

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING UNION COUNTY SHERIFF KEN JONES

HON. MIKE ROSS

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this time to recognize Sheriff Ken Jones of Union County for his continued dedication and service to the community. I congratulate him on the 2003 Director's Award from the Federal Bureau of Investigation for his exemplary job in drug and violence prevention.

To the people of Union County and the rest of our state, Sheriff Jones is known as a truly selfless public servant. His experience in law enforcement spans more than 20 years as a deputy sheriff, Arkansas Highway Patrolman, Director of the 13th Judicial Drug Task Force, and now sheriff. His energy and dedication have earned him numerous accolades and honors in the past and ensure his continued success in the noble fight against crime.

Throughout his career, he has truly personified the mission of the Union County Sheriff's Department to "protect the lives and property of all Union County citizens and serve in the most courteous and professional manner possible." In doing so, he has continued to develop and implement many new changes in the sheriff's office, including the modernization of the Sheriff's Office. These efforts have allowed him to better serve the people of Union County and to keep his commitment to keep our communities, schools and families safer for us and our loved ones.

Sheriff Jones has distinguished himself through a sustained commitment to his community. His character is an example of the values we, as parents, teachers, community members, and legislators, hope to instill in our next generation.

Mr. Speaker, I again extend my sincerest congratulations to Sheriff Jones on this distinguished award. I am honored to serve as his Representative in the United States Congress.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT OF KAYE FORBES

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, Kaye Forbes has served the Bayer Employees' Federal Credit Union for 32 years; and

Whereas, Kaye Forbes has been a loyal leader to her co-workers and will continue to be an admired citizen of the community; and

Whereas, Kaye Forbes has served as Vice President of Operations, working to promote the interests of the company and wellbeing of its employees; and

Whereas, Kaye Forbes must be commended for her professionalism and her ability to motivate those around her by establishing a superb example; and

Whereas, Kaye Forbes's dedication and service will be deeply missed.

Therefore, I join with Members of Congress and Congressional staff in celebrating Kaye Forbes's years of service and retirement from Bayer Employees' Federal Credit Union.

HONORING GEORGE C. HALE SR., M.D. AS A GREAT LIVING CIN- CINNATIAN

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize George S. Hale, Sr., M.D., a distinguished constituent, who will be formally honored on February 26, 2004 by the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce as a Great Living Cincinnati, one of our region's highest honors. The recipients of this prestigious award are selected on the basis of special professional achievement; an awareness of the needs of others; civic service; leadership; and distinctive accomplishments.

Born on June 3, 1929 in Detroit, Dr. Hale moved to his mother's hometown of Macon, Georgia when he was four. Growing up in Macon, Dr. Hale cites the benevolence of his mother, an aunt and their family's physician as his significant early influences. His mother, Carlena Jordan Hale, was a social worker during the Depression who took Dr. Hale along as she delivered food and clothing to poor families. His aunt, Junia Jordan Fambro, was a dietitian at Fort Valley State College for 44 years. She helped students with food and financial assistance, and was a loving and supportive example to Dr. Hale. The family's physician, Dr. C.W. Dwyer, was also a role model to him.

After attending Bibb County, Georgia public schools and Macon's Ballard High School, Dr. Hale graduated from Talladega College in Alabama. He returned to Macon and taught math and science for two years at Ballard High School. Although he encountered prejudice and the competition to attend medical school was keen, he was accepted into McHenry Medical College in 1952 and became an extern at Cincinnati's Jewish Hospital in 1955. He graduated in 1956, and returned to Jewish Hospital as an intern at a time when, Dr. Hale says, African American physicians had difficulty finding internships. He became a fellow with the University of Cincinnati Department of Metabolism and Endocrinology, then served at the Dover Air Force Base Hospital in Dover, Delaware. After leaving the Air Force, Dr. Hale opened a private practice in internal medicine that he maintains today.

In 1982, Dr. Hale became only the second African American physician to be elected

president of Cincinnati's Academy of Medicine. He is also past president of the Cincinnati Chapter of the National Medical Association. Devoted to encouraging and mentoring African American medical students and physicians, Dr. Hale has contributed immeasurably to the quality of life in Cincinnati. A founding member of Health Careers and Cancer Family Care, Dr. Hale has also been active with the American Red Cross; the Child Guidance Home; the Health Foundation of the Greater Cincinnati Academy of Medicine; the Cincinnati Art Museum and the Allen Temple A.M.E. Church. He and his wife, Sarah Hale, received Lighthouse Youth Services' Beacon of Light Humanitarian Award; Urban League's Glorifying the Lions Award; and the National Philanthropy Day Award.

All of us in Greater Cincinnati thank Dr. Hale for his service to our community, and congratulate him on being named a Great Living Cincinnati.

HONORING ELDON LESLIE AND HIS SERVICE TO HIS COMMUNITY

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Eldon Leslie for his nearly four decades of service to the Cookeville Area-Putnam County Chamber of Commerce. Eldon is retiring as the president and chief executive office of the chamber, a position he has held since 1967.

Eldon's career with the chamber has been remarkable. His leadership and vision have played an integral role in bringing 35 new manufacturing facilities to the Middle Tennessee community of Cookeville and Putnam County. His efforts also helped bring a branch of Nashville State Technical Community College to Cookeville, which strengthened the community's higher education component already anchored by Tennessee Technological University.

Eldon established the chamber's highly successful Adopt-A-School program and helped develop the Cookeville/Putnam County Clean Commission, as well. And as a leading proponent of economic development in the region, Eldon conceived of and developed the "4th State of Tennessee" concept, which promotes industrial development along the Highway 111 corridor.

Through the years, Eldon has been a dedicated and untiring servant to the community. His efforts have been lauded by many and validated through awards too numerous to mention. I salute Eldon for his hard work and contributions that have made Putnam County a better place to live and raise a family. Thanks for a job well done, Eldon, and good luck in your future endeavors.

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