

Benito Tourism Council, the United Way of Hollister and the San Juan Bautista Historic Planning Committee.

I first met Terry in April of 2002 when she accepted my request to assist with the planning of California's 17th Congressional District's 2002 Naturalization Ceremony. Without her tireless help, we would not have been able to convene so many community leaders in such a short amount of time. That ceremony was a very special day for the participating new citizens, and it is one that many members of San Benito County will remember for a long time to come. It wouldn't have been possible, had it not been for Terry's ambitious fundraising and vision for that day.

Terry will be moving to the Sonora area in the Sierra foothills, and I would like to say that she will be missed by the community of San Juan Bautista, and San Benito County.

Because of her enormous sense of dedicated community service and love for the City of San Juan Bautista, Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Terry Marburger and her valuable contributions to our community.

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#### HONORING FRANK JOHNSON

### HON. DENNIS A. CARDOZA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 2003*

Mr. CARDOZA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Frank Johnson, who has delighted the community of Modesto as a ticket taker for the Modesto A's Baseball Club, Inc. for 31 years. As one of the most well known and popular members of the Modesto A's staff, Mr. Johnson has become an endeared friend to all of the team's fans.

Mr. Johnson began working in Modesto baseball in 1958 when he worked in the concession stand for the Modesto Reds at Del Webb Field. Since that time he witnessed five different minor league professional baseball teams call Modesto home. From the New York Yankees to the Oakland Athletics, Mr. Johnson is a testament not only to baseball, but to the many changes the City of Modesto has experienced.

As a constant face to all of the attendees at the Modesto A's games, Mr. Johnson has become a part of local history. He is a reminder of all of the good things about baseball and youth. It is my honor and privilege to recognize Mr. Johnson's 50 years of commitment to our community.

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#### CONGRATULATIONS TO GENE OWENS ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE MOBILE REGISTER

### HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 2003*

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to recognize and salute my friend, Gene Owens, on the occasion of his retirement from "active duty" with the Mobile Register, Alabama's oldest newspaper.

For 9 years, Gene has provided consistent, quality reporting to readers along the Gulf

Coast and throughout Alabama, first as the paper's political editor and in recent years, as the Register's popular metro columnist.

Prior to moving to Alabama, Gene worked at newspapers in other areas of the country, devoting much of that time to reporting jobs in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Upon moving to the Gulf Coast in 1994, Gene became a familiar face to those of us in public service during his stint as the Register's political editor. In so doing, he shared with the people of south Alabama the talents and personal integrity upon which he built his reputation as a journalist.

Elected officials, community representatives and concerned citizens alike could always rely on Gene to provide the best possible coverage of issues facing us in Alabama as well as topics of national interest. From covering local political debates to national party conventions, Gene could always be counted on to give you the complete story on the major issues of the day. While his readers—and those he reported on—did not always agree with him, we could always be assured there would be equal and fair treatment in his columns and stories, a statement which can not always be said about all journalists.

In recent years, Gene moved to cover more local issues, and his columns on more human interest stories won him an entirely new following. His humorous and often folksy manner of sharing local tales, from topics as diverse as an annual Texas State Fire Ant Festival to a discussion on the finer points of the southern "take" on the English language, could always be counted upon to inform, entertain and bring a smile to the faces of all his readers.

His readers, colleagues and fans never hesitated to share their opinions on and about Gene and his pontifications. Of all the comments the paper received during the past 9 years, the one that perhaps best sums up Gene's career and the public's feeling toward him was left on the Register's open comment line, "Sound Off," and was recently reprinted in a tribute column about Gene. Someone called in to say, "I hope God continues to watch over Gene Owens. The world is so in need of the humor and wisdom that he so richly shares with us all."

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing Gene Owens for his tremendous contributions to both the world of journalism and to his friends and neighbors along Alabama's Gulf Coast. Gene is indeed a genuine Alabama treasure who has freely shared both his wisdom and humor with all of us, and for nearly a decade I have been proud to call him my friend.

Along with his many friends and followers throughout South Alabama, "Pal Joey" wishes to extend to Gene Owens and his lovely wife, "Miss Peggy," all the best in the months and years ahead.

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#### RECOGNIZING REV. JAMES MORRIS LAWSON JR.

### HON. HILDA L. SOLIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 2003*

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I stand before you today to recognize one of the most inspiring and remarkable leaders in the United States,

Rev. James Morris Lawson Jr. Rev. Lawson Jr. is a minister and a civil rights leader who has worked hard to further the advancement of people of color.

Rev. Lawson was born in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, in 1928. Since early on in his life, he has strongly advocated for nonviolent resistance to achieve political change, a philosophy he developed by studying Ghandian ethics and Methodist theology. A leader in the fight against racism, Rev. Lawson was instrumental in desegregating many of our Nation's societies, especially those in the southern States during the late 1950's and 1960's.

In 1957, Rev. Lawson worked with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and helped shape the Southern Christian Leadership Council, a national organization that dismantled barriers for black citizens in the segregated south. Rev. Lawson helped organize students in southern universities to perform nonviolent demonstrations to desegregate restaurants and drug stores in Nashville, Tennessee. His actions influenced others in Historically Black Colleges and Universities to protest, eventually helping to end segregation throughout the South.

Admirably, Rev. Lawson's leadership not only helped black citizens achieve political change, but he also aided labor unions, women, gays and lesbians, and recently incarcerated individuals. With all these monumental accomplishments, Rev. Lawson continues to fight for social justice even in his mid-70's.

His accomplishments as a dignitary of civil rights have inspired other civil leaders, like me, to achieve political change. Therefore, I am privileged to recognize him as the perfect example of today's exceptional leader.

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#### TRIBUTE TO WALTER TIMME

### HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 2003*

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise before this body of Congress and this nation to pay tribute to a most remarkable individual from my district. Walter Timme of Pueblo, Colorado honorably served in the Army during World War II, leaving his motorcycle sales business to answer his country's call to duty. Walter's service to our country in its time of need is indicative of his commitment to our nation, which I would like to recognize here today.

Putting his passion for motorcycles on hold, Walt kissed his wife goodbye and shipped off to New Caledonia and Biak in the South Pacific. It was not long after they learned of his mechanical abilities that the Army put Walt to work as an aircraft engine repair technician. Walt's knowledge of engines, acquired from his fondness of motorcycles, provided him with an unparalleled skill for fixing planes. Our country owes Walt a debt of gratitude for his service during WWII.

Walt returned safely from the war and revisited his passion for motorcycles. Aside from his time spent serving the country during WWII, Walt has been selling motorcycles since 1938. Walt's entrepreneurial spirit and business savvy have provided his community with jobs and services for over six decades.

Mr. Speaker, it is a privilege to stand before this body of Congress today and recognize the loyal service of Walt Timme to our nation.

Walt's wealth of knowledge regarding mechanics served as a tremendous resource to the Army in a time of need. Thank you Walt, and best of luck with your future endeavors.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING  
GEORGE "GUS" WRIGHT AS HE  
CELEBRATES HIS 80TH BIRTH-  
DAY

**HON. ROBERT W. NEY**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 2003*

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, George Wright was born in Flemington, West Virginia on September 7, 1923; and

Whereas, George Wright, a resident of Bel-  
laire, Ohio is celebrating his 80th birthday  
today; and

Whereas, George Wright has long been a  
dedicated family man, being understanding  
and caring. His personal sacrifices of time and  
energy to family, friends and country stand as  
a monument to a truly fine individual. For his  
service to our Nation in the United States  
Navy, we owe Mr. Wright a debt of gratitude.

Therefore, I join with the family and friends,  
as well as the residents of the entire 18th  
Congressional District of Ohio, in honoring  
George "Gus" Wright as he celebrates his  
80th birthday.

A TRIBUTE TO SCOTT UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 2003*

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to  
honor Scott United Methodist Church in Pasa-  
dena, CA. On Saturday, September 20th,  
Scott United Methodist Church will celebrate  
100 years of dedicated service to the commu-  
nity.

In its century of existence, the location of  
Scott United Methodist Church, named for  
Bishop Isaiah Benjamin Scott, has changed on  
numerous occasions, but the benevolent spirit  
of the church has remained a consistent pres-  
ence in the community. After its first humble  
meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.W.  
Harris in 1903, the church assembled in a se-  
ries of buildings for short periods until 1930  
when the congregation settled into the church  
building at 55 Mary Street for the next 43  
years. Scott United Methodist Church then  
held services at First United Methodist Church  
on Colorado Boulevard for 2 years before ar-  
riving at the current site on Orange Grove  
Boulevard.

Despite the many moves in its history, Scott  
United Methodist Church, acting on its motto,  
"the church at the heart of the community with  
the community at heart," continually dedicated  
itself in service to the people of Pasadena.  
That commitment remains to this day. The As-  
pires West-Pasadena Program supports at-risk  
youth in the Pasadena area, and the "Clothe  
the Pasadena Unified School District School  
Children" project provides school wardrobes  
for children from low-income families. Scott

United Methodist Church also provides assist-  
ance to the needy with its rent relief and holi-  
day food programs.

I consider it a great privilege to recognize  
Scott United Methodist Church for its 100  
years of service to the people of the San Ga-  
briel Valley. I ask all Members to join me in  
wishing Scott United Methodist Church many  
more fruitful years of service to the commu-  
nity.

TRIBUTE TO LEONE "LEE"  
CHAMBERLIN

**HON. SAM FARR**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 2003*

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to  
honor Leone "Lee" Chamberlin who passed  
away on Thursday, July 3, 2003. During her  
lifetime Mrs. Chamberlin was an active com-  
munity member, dedicated to serving others  
by leading such organizations as the Girl  
Scouts of America, Soroptimists International  
and the Salvation Army. She will be dearly  
missed by her family of four nieces Patricia  
Minor, Carole Sobel, Mary Menke and Barbara  
Elgen; and two nephews Rocky Phillips and  
Ron Elgen; as well as countless friends.

Leone Chamberlin was born in Fargo, ND  
and earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical  
engineering from the University of Minnesota.  
She headed the Siems Drake Mechanical En-  
gineering Department at Puget Sound in Se-  
attle, and became at the time one of just 10  
women members of the American Association  
of Mechanical engineers. Her community serv-  
ice began when she moved to Whidbey Island  
Naval Air Station in Oak Harbor with her hus-  
band Walter Chamberlin. There she counseled  
teenage girls and organized the Girl Scout  
Council of Whidbey Island.

She later moved to Fairbanks, AK where  
she worked as the chief of preliminary engi-  
neering and drafting departments for the Army  
Corps of Engineers. While in Alaska she also  
served as the president for the Farthest North  
Girl Scout Council and began her work with  
Soroptimists International. After her husband's  
death Mrs. Chamberlin moved to Seattle and  
became the financial adviser on the national  
staff of the Girl Scouts of America. When she  
moved to Monterey County she furthered her  
work with the Girl Scouts by organizing the  
Santa Cruz, San Benito and Monterey County  
Girl Scout Councils into the single Girl Scouts  
of Monterey Bay Council, serving as executive  
director for several years.

Leone Chamberlin remained active after her  
retirement, serving as the executive director of  
the Carmel Business Association, the presi-  
dent of the Monterey Peninsula Soroptimists  
Club, and board member and president of the  
Salvation Army. As an ever involved member  
of the local community she served as a mem-  
ber of the board for numerous committees  
such as Monterey County Economic Develop-  
ment Committee Monterey County Symphony,  
Monterey History and Art Association, Carmel  
Women's Republican Club, Monterey County  
Council of Chambers of Commerce and Re-  
gional Advisory Council for the Salvation  
Army.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to add my appreciation  
and recognition of Leone Chamberlin's whose

countless achievements have been recognized  
by numerous awards such as the Congres-  
sional Recognition award from Leon Panetta,  
the Soroptimists' Women of Distinction award,  
and several Thanks Badges from the Girl  
Scouts. I join Leone Chamberlin's countless  
friends and family in honoring her truly com-  
mendable life and achievements.

HONORING GREGORY HINES

**HON. HILDA L. SOLIS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 2003*

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay  
tribute to Gregory Hines, whose limitless  
grace, style and talent brought international at-  
tention to the art of tap dancing.

Gregory Hines set a high standard of excel-  
lence and dedication in the realm of entertain-  
ment, whether it was singing, dancing, acting,  
directing, or creating new choreography. He  
starred in many tap dancing movies and also  
created, produced and supported many pro-  
ductions, such as Tap City with Tony Waag  
and Hoagy Bix Carmicheal. Through his art  
form, he mentored young talent, and today,  
tap dance is performed in festivals in as many  
as 40 nations and has been adapted to di-  
verse cultural rhythms throughout the world.

Mr. Hines not only contributed greatly to the  
arts, but his dedication to the community has  
been truly selfless. As a board member of  
several non-profit organizations, including the  
American Tap Dance Foundation, Mr. Hines  
was the tap dance community's chief ambas-  
sador, dedicated to the preservation and per-  
petuation of history, education, and presen-  
tation of tap dance. Regardless of the numer-  
ous credits to his name, Mr. Hines would al-  
ways say he considered himself first and fore-  
most a tap dancer.

Gregory Hines will be truly missed as a role  
model who has taught us how to join together  
and celebrate the diversity that makes our na-  
tion great. His dedication to the community  
transcended the stage and productions and  
will be a model for future generations.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING  
CHIEF MICHAEL MAGUSCHAK

**HON. ROBERT W. NEY**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 5, 2003*

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, Chief Michael Maguschak has  
dedicated his life to serving and protecting the  
residents of Mingo Junction; and

Whereas, on a daily basis Chief Maguschak  
has upheld his oath with an honor and convic-  
tion far above the call of duty; and

Whereas, Chief Maguschak has dem-  
onstrated a commitment to meet challenges  
with dedication, confidence and outstanding  
service; and

Whereas, Chief Maguschak should be con-  
gratulated on his retirement after 29 years in  
the police force;

Therefore, I join with the residents of Mingo  
Junction in congratulating Chief Michael  
Maguschak on his retirement.