

in teaching young students about the role of the missions in the history of our nation.

Contrary to widespread belief, 19 of California's 21 missions are not funded by any governmental agency and instead rely on charitable donations to keep their doors open. They are in serious need of repair, restoration, and preservation for future generations.

Until recent efforts by the California Missions Foundation, little had been done to preserve the mission's structures and art. Because of this long-term neglect, many of the missions are now in dire need of structural attention and major rehabilitation.

The legislation would provide \$10 million for the restoration effort in a Department of the Interior grants program to be administered over five years. By authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to make matching grants to the California Missions Foundation, we are preserving the missions while keeping in mind the current state of the budget.

This act enjoys nearly unanimous, bipartisan support among California's congressional delegation. It will support the efforts of the California Missions Foundation to restore and repair the Spanish colonial and mission-era missions in the State of California. I urge all my colleagues to ensure that the missions remain intact, as unshakable symbols of our nation's early discovery.

IN RECOGNITION OF B.E. MCKINNEY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 32ND ANNIVERSARY AS PASTOR OF GREATER EBENEZER MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, TALLADEGA, AL

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. ROGERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Pastor B.E. McKinney on the occasion of his 32nd anniversary as Pastor of Greater Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church, in Talladega, Alabama.

Pastor McKinney has led Greater Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church since 1971 and has nurtured it into a caring, compassionate and charitable church home. Under his leadership, the church has produced many successful, mindful, God-fearing, community-oriented citizens. Pastor McKinney, through his generosity, leadership, guidance, mentoring and example has shaped the lives of a number of young people. For example, a church organization formed under his ministry, called the "Crusaders" has sponsored after-school activities, guidance, leadership and mentoring for young boys who come from socio-economically challenged, single-parent households.

Mr. Speaker, it is often said that the measure of a man's worth is the impact he has on others. In this measure, Pastor McKinney stands tall. I congratulate him and his devoted wife, Alma, for their faithful and dedicated service to their church and community.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF F/LT. JOSEPH P. ZANGARO, MICHIGAN STATE POLICE BRIDGMAN POST

HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. UPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to F/Lt. Joseph P. Zangaro, who is approaching the end of a long and distinguished career in law enforcement. The Battle Creek native began his law enforcement career in 1976 with the Calhoun County Sheriff Department in Marshall, MI as a road patrol deputy. After a brief stint with the Battle Creek Township Police Department, Zangaro entered the 94th Michigan State Police Recruit School. He has served the residents of southwest Michigan with great distinction ever since.

F/Lt. Zangaro's contributions to our community over the last 27 years have been tremendous. From post to post, he consistently received accolades and recognition along the way including. Among the highlights of his storied career include being named Benton Harbor Exchange Club Trooper of the Year in 1985 and in 1994 Zangaro earned a "Professional Excellence" award for his part in an armed robbery investigation.

He has been successful keeping drugs away from our children and keeping drunk drivers off the road. Just this year he was on the ground, restoring the peace after the uprising in Benton Harbor.

From overseeing one of biggest undercover drug operations in SWET history dismantling the Rainbow Farms drug operation in Cass County or keeping drunk drivers off the streets, F/Lt. Joseph P. Zangaro contributions to our community have been many, and we are all better off from his service.

Our community is in debt to F/Lt. Joseph P. Zangaro for his 27 years in law enforcement, 25 of which were with the Michigan State Police. I wish him and his family all the best in retirement. He will truly be missed by the folks in southwest Michigan.

TRIBUTE TO FATHER JOHN LEONARD O'SHEA

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise before this body of Congress and this Nation today to pay tribute to an outstanding citizen from Colorado. Father John Leonard O'Shea of Denver, Colorado recently passed away at the age of sixty-nine. John faithfully served his community throughout his life, first as a member of the Denver Police Department and later as a Catholic Priest. For his years of service and dedication, I am honored to pay tribute to the life and memory of Father O'Shea here today.

John joined the Denver Police Department in 1961 and served in many different positions including patrol, training, property crimes, and traffic investigations. While on the force, John developed a method to streamline the processing of drunk drivers. John retired as Dep-

uty Police Chief in 1987 and, after earning his Ph.D. in Psychology, began studying for the priesthood at Boston Seminary. John was ordained at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Denver in June of this year and was named the Senior Vicar at the Cathedral.

Mr. Speaker, Father John O'Shea loved to serve his fellow Coloradans, and people were drawn to him because of his positive outlook and quiet dedication. John touched many throughout his life, and the Denver community has benefited greatly from his involvement. As his family and community mourn his loss, I am honored to join with my colleagues today in paying tribute to the life and memory of Father John Leonard O'Shea.

IN MEMORY OF EDDIE JAMES GIBSON

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I was deeply saddened when I learned of the passing on October 12, of Eddie James Gibson, 57, of Edison, Georgia, one of the most highly committed, courageous and inspiring citizens I have ever known.

The son of sharecroppers, Mr. Gibson was horrifically injured at the age of 15 when the tractor he was operating overturned on the land farmed by his family. He spent years in hospitals, undergoing countless operations and receiving intense therapy. His life was saved, but he was left permanently paralyzed.

After he was finally able to return home to Calhoun County, he quickly demonstrated that he had no intention of giving up and sinking into despair. Even though severely handicapped, he decided to do something about the poverty and injustices that he saw around him. He became involved in the civil rights movement, organizing efforts to increase voter participation and bring down the racial barriers that then existed. Even though wheelchair bound, he never hesitated to put himself on the movement's front lines.

Later, he became president of the Calhoun County NAACP, a member of the Edison City Council, and a member of the Calhoun County School Board. He was active in voter registration, and was incredibly effective in motivating people to exercise their rights as citizens. Although a member of the Enon Missionary Baptist Church, he helped a number of churches in the area with their fund raising and enhancement programs. He was always involved in civic and charitable activities.

Many people came to him with problems. Armed with a telephone, he was effective in getting many of them resolved. We worked with him on many cases, and found it to be a highly productive relationship. I visited with him often, and was always uplifted by his good humor and positive outlook that he invariably reflected in spite of any pain and discomfort he may have been feeling.

With sharp intelligence and strength of character, he overcame all of the adversities of a hardscrabble upbringing, of the discrimination he encountered, of the lifelong injuries he sustained as a teenager—rising to become one of the most prominent citizens in Calhoun County's history as he worked tirelessly to raise the

quality of life for people throughout his community and area.

If we're looking for true American heroes, I submit the name of Eddie James Gibson of Calhoun County. He meets all of the qualifications.

HONORING STEVE BELCHER ON HIS RETIREMENT AS THE CHIEF OF POLICE FOR SANTA CRUZ, CA

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Steve Belcher, retiring Chief of Police for the city of Santa Cruz. Serving for more than 32 years in the Santa Cruz Police Department, Chief Belcher will surely be missed by both his co-workers and the residents of Santa Cruz. His unyielding commitment to public service has, for the past three decades, won him the respect and admiration of the community as a whole.

A graduate of Santa Cruz High School, Steve has lived in Santa Cruz for almost all of his life. In front of his proud wife, Sisi, and two daughters, Erin and Amy, Steve will retire on November 5, 2003. After 32½ years of service, Steve, with his characteristic humility, will boast a lengthy list of accomplishments and achievements.

Chief Belcher was sworn in as Police Patrol Officer on May 26, 1971, and has been a steadfast leader in the department ever since. His poise and leadership have enabled him to rise up the ranks of the Santa Cruz Police Department, culminating in his appointment to the position as Chief of Police on September 30, 1994. Holding the positions of Sergeant, Lieutenant and Deputy Chief of Police, Steve has excelled in every facet of his job. His entire career, from police patrol officer to his current position as Chief of Police, has been with the Santa Cruz Police Department. Over the years, Steve has achieved an extremely long list of accolades and accomplishments, many of which will leave an indelible footprint on the entire community. Chief Belcher has improved training, staffing and community policing policies, and has overseen a steady decline in the overall crime rate.

Focusing on the problems facing the Beach Flats area of Santa Cruz, Chief Belcher has promoted a strong spirit of community development and civic participation. Steve has received an overwhelming amount of praise for this work, and humbly takes credit for helping the department create a Spanish Citizens Police Academy.

I am proud to call Steve a friend. A colleague in the realm of public service, Steve possesses the qualities that personify good police work. I would like to wish him well in his retirement, and thank him for the outstanding—above and beyond the call of duty—service that he has provided our community for the past three decades.

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT FOR DEFENSE AND FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN, 2004

SPEECH OF

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 17, 2003

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3289) making emergency supplemental appropriations for defense and for the reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes:

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Chairman, I rise to address this proposed \$87 billion appropriation for the reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan.

I have been gravely concerned over the problems surrounding the reconstruction, over the poor planning for the postwar period and our inability to work productively with the international community to rebuild Iraq. The supplemental appropriation before us raises many difficult questions.

With great reluctance, I will support this funding. I believe it will both support our soldiers and help increase their safety. Sixty-five billion dollars will directly aid our troops; I feel that the additional \$18.6 billion in reconstruction aid will make them safer and get them home sooner.

While I am going to support this funding request it should not be interpreted that I am supporting all of the policies and actions to date in the war effort.

We need to do more.

We need to get more countries involved to help with the security.

We need to make the reconstruction effort more cost-effective. We need to follow the model set by Major General David Petraeus, whom I met with in Iraq. Advised by American engineers that rebuilding a cement factory to American standards would cost \$15 million, General Petraeus took the initiative to identify Iraqi contractors, who were able to bring the factory back on line for a mere \$80,000.

That example and others like it inspired me to introduce an amendment to increase competitive bidding in Iraq and to encourage the use of Iraqi contractors and subcontractors. I regret that this amendment was not accepted and urge the administration to embrace a more open bidding process in the reconstruction of Iraq and to avoid the use of sole-source contracts.

We need to be doing more to bring human rights to Iraq and Afghanistan. One measure of the success of our efforts will be the degree to which women are integrated into the political, economic, and educational life of these nations. I will offer amendments to ensure that women are fully included in the process of drafting Iraq's new constitution and to devote \$65 million from a previous authorization to programs for Afghan women, amendments which I hope this body will support.

Hundreds of my neighbors and constituents lost their lives at the hands of terrorists, some of whom were trained in Afghanistan. Twenty-five firehouses in my district lost men trying to save others whose lives were imperiled by

those terrorists. I remember all too vividly the awful consequences of our failure in Afghanistan.

History teaches us that, when America turned its industrial and economic might toward the cause of helping others around the world who sought to rebuild after bitter conflicts—for the reconstruction of a Europe ravaged by World War I; for the creation of democracies in Germany, Japan and Italy after the devastation of World War II; and for the political and economic rebirth of Central Europe after the Cold War—we truly succeeded in making our mark as the greatest nation on earth.

Before us stands that opportunity once again. But we need to do a better job of winning the peace then we have been doing. We must work more productively with the international community to secure Iraq's transition to a stable democracy.

I will support this budget request but with the understanding that we need to do better.

Let us remember the past. Let us not repeat its failures.

We do not have a choice to leave or to fail in Iraq. We must succeed.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. XAVIER BECERRA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. BECERRA. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, October 20, 2003, I was unable to cast my floor vote on rollcall Nos. 563, 564, and 565. The votes I missed include rollcall vote No. 563 on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree to H. Res. 356, Expressing the Sense of the House Regarding the Man-Made Famine in the Ukraine; rollcall vote No. 564 on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree, as Amended to H. Res. 400, Honoring the 25th Anniversary of Pope John Paul; and rollcall vote No. 565, on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 3288, Making Technical Corrections to Amend Title XXI of the Social Security Act.

Had I been present for the votes, I would have voted "aye" on rollcall vote Nos. 563, 564, and 565.

TRIBUTE TO GLEN YOUNGER

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise before this body of Congress and this Nation today to pay tribute to an exceptional athlete from my district. Glen Younger of Grand Junction, Colorado made a name for himself as a young man with skill and prowess as a wrestler and today passes on this athletic tradition by running a rodeo school. For his work and dedication, Glen's alma mater, Western State College, is honoring him by inducting him into the Community First National Bank and Insurance Mountaineer Sports Hall of Fame. Glen has accomplished much in his life, and I am honored to share his story here today.

Glen began wrestling as a high school student in Grand Junction, continuing to compete