

HONORING IRVING B. HARRIS FOR HIS INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS IN PUBLIC SERVICE

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 2003

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to rise today to join the Center for Human Potential and Public Policy and the many who have gathered at the University of Chicago to honor and celebrate the contributions of an outstanding American—a man who is my dear friend, Irving B. Harris. Today's Festschrift is a fitting tribute to a man who has spent a lifetime in the service of others.

As I look over the course of Irving's life, I am struck by his countless acts of generosity and compassion. As an advocate, a philanthropist, and a leading voice for children, his achievements have left an indelible mark on our society. Irving Harris recognized early on that the key to our children's success lay in their most formative years, birth to three. He inspired, developed and supported scores of programs and organizations dedicated to improving the lives of disadvantaged youngsters across the nation. He founded the Erikson Institute, a child development graduate school, and the Ounce of Prevention Fund, a public/private partnership that created and promoted community-based initiatives to improve early childhood development. He was a leader in development of Zero to Three: The National Center for Infants, Toddlers, and Families whose work to support families and promote the healthy development of babies and toddlers had a tremendous impact in communities across the nation. His work brought him national recognition as a leading voice for the betterment of children across the country.

Irving Harris is one of those rare individuals with roots in the world of business and finance who has used his hard-won wealth and influence to help others less fortunate. And his work and diligence and dedication is not only remarkable but unceasing. It is a reflection of all that we strive to be. His sincerity is marked by the principles he instilled in his own family—in his children and grandchildren, who today carry on his work on behalf of the other children of America.

Through education, public policy development, grant-making and advocacy, Irving Harris' vision and leadership has earned him recognition and many honors and awards over the years. He has served many organizations including the National Commission on Children and the Carnegie Corporation's New York Task Force on Meeting the Needs of Young Children.

It has been an enormous privilege for me to work with Irving over the years, and I look forward to continuing our collaboration. Irving knows that our young people represent the future and we as a community and nation must give them the tools to succeed. He recognized this simple fact many years ago, and dedicated his life to fulfilling that important goal.

Irving Harris continues his work today, as I hope he will for many more years to come. Thank you, Irving for the difference you have made in this country, and the millions of lives you have made better through your vision, your passion, and your generous spirit of mind. You are an inspiration to all of us.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SAINT JOHNSBURY ACADEMY FROM ST. JOHNSBURY, VERMONT

HON. BERNARD SANDERS

OF VERMONT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SANDERS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate the outstanding performance of Saint Johnsbury Academy from St. Johnsbury, VT in the We the People . . . The Citizen and the Constitution national finals held in Washington, DC, April 26–28, 2003. These outstanding young people competed against 48 other classes from throughout the Nation and demonstrated a remarkable understanding of the fundamental ideals and values of American constitutional government.

Administered by the Center for Civic Education, the program is the most extensive of its kind, reaching more than 26 million students at elementary, middle, and high schools. The national finals competition simulates a congressional hearing whereby high school students testify as constitutional experts before a panel of judges, and the students from Saint Johnsbury Academy performed brilliantly.

I would like to recognize Mr. Henry Eaton, the moderator for this outstanding group from St. Johnsbury Academy, and the students themselves: Ingrid Bengtson, Merrill Bent, Alex Camelio, Brent Clayton, Simon Darling, Dave Goreau, John Limberakis, Ross Marklein, Caroline Milne, Monica Montany, Eric Rowe, Susannah Roy, Kelsey Stavseth, Alex Tausanovitch, and Ashley Ward.

STUDENTS FROM CATHERINE MCAULEY HIGH SCHOOL IN PORTLAND, MAINE WIN CIVIC EDUCATION AWARD

HON. THOMAS H. ALLEN

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, last month, students from around the country competed in the national finals of the U.S. Department of Education program, "We the People . . . The Citizen and the Constitution." Administered by the Center for Civic Education, the program reaches more than 26 million elementary, middle and high school students. The national finals simulate a congressional hearing in which students testify as constitutional experts before a panel of judges.

I am pleased that the following students from Catherine McAuley High School in Portland, Maine, under the supervision of their teacher, Joseph Wagner, and State Coordinator, Julia Underwood, won a award in the finals for their expertise on "Foundations of Democracy": Michelle Baldwin, Amanda Clements, Jessica Croteau, Katie D'Alessandro, Adrienne D'Ascanio, Kara Ebrahim, Katie Foster, Sara Marion, Brigid McGovern, Gulia Muca, Erika Poulin, Jackie Roy, Kate Sawyer, Laura Shortill, Becca Wagner, and Beth Witting.

Competing against 48 classes, these students demonstrated a remarkable understanding of the fundamental ideals and values

of American constitutional government. I commend these students and hope that they will continue their interest in and commitment to these principles, which have never been more important.

HONORING SOUTH SUBURBAN MAYORS AND MANAGERS ASSOCIATION

HON. JERRY WELLER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WELLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association. The South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association (SSMMA) was incorporated in 1978 and is celebrating its 25th Anniversary during the year 2003.

SSMMA currently represents 43 municipalities and 650,000 residents in southern Cook and Will counties. Mayors, Village Presidents, and Village Managers take an active role within SSMMA and work in a cooperative effort to serve the southland communities and its residents. The leadership exhibited by SSMMA through its member municipalities has greatly benefited the Chicago Southland.

SSMMA has been critical in its support to the region in areas such as transportation, economic development, open space preservation, and stormwater issues. They have also offered finance and municipal administrative support and training. SSMMA helped start the recycling efforts throughout the Chicago Southland. They also support the region with housing and diversity issues, public safety, education funding and property tax reform.

On May 16, 2003 the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association will formally recognize its past and current leaders and the achievements of the organization at a dinner to be held at the Villa de Bruno in Lynwood, Illinois. I offer my congratulations to the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association for its 25 years of service to the Southland region. I commend the mayors, village presidents, city and village managers who have served the region so well.

Mr. Speaker, I urge this body to identify and recognize other associations in their own districts whose actions have so greatly benefited and strengthened America's families and communities.

HONORING THE JO ANN DAVIDSON OHIO LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 2003

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, on the occasion of their trip to Washington, we rise to recognize the new members of the Jo Ann Davidson Ohio Leadership Institute.

The Jo Ann Davidson Ohio Leadership Institute is a nine-month program dedicated to providing Ohio women business and civic leaders with the training and encouragement necessary to assume appointed or electorate roles in government and the Republican Party. Under the leadership of Betty D. Montgomery

and Jo Ann Davidson, the Institute is focused on fulfilling three critical goals: introduce students to the tools they need to succeed as leaders, teach students to adapt their leadership skills to government and politics, and inspire students to define their own political aspirations.

On behalf of the entire House community, we extend congratulations to Class Members Nancy Nix, Concepcion Reyna, Laverne Jones Gore, Judy Sonner, Lorri Bates, Michelle Griffiths, Marsha Hall, Suzanne McLeod, Lora Miller, Holly Pendell, Chris Pirik, Julia Stautberg, Shannon Donnelly, Jennifer Chesrown, Billie Fiore, Angie King and Stephanie Elliott Hess for their successful matriculation. As new Members of the Institute they are in a unique position to serve as resources for each other and mentors to a new generation of Republican women. We wish them the best of luck in their endeavors and their continued public service.

HONORING JUDGE JOHN CONOVER

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 2003

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today on behalf of the Baden Powell District of the Tall Pine Council, Boy Scouts of America. On May 13, friends and family will join the Davison, Michigan Area Good Scout Committee to honor 67th District Court Judge John L. Conover, the 2003 recipient of the Davison Good Scout Award.

John Conover was born in Danville, Illinois, and later moved to Davison with his wife Karen, where they have been upstanding members of the area for over 30 years. As 67th District Court Judge for more than ten years, Judge Conover has presided over many felony matters, criminal and traffic cases, and civil and small claims issues. His courts have resulted in hundreds of thousands of dollars in delinquent fines and costs collected, and his courtroom has been a favorite field trip and first-hand civics lesson for many teachers and students.

Judge Conover's success on the bench is matched and complemented by his unparalleled commitment to community service. An active supporter of the DARE program, John is frequently called on to address elementary and middle school DARE graduations throughout the county, and sponsors the DARE homecoming float in area parades. He also speaks to many students on the dangers and consequences of alcohol and drug abuse. In addition, he has founded and directs a program for youth offenders needing guidance in correcting their behavior. His dedication to helping the next generation goes so far that he will often place young people on probation to himself so he may personally mentor them and steer them on the right track.

John has sponsored and sometimes coaches area sports teams, from T-ball to bowling leagues. He not only teaches the fundamentals of the sport, he stresses sportsmanship, and provides lessons his teams are able to use in their everyday life. Each day he serves as a positive role model and shining example of the best our society has to offer.

Mr. Speaker, Judge John Conover is being recognized for his dedication, unselfishness,

and commitment to the Davison community, and for truly exemplifying the traditions of scouting. He is a symbol of excellence not only to Scouts, but to everyone he comes into contact with, and I am honored to call him my colleague and my friend. I ask my colleagues in the 108th Congress to please join me in congratulating Judge John L. Conover.

TRIBUTE TO JACK CONNORS, JR.

HON. MARTIN T. MEEHAN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 2003

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Jack Connors, Jr., founding partner, Chairman and CEO, and all of the employees at Hill, Holliday, Connors, Cosmopolus, Inc. on 35 years of excellence in the advertising and communications business.

Thirty-five years ago today, May 13, 1968, Jack Connors and his three partners, Jay Hill, Alan Holliday and Steve Cosmopolus, officially opened Hill, Holliday, Connors, Cosmopolus, Inc. for business. With 1,500 square feet of office space on the top floor of 143 Newbury Street in Boston's Back Bay, the business had no clients and no billings, and in the early going, the four partners used an outside pay phone to make calls to prospects.

Today, Hill Holliday is a nationally recognized advertising agency that produces internationally-acclaimed creative work, and is widely recognized as one of Boston's most successful businesses. Hill Holliday's list of clients includes some of the biggest and most well-known brands in the world including Anheuser-Busch, John Hancock Financial Services, FleetBoston Financial, Dunkin' Donuts, CVS Pharmacy, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Verizon Wireless, and The Boston Globe.

While leading Hill Holliday from a one-room shop to a national force is impressive, Jack's commitment to serving his community is what makes him and Hill Holliday extraordinary. Jack has used the talent and resources of Hill Holliday to make a difference in the Greater Boston community through pro bono work for dozens of non-profit and charitable organizations. Under Jack's direction, Hill Holliday donated more than \$1 million in cash and \$4.5 million in in-kind services to various community-based organizations last year.

Over the past 2 years, our nation has become far too familiar with the unethical and corrupt dealings of some in the business world. Today, I rise to congratulate Jack Connors and Hill Holliday on 35 years of success and for setting a positive example that future generations of American businessmen and women should follow.

HONORING GREGORY CAMPBELL

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 13, 2003

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I stand before you today to recognize the accomplishments of a man who has made it his life's work to protect and defend human dignity, and to ensure the safety of our streets for our citizens

and our children. On May 16, friends and family will join the Police Memorial Association-Michigan to honor the career of Trooper Gregory Campbell, who is retiring after 25 years in law enforcement.

Gregory Campbell was born March 27, 1954 in Philadelphia. He later moved to Michigan, where he graduated in 1975 from the University of Detroit. Three years later, he graduated from the Academy as a member of the 93rd Recruit School, and began his career with the Michigan State Police. Originally assigned to the Post in my hometown of Flint, MI, he remained there for three years. He later worked in Detroit and Bridgeport, and returned to Flint in 1992, where he remained. During that time, Trooper Campbell served as a Post Representative in Detroit and Flint, and in 1999 served as 3rd District Representative, a position he held until his retirement.

Through the years, Trooper Campbell has constantly put his own safety at risk in order to keep others from harm, however he has always found time to be a devoted husband and father of two sons, and a faithful community volunteer. He has been recognized many times for his civic work, such as being named the 1993 City of Flint's Man of the Year, Flint Kiwanis Exchange Club Officer of the Year in 1994, and most recently, the Police Memorial Association's Community Service Award in 2002 and their Princess Program Award for Community Service with the Youth this year.

Mr. Speaker, many people in the Flint area, myself included, have benefited greatly from Gregory Campbell's experience and dedication. He has truly made Genesee County a safer place in which to live. I ask my colleagues in the 108th Congress to join me in congratulating him for his unwavering commitment to justice, and wishing him the best in his retirement.

A TRIBUTE TO HENRY "HANK" CARTER

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Henry "Hank" Carter in recognition of his dedication to improving the care for the disabled population and ensuring their access to wide ranging opportunities in his communities.

In 1972, Hank Carter founded Wheelchair Charities, Inc. Hank's lifelong commitment to improving the lives of disabled people began when his best friend, Tjader, became disabled from a bullet that shattered Tjader's spinal cord. Hank's friend was sent to Goldwater Memorial Hospital to recuperate through a rehabilitation program where Hank often visited him and in the process, made new friends. Through his daily visits to the hospital, Hank came to realize that his friends, although physically challenged, still longed for their American Dream. These young patients, many in their teens and early twenties, wanted to participate in the same type of daily activities in which able bodied people engaged. Hank knew this would be impossible without financial support.

Creating a financial support system to enhance the quality of life for his new friends quickly became his passion. As a young leader in Queens Bridge Houses, Hank organized