

TRIBUTE TO PERFECTING CHURCH
AND HOLY CONVOCATION 2002

HON. DAVID E. BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 5, 2002

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, Perfecting Church is a church with a noble mission. "Perfecting" as it is affectionately called, "strives to attain the purpose for which it is called, not for vain glory but that it might be ready to meet the needs of the people; ever mindful of the phrase spoken in that vision to Pastor Winans, They are coming to you." And during the week of May 19–May 26, 2002, the people came to Pastor Marvin Winans of Perfecting Church for its 2002 Holy Convocation.

Born out of a phrase given to the young preacher and singer Marvin Winans, Perfecting Church began humbly with just eight members in the basement of Pastor Winans' home. With his strong passion for his faith and as his message, and ministry was received, Perfecting Church flourished. Perfecting Church today, a huge, beautiful church complex located on Nevada Street in Detroit, Michigan, has become a thriving center of religious and social activity for families and friends of the community. And as Pastor Winans has always taught that "Ministry means People", he has worked hard to ensure that Perfecting Church has been an example of that teaching. With ministries that range from helping the homeless to healing the hurting, Perfecting Church is home to over 25 ministries and departments including youth organizations, choirs, social and charitable groups. Joyfully celebrating Christmas and Easter, while lending a warm shoulder to those suffering, Perfecting Church has been a faithful friend to all who have walked through the front doors.

With the theme of "Advancing the Army", Perfecting Church's Holy Convocation 2002 mission is to have worshipers leave their holy gathering with specific strategies to advance in victory, faith, and power. During this convocation, congregation members and families from communities everywhere join together in spiritual song, spoken word, and biblical teachings, renewing and strengthening their religious beliefs. As Pastor Winans held another successful convocation, he continues to demonstrate his commitment to advancing the mission of Perfecting Church to families across the state of Michigan and beyond.

I applaud Pastor Winans and Perfecting Church for their leadership, faith, and service, and I urge my colleagues to join me in saluting them on exemplary years of faith and service.

TRIBUTE TO NOTTINGHAM HIGH
SCHOOL'S GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY
CREW TEAM

HON. JAMES T. WALSH

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 5, 2002

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Nottingham High School's Girls Junior Varsity Crew team for winning its first national championship. The Nottingham

girls junior varsity crew team, coached by Joe Bufano, became only the third area team to win national honors after receiving the title of national champions in Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

The team, consisting of seven juniors and two sophomores, competed against traditional powerhouses, including four other teams competing in the finals of the Scholastic Rowing Association of America championships. With a winning combination of hard work and determination, the young women of the Nottingham junior varsity crew team competed successfully as a city school under a tight budget. Special recognition should be given to the parents and volunteers who assisted the team when funding for chartered buses was unavailable.

On behalf of the residents of the 25th Congressional District of New York, it is my honor to congratulate Nottingham High School's Girls Junior Varsity Crew team and their coach Joe Bufano on their first national championship win. With these remarks, I would like to recognize the following nine girls of the eight oared shell division and their coach: Jackie Stone, Katie Schneider, Christina Shaw, Crysten Rushmore, Karlyn Downing, Megan Holloway, Zaula Usman, Stacey Karpouzes, Lyndsay Boileau, and coach Joe Bufano.

Congratulations to all.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO JOE LACY

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 5, 2002

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I pay tribute to the life and memory of Joe Lacy. Joe's vision and ability to make his vision a reality embodied the spirit of Colorado. Joe was the city manager of Grand Junction, Colorado in the 1960s and was the driving force in creating the town we know today. After courageously battling a debilitating illness Joe passed away at the age of 74.

A native Coloradan, Joe attended high school in Pueblo. Joe continued his education at the University of Denver and received a bachelors degree in journalism and masters in public administration. Joe nearly became the Grand Junction Sentinel classified advertising manager, but the Army called before he could start. Joe enlisted in the United States Army and proudly served his country in Korea. In 1960, Joe came back to Grand Junction after starting his career as the assistant city manager of Englewood. As the city manager Joe had a vision for the city's downtown. His innovative approach, which combined light traffic with a pedestrian area, proved to be a success and today is the heart of the city.

For all of his innovative ideas and education it was really Joe's personality and personal investment in his work that people remember. Joe's faith in his own ideas made it possible for even the strongest skeptic to become Joe's strongest supporter. Joe is fondly remembered by the city as a man who made things happen and for his warm smile. No one knew Joe's qualities better than those who will miss him most, his family. Joe was the loving husband of M.J. "Mayme" Holder and a devoted father of four sons and grandfather of seven.

Mr. Speaker it is my privilege to be able to bring the life and contributions of Joe Lacy to

the attention of this body of Congress and this nation. His passion and dedication to his work is an example to us all. Joe will be deeply missed by those whose lives he touched but his memory will live on in his work. During this difficult time I would like to extend my deepest sympathies to his family.

BROWNFIELDS REDEVELOPMENT
ENHANCEMENT ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 4, 2002

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 2941, the Brownfields Redevelopment Enhancement Act.

I would like to thank my colleagues Mr. MILLER from California and Ms. MALONEY from New York along with the Financial Services Committee for their hard work on this issue.

This important legislation would improve local communities by generating 550,000 additional jobs and up to \$2,400,000,000 in new tax revenues for cities and towns. More specifically, H.R. 2941 would give cities new financing options for Brownfields redevelopment.

This bill would create a pilot program where the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development would develop and maintain a common loan pool. There are an estimated 600,000 Brownfields in America, each a missed opportunity for development.

By de-linking HUD's Brownfield Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) from its Section 108 loan program, cities would be given added flexibility in obtaining BEDI grants and would not be forced to use Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) funds as collateral.

CDBG are especially helpful in providing important community services such as the Meals on Wheels or child care programs. As the founder and Co-Chair of the Congressional Children's Caucus, I am especially supportive of the fact that CDBG funds will not be compromised.

Moreover, H.R. 2941 would help preserve our existing green spaces. The positive environmental impact of this legislation is significant.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 5, 2002

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, because of the New Jersey Primary, I stayed in my district, and I was unable to be present for all votes on June 4, 2002.

On rollcall No. 208, had I been present, I would have voted "yes".

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