

and I appreciate the outstanding support your country has shown them.

The Korean people and the United States have been strong allies since the Korean War, and this visit is symbolic of the many years of friendship between our countries. A friendship that was forged on the battlefield is now a partnership based on freedom, and you are helping maintain the good relations between Korea and the United States. I am grateful for the important part you played in making the 50th Anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration a great success.

TRIBUTE TO INTELLIGENCE SPECIALIST SECOND CLASS PAUL EUDALY

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. GARY MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Intelligence Specialist Second Class Paul Eudaly.

This week, IS2 Eudaly completes a two year assignment at the Naval Strike and Air Warfare Center (NSAWC) at Naval Air Station (NAS) Fallon, Nevada. His next duty station assignment will be on the island of Diego Garcia located in the Indian Ocean. Since April 2000, IS2 Eudaly has served as the library night shift supervisor at NSAWC. He has performed his demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner. Petty Officer Eudaly meticulously created the exercise QUIVER target/threat database, which was used to train over 500 naval personnel and 10 carrier air wings. He also volunteered to deploy onboard the USS CONSTELLATION for the Composite Training Unit Exercise, where he trained 30 additional intelligence personnel on QUIVER's application.

IS2 Eudaly has also served as the lead enlisted intelligence instructor at NAS Fallon for air wing personnel recovery and combat search and rescue events. As the only enlisted instructor during the annual joint exercise Desert Rescue IX, he provided quality support and accurate mission briefs for participants from 42 different commands. As the NSAWC Division Training Petty Officer, his mentoring and innovative training methods have resulted in 100 percent passing and a 73 percent advancement rate during the last examination cycle. He has been a great mentor to the junior enlisted personnel and has taken time to help many of the new sailors adjust to their duties at NSAWC.

Petty Officer Eudaly's professionalism and devotion to duty reflected credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

Mr. Speaker, IS2 Eudaly is a model, sailor and the U.S. Navy needs more young men and women like him. Therefore, I ask that this 107th Congress join me in sincerely wishing IS2 Eudaly "fair winds and following seas" as he moves to his next duty assignment.

EMPLOYEE-LEASING ORGANIZATION ACT OF 2002

HON. PHILIP M. CRANE

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. CRANE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to announce introduction of the Employee-Leasing Organization Act of 2002. I'm pleased to note that two very distinguished members of the Ways and Means Committee, Congressman BILL JEFFERSON and Congressman RON LEWIS have agreed to join me in introducing this important legislation.

Too many small businesses lose valuable time each day attending to administrative headaches. Likewise, many of those same small businesses are unable to provide benefits to their employees due to their size. In recent years, the employee leasing industry has evolved to provide cost effective administrative payroll/tax services and health and retirement benefits to small businesses and their full-time employees. The bill I'm introducing will clarify the status of employee-leasing companies ability to provide these services.

I encourage all of my colleagues to join me in supporting this important legislation and taking a stand to help America's small business owners and employees.

INTRODUCTION OF THE WORKING TOWARD INDEPENDENCE ACT OF 2002

HON. HOWARD P. "BUCK" McKEON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. McKEON. Mr. Speaker, today, I am pleased to introduce the "Working Toward Independence Act of 2002" to reauthorize the work-related provisions of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant, and the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG).

This legislation will build upon the historic welfare reform law passed in 1996—a law that made a fundamental shift in policy by encouraging personal responsibility and promoting work. For the first time in the history of social welfare policy, benefits were tied to work. Because of the principle of "work first" and a purpose to help people better themselves, a whole new culture of personal responsibility was created within the program.

The results have been nothing short of dramatic. For example, there has been an historic decline in the welfare rolls; increases in employment for low-income single mothers, who comprise the population most likely to need assistance; and a sustained decline in child poverty. Even with the robust economy of the late 1990's, recent studies confirm that welfare reform is largely responsible for the declining caseload and increase in work. The law's promotion of work made the crucial difference in maximizing opportunities for welfare recipients.

But there is work remaining for us to do. Too many families receiving assistance are not engaged in activities that will lead to self-sufficiency. This year, Congress must build upon the success of the 1996 law by providing additional options for families on welfare to

move into productive jobs, become self-reliant and obtain independence. I am proud to say that the bill that I am introducing today will do just that.

The legislation, based on the Administration's proposal, strengthens work rules to ensure that all families are engaged in a full week of work and other activities that will lead to self sufficiency. Families will be permitted to combine real work with education and training to help recipients advance in their jobs. In addition, states will need to have plans achieving the work related goals of TANF. States will be encouraged to coordinate their TANF work programs with the One-Stop Career Center system created through the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, so that former recipients will continue to have access to additional training resources.

However, we know that families cannot maintain employment without reliable, safe child care for their children. That is why this bill will also maintain the unprecedented commitment of federal support for child care by authorizing \$2.1 billion annually for CCDBG for state child care programs. In addition, the bill improves the program by helping target funds set-aside for quality activities and encouraging states to address the cognitive needs of young children so that they are developmentally prepared to enter school. The bill also provides states maximum flexibility in developing child care programs and policies that best meet the needs of children and parents.

Finally, the bill will provide significant new waiver authority for states to design programs that improve services to needy families. This provision will encourage states to continue the experimentation at the state and local level that preceded the federal welfare reform action in 1996.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this important legislation that enhances opportunities for families to move up the economic ladder and access quality child care for their children.

BELIEVING THAT PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST IS INEVITABLE

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise this evening, along with so many of my colleagues, to express my frustration and disgust with the situation that is currently boiling over in the Middle East. How long can we allow this bloodbath to continue? How long will we have to witness Israeli families blown apart by maniacal, suicidal murderers; Palestinian children lying dead on the street; young Israeli men and women buried alive in collapsed buildings; or Palestinian families huddling inside their homes, terrified to step out even to buy food? The latest news of more people—human beings with friends and family—who have been killed today is heartbreaking. The Israeli and Palestinian people are on a downward spiral, heading quickly toward that state of nature conceived by Thomas Hobbes, where Palestinian and Israeli children born into the world can expect only one thing: a life that is "nasty, brutish, and short." This situation is an outrage.

I am outraged that Hamas and other Palestinian groups are spreading their poisonous lies of suicidal "martyrdom." I am outraged that some members of the Palestinian leadership are apparently using suicide attacks as a tactical weapon against the Israeli people. This cult of martyrdom is disgusting and I vigorously condemn it. As President Bush stated so accurately last week, suicide bombers "are not martyrs, they are murderers." I call on the Palestinian leadership to understand this fact and acknowledge that these attacks are an assault on civilization itself. We cannot hope to see progress in the Middle East until suicide bombings stop. As the elected and recognized leader of the Palestinian people, Yasser Arafat must unequivocally denounce this barbarism and crack down on those who are unwilling to cooperate.

At the same time, we cannot expect to see an end to this horror until the Israeli government ends its military assault in the West Bank. Too many Palestinian civilians have needlessly suffered over the past few weeks. I am horrified at reports of Palestinian families having their homes bulldozed over their heads, children being shot on their way to buy bread, and families being forced out of their homes because their houses are being used as Israeli military outposts. Palestinian children have been witness to scenes that we can hardly bear to watch 6,000 miles away on television—scenes of their homes and homeland destroyed, their friends and family killed in crossfire, their brothers and fathers taken away by the Israeli military, not knowing when or if they will return. This new generation of Palestinian youth will grow up with these images burned into their psyches. They will never forget them. This military assault may bring short-term results, but it tears down the long-term prospects for true reconciliation between Palestinians and Israelis.

Mr. Speaker, peace between these two proud peoples has seemed an impossible goal for so many decades. But I refuse to believe that peace is impossible. Over the past half-century, we have been witness to incredible historical reconciliation between people who we thought would always hate each other. I stubbornly believe that peace in the Middle East is inevitable. It may be elusive and it may be complicated, but it will happen and I, along with so many of my colleagues tonight, will rejoice when it does.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO DR. ERIN
ELSTER

HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate an outstanding individual from my state whose hard work and dedication to her field has produced awards and accolades throughout her medical community. Dr. Erin Elster, a chiropractic researcher from Boulder, Colorado, has just received perhaps the highest honor in her field, as she has been named the World Chiropractic Alliance's 2001 Researcher of the Year. Erin's research will produce extraordinary advances throughout her medical community and I am honored to bring forth her ac-

complishments before this body of Congress and this nation.

For the last several years, Erin has conducted research that could have momentous possibilities for those who suffer from Multiple Sclerosis. Erin found that certain corrections in upper neck injuries may be able to reverse the progression of Multiple Sclerosis. Her findings were published in the *Journal of Vertebral Subluxation Research*, a trade magazine available to the medical community discussing advances and techniques in specific medical fields. The publication has created worldwide interest for her research into vertebrae difficulties and how they affect the nervous system. Her findings are so impressive and remarkable that as a result, the World Chiropractic Alliance has decided to honor her for her breakthrough findings.

Mr. Speaker, it is clear that Dr. Erin Elster is a woman of unparalleled dedication and commitment to her professional endeavors and to the people of her medical community. Her research efforts have the potential to alter and improve all of our lives and I am honored to bring forth her accomplishments before this body of Congress and this nation. She is a remarkable woman who has achieved extraordinary things in her career and it is my privilege to extend to her my congratulations on her selection as Researcher of the Year, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO DOLORES HUERTA

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, today we rise to recognize the achievements of Dolores Huerta, co-founder and first Vice President Emeritus of the United Farm Workers of America, AFL-CIO (UFW). Dolores Huerta continues to be a leader in the labor movement and works tirelessly to achieve social change.

In 1955, she was a founding member of the Stockton, CA chapter of the Community Service Organization ("CSO"), a grass roots civil rights organization. Recognizing the needs of farm workers at this time, Ms. Huerta organized and founded the Agricultural Workers Association in 1960.

It was through her work with the CSO that Ms. Huerta met Cesar Chavez. Recognizing the need to organize farm workers, they formed the National Farm Workers Association ("NFWA"), the predecessor to the UFW.

Together, Dolores Huerta and Cesar Chavez founded the Robert F. Kennedy Medical Plan, the Juan De La Cruz Farm Worker Pension Fund, the Farm Workers Credit Union, the first medical and pension plan and credit union for farm workers. They also formed the National Farm Workers Service Center, Inc., a community based affordable housing and Spanish language radio communications organization with five Spanish radio stations.

Dolores Huerta also continued to lobby, and in 1963 was instrumental in securing Aid for Dependent Families and disability insurance for farm workers in California.

In 1966, over 5,000 grape workers walked off their jobs in what is now known as the fa-

mous "Delano Grape Strike," and The United Farm Workers Organizing Committee ("UFWOC") was formed. That same year, Ms. Huerta negotiated the first UFWOC contract, marking the first time in U.S. history that a negotiating committee comprised of farm workers negotiated a collective bargaining agreement with an agricultural corporation.

In 1975 she lobbied against federal guest worker programs and spearheaded legislation granting amnesty for farm workers that had lived, worked, and paid taxes in the U.S. for many years, but were unable to enjoy the privileges of citizenship. These efforts eventually resulted in the Immigration Act of 1985.

Dolores Huerta has worked to better the lives of migrant workers using non-violence. "I think we showed the world that nonviolence can work to make social change," said Ms. Huerta.

We wish to thank Dolores Huerta for her tireless efforts to achieve justice and dignity for migrant farm workers. "Si se puede!"

IN HONOR OF THE MADNA FAMILY

HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. WAXMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today, Holocaust Remembrance Day, to share a remarkable story and honor two true heroes of the Holocaust. On April 14, Congregation Adas Israel, a synagogue here in Washington, D.C., will add the name of the Madna family to its Garden of the Righteous Monument honoring people who rescued Jews during the Nazi occupation. Rob Madna will represent his family at the ceremony.

During the war, the Madna family took in a nine-month old Jewish infant, Alfred Munzer, who was born November 23, 1941 in The Hague, capital of the then Nazi-occupied Netherlands, two weeks before Pearl Harbor, and two weeks before the United States declared war on Japan and Germany declared war on the United States.

By September 1942, when it had become apparent that the Munzer family must go into hiding, baby Alfred was taken in by Indonesian neighbors, the family of Tole Madna. The Madna family cared for him when his parents and older sisters were deported. Their nanny, Mima Safna, cared for Alfred and three Madna children. Mima, a woman who could not read or write and who hardly spoke any Dutch, became Alfred's mother. She kept a knife under her pillow and vowed that if ever the Germans came to get the boy, she'd kill him and then herself. They called him Bobby, his "schullnaam"—his name in hiding.

Dr. Munzer's memories of life in the Madna house are happy ones. His toddler's view of the outside world was limited to what he could see by peaking through the mail slot in the front door. Even so, he found adventure hiding quietly in a small cellar under the stairs while the house was being searched by Nazi soldiers.

Although his sisters tragically died in concentration camps and his father died a few months after the war ended, Alfred and his mother were reunited in August 1945 when he was just three and-half years old. Nanny Mima