

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF MORNING-SIDE-WESTSIDE COMMUNITY ACTION CORPORATION

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 10, 2003

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the Morningside-Westside Community Action Corporation, MWCAC. For nearly a decade, MWCAC has worked tirelessly in order to serve the mental health community of New York City.

Founded in 1994, the Morningside Westside Community Action Corporation has been instrumental in advocating positive changes in governmental health programs, distributing information about issues facing the mental health community and promoting awareness and understanding towards those who suffer from mental illness. MWCAC strives to assist the mentally ill on their road to recovery and to help them achieve their goals and live productive lives.

Realizing that society has a place for all, the MWCAC has long been a proponent of helping the mentally disabled live normally within the mainstream. Morningside-Westside Community Action Corporation actively promotes reintegration, mainstream living, steady employment and recovery for all those who suffer from mental illness.

Over the last eight and a half years, under the leadership of Nancy Walder, their President, dedicated staff members have worked on mental health advocacy projects, and opened lines of communication between those who administer mental health services and those who require them.

In order to spread their message throughout the city and beyond, mental health service workers, members of the mentally disabled community and their friends and family members publish *The Morningside-Westside Bulletin*, an award-winning monthly mental health journal. Journal articles detail issues facing the mental health community and provide advice and avenues for help for those who are in need of assistance.

Under MWCAC's auspices, members of the mentally disabled community produce an annual *Outsider Art Show*, a forum that encourages members to contribute their own original pieces. The Morningside-Westside Community Action Corporation has also sponsored educational and informational events such as "Harlem Mental Health Day" and "Healthy Mind, Healthy Body." Future events include "Back to Work, Back to Life Day," an all day event to be held in Bryant Park, and a conference to be held in connection with the New York City Department of Health Federation.

A mental illness can be a paralyzing and debilitating condition. For years, many individuals have been forced to wander in the darkness of this disease without a helping hand. Thanks to MWCAC, those who need assistance in the New York area have a place to go for help.

In recognition of their outstanding contributions to the community and their commitment to the quality of life of the mentally disabled, I ask that my colleagues join me in saluting Nancy Walder and her dedicated staff at MWCAC.

IN HONOR OF CAROL BARTZ

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Carol Bartz, special guest and honoree at the June 18, 2003 Forum for Women Entrepreneurs Silent Auction and Awards Dinner.

Carol Bartz is the Board Chair, President and CEO of Autodesk, Inc., and she has earned an honors degree in computer science from the University of Wisconsin, and been granted honorary degrees from the New Jersey Institute of Technology, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and William Wood University. During her tenure at Autodesk the company has diversified and revenues have grown to more than \$947 million in 2002.

Carol Bartz gives generously of her leadership skills, both in Silicon Valley and elsewhere through her service on the boards of organizations such as TEA Systems, Cisco Systems, Network Appliance, Technet, and the Foundation for the National Medals of Science and Technology. She serves on the Board of Directors of the New York Stock Exchange and is one of its 12 members who represent public companies. She was recently appointed to the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology where she will play a key role in setting our nation's high-tech agenda.

Carol Bartz has earned many well-deserved honors, including the Ernst and Young Northern California Master Entrepreneur of the Year Award, the Horatio Alger Award and the Donald C. Burnham Manufacturing Management Award and she's been named a member of the Women in Technology International Hall of Fame.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Carol Bartz for her extraordinary accomplishments and for the leadership she is known for in everything she does. It is a special privilege to represent her and to honor her for all she has done to make our country stronger and better.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE MANY CONTRIBUTIONS OF ATHANASIOS (TOM) ALAFOGIANNIS, A LEADER IN QUEENS AND THE GREEK AMERICAN COMMUNITY

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, with great sadness I rise to pay tribute to Athanasios (Tom) Alafogiannis, a much admired and beloved leader of the Greek-American community in Queens. Unfortunately, Tom Alafogiannis passed away last week, leaving much of the community in mourning.

Tom was born in Dafno, Greece on February 28th, 1933. Talented with his hands, Tom completed the technical school of engineering. Although he was a hard worker who loved his family, he decided to leave Greece to seek a better life in America.

At the age of 36 he came to the United States, working his way over as a ship's engineer. In America, he attended school and became a licensed master plumber. His talents were quickly recognized and he built a successful business. In 1969 he married the love of his life, Rose Anne Benevento. They have four children: Apostolos (Paul), Jennifer, Joseph and Vasilios (Billy).

Understanding the responsibilities that come with prosperity, Tom devoted a great deal of time and attention to giving back to the community. His unwavering dedication and boundless energy made him a popular leader. He served as President of the Hermes Chapter of AHEPA, three time President of the Greek American Homeowners and President of Sterea Hellas. Concerned with the quality of life in Astoria, he became a member of Queens Community Board 1. As a successful business leader, he became a member of the Board of Directors of the Kiwanis Club.

Tom never became involved in anything halfway. In every organization in which he participated, he left his mark. Tom was, quite simply, a charming man of great energy and deep concern for others. He will be sorely missed.

I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the life and accomplishments of Tom Alafogiannis, a truly remarkable man.

IN HONOR OF JAMES C. MORGAN

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 10, 2003

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor James C. Morgan who recently retired as Chief Executive Officer of Applied Materials, Inc., of Santa Clara, California.

Mr. Morgan was named Chairman of Applied Materials' Board of Directors in 1987 and continues to serve in that position today. He

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joined Applied Materials as President in 1976, after serving as senior partner at WestVen Management.

Mr. Morgan received his B.S.M.E. and MBA degrees from Cornell University and has earned countless honors and awards. He received the National Medal of Technology in 1996 and is Vice-Chair of the President's Export Council. He was appointed to the 2002 U.S.-Japan Private Sector Government Commission and served on the Commission on U.S.-Pacific Trade and Investment Policy from 1996 to 1997. He serves on the boards of Cisco Systems, the National Center for Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation, the California Nature Conservancy, and as a member of the Advisory Board of the Center for Science, Technology and Society at Santa Clara University.

Under Mr. Morgan's leadership Applied Materials has been recognized as one of our nation's leading corporations. Fortune Magazine named Applied Materials one of America's Most Admired Companies, one of the Top Ten in Total Return to Shareholders, one of the 100 Best Companies to Work For and one of the Best Companies for Asians, Blacks and Hispanics.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring James C. Morgan for his extraordinary corporate leadership and corporate citizenship. Our community and our country have been strengthened by his countless contributions and his lifetime of service. How proud I am to know and represent Jim and his distinguished wife Becky, and wish them great health and every blessing.

IN RECOGNITION OF BOB WILSON

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OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 10, 2003

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Bob Wilson, whose commitment to various organizations has helped make the local community a better place to live. In honor of his contributions, Mr. Wilson will be honored by the Dutch Kills Civic Association on June 12th, 2003.

A lifetime New Yorker, Mr. Wilson was born and raised in the Bronx. As a young man, Mr. Wilson joined the United States Navy during the Korean Conflict. After leaving the United States Navy, Mr. Wilson returned home and began a long and successful career of 38 years with Local 731 as a General Foreman, building and rebuilding many of New York City's highways and bridges.

An enthusiastic and dedicated community advocate, Mr. Wilson joined the Dutch Kills Civic Association upon his retirement, eventually becoming President of the organization.

As President of the Dutch Kills Civic Association for ten years, Mr. Wilson was dedicated to improving quality of life in the neighborhood. Through his efforts with Walter McCaffrey, a much-needed hockey rink was built in Dutch Kills Park. He worked with Tony Maloni in his fight to remove graffiti in the area. In addition, Mr. Wilson was a steady leader in calling the 114th Precinct to help rid the neighborhood of constant prostitution.

In typical fashion, Mr. Wilson was the 'go-to' guy for many of the concerns raised by the or-

ganization, including such problems as catch basins not being cleaned in the area. Recognizing that the organization would benefit from a strong revenue stream, he envisioned holding an annual street fair. His vision is now a reality that brings revenue to the organization each year.

Mr. Wilson is described by his peers as a man of boundless energy and commitment to the community he has been a part of for so many years. In recognition of these outstanding achievements, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Bob Wilson for his spirit and dedication.

IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE'S SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 10, 2003

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to the City of Bellevue. This City in my congressional district was first settled in 1815. It is generally acknowledged that Mark Hopkins was its first resident, building a log cabin on East Main Street in 1816. The site is presently marked with a plaque first erected in 1915. Bellevue was known as Amsden's Corners after a prominent early settler, Thomas Amsden, who traded with the Indians and opened a general store at the site of present day City Hall.

Later in the 1830's, the City was known as York Roads and in 1839 it was named Bellevue in honor of James H. Belle, an engineer who surveyed the first railroad through the town. The first major road was constructed in 1823, which began at the town square and terminated at the Maumee River in Perrysburg. In 1839, the first railroad from Sandusky to Bellevue was completed and this began Bellevue's long history as a railroad center.

Bellevue was incorporated as a village in 1851 with a population of 300 and incorporated as a city in 1912. Early commerce and industry consisted of a sawmill, tannery, cabinet shop, cooperage, wagon shop, farm products, four mill, railroad, and Mill Pond liquor distillery.

The City's industrial base has developed steadily and is well diversified. Products range from aluminum windows and doors and heating/air conditioning equipment, to metal stamping, plastics and commercial balers.

Several subdivisions have been completed recently, and an additional allotment of apartments and single family dwellings are also in the works.

Area residents are served by an active central city business district. Recreational opportunities include numerous parks, a community center, golf course, as well as water recreation associated with Lake Erie, just 15 miles north.

Local educational facilities and programs include five elementary, one junior high, and one senior high school. This is supplemented by participation in the EHOVE vocational school district. Higher education is available at two branch universities, a technical college, three nursing schools, and two four-year colleges within 25 miles.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to the City of Bellevue on the

occasion of it Sesquicentennial celebration. I am proud to offer these sentiments today properly documenting this event in the record of the 108th Congress.

TRIBUTE TO MATT JOHNSON

HON. BART STUPAK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 10, 2003

Mr. STUPAK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Mr. Matt Johnson, a young man who served Michigan's First Congressional District well for nearly 9 years, and has now become Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm's Upper Peninsula Representative.

Matt started working for me in May of 1994 as an intern while attending Northern Michigan University (NMU). Matt took on significant responsibility during his internship, working some extended hours and learning the ropes of how a congressional district office is run.

After completing his degree in Public Administration at NMU, Matt assumed a full-time position in my Marquette district office as a congressional aide. Another staff member in my Marquette office at the time, Brian Schlientz, unfortunately took ill with a brain tumor and passed away several months later. I mention this, Mr. Speaker, because Matt's new role as a congressional aide fresh out of college was no doubt a difficult enough adjustment, but when compounded with the tragedy of losing his mentor, Matt faced significant challenges.

After working as a congressional aide for nearly three years, Matt was promoted to the role of District Administrator when my District Administrator, Scott Schloegel, moved to Washington to become Chief of Staff. Matt was responsible for coordination and oversight of the staff in my six district offices. He also did outreach, grants, and special projects throughout Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Mr. Speaker, I have had the pleasure of watching Matt Johnson grow from a fresh-faced college intern into a seasoned public servant. Along the way he has traveled tens of thousands of miles, held hundreds of meetings, assisted thousands of constituents, and learned volumes of information about federal—and now state—government. Matt has also taken time to settle down a bit with his wife, Cheri and their 1-year-old daughter, Jacey, on their horse farm in Skandia. On their farm, Matt and Cheri host various horse events, including a charity fund raiser each year. As anyone in public service knows, one's spouse often sacrifices as much as the public servant does. I would be remiss in not thanking Cheri for sharing Matt with us and being understanding on those dozens of occasions when duty called Matt to drive several hours away to attend meetings, dinners, and other functions on my behalf.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for this opportunity to publicly recognize a dedicated former employee, a good friend, and a wonderful human being for his contributions to Michigan's First Congressional District.