

HONORING RICHARD E. SCOTT

HON. CHET EDWARDS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 12, 2002

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Richard E. Scott for his dedication to providing health care to citizens of Central Texas.

On October 31, 2002, Richard retired as President and CEO of Hillcrest Health System after forty years of service. Richard has served Hillcrest in a number of ways during his career, beginning in 1962 as a Registration Clerk and Cashier, and working his way up to President in 1992. At each stage in his career, Richard worked tirelessly to diversify and update the services of Hillcrest. Under his leadership, Hillcrest has invested in needed medical technologies such as MRI and CT services and has expanded important hospice, community clinic and social programs.

Richard has found special meaning in his calling as a healthcare professional and has been active in his commitment to local health care. His dedication has led him to leadership positions in important medical associations such as the American Cancer Society Advisory Board, the Arthritis Foundation Advisory Committee, the board of FirstCare HMO and the Waco Family Practice Foundation.

Richard's lifelong enthusiasm for providing quality healthcare is matched only by his devotion to his community. He is a real friend to all who meet him and is known for his integrity, fairness and honesty. In addition to serving as president of the Dr. Pepper Museum and Education Foundation, chairman of the board of the Waco Business League and Member of the board of directors of the Waco Chamber of Commerce, Richard is a Deacon of First Baptist Waco and was Deacon Chairman at Highland Baptist Church. He is a member of several groups active in community involvement, such as the Rotary Club of Waco, the United Way of McLennan County, Waco ISD Partnership in Education, Waco Conference of Christians and Jews and the Waco Big 12 Steering Committee.

Because of his efforts in healthcare and in his community, Richard has been recognized with numerous honors including the United Way Volunteer of the Year Award, the American Red Cross CEO of the Year Award, the Trinity University Healthcare Alumni Association Leonard A. Duce Award, Honorary Patron Chairman of the Cattle Baron's Ball, the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas Community Builder Award and the Public Relations Society of America Silver Bridge Award.

Outside of his career, Mr. Scott enjoys spending time with his wife Carol, their two children and seven grandchildren.

I ask all of my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and accomplishments of Richard