

Special Agent Russo exemplifies the finest traditions of the FBI and of the Bureau's motto of "Fidelity, Bravery, and Integrity". His efforts and his example have made the FBI the enduring and honorable institution that it is. He will be missed when he retires December 31, 2002, having served for over 31 years as a Special Agent. From this former Special Agent, on behalf of the State of Michigan and this Nation; thank you, Louis Paul Russo.

HONORING DR. ALICIA JUARRERO:
OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR

HON. ALBERT RUSSELL WYNN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 22, 2002

Mr. WYNN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Alicia Juarrero, a professor of philosophy at Prince George's Community College, who is being honored by the Carnegie Foundation for Advancement of Teaching and The Council for Advancement and Support of Education as the Outstanding Community College Professor of the Year.

Dr. Juarrero at Prince George's Community College, located in my congressional district in Largo, Maryland. She has been nationally recognized among her community college colleagues as the best of the best. Dr. Juarrero's accomplishments speak to the caliber of professors at the community college level. Often times the invaluable work of our community college professors goes unrecognized, so it is especially rewarding for a local professor from my district to receive such an honorable award.

Dr. Juarrero earned her undergraduate degree, master's and Ph.D from the University of Miami. She has been a professor at Prince George's Community College since 1975. Dr. Juarrero starts each semester with great zeal, beginning with a quote from Plato: "Thinking is the talking of the soul with itself." She has been called a "teacher's teacher," often serving as a great resource for her fellow colleagues.

It is truly an honor to have Dr. Juarrero as a professor at Prince George's Community College. She is a great reflection of a tremendous institution. I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring a gifted and highly respected teacher.

TRIBUTE TO BROOKINGS FELLOW
ROBERT M. HARTT

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 22, 2002

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute and gratitude to Mr. Robert M. Hartt. Recently, Mr. Hartt has ended a six-month fellowship with the Brookings Institution and will be returning to his position at the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

While working in my office, Mr. Hartt brought an aspect to disabilities issues that shed a new light to legislation and office policies. Mr. Hartt passionately used his personal

experiences as a man with a vision impairment to ensure improvements be set forth in computer software, educational textbooks and healthcare for all individuals with disabilities. His advocacy and strength instilled a renewed hope that one day our nation will have equality for all people.

Again, Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank Mr. Hartt for his exceptional hard work for the residents of Illinois 7th Congressional District and America's disability community.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF CATHERINE
E. TODD

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 22, 2002

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember Catherine E. Todd, who passed away on June 26, 2002. On Wednesday, November 6, 2002, the Jersey City Housing Authority held a dedication ceremony in her memory at the Montgomery Gardens Community Center in Jersey City, New Jersey.

Born on October 10, 1938, Catherine led a life of selfless dedication to those in need. She devoted 48 years of her life to the residents of Montgomery Gardens Housing Complex, contributing both time and energy in assisting residents in every possible way. Her tireless efforts on behalf of the residents of the Jersey City Housing Authority facilitated a sense of community and fostered a sense of home for all.

In 1954, Catherine began her battle on behalf of the residents of Montgomery Gardens. During the 1960s, she rose to positions such as building captain, community organizer, Montgomery Garden's site improvement committee member, and Montgomery Garden's liaison committee member. In 1978, Catherine became the Chairperson of the Montgomery Gardens tenant management corporation board, and regularly met with residents to ensure that their needs were being fulfilled and that they were aware of all programs available to them. In 1996, she was also elected to the office of chairperson of the Jersey City tenant affairs board.

Catherine is survived by her two children, Henry and Jo Ann, and three grandchildren, Hanifah, Sharifah, and Hasan.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering Catherine E. Todd for her great concern for the residents of the Jersey City Housing Authority. She extended her heart and her hand to help improve the quality of life for each person she encountered and she will be missed not only by her Jersey City Housing Authority family, but by the entire Jersey City community.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO JIM AND SUE
WHEELER, ANGELS IN ADOPTION
HONOREES

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 22, 2002

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the accomplishments of Jim and

Sue Wheeler of East Lansing, Michigan, who were chosen as the 2002 8th Congressional Angels in Adoption honorees.

Jim and Sue Wheeler's personal dedication to raising 10 children, several of them adopted, makes them deserving of our respect and admiration.

Each year, the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute honors families or organizations who have shown a real commitment to improving the lives of children through adoption. Jim and Sue Wheeler are the role model for families who care about children. Their long-range impact on this nation will be felt for decades and generations to come and I was honored to sponsor them for recognition as Angels in Adoption.

The Wheelers are among 140 honorees from the 50 states who were recognized at special ceremonies in Washington, D.C. earlier this year.

Jim and Sue Wheeler married in 1984. She was a professor at Michigan State University. "We had an 'ours-mine-yours' relationship," Jim told us. He had two children from a previous marriage and Sue had a daughter from a first marriage. Then they had a child together in 1986 and thought they were through.

But the Wheelers decided they would like to have a larger family and thought maybe there were children out there who needed a home. Since then Jim and Sue have had six more children by adoption through Catholic Social Service of Lansing/St. Vincent Home. Their diverse family of 10 children now represents three races!

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring this very special couple and their family. They are truly deserving of our respect and admiration.

TRIBUTE TO CHIEF CHARLES A.
MOOSE

HON. ALBERT RUSSELL WYNN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 22, 2002

Mr. WYNN. Mr. Speaker, I proudly rise today to honor Montgomery County Police Chief Charles A. Moose for his exemplary work on the investigation of the sniper shootings that recently plagued the Washington Metro Region. I would like to commend Chief Moose for exhibiting great patience and humility amidst the frenzied media coverage, which was marked by excesses and speculation.

Chief Moose exhibited tremendous leadership and excellent teamwork by coordinating with other jurisdictions and law enforcement agencies. Chief Moose directed a multi-agency task force, whose work led to the eventual capture of the sniper suspects. Chief Moose became the public face of the investigation, holding daily press briefings, and consoling the public when a child became a victim of the sniper attacks.

Throughout the sniper shootings, many in the community looked to law enforcement to reassure their ever-present fears. Chief Moose served as a calming and informative spokesman, providing the public with needed information and a community oriented perspective.

Although Chief Moose has just recently come to national attention, he has always been active in the local community and has

received numerous awards for his law enforcement and community activity. Along with his role as Chief of Police, Moose teaches criminology at the local community college, and serves as a Major in the District of Columbia National Air Guard. Chief Moose is clearly a tremendous leader, and an invaluable member of the Montgomery County Police force who has a bright and promising future ahead of him. It is truly an honor to have him serve in our community.

Mr. Speaker, I want to again thank Chief Charles A. Moose for his work in helping to apprehend the sniper suspects, and returning our community to normal. I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing an honorable and professional member of the law enforcement community.

CONDEMNING ANTI-SEMITIC
SENTIMENT

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 22, 2002

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to draw attention to the disturbing rise in and acceptance of Anti-Semitism in the Arab world.

An Egyptian satellite television station recently produced and is currently airing a new series that its producers openly acknowledge is partially based on a century old anti-Semitic tract entitled "The Protocols of the Elders of Zion."

"The Protocols," which have long been dismissed by historians as false, are a work of fiction fabricated in czarist Russia to perpetuate and justify anti-Semitic violence and persecution. "The Protocols" were a series of 24 documents reportedly written by Jewish leaders that outline a plan for global domination by the Jewish people. They were later used again as anti-Jewish propaganda in Nazi Germany and are still used to this day by neo-Nazis and white-supremacist groups.

The New Egyptian series, entitled "Horse Without a Horseman," is looking to breathe new life back into this cornerstone of anti-Semitic hatred. The 41-episode television series, created specifically to air during the Islamic holy month of Ramadan, traces the history of the Middle East from 1855–1917. With a prime evening timeslot, the series is expected to have excellent viewership, as families gather at home to break the daily fast. This puts the series in the unique position to bring anti-Jewish sentiment into millions of homes throughout the Middle East. Israeli and American Embassy officials have raised concerns over the use of the fictional and inflammatory "Protocols" with the Egyptian government, but to no avail.

With the increase in attention given to "The Protocols" in the Arab media, many believe that the imagery present in "Horse without a Horseman" is indicative of the rise in anti-Semitism in the Arab world since the September 11 terrorist attacks.

Even here at home, The Arab Voice, a local Arab newspaper in New Jersey, recently printed excerpts from "The Protocols." Despite knowledge that "The Protocols" are forgeries and have been used to incite anti-Jewish hatred and violence, the editors of The Arab Voice called "The Protocols" an "educational tool" for their readers.

The irresponsible decision by The Arab Voice to give credence to "The Protocols" by reprinting the falsehoods in their paper only fuels and further perpetuates the tension between the Arab and Jewish communities. At a time when the American-Arab and Jewish communities could be making an effort to improve communication and cooperation, The Arab Voice's printing of "The Protocols" is both irresponsible and inflammatory.

I ask my colleague to join with me in condemning "Horse without a Horseman." The Arab Voice and any perpetuation of anti-Semitism either abroad or at home. It is critical that we remain vigilant and not allow attempts to spread hatred to be ignored or continued.

HONORING THERESA SIRICO FOR
HER OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE COMMUNITY

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 22, 2002

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding member of the New Haven community—Theresa Sirico. The founder of the Louis and Joan Sirico Center for Elders and Families at Southern Connecticut State University, Theresa's generosity and compassion will touch the lives of thousands throughout Greater New Haven and millions across the country.

As a child, I knew Louis and Joan Sirico as neighbors and friends, working with my parents to enrich our neighborhood. The Siricos were both active advocates for our families and our community. Much as my own parents, they passed these values to their seven children. Both Louis and Joan suffered strokes, left without the abilities to care for themselves. In both instances, their family members came together to provide them the care they needed through their last days. However, not all are fortunate enough to have families who are willing or able to take on these challenges.

With the "baby boomer" generation approaching retirement age, more and more of our nation's seniors are looking for access to the care and companionship they need and rightly deserve. Theresa Sirico, recognizing the need for increased interest in geriatric care, took action. With a generous donation of a quarter of a million dollars, Theresa started the effort to establish a national model for improving the quality of life for our seniors. With a large anonymous donation, fund-raising efforts, and matching funds from the State Department of Higher Education, Theresa's vision of the Louis and Joan Sirico Center for Elders and Families became a reality.

The Sirico Center combines both undergraduate and graduate studies with hands-on workshops and seminars. Blending the studies of nursing, social work, and public health, the Center will be an invaluable resource for those interested in geriatric care. In a time when our nation is facing an ever increasing senior population and a lack of geriatric health care professionals, the Sirico Center is sure to be an asset not only to the Greater New Haven area, but to communities throughout the nation. The Sirico Center for Elders and Families will not only provide education for health pro-

fessionals, but will generate excitement and interest in the field of geriatric medicine. This is the true gift of Theresa Sirico.

I am honored to rise today to join family, friends, and the staff and faculty of the Louis and Joan Sirico Center for Elders and Families in extending my deepest thanks and appreciation to Theresa Sirico for her outstanding contributions to our community. Seniors and their families will benefit greatly from her unique vision and unparalleled dedication.

HONORING MS. MARILYN MIGLIN
OF CHICAGO

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 22, 2002

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I want to take a few minutes today to speak about one of my constituents who is making a most remarkable contribution to the people of Chicago and the entire Midwest. Marilyn Miglin is involved in an extraordinary range of public service activities and maintains a remarkable schedule.

Ms. Miglin originally suggested the notion of an advisory board for the University of Illinois Craniofacial Center in 1987. The Craniofacial Center of the University of Illinois provides medical services for patients with facial deformities.

But Marilyn Miglin went far beyond the offer of a suggestion. She began volunteering time from her busy schedule to assist the physician team at the Craniofacial Center in adding a new dimension to the patient services offered by the Department. She began coming regularly to the center to see patients with facial deformities and to show them how to apply makeup to hide their condition, or to draw attention away from the condition.

Not satisfied with superficial appearance, Ms. Miglin recognized the need to go beyond what one could see at the surface, and reached patients in a deeper and more profound way: helping each individual realize their inner beauty and self worth. Out of this personal growth came the renewed confidence and self assurance necessary to deal with everyday life;

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I am especially pleased to take this opportunity to acknowledge and congratulate Marilyn Miglin for her support and dedication to the patients and staff of the University of Illinois Craniofacial Center.

IN HONOR OF REVEREND RALPH
E. BROWER

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 22, 2002

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Reverend Ralph E. Brower for 47 years of outstanding service to our community as a leader and senior pastor at Saint Michael's Methodist Church. Rev. Brower was honored at a banquet at the Casino in the Park in Jersey City, New Jersey, on November 10, 2002.