

HONORING COMMISSIONER JIM
CADUE FOR HIS TWENTY YEARS
OF SERVICE

HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 18, 2003

Mr. KANJORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jim Cadue for his twenty years of service as a Monroe County Commissioner. He was honored on Friday, November 14, 2003 at the Pennsylvania Room of the Camelback Ski Resort in Tannersville Pennsylvania.

My colleagues, Jim is a Monroe County legend. He is the first person in the county's illustrious history to be elected to five consecutive terms. Jim served as Chairman from 1984 to 1991. In his elected career, Jim has compiled a list of accomplishments that any elected official would be proud to have. He constructed a new 311-bed county correctional facility and expanded the county administration offices. He established a new salary plan and job classification system for 700 full-time county employees.

Jim also led Monroe County to develop and implement an award winning comprehensive plan and a \$25 million bond referendum for the purchase of land to be preserved in open space. He also put through an initiative that led to the creation of a corporate office and industrial park totaling 600 acres. Jim also built a new county environmental learning center. He helped save jobs at Tobyhanna Depot and led the effort for a more environmentally friendly solid waste disposal plan. Jim was also the steward for twenty responsible county budgets.

Mr. Speaker, Jim Cadue has spent a lifetime creating opportunity and prosperity for the people of Monroe County and at the same time protecting our natural environment for our children and grandchildren.

Jim is an active leader in national, state and local organizations. He has served as President of the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania and Chairman of the National Association of Counties. Locally, he Chairs the Hospice Golf Tournament Committee. Jim is also a member of the Pennsylvania Society, the Lehigh Consistory, American Legion Post #413, the Elks Lodge, and the Pocono Lodge #780 Free and Accepted Masons.

It is no surprise that the honor Jim is receiving Friday is not his first. Jim has received the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania's Outstanding Member Award and the Governor's Award for Local Government Excellence from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

Jim also served our country in the United States Army Military Police, where he attained the rank of Sergeant E-5.

Mr. Speaker, it is a privilege and honor to work with a person who is so committed to building a brighter future in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Jim is a leader who simply gets the job done for his constituents. I ask that my colleagues pay tribute to Monroe County Commissioner Jim Cadue as he receives this well-deserved honor.

TRIBUTE TO RON TAYLOR

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a moment to honor a victim's advocate volunteer who selflessly serves the community of Grand Junction, Colorado. Ron Taylor is a dedicated volunteer who gives of his time to help those in need and I would like to join my colleagues in recognizing his contributions here today.

Ron, a dentist by day, volunteers his nights to aiding victims of crime. Even before an official Colorado victim's program was established, Ron worked as a volunteer with the Chaplain at the Grand Junction Police Department helping crime victims and employees following traumatic incidents. Later, he helped the Mesa County Sheriff's office get their Victims Advocate program off the ground.

Ron is a kind and caring person who is always prepared to help whenever he's needed. He can often be found sacrificing his own comfort and rest to be of service to those who value his generous contributions of time and compassion. In fact, Ron often rises at 3 am to render aid to those in need.

Mr. Speaker, Ron Taylor is a dedicated and compassionate person who devotes most of his free time to assisting those in need. We should all be so lucky to have such an involved person in our community. Ron's enthusiasm and commitment certainly deserve the recognition of this body of Congress.

TRIBUTE TO MAJOR RICHARD W.
COOPER, JR., USAF

HON. JOHN W. OLVER

OF MASSACHUSETTS

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Mr. OLVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Richard W. Cooper, Jr., a U.S. Air Force Major who conducted missions over Southeast Asia. Major Cooper was the navigator aboard a B-52D Stratofortress bomber out of Westover Air Force Base that participated in Operation Linebacker II, a bombing campaign in the waning days of U.S. involvement in Vietnam. On December 19, 1972, Major Cooper's plane was downed and he was listed as "Missing In Action" for over 30 years. Major Cooper was thirty years old. Recently, Major Cooper's remains were found, identified, and returned to the United States. His remains will be buried at 11 a.m. on December 19th, 2003 in Arlington National Cemetery.

Through his service and commitment, Major Cooper was awarded eleven decorations that include the Distinguished Flying Cross; the Purple Heart; the Air Medal with two silver and two bronze Oak Leaf Clusters; the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award; and, the Combat Readiness Medal.

In recognition of his life, the nation owes a deep debt of gratitude to Major Cooper for his courage, heroism, and exemplary service. Our thoughts and prayers are with Major Cooper's family in Holyoke, Massachusetts as they finally lay him to rest.

IN HONOR OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TEAMSTERS UNION LOCAL NUMBER 20

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, teamsters Union Local Number 20 celebrates its 100-year anniversary in 2003. For a century, hard-working men and women have come together for the good of the many as they strove to bring their families a better life.

Chartered in 1903, Local 20's first members were icehouse workers. Over the years, four Teamsters Locals came together to form the present-day Local 20, 7,200 members united. Teamsters Local 20 represents members in fifteen counties in Northwest Ohio, including not only truck drivers but nursing home workers, candy makers, and makers of fiberglass. Uniquely, in a truly representational form of operation, stewards from every shop the union represents form the Stewards Council, which sets the policy for the union.

As noted in the union's history, much has changed in the hundred years since Teamsters Local 20 has been chartered: horses were driven rather than trucks, one of two children died in childhood, women were denied the right to vote, there were no child labor laws, no civil rights, no Social Security, no workers compensation, no unemployment compensation, no federal protection for working rights and unions, no workplace safety requirements, no overtime pay or minimum wage, no right to bargain collectively, and no forty hour work week.

The history of our nation's social protection as these basic rights were guaranteed is the history of the Teamsters as well, for their struggles are intertwined with our nation's awakening to social justice. Without Teamster families, and the millions of others in the labor movement, we would yet be in those dark ages of the past. This 100th anniversary is a good time to remind all Americans that we would not enjoy the standard of living we enjoy now without the efforts of united labor. Daniel Webster said, "Liberty and Union, now and forever, one and inseparable." Though he meant these words in another context, their meaning rings true for our own time. It is the union men and women who built this nation, who power it now, and whose prosperity must drive it forward.

I am pleased to recognize the 100th anniversary of Teamsters Local 20, and pay special tribute to its members as we commemorate this milestone. Thank you for your contributions to the labor movement, to our communities, our nation, and our future.

FILNER MOTION TO INSTRUCT THE CONFEREES ON THE ENERGY POLICY ACT OF 2003

HON. TOM UDALL

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, without doubt, I am sympathetic to the purpose behind this motion. I am a staunch supporter of smart environmental regulations, and

I oppose the approach that the Bush Administration has taken toward stripping regulations on clean air and water. However, after speaking with people on both sides of this issue, I have concluded that this motion is not the right approach.

In New Mexico, the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission, with Governor Bill Richardson as the state's representative, is currently working toward model regulations for management of stormwater pollution in the state. In the meantime, the local oil and gas companies continue to follow general guidelines. I am encouraged by the work being done at the state level to address this issue, as I believe it is important to work with all interests to generate a collaborative solution.

Although I will vote in opposition to this non-binding motion, I continue to be disturbed by the inclusion of the provisions in the Energy Policy Act of 2003. Unfortunately, the way this bill has been crafted echoes the practice of the Administration to put corporations before the environment, before public opinion, and before logic that tells us we need to gear our energy policy toward future needs—not toward the profit of industry. The exclusion of Democrats from the entire conference is reason to believe the bill is not as balanced as its authors claim.

I hope that my many concerns are addressed in the final conference report and I look forward to a vote on the final bill.

TRIBUTE TO PAUL WILLIAMS

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

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Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a solemn heart that I take this opportunity to pay tribute to the life of Paul Williams who recently passed away at the age of 90. Paul was a pillar of the Glenwood Springs, Colorado community, and as his family mourns their loss, I think it is appropriate that we remember his life and celebrate his contributions to our nation today.

Paul moved to Colorado in 1937 and in 1941 he married Catherine Ukele, his wife of 62 years. During World War II, Paul answered his country's call to duty and served honorably as a member of the Signal Corps in Africa and throughout Europe. Following the war, Paul returned to Glenwood Springs where he went to work for the City's Municipal Electric Company. An accomplished electrician, Paul used his talents for the betterment of his community. He was among five men who built and erected a lighted cross on red mountain, and he delighted in maintaining the lights of the Glenwood Springs High School football field.

Paul will be remembered as a valued member of the Glenwood Springs community. He was a 35-year member of the Glenwood Springs Volunteer Fire Department, the American Legion, the Eastern Star and the Masonic Lodge. There is no question that Glenwood Springs is a better place as the result of Paul's tireless service.

Mr. Speaker, Paul Williams' dedication and selflessness certainly deserve the recognition of this body of Congress. It is my privilege to pay tribute to him for his contributions to the community of Glenwood Springs and our nation. I would like to extend my thoughts and

deepest sympathies to Paul's family and friends during this difficult time of bereavement.

TRIBUTE TO DR. DAVID M. BARTLEY, PRESIDENT OF HOLYOKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

HON. JOHN W. OLVER

OF MASSACHUSETTS

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Mr. OLVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Dr. David M. Bartley, President of Holyoke Community College, as he retires after twenty-eight years of service.

Under President Bartley's tenure the College's enrollment, budget, and number of employees all doubled in size. He was the driving force in the College's transformation from a small, local college into a regional, academic institution with a strong focus on workforce development and continuing education.

When he took office in 1975, President Bartley initiated a long-range plan to create a thriving and growing college. His persistence resulted in numerous accomplishments over the years, beginning with the establishment of the Holyoke Community College Foundation. The Foundation was the first of its kind in Massachusetts and has allowed the College to permanently endow 50 scholarships for needy students.

The College has also created and expanded programs and services for traditional and non-traditional students that have received national recognition. They include Cooperative Education, Women in Transition, a comprehensive Learning Assistance Center, ESL support, Community Service Learning, a mentoring program for engineering technology students, and a successful, federally funded TRIO program.

President Bartley is particularly proud of the fact that Holyoke Community College has done an outstanding job of serving minority students and the underrepresented in our society. Today, 25 percent of the college's graduates are minorities, 70 percent are women, and 30 percent are men, the exact reverse from when he arrived in 1975.

Holyoke Community College has developed a strong and positive image in western Massachusetts and beyond. President Bartley is in great part responsible for this evolution. He has brought consistent and healthy increases in enrollment and private sector support. He has forged winning partnerships with industry and mentored other educational institutions seeking to emulate his college's success.

In assessing and accrediting Holyoke Community College, the New England Association of Schools and Colleges once remarked that they found the College to be "dynamic, resilient and forward thinking". Indeed, the exact same thing can be said for President Bartley and his years of leadership.

I would also like to commend President Bartley on his distinguished career in government. Prior to arriving at Holyoke Community College, he served for twelve years in the Massachusetts House of Representatives. For eight of those years, he held the elected position of Speaker of the House. He was held in high esteem for his accessibility, his deep grasp of issues of public concern, and his sense of fair play.

These qualities helped him make a dynamic transition to leadership in academia. He immediately put all his experiences and skills to work for Holyoke Community College and tens of thousands of graduates have been the beneficiaries.

In recognition of an outstanding career in public service, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating President Bartley on his accomplishments and on his retirement.

CONGRATULATING BISHOP TIMLIN, DR. JAMES AND MRS. MARY LOU BURNE ON BEING HONORED BY THE LITTLE FLOWER MANOR AND THE SAINT THERESE RESIDENCE

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Mr. KANJORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Bishop Timlin, and Dr. James and Mrs. Mary Lou Burne as they are honored by the Little Flower Manor and St. Therese Residence this Friday, November 14, 2003 at the Annual Crystal Rose Dinner at the Woodlands in Wilkes-Barre.

Bishop Timlin is appropriately being honored for his stewardship and tireless support of the Little Flower Manor. His determination and hard work made the Saint Therese Residence a reality. For the past twenty five years his dedication and persistence has provided an opportunity for the aged and infirm to be treated with respect, dignity and compassion.

Mr. Speaker, as the spiritual leader of the Diocese of Scranton, Bishop Timlin has demonstrated that "together we can move mountains" and inspired others to join in helping to make Northeastern Pennsylvania the compassionate place that it is.

Jim and Mary Lou are being recognized for their unselfish dedication to many worthy causes. They are co-founders of the Family to Family Thanksgiving Food Basket Program that has served over one hundred thousand needy individuals since 1986. They have also played an active role with the Friends of the Poor, Special Olympics, Youth Association for Retarded Citizens, UNICO, YMCA, and Keystone College.

My colleagues, these individuals devote much of their time and effort to help those who are less fortunate. They are leaders in making their communities a better place to live and work.

Mr. Speaker, it is sincerely a privilege and honor to represent these community leaders who devote themselves to helping others and building a brighter future for Scranton and Northeastern Pennsylvania. I ask that my colleagues pay tribute to Bishop Timlin and Dr. James and Mrs. Mary Lou Burne as they receive this well-deserved honor.

IN HONOR OF JUDGE JOSEPH FLORES

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

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Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a truly remarkable man, The