

Hoosier, Congressman Frank McCloskey, who lost his battle with cancer on Sunday, November 2. Congressman McCloskey dedicated his life to serving his country and our home State of Indiana, setting an example of personal conviction and political courage throughout his years as a public servant.

Francis Xavier McCloskey was born on June 12, 1939 in Philadelphia. He earned both his undergraduate and law degrees at Indiana University in Bloomington, where he would later serve as mayor for three terms, following 4 years in the Air Force and a brief career as a newspaper reporter. During his time as mayor, McCloskey transformed Bloomington politics with his new style of leadership. He initiated a transit service and the first direct passageway through the center of Bloomington, and oversaw the formation of city boards and commissions dedicated to the environment, women and human rights.

In 1982, McCloskey was elected to the U.S. Congress from Indiana's 8th district. In a district known across the Nation for its tumultuous and closely contested races, McCloskey held his seat to serve as Congressman for six terms. During his time in office, Frank McCloskey became one of the first public servants to travel overseas and witness first hand the atrocities taking place in Bosnia. A man of great compassion and conviction, Frank McCloskey focused his career on ending the ethnic cleansing taking place in Bosnia during the 1990s. His dedication to the cause continued even after he left public office, until cancer forced him to cancel his plans to return to Bosnia and continue democratic reforms there.

The sense of loss to all those who knew Congressman Frank McCloskey is tremendous. His work in Bloomington and later in Washington inspired a generation of Hoosiers to answer the call to public service. Many of Indian's current political leaders owe their start to the example set by McCloskey, and their continued works will serve as a lasting legacy to a man who dedicated his life to serving others. He is survived by his wife, Roberta Ann Barker, and their two children, Helen and Mark.

It is my honor to enter the name of Congressman Frank McCloskey into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### HONORING MRS. CAROL KANAREK

• Mr. GRAHAM of Florida. Mr. President, every November organizations throughout America recognize the spirit of community service with National Philanthropy Day.

This November, I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate an outstanding Floridian, Mrs. Carol Kanarek of Vero Beach, who is receiving the 2003 National Philanthropy Day

Unsung Hero Award from the Treasure Coast Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

The Unsung Hero Award is given to an individual who has been an exceptional volunteer. Carol Kanarek certainly fits this description.

Carol Kanarek is a valued member of the Vero Beach community for her leadership, commitment, and extensive knowledge and experience. She is known as a coalition builder—someone who brings people and resources together to further the goals of the organizations for whom she volunteers. She has a true love of people, and a compassion for all causes.

For more than 20 years, Mrs. Kanarek has volunteered her time and energy to numerous organizations in her community including health care organizations, religious organizations, schools, and charities. For example, Mrs. Kanarek has worked with the Riverside Children's Theatre, the March of Dimes, the United Way, the Visiting Nurses Association Hospice House, St. Edwards School, and the Temple Beth Shalom. This list is by no means exhaustive.

No project is too big or too small for Mrs. Kanarek. From chairing the Rabbi Selection committee at Temple Beth Shalom to working the concession stand at a Riverside Children's Theatre event, she always makes time. When working on committees, Mr. Kanarek is known as a consensus builder, always considering the concerns of others when developing a solution. Her gracious manner and gentle persistence have made Mrs. Kanarek a valuable asset to the many organizations of which she is a member. Mrs. Kanarek's patience and tireless enthusiasm for community service distinguish her as a woman who places others before herself.

Mr. President, philanthropy is one of defining characteristics of American society. Service for the benefit of others and commitment to something greater than personal reward strengthen our communities and neighborhoods, bringing us together and improving our quality of life.

I commend Carol Kanarek for her commitment to community service, volunteerism, and philanthropy. I am pleased that outstanding Floridians like Mrs. Kanarek are setting an example for communities across our nation, and I want to thank her for her service.●

##### THE EXPLORING FREE ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

• Mr. NELSON of Nebraska. Mr. President, over the past few years the U.S. Senate has acted to stimulate the American economy. This spring we passed an economic stimulus package to provide meaningful tax relief for businesses and assistance for unemployed workers to soften the blow of difficult economic times. We have also worked to approve trade agreements

that ensure a free and fair trade market for U.S. businesses.

As we work on these measures to improve our economy today, it is equally important to ensure that America's economy remains strong for the next generation as well.

I recently joined with Chadron State College to establish the Exploring Free Enterprise program. This program will focus on teaching students in elementary, middle and high school the principles of market economics, entrepreneurship, personal financial success and business ethics.

Entrepreneurship is a particularly important skill in Nebraska. A revitalized rural economy requires individuals who are able to seize upon openings in the marketplace and expand employment opportunities.

Business ethics is another area of great importance. I am proud to be a part of a program that will teach our future leaders that being honest is even more important than making money.

In 2002 I was honored to receive the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Spirit of Enterprise award. The Exploring Free Enterprise program seeks to spread that spirit of enterprise to a new generation of young business leaders and entrepreneurs. It is their entrepreneurial spirit that will drive America's economic engine in a competitive world economy.

I would like to thank Chadron State College for the opportunity to participate in this program and especially Dr. Rick Koza, the director of the program, and Dr. Tom Krepel, president Chadron State College, for their leadership.

Together, our investment in education recognizes that while children may only be 20 percent of our population, that they are 100 percent of our future.●

##### ELLIS ISLAND MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT MONTE AHUJA

• Mr. VOINOVICH. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate and pay tribute to Mr. Monte Ahuja of Hunting Valley, OH as an Ellis Island Medal of Honor recipient.

The prestigious Ellis Island Medal of Honor award is presented annually to "remarkable Americans who exemplify outstanding qualities in both their personal and professional lives," and "who have distinguished themselves as citizens of the United States, while continuing to preserve the richness of their particular heritage." Monte Ahuja was selected to receive this honor in 2001.

Mr. Ahuja is a distinguished American who immigrated to the United States from India in 1969. He received a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering in India and pursued his graduate education at Ohio State University where he received his masters degree in mechanical engineering. He moved to Cleveland, OH in 1972 and received his masters in business administration at Cleveland State University in 1975 while working full time.

While pursuing his MBA, Mr. Ahuja began to dream about creating a global parts distribution network solely dedicated to providing transmission rebuilders the highest quality products and services. He pursued his dream by undertaking considerable research and hard work developing his idea, and he established Transtar Industries, Inc. in 1975.

Over the past 28 years, Transtar Industries has grown from a two-person, one-location operation to a company with over 25 locations nationwide and over 500 dedicated employees that services the automotive transmission aftermarket in over 60 countries.

Transtar Industries, Inc. is headquartered in Cleveland, OH and distributes the world's largest and most comprehensive line of automotive transmission replacement parts and kits. The company's products are the result of proactive product research and development. Transtar also has outstanding business systems. Its sales forecasting system is state-of-the-art and its level of customer service consistently exceeds 95 percent. All of Transtar's distribution centers are electronically linked, which makes it possible for Transtar to ship virtually every order the same day.

Mr. Ahuja has provided outstanding leadership at Transtar Industries and he has received numerous awards for his achievements, including the Arthur Anderson 2000 Leadership Award, the Inside Business NEO Success Award and the Association of Corporate Growth Deal Makers Award.

As Governor of Ohio, I was proud to recognize Mr. Ahuja on two occasions as recipient of the "E" Award for Excellence in Export.

In 2002, Mr. Ahuja was chosen the World Trade Center Cleveland International Executive of the Year.

Monte Ahuja is also extremely involved in the community and he demonstrates generously his philosophy of contributing to the community that has given him so much.

He has a passion for education which is demonstrated by his years of commitment to his alma mater where he began to envision and create his company. At Cleveland State University, he has served as director of the Cleveland State University Foundation and he has established the Ahuja Endowed Scholarship Fund in business administration and engineering.

He also established the Distinguished Scholar in Comparative Indian and Western Philosophy—which is so important today as we strive to appreciate the richness of this country's cultural diversity.

I was so impressed with Monte's devotion to education that when I was governor of Ohio I appointed him to Cleveland State's Board of Trustees in 1991. From 1992 to 1998, he served with distinction as chairman of the Board of Trustees.

He also served as chairman of the Cleveland State University Task Force,

part of a statewide project I initiated as governor of Ohio, the "Ohio Task Force for Managing Future Higher Education in the State of Ohio" to challenge the universities to conduct private sector management audits to work harder and smarter and do more with less. Under Monte Ahuja's leadership, Cleveland State University's audit was one of the best in the State and saved the University \$8.5 million a year.

Monte Ahuja's commitment to education is relentless and he has dedicated himself to the advancement of quality education at Cleveland State and in Ohio.

He is the embodiment of the achievements that a quality education can help facilitate. In 1990, Mr. Ahuja was named one of Cleveland State University's 25 most distinguished alumni. In 1999, he received Harvard University Business School's Dively Award and that same year his alma mater recognized him again by naming the Business School building at Cleveland State University Monte Ahuja Hall.

Mr. Ahuja has served on the boards of many civic, business and philanthropic organizations, including the Greater Cleveland Roundtable, The National Conference, World Trade Center Advisory Council, and Ohio Export Promotion and Trade Council.

Currently, Mr. Ahuja serves on the boards of the Cleveland Cuyahoga County Port Authority, University Hospitals of Cleveland, Greater Cleveland Growth Association, United Way, WVIZ/PBS, Enterprise Development, Inc., and the Cleveland Council on World Affairs.

In addition to his significant contributions to the community, Monte has a wonderful sense of family. He is a loving husband to Usha, his wife of 30 years, a tremendous father to his two daughters and a caring son.

Monte Ahuja is a remarkable American and someone I am privileged to call friend. He has the highest integrity in both his personal and professional life and he has made many outstanding contributions to the Asian Indian community, to his local community in Cleveland, OH and to American society.

I am proud to recognize my friend Monte Ahuja and congratulate him on this wonderful honor. ●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and a treaty which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:01 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 506. An act to provide for the protection of archaeological sites in the Galisteo Basin in New Mexico, and for other purposes.

H.R. 982. An act to clarify the tax treatment of bonds and other obligations issued by the Government of American Samoa.

H.R. 2438. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 West Pine Street in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, as the "Major Henry A. Commiskey, Sr. Post Office Building".

H.R. 2766. An act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to exchange certain lands in the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado.

H.R. 3029. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 255 North Main Street in Jonesboro, Georgia, as the "S. Truett Cathy Post Office Building".

H.R. 3118. An act to designate the Orville Wright Federal Building and the Wilbur Wright Federal Building in Washington, District of Columbia.

H.R. 3166. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 57 Old Tappan Road in Tappan, New York, as the "John G. Dow Post Office Building".

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 94. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that community inclusion and enhanced lives for individuals with mental retardation or other developmental disabilities is at serious risk because of the crisis in recruiting and retaining direct support professionals, which impedes the availability of a stable, quality direct support workforce.

H. Con. Res. 176. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Financial Planning Week, recognizing the significant impact of sound financial planning on achieving life's goals, and honoring American families and the financial planning profession for their adherence and dedication to the financial planning process.

H. Con. Res. 237. Concurrent resolution honoring the late Rick Lupe, lead forestry technician for the Bureau of Indian Affairs Fort Apache Agency, for his dedication and service to the United States and for his essential service in fighting wildfires and protecting the environment and communities of Arizona.

H. Con. Res. 262. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress in support of the National Anthem "SingAmerica" project.

H. Con. Res. 280. Concurrent resolution recognizing the National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association for reaching its 100th Anniversary, and for the many vital contributions of its members to the Nation's economy and to improving the quality of life through the constantly expanding roles stone, sand, and gravel serve in Nation's everyday life.

The message further announced that the House has disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2800) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes, and asks for a conference