

willingness to pitch in comes from a passionate commitment to your job, a commitment which cannot be bought from the lowest bidder or adequately described in a want ad.

What's more, each unit of our National Park System is unique, both in the resources it offers and the challenges it faces. Such richness and diversity defy a "one-cheapest-size-fits-all" approach. The best scientific mind to further stabilize the Anasazi ruins at Mesa Verde is not the best person to protect endangered species in the Dry Tortugas. A private corporation, offering the lowest possible salaries, probably can't provide either of these people, much less both of them.

The fact is, NPS employees' salaries are scandalously low, their housing is dilapidated and they are frequently asked to pack up their families and move to a park thousands of miles away. These men and women work in the National Park Service because they love National Parks, and the people who visit them, and there is no excess to be wrung from their paychecks. While it is appropriate to seek the lowest bidder for the uniforms they wear or the equipment they use, allowing the lowest bidder to replace their expertise and experience will only cheapen our National Parks.

The mission of the National Park Service is resource protection and visitor enjoyment, not profit. To accomplish that mission, the National Park Service needs employees motivated by a love of people and of parks, not of money. The natural, cultural and historic resources contained within our National Parks are too valuable to allow the job of protecting them to be traded on the open market.

My legislation will stop this privatization scheme in its tracks and I urge my colleagues to support it.

IN HONOR OF THE TVB BENEFIT
VARIETY SHOW 2003

HON. JERROLD NADLER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2003

Mr. NADLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to praise the extraordinary efforts of NYU Downtown Hospital and its Chinese Community Partnership for Health program, for all of their work in health education, outreach and case management throughout lower Manhattan. I salute them on the occasion of the fourth annual Hong Kong Television Broadcast Limited Benefit Variety Show, which raises funds for this worthy cause.

Lower Manhattan is a diverse community that welcomes thousands of new immigrants every year, especially to the dynamic neighborhood of Chinatown. NYU Downtown Hospital is the only health care facility in the area and works to guarantee that these immigrants have access to quality health care.

The hospital has numerous successful outreach programs including the Chinese Community Partnership for Health (CCPH) program. The CCPH works to promote health care to all the residents of New York's Chinese community, including the tens of thousands of new residents each year. For ten years, the CCPH has served more than 80,000 garment and restaurant workers, elderly Chinese residents and school children in the Hospital's service area.

The centerpiece of the Partnership program is its health screening activities conducted by specially trained outreach teams that include bilingual nurses with both Eastern and Western healthcare concepts and practices. CCPH helps these immigrants overcome language and cultural barriers which prevent them from receiving the medical assistance they need and deserve.

To help raise funds for this worthy cause, CCPH and NYU Downtown Hospital will host a three-day extravaganza featuring a celebrity gala dinner and culminating in the Benefit Variety Show. Produced by the Hong Kong Television Broadcasts Limited (TVB), the Benefit Variety Show is an annual event in its fourth year that will be held in New York on July 10th. The festivities are broadcast worldwide, which helps to display New York's tremendous diversity.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the many individuals who work tirelessly to make this event an annual success, including Sir Run Run Shaw, Executive Chairman of TVB; George C.K. Liu, Chairman of the Physician Committee; Mr. Tim Cheng of the East Buffet and Restaurant; Pulchee Ngan, General Manager, Raymond Miu Productions, Inc.; and Hong Kong Superstars Jerry Lamb, Yumiko Cheng, Maggie Cheung, Denise Ho, Aaron Kwok, Alan Lam, Samantha Lam, Edmond Leung, Gigi Leung, Edwin Siu, Tommy Yuen, and Tim Yuk. I would also like to recognize the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association, who are the grand benefactors of this event and do so much throughout Chinatown to serve and protect the interests of the Chinese community in New York City.

I appreciate all the good work that CCPH does to promote quality health care and I wish them great success with this year's variety show.

COMMEMORATING THE 10TH ANNI-
VERSARY OF THE UCSD CANCER
CENTER LUAU & LONG BOARD
INVITATIONAL

HON. SUSAN A. DAVIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2003

Mrs. DAVIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the University of California—San Diego (UCSD) Cancer Center Luau and Long Board Invitational annual event for their continuous exemplary work in furthering the efforts of cancer treatment and research at the Rebecca and John Moores UCSD Cancer Center.

This year marks the 10th Anniversary of the Luau and Long Board Invitational, which each year brings together varying groups, from world-renowned surfing legends to corporate executives, to unify around the same cause. The many activities of the day include a ceremony honoring the recipient of the Queen of Makaha Award, recognizing an individual for his or her efforts to fight cancer and dedication to helping others in ways that embody the true "aloha" spirit.

This year's 10th Anniversary event serves as a milestone of success and a measure of the many contributions of supporters both in and out of the San Diego community toward

the struggle against cancer. Through a good deal of time and effort, the Luau has earned a worldwide reputation as one of the finest and most soulful surfing-themed philanthropic events to be found anywhere. The challenge of organizing the Luau year after year is successfully accomplished by a passionate grassroots network of local volunteers, many of whom are cancer survivors. Additionally, the Luau is generously supported by a diverse collection of prominent, community-minded companies, organizations and individuals.

Since its founding in 1994, the Luau has raised more than \$1 million to finance promising cancer research projects at the Rebecca and John Moores UCSD Cancer Center. In 2002 alone, over \$170,000 was raised. Today, scientists and doctors are making great strides in the battle to fight cancer, but the disease continues to be one of the most widespread diseases in the United States. We must do our part to keep up the fight, and this Luau serves as a perfect means for all San Diegans to get involved.

I applaud the UCSD Cancer Center Luau and Long Board Invitational for their continuous efforts in the fight against Cancer. To all those who have spent countless hours on this important event year after year: Mahalo!

I yield back the balance of my time.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. SHARAD
SHAH AND SHARE AND CARE
FOUNDATION

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2003

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to laud the accomplishments of Mr. Sharad Shah, and the organization he helped create, The Share and Care Foundation. Share and Care is a unique organization that provides medical equipment, food, basic health care, crisis and disaster relief, youth vocational training, internship programs, scholarships and more to those desperately in need. This forum has been the starting ground for many people, and has provided a much-needed service to lift up underprivileged children and women faced with seemingly insurmountable obstacles, and set them on the road to a productive life.

Share and Care, the brainchild of a small group of Indian-Americans, was born in 1982 in New Jersey. More than 50 active volunteers are involved in multifaceted projects and services. The volunteers see themselves as catalysts, promoting low cost, high return programs at grass root levels. Their 100% volunteer organization maximizes the utilization of funds for a deserving cause. In the last twenty years this organization has grown over a hundred fold.

Share and Care has offered its services since the Bhopal tragedy in 1984 to the recent Gujarat earthquake in 2001. Share and Care aided in building schools, hospitals, training centers, health camps and blood banks, and sponsored thousands of students seeking an education. This Foundation has directed more than \$5 million in cash and kind donations to the victims of the January 2001 earthquake. About 2,500 individuals throughout the United States donated more than \$1 million for the effort. Additionally, about 50 corporations and

groups collected donations and chose Share and Care to distribute the money in order to deliver relief to the people of Gujarat.

This Foundation is a recognized name that people trust with their donations and can rely on for help in the most tragic times. Their numerous community and rehabilitation initiatives have totaled more than \$30 million. Mr. Speaker, on this day I rise up to acknowledge a truly remarkable individual and I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring Mr. Shah and his organization for the fine and important work they have done over the past twenty years.

HONORING MAYNARD HOLBROOK
JACKSON, JR.

HON. MAX BURNS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2003

Mr. BURNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Maynard Holbrook Jackson, Jr., and to extend condolences to the family, friends, and business associates of the untimely death of an extraordinary man who changed the way the world sees the City of Atlanta.

Mr. Jackson loved Atlanta, the state of Georgia, and its people. He worked endlessly to create a city that many refer to as the "Mecca of the South." Because of his tireless devotion, Atlanta's growth and development has gained national prominence.

A savvy politician and businessman, Mr. Jackson was the first African-American to be elected mayor of a major southern city. A great champion for diversity, inclusion, and fairness, he built bridges between racial, economic, and social lines that brought a sense of togetherness to the City of Atlanta and its citizens.

Mr. Jackson's dynamic leadership was the driving force in the design, development and expansion of one of the nation's busiest airports, Atlanta's Hartsfield International. In addition, his legacy includes programs that empowered neighborhoods and a department that oversees cultural affairs. He worked tirelessly as an advocate of affirmative action and laid the foundation that brought the 1996 Summer Olympics to Atlanta.

Mr. Jackson was a successful politician and businessman who had a passion for public service. The death of this remarkable man creates a great void for the City of Atlanta, the state of Georgia, and the entire nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOHN SULLIVAN

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2003

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. Speaker, due to events beyond my control I was unable to be present for the following rollcall votes. Had I been able to submit my votes, they would have been as follows:

Rollcall vote No. 297 on agreeing to the passage of H. Res. 264—"yes".

Rollcall vote No. 298 on agreeing to the passage of H. Res. 177—"yes".

Rollcall vote No. 299 on agreeing to the passage of H. Con. Res. 209—"yes".

Rollcall vote No. 300 on agreeing to the passage of H.R. 2465—"yes".

MAKE RESEARCH FUNDED BY THE
PUBLIC AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

HON. MARTIN OLAV SABO

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2003

Mr. SABO. Mr. Speaker, today I will introduce the Public Access to Science Act, PASA, of 2003, legislation to make federally funded research available to the public.

It is wrong when a breast cancer patient cannot access federally funded research paid for by her hard-earned taxes. It is wrong when a family whose child has a rare disease must pay again for access to research their tax dollars already paid for. Common sense dictates we provide the most cutting-edge research to all who may benefit from it, especially when they have already paid for it with their tax dollars.

The United States Government funds basic research with the intention and the belief that the new ideas and discoveries that result will improve the lives and welfare of the people of the United States and around the world. Our government spends \$45 billion a year to support scientific and medical research whose product is new knowledge for the public benefit. We must remember that government funded research belongs to, and should be readily available to, every person in the United States. Lifting restrictions that prevent the widespread sharing of federally funded research can only speed scientific advancement.

I urge you to join me by cosponsoring this legislation to require research substantially funded by the Federal Government to be ineligible for copyright protection, and thus available in the public domain.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SUE WILKINS MYRICK

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2003

Mrs. MYRICK. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to participate in the following votes. If I had been present, I would have voted as follows:

June 24, 2003, Rollcall vote 307, on agreeing to the Filner amendment, I would have voted "no".

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JIM KOLBE

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2003

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Speaker, yesterday, I attended the funeral of the Honorable Bob Stump in Phoenix, Arizona and missed votes on the following measures:

1. S. 858—To extend the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission, and for other pur-

poses (#312). Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

2. H.R. 2474—To require that funds made available for fiscal years 2003 and 2004 for the Bill Emerson and Mickey Leland Hunger Fellowships be administered through the Congressional Hunger Center (#313). Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

3. H.J. Res. 49—recognizing the important service to the Nation provided by the Foreign Agricultural Service of the Department of Agriculture on the occasion of its 50th anniversary (#314). Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

4. H. Con. Res. 49—expressing the sense of the Congress that the sharp escalation of anti-Semitic violence within many participating States of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) is of profound concern and efforts should be undertaken to prevent future occurrences (#315). Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

5. H. Res. 199—calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China immediately and unconditionally to release Dr. Yang Jianli, calling on the President of the United States to continue working on behalf of Dr. Yang Jianli for his release, and for other purposes (#316). Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

6. H. Res. 294—condemning the terrorism inflicted on Israel since the Aqaba Summit and expressing solidarity with the Israeli people in their fight against terrorism (#317). Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

RECOGNIZING UCSD CANCER
CENTER

HON. RANDY "DUKE" CUNNINGHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2003

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor The UCSD Cancer Center Luau and Longboard Invitational. This event brings together surfing legends from around the world, celebrities, and corporate executives to benefit cancer treatment and research at the Rebecca and John Moores UCSD Cancer Center. It features a friendly surfing competition between sponsored teams, a Polynesian-themed party featuring food, entertainment, live and silent auctions of surf memorabilia, and a brief ceremony to honor the winner of the Rell Sunn—Queen of Makaha Award. This award recognizes an individual for his or her efforts to fight cancer and dedication to helping others in ways that embody the true "aloha" spirit.

Since its founding in 1994, the Luau has raised more than \$1 million for the center. Much of these funds have been used as "seed money" that finances the initial stages of promising cancer research projects and helps them qualify for additional funding from federal or other sources.

The Luau also has earned a worldwide reputation as one of the finest and most soulful surfing-themed philanthropic events anywhere. It is organized by a passionate grassroots network of local volunteers (many of whom are cancer survivors), and is generously supported by a diverse collection of prominent, community-minded companies, organizations and individuals. This year's event promises to be extra special, as it is the 10th anniversary of the UCSD Cancer Center Luau.