

Joe then went on to become President and CEO of Heritage Enterprises, a longterm care corporation, located in Bloomington, Illinois.

The elderly of Illinois have greatly benefited from the leadership and dedication that Joe continuously displayed throughout his life. Whether it was in his capacity as President and CEO of Heritage Enterprises or the President of the Illinois Health Care Association, Joe tirelessly advocated on behalf of Illinois' seniors to ensure they were afforded the highest quality of care.

Not only have Illinois' elderly lost a friend and advocate, but our youth have as well. Prior to his passing, Joe had taken on the role of planner and fundraiser for the \$3 Million Challenger Learning Center, which will be an educational site for children to focus on studying math and science.

Joe Warner was involved in scores of organizations and knew the importance of investment in his community. He also knew the importance of investing in his family, and was a great husband and father to his wife, Rose Stadel, and their two children Jeff and Jennifer. The memory of Joe Warner will continue through his numerous contributions to his community. On July 22nd, Illinois lost a respected and admired friend. He will be missed. I ask you, my colleagues, to rise today in salute of the rich legacy Joe Warner has left behind.

TRIBUTE TO FRANK MATTAROCCHI

HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 13, 2002

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great enthusiasm that I rise today to pay tribute to Frank Mattarocci of Pueblo, Colorado. Mr. Mattarocci is the proud owner of LaTronica's, an Italian restaurant that remains very popular among locals throughout the Pueblo community for its delicious food and distinctive atmosphere. Today, I would like to recognize the success which Frank and his family have achieved in making LaTronica's an invaluable part of the life and culture of southern Colorado.

LaTronica's has remained in Frank's family for four generations. The restaurant was first opened by Frank's great grandfather, Liberto "Chief" LaTronica, in 1943. Despite a few modifications, the restaurant still looks almost exactly the same as when it first opened sixty years ago. Over the years, the restaurant changed hands from one generation to the next, preserving within its walls a rich family legacy that still remains constant today. Since the restaurant opened in 1943, it has largely been a family endeavor. Frank began working in the restaurant at age ten, cleaning glasses for his father behind the bar. Today, Frank has the help of his brother Mark, sister Tari, and cousin Maggie to ensure that the business runs smoothly.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I recognize Frank Mattarocci before this body of Congress and this nation for his enduring commitment to such a wonderful family restaurant. Small businesses like LaTronica's are

the backbone of our economy, and the heart of our neighborhoods. Over the years, LaTronica's has become a living example of history and culture, providing the community of Pueblo with great food, seasoned atmosphere, and many wonderful memories. I wish Frank and the rest of the family at LaTronica's all the best and good luck in all of their future endeavors.

EXPRESSING SORROW OF THE HOUSE AT THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE PAUL D. WELLSTONE, SENATOR FROM THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 13, 2002

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of the resolution honoring my colleague and friend, Senator Paul Wellstone of Minnesota.

Senator Wellstone was not only a friend of mine, but also he was a special friend of my district, the 9th Congressional District of California. In fact, he had visited my district not long before the tragic accident. People in my community embraced Paul for the same reasons so many across country did.

Paul Wellstone was a progressive champion who truly personified the personal, populist approach to politics. He was an organizer who never lost touch with his grass-roots. In fact, he proved that the support of everyday Americans, not huge sums of corporate cash, could still win elections. He proved that you don't have to compromise your beliefs to be successful. He proved that passion for beliefs earns the respect of even one's biggest opponent.

Paul Wellstone showed no fear and incredible energy in his approach to fighting for our shared progressive agenda. He stood alone as the sole member of the Progressive Caucus in the Senate. He worked tirelessly for the least among us; often against incredible odds. Paul was never afraid to speak up and to fight for his beliefs.

Despite the often-long odds he faced, Senator Wellstone was an extremely effective and accomplished Senator. His work on mental health parity legislation is widely recognized, and I sincerely hope to have the opportunity to vote yes on the Wellstone mental health parity legislation in the very near future. He, along with the help of his wife Sheila, passed several pieces of legislation to prevent domestic violence and to help its victims.

He worked tirelessly to end the scourge of homelessness among our nations' veterans and to ensure those who served this country received the health care they were promised and deserve. As a former educator, he fought for increases in Head Start, higher education funding, and better schools for all children in America, regardless of income. He fought for seniors and to alleviate the absurd cost of prescription medication. In short: he fought for us all.

The people of Minnesota, the United States Congress, the progressive movement, and all

Americans were fortunate to have such a strong, effective, tireless, and accomplished leader serving us in the United State Senate. We will miss him dearly.

And though he is no longer with us, we will always remember and thank him for his incredible service. Now we must honor his memory by continuing our collective fight to make his vision of America a reality.

Mr. Speaker, I have attached for the RECORD a copy of remarks I made in introducing Paul Wellstone at an event last year.

REPRESENTATIVE LEE'S INTRODUCTION OF SENATOR WELLSTONE (D-MN) AT 21ST CENTURY DEMOCRATS DINNER WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2001

As we come together tonight to honor some amazing populists with Democrats 2000, now known as 21st Century Democrats, I am extremely proud to introduce one of the greatest progressives in Congress—the phenomenal Paul Wellstone.

As many of you know, after more than 20 years of teaching, Paul Wellstone jumped into the 1990 Minnesota Senate race. He rallied a huge grassroots network of supporters, got a Green Bus to tour the state, and won his election. When you are trying to rally the troops in your state for an election, it's easy when you have an amazing, inspirational, progressive leader like Paul Wellstone. He personifies the personal, populist approach to winning elections. He proves you need the support of everyday Americans, not huge sums of corporate cash, to get elected.

During his tenure in Congress, Senator Wellstone has been a real leader in progressive causes and has held true to his beliefs. He is our one and only Congressional Progressive Caucus member in the Senate. He proves that you don't have to compromise your beliefs to be successful. He proves that your passion for your issues make even your opponents respect you. Senator Wellstone is one of the most effective members of the United States Congress, which is no easy feat these days and he champions issues few members will dare to discuss.

Senator Wellstone has been so active and successful in dealing with so many issues, but let me take a moment just to commend him on a few.

He is a tireless supporter of legislation to ensure mental health parity. He has passed several pieces of legislation with the help of his wife Sheila to prevent domestic violence and to help its victims. His work helping homeless veterans and on veterans' health care has earned him recognition of numerous veterans' organizations. As a former educator, his devotion to education and children's issues has led him to fight for increases in Head Start, higher education funding, and better schools for all children in America, regardless of income. He has partnered with Minnesota seniors to talk about the international disparities in prescription drug pricing and to pass legislation to correct this problem.

And these are just a tiny fraction of his successes. In short, the people of Minnesota, the United States Congress, the progressive movement, and all Americans are so fortunate to have a strong, effective, tireless, accomplished leader serving them in Paul Wellstone.

Senator Wellstone, welcome, and congratulations on this award you are receiving tonight.

A TIME TO RE-THINK CYPRUS

HON. DAN BURTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 13, 2002

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, on 15 November 2002, Turkish Cypriots are celebrating the 19th Anniversary of the proclamation of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus.

The historic decision by the Turkish Cypriots to declare independence was not a separatist endeavor, but an act of self-defense undertaken 20 years after being forced out of the bi-national partnership State of 1960 by the Greek Cypriot partner; and having been physically driven from their homes and properties in 103 villages across the island in a campaign of violence and ethnic cleansing that had started in 1963. Terrorized, displaced and disenfranchised, the Turkish Cypriots had no choice but to reorganize themselves in the areas or "enclaves" under their control, in a collective act of survival, and to start running their own affairs.

As to what happened afterwards, let us hear it from Mr. Glafcos Clerides, the Greek Cypriot leader, as candidly recounted in his memoirs entitled "Cyprus: My Deposition." (Vol. 111, pp. 236–237):

In the years that followed a steady, stage-by-stage development is noted in the Turkish administration, with the separation in its legislative, executive and judicial powers. An administrative organization is created, as well as police force and army. The increase of the financial resources of the Turkish Cypriots through economic aid from Turkey permitted the functioning of their administration on a more permanent basis, a fact which they made clear, by renaming their "Temporary Turkish Cypriot Administration" to "Turkish Cypriot Administration." Thus there exist today in Cyprus two poles of power on a separate geographical basis; i.e., the Government of the Cyprus Republic, controlling the largest section of the territory of the state and internationally recognized, and the Turkish Cypriot Administration, which controls a very limited area and is not internationally recognized, but has already taken almost all the characteristics of a small state.

This State is now the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, which is a product of the exercise, by the Turkish Cypriot people, of their inalienable right to self-determination on 15 November 1983.

The Turkish Cypriot Independence Declaration contains all the principles and ideals that are universal to mankind, and are very familiar to the American people, such as "that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness" and that "Governments derive their just Powers from the Consent of the governed." In this Declaration, the Turkish Cypriots also extended a hand of friendship to the Greek Cypriots and called for the peaceful resolution of all their differences. That hand of peace and friendship remains extended today.

It should be clear from the above brief history that the Turkish Cypriot people never owed any allegiance to the Greek Cypriot administration of Southern Cyprus, which has no legal or moral right to claim to represent anyone other than the Greek Cypriot people. The

said administration, under the pretentious title of the "Government of Cyprus," has no jurisdiction to represent or act on behalf of the Turkish Cypriot people, whose sole legitimate representatives are those elected under the Constitution of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. The fact that the Turkish Cypriot and Greek Cypriot sides are political equals and that neither of the parties can represent the other has been underlined by the UN Secretary-General on 12 September, 2000 as follows:

I have ascertained that the parties share a common desire to bring about, through negotiations in which each represents its side—and no-one else—as the political equal of the other, a comprehensive settlement enshrining a new partnership . . .

This fact has also been expressed by other foreign dignitaries, such as Ambassador Richard Holbrooke, former U.S. Presidential Special Emissary for Cyprus, who, at a press conference held on 4 May 1998 in Cyprus, stated the following:

I think it is very clear and no one has disputed that Glafcos Clerides does not represent or have control over the people of Northern Cyprus.

The former Italian Foreign Minister, Mr. Lamberto Dini, expressed the reality of the existence of two independent and sovereign States representing the two peoples of the island in his statement of 26 August 1997, even in clearer terms:

It has to be recognized that there are two republics in Cyprus, two entities, two governments . . . and therefore, if the European Union does not recognize this basic fact, in conducting negotiations for membership, then you bump into the problem . . . that one of the parties would not accept negotiations, going on with only what, in effect, is the Greek Republic of Cyprus.

The way to the future in Cyprus must be based on this reality, rather than the myth that there is only one government in the island and that this is the Greek Cypriot administration. The Turkish Cypriot side has again demonstrated its good will in regard to a settlement by initiating the face-to-face talks between the two parties which started in December 2001 and are still continuing. However, these talks, already facing great difficulty because of the unilateral and unlawful EU aspirations of the Greek Cypriot side, face even a greater threat by the prospect of a positive decision on this matter by the European Union at its approaching summit in Copenhagen in early December 2002.

It is sincerely hoped that the EU will act in full awareness of the fact that such a decision before a settlement can only perpetuate the division in Cyprus and will refrain from doing so. The decades-long negotiating process in Cyprus should have demonstrated to all concerned that worn-out clichés and tried-and-failed formulas have not worked in Cyprus, and a bold new approach is needed. With its democratic system of government, respect for rule of law and human rights, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus deserves to be treated on a par with the Greek Cypriot State in the South. The two States can then come together to forge a common future on the basis of equality and a new partnership, also serving as a bridge of cooperation between Turkey and Greece, two allies the United States, which have direct interests and responsibilities vis-à-vis Cyprus. This is

the way to lasting, peace and reconciliation in the island as well as the eastern Mediterranean region.

Is it not time for all concerned to rethink their approach to the Cyprus issue and bring it in line with the realities on the island?

TRIBUTE TO CHARLES EMERSON BATES

HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 13, 2002

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep sadness that I recognize the life and passing of Charles Emerson Bates of Pueblo, Colorado. Mr. Bates passed away this October and, as his family mourns his loss, I would like to pay tribute to his life and the wonderful memories that he has left behind.

Charles was born on December 1, 1946 in Granada Hills, California. He graduated from Valparaiso University in 1968, got his Master of Urban Education from Loyola University and received his Master of Arts in Information Science from Dominican University, Chicago in 1973. After finishing his education, Charles held a variety of library and teaching positions in Illinois and Wisconsin, including administrator of the Fond du Lac Public Library, a position that he held until 1976. In 1981, Chuck and his family relocated to Pueblo, where he became the director of the Pueblo City-County Library District, a position he held for 21 years.

During his tenure as library director, Charles proved to be an outstanding leader and dedicated his time and energy to the improvement of Pueblo's libraries. Under his leadership, the library board passed two mill levy referendums and a \$14 million bond issue toward the construction of the new Robert Hoag Rawlings Public Library. In 1997, Charles received the Colorado Library Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of his tireless efforts toward advancing library facilities throughout the county.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I recognize the life of Charles Emerson Bates before this body of Congress and this nation. I extend my sincere condolences to his wife Mary, brother Robert, and his sons Chris, Noah, Colin. Charles lived his life with great passion and enthusiasm, contributing greatly to the betterment of the Pueblo community by promoting literacy and education through the expansion of public libraries throughout Southern Colorado. His loss will be deeply felt and the contributions he made will never be forgotten.

HONORING BILL SWENSON

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 13, 2002

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Bill Swenson for his eight years of dedicated service to the Colorado General Assembly.

Before being elected to the Colorado House of Representatives, Bill Swenson had already established a long and distinguished career in