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HONORING PAUL T. MCCARTHY

HON. MARK STEVEN KIRK

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. KIRK. Mr. Speaker, over 22 years ago, Paul T. McCarthy became the Village Manager of Glenview, IL, located in my Congressional District. Since that time, Mr. McCarthy has played the leading role in the development of one of suburban Chicago's most prosperous communities.

Upon arriving in Glenview, Mr. McCarthy embarked upon an ambitious program to attract businesses and residents to the community. One of his first projects was to improve the bond rating of the Village as an incentive to investors and capital. Within 8 years, Glenview had achieved Moody's highest bond rating of AAA. It has maintained that rating ever since.

With this strong financial foundation, Mr. McCarthy began to implement his vision for the Village. In 1990, he negotiated the Willow Road Corridor Agreement between Glenview and Northbrook. In 1997, he negotiated the purchase of the privately-owned water company, North Suburban Public Utilities. He also oversaw the closing of the Lutter/Krohn landfill and its redevelopment as a golf course. These 3 initiatives, along with numerous other projects, had tangible, beneficial affects upon Glenview residents and were the direct result of Mr. McCarthy's leadership and vision.

Mr. McCarthy's biggest challenge was ahead of him. In the second or third round of military base closings, the massive Glenview Naval Air Station was shut down, opening up thousands of prime real estate acres for development. Mr. McCarthy led the development of this area with extraordinary success. The Glen, as the area is now known, has become a nationally recognized and award winning mixed use development, representing \$1 billion in public and private investment.

In his 22 years of service, Mr. McCarthy has led the Village of Glenview with tremendous foresight and success. When he entered city hall as Village Manager, Glenview had a budget of \$15.4 million and 180 employees. As Mr. McCarthy retires, the Glenview budget is \$80.7 million and the Village employs 320 individuals. Mr. McCarthy's leadership as Village Manager of Glenview, IL, is worthy of the highest commendation. I wish him and his wife much happiness in retirement. Mr. Speaker, I hope my colleagues will join me in recognizing this extraordinary individual.

CONGRATULATIONS TO FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE

HON. RANDY "DUKE" CUNNINGHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Fraternal Order of

Police on their outstanding victory today on the passage of the Law Enforcement Officer's Safety Act (H.R. 218).

This afternoon, H.R. 218 passed the House by a voice vote, affirming this body's support for police officers across America. H.R. 218 is the number one priority for law enforcement across the country and allows qualified off-duty and retired law enforcement officers to carry concealed weapons in any jurisdiction. The bill has broad bipartisan support with 296 cosponsors.

The F.O.P. has been absolutely instrumental in working with Members of Congress to bring this legislation to the floor. The F.O.P. is an outstanding organization that has served their membership well in their tireless work to bring their number one legislative priority to the House Floor. Many of us know the long history of H.R. 218 and I can safely say that were it not for the efforts of the F.O.P., their current President Chuck Canterbury, and former President Steve Young, this bill may have never seen the light of day.

The benefits of H.R. 218 are two-fold—officer safety and improved public safety. Many jurisdictions do not allow off-duty officers to carry concealed weapons. Due to the unique responsibilities and dangers that come with law enforcement, off-duty officers are at a greater risk than most Americans. It is not uncommon for off-duty officers to run into people they have arrested or helped to incarcerate. There have been documented instances where felons have sought retribution against officers who helped to put them in jail or prison. It is only right that the men and women who put their lives on the line everyday when they go to work be afforded the right to protect their families and themselves while they are off-duty.

These concerns apply not only to off-duty officers, but to retired officers as well. A criminal who is seeking retribution does not care that the officer who put them away is retired. It is a disservice to those men and women who risked their lives to perform a public service to be deprived of the right to defend themselves and their families simply because they retired.

Mr. Speaker, I am grateful to the F.O.P. for all their efforts on behalf of H.R. 218 and for cops across the country. Today, I am happy to join with them in celebrating House passage of this crucial legislation and look forward to working with the F.O.P. in the future to see H.R. 218 signed into law.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO ROB JOHNSON

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the life and legacy of Rob Johnson of Redmond, Oregon. Rob bravely battled the Storm King Mountain Fire outside the town of Glenwood Springs, Colorado in 1994, but succumbed to the blaze along with thirteen fellow firefighters while working to protect the City. I personally served as a firefighter and understand the risks they face each and every day. Witnessing the awful inferno that fateful July day,

I know Rob and his comrades battled the fire with the utmost courage and valor. With the tenth anniversary of the Storm King Fire approaching, I believe it appropriate to recognize the sacrifice Rob and the Storm King Firefighters made on behalf of a grateful community, state and nation.

Rob grew up in Roseburg, Oregon, and graduated from high school in the top ten percent of his class. He attended Oregon State University and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in business administration with honors in 1991, and passed the Certified Public Accounting Exam on his first attempt. He began working as a firefighter in 1987 to help pay for his education and joined the Prineville Hotshots in 1992, an elite group of firefighters who specialize in wildland fire suppression. An avid outdoorsman, Rob enjoyed skiing, hunting, fishing, water skiing, golf, and soccer. He was a hard worker and dedicated member of his crew. Above all, he was devoted to his family and friends.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to rise before this body of Congress and this nation to pay tribute to the life and memory of Firefighter Rob Johnson. Rob personified the Hotshots credo of Safety, Teamwork, and Professionalism; putting himself in harm's way for unfamiliar people and places. He made the ultimate sacrifice doing what he loved, and I, along with the Glenwood Springs community and the State of Colorado are eternally grateful to this brave young man.

RECOGNIZING KAREN HIRAI OLEN

HON. HILDA L. SOLIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a true champion and extraordinary public servant, Karen Hirai Olen. Karen has provided an array of services throughout Los Angeles County as an advocate for the physically challenged, impoverished families, and senior citizens. After 35 years of service to the residents of Los Angeles County, she will retire today.

I have personally known Karen and consider her to be a dear friend and advocate of social change. Karen began her career in 1968 as a Social Worker for the Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services. Karen's passion to ensure the rights of children led her to become a Children's Services Worker from 1969 to 1979. From 1982 to 1986, Karen served as the Director of the Carson/Samoan center where she brought a new approach and innovative concepts to providing extensive quality services, such as the Peace Corps funded Samoan Youth Employment Project which she directed and implemented.

From 1986 to 1988, Karen also served as Project Director for Foodnet where she led a grassroots effort in organizing faith-based organizations and social service agencies to join forces to provide nutritious food to impoverished families.

Karen was later named Director of Centro Maravilla Service Center by the Department of Community and Senior Services for the County of Los Angeles. Through her leadership, residents from Los Angeles County have received direct services such as emergency

food, mediation services, crisis intervention, resource information for victims of domestic violence, and case management for housing.

The residents from the East Los Angeles community greatly respect and admire Karen for her courage, leadership, and compassion. I wish her the very best in her retirement.

**LEADER OF DELHI MASSACRE OF
SIKHS COMING TO U.S. TO MAKE
A SPEECH**

HON. DAN BURTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, on October 31, 1984, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was assassinated by her two Sikh bodyguards after she ordered an attack upon the Golden Temple, which is the center and seat of the Sikh religion. In the aftermath of the assassination, thousands of Sikhs were killed in anti-Sikh riots. The massacre was by any definition a brutal atrocity, and one of the most prominent figures accused of helping to orchestrate the violence was Jagdish Tytler.

Now, Mr. Tytler, who led mobs of Hindus in killing Sikhs, some by burning them to death, and who saw to it that Sikh police were locked in their barracks and therefore unable to respond to the massacre, has been invited to speak at the convention of the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin in San Diego, which begins on June 25th. As someone who has long championed the cause of freedom, democracy, and equal rights for the Sikh community and other oppressed minorities in that part of the world, I am deeply concerned about this man coming to the United States, and I would urge the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin to reconsider their invitation to Mr. Tytler.

I am also deeply concerned to learn that Mr. Tytler has been given a position in the government of Prime Minister Manmohan Singh. Prime Minister Singh is a Sikh, and the Sikh community naturally had high hopes that Manmohan Singh's appointment to India's top job would bridge the gap between the Sikh and Hindu peoples. It is difficult to understand how this can be accomplished when Prime Minister Singh is willing to bring a person like Mr. Tytler into his government, as many Sikhs, including my good friend Dr. Gurmit Singh Aulakh, President of the Council of Khalistan, consider Mr. Tytler's presence in the government an affront to the Sikh people.

So long as people like Jagdish Tytler are in the India government, it draws into question whether India is truly willing to uphold the democratic values that it preaches. In addition Mr. Speaker, it should also draw into question the wisdom of the hard-working taxpayers of this country supporting a government that rewards the Jagdish Tytler's of the world with power and authority.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO ROGER ROTH

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the life

and legacy of Roger Roth. Roger bravely battled the Storm King Mountain Fire outside the town of Glenwood Springs, Colorado in 1994, but succumbed to the blaze along with thirteen fellow firefighters while working to protect the City. I personally served as a firefighter and understand the risks they face each and everyday. Witnessing the awful inferno that fateful July day, I know Roger and his comrades battled the fire with the utmost courage and valor. With the tenth anniversary of the Storm King Fire approaching, I believe it appropriate to recognize the sacrifice Roger and the Storm King Firefighters made on behalf of a grateful community, state and Nation.

A member of the Oneida tribe of the Iroquois Nation, Roger grew up in Michigan and attended Northern Michigan University. He spent seven summers as a trail crew leader at Isle Royale National Park on Lake Superior. He became a firefighter in 1989, first as a hot-shot, an elite group of firefighters who specialize in wildland fire suppression, and then became a smokejumper, providing initial attack on forest fires in remote, mountainous areas. He worked winters for the Fish & Wildlife Service at the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge and was a private helicopter pilot. An avid outdoorsman, Roger enjoyed fishing and hunting. He was a hard worker and dedicated member of his crew. Above all, he was devoted to his family and friends.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to rise before this body of Congress and this nation to pay tribute to the life and memory of Firefighter Roger Roth. Roger personified the Hotshots credo of Safety, Teamwork, and Professionalism; putting himself in harms way for unfamiliar people and places. He made the ultimate sacrifice doing what he loved, and I, along with the Glenwood Springs community and the State of Colorado are eternally grateful to this brave man.

**DEMOCRACY CAUCUS AT THE
UNITED NATIONS**

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I would like to commend my co-chair of the Congressional Human Rights Caucus and ranking member of the House International Relations Committee, TOM LANTOS, for introducing this important and timely legislation. I would also like to thank Chairman HYDE and Chairman DREIER for their leadership on this important issue.

The strength of the United Nations has been declining in recent years. Corrupt dictatorships now hold many seats on the U.N. Human Rights Commission. It is incredible that the leading world body charged with protecting and exposing human rights has some of the worst human rights abusers sitting in judgment. I was extremely concerned when the United Nations Commission on Human Rights passed a watered down draft discussion on the slaughter occurring in Darfur, Sudan. I commend the administration for taking a stand on the importance on the commission passing strong resolution and applaud the U.S. delegation for walking out when the commission failed in its responsibility to expose and condemn the human rights abuses taking place in Darfur.

It was unfathomable that on May 4 the commission allowed Sudan to renew its seat on the panel. Over one million people have now been displaced in Darfur. Thousands are dying. Women raped. Boys and men slaughtered. The rainy season has begun, and the roads will soon become impassable. Massive numbers face death while the Government of Sudan blocks humanitarian aid, continuing to worsen an already tragic situation. The Government of Sudan must be held accountable for what is occurring in Darfur.

The United States must continue to take a leadership role in calling the world's attention to the human rights abuses occurring across the globe. The creation of a democracy caucus at the United Nations is a first step in reducing the power of abusive nations which sit at the United Nations. This caucus can help fill the seats on the Human Rights Commission with freedom loving democracies which respect and protect the human rights of their people.

**TRIBUTE TO BISHOP ZEDEKIAH
LAZETT GRADY**

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Bishop Zedekiah Lazett Grady, one of eight legendary leaders of the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church who will be retiring this year at the Quadrennial Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Bishop Zedekiah Lazett Grady was born in Loughman, Florida, the son of the late Walter and Sylvia Bynum Grady. He was educated in the public schools of Sanford, Florida and is a graduate of Crooms Academy. He further matriculated at Edwards Waters College and the B.L. Lee Theological Seminary, where he received an Associate of Arts and the Bachelor of Theology degrees. He also attended Allen University, where he received the Bachelor of Arts degree and Dickerson Theological Seminary, where he earned the Bachelor of Divinity and Masters of Divinity degrees. He furthered his graduate theological studies at the Union Theological Seminary in New York, New York and the Urban Training Center in Chicago, Illinois. He has received honorary doctorate degrees from Kittrell College in North Carolina, Allen University, and Edwards Waters College.

Bishop Grady has served the church and African Methodism for well over 40 years as a distinguished pastor, capable administrator, civic organizer, ecumenical leader, social reformer, teacher and Presiding Elder. He has served as pastor in Florida and South Carolina. For almost twenty years he was pastor of my home church, Morris Brown in Charleston, South Carolina. During his tenure there, Bishop Grady burned several mortgages, renovated the sanctuary, purchased and developed additional property, organized and developed several social service programs, and added 1,100 members to the church roll.

While serving as Presiding Elder of the historically rich Edisto District, the South Carolina Conference in the 7th Episcopal District, Bishop Grady distinguished himself by realizing a 10 percent increase in membership each year and increasing the number of pastoral charges from 24 to 35.