placed before her and excel in her endeavors. Diagnosed with a hearing impairment before the age of three, MaiLe has excelled as a student-athlete at Glenwood Springs High School.

This spirit of perseverance is thematic in her life. MaiLe has learned to communicate in different ways to overcome her hearing loss, including learning to read lips. Determined to receive an athletic letter at Glenwood Springs High School, MaiLe took up golf during her sophomore year. After many hours of practice with a swing coach, she found a love and appreciation for the game. As a testament to her dedication to the sport, success soon followed as MaiLe took second place at the Demon Invitational golf tournament.

Her hard work is not exclusive to golf; she is also a very dedicated student and has the grades to prove it. Her plans for the future include attending the University of Northern Colorado to study visual arts with the help of a scholarship from the Western Colorado Golf Foundation.

Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to recognize MaiLe Keller for her accomplishments on the green and in her life. She has overcome the obstacles that have been laid in her path, and I congratulate her on her success and wish her the best of luck in future endeavors.

A TRIBUTE TO ARCHBISHOP WILBERT S. McKINLEY

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 8, 2004

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Archbishop Wilbert S. McKinley in recognition of his spiritual leadership in the community.

Archbishop Wilbert S. McKinley is the senior pastor of The Elim International Fellowship.

The doors of the church were opened for ministry on July 26, 1964. As the founding pastor, Archbishop McKinley has served the church faithfully for forty years.

Archbishop McKinley has an overwhelming passion to introduce people, especially men, to the Church and the teachings of Jesus Christ. Archbishop McKinley believes that these teachings hold the key to every door. He is especially called to reach black men with the message of hope through Jesus Christ and with the necessity of embracing one's spiritual, national and racial identity.

Archbishop McKinley has been a gift to the Church. In addition to his pastoral duties, he is a leader who is committed to sharing his time and talent with others.

Mr. Speaker, Archbishop Wilbert S. McKinley has been a spiritual leader in his community for more than forty years. As such, he is more than worthy of receiving our recognition today and I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring this truly remarkable person.

DANNY CAMERON

HON. STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 8, 2004

Mrs. JONES of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor Danny Cameron of Cleveland, Ohio.

I want to thank Mr. Cameron for all he has done during his 36-year career with National City Bank to give quality service to the citizens of the 11th Congressional District. As President of the National City Development Corporation he served our community for the past 22. assisting customers make their dreams a reality. For too long, many deserving people were denied an opportunity to build businesses and futures because of the lack of availability of a helping hand. Danny has used his position with the Development Corporation to say "yes" rather than "no," to offer hope rather than despair to the people of Greater Cleveland. I thank him for making our community a better place.

I am very happy that he has reached this wonderful time, being young enough to retire and start a new life. I am sorry, however, that he and his wife, Dorothy, are leaving Cleveland for new beginnings in Georgia.

On behalf of the citizens of the 11th Congressional District, Ohio, I extend our gratitude to Danny Cameron for his many years of service, not only as a banker but also as an involved community citizen. He has brightened many lives. On a personal note, I also want to thank him for his years of friendship and support. He has always been there for me.

I wish Danny, Dottie and their family many years of health and happiness. May they fulfill many of their dreams and also find many new adventures. We'll miss you.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING WORKING WARDROBES

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 8, 2004

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, Working Wardrobes is a dedicated and tireless organization worthy of merit and recognition; and

Whereas, Working Wardrobes has been acknowledged for its philanthropic service; and

Whereas, Working Wardrobes should be commended for its excellence in service and for its unwavering dedication to helping individuals obtain the necessary skills to obtain employment; and

Therefore, I join with the residents of the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in honoring and congratulating Working Wardrobes for its outstanding accomplishment.

CONGRATULATING THE "TREAS-URES OF THE TEXAS COAST" CHILDREN'S ART CONTEST 2004 WINNERS

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 8, 2004

Mr. HALL. Mr. Speaker, I am honored today to recognize Sammy Clegg, Chelsea Schneider and Daniel Sagrero as the 2004 winners of the Treasures of the Texas Coast Chil-

dren's Art Contest.

As part of the Texas Adopt-A-Beach program, the "Treasures of the Texas Coast" art contest is open to Texas students grade K-6.

Hosted annually by the Texas General Land Office, the core objectives of the contest are to encourage young artists while promoting the cause to keep Texas beaches clean. This year's winners, Chelsea Schneider and Daniel Sagrero of Lee Intermediate School in Gainsville, Texas, and Sammy Clegg of Rowlett Elementary School in Rowlett, Texas, masterfully demonstrated those objectives.

Each young artist beautifully displayed the concept of keeping Texas beaches clean by using an elaborate and colorful palette. The winning artwork was displayed in the Capitol Building in Austin, Texas, as well as compiled into a statewide calendar for all to see. Mr. Speaker, I would like to extend congratulations to these outstanding students.

WAR WITH IRAQ

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 8, 2004

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to address some dangerous and potentially harmful conjectures that have been made by some of our colleagues in Congress regarding the reasons for going to war with Iraq.

Our decision to go to war with Iraq and remove Saddam Hussein from power was the right decision. The record shows that at various times the defeated Iraqi regime of Saddam Hussein possessed biological and chemical weapons and desired to possess nuclear weapons. Failure to oust Saddam Hussein would have put the American people at a grave risk.

Some have questioned the quality of intelligence that U.S. policy makers received prior to the start of the war in Iraq. I agree that this is a matter of grave importance that requires a complete and full public evaluation. Any faulty intelligence on such grave matters is a serious problem. If we are relying on the same potentially faulty intelligence to protect the lives of our troops still serving in Irag, or to consider military action elsewhere in the world, that is a dangerous risk to our security and a grave flaw in our foreign policy decision making processes. While these matters are investigated, however, it is crucial that we do not recklessly suggest alternate reasons that the war was pursued.

Some Members of Congress have made statements claiming that the true reason for this war was to move along the Administration's plan to secure a peaceful Israel. These statements are baseless, and quite divisive. While Israel, like the rest of the World, will surely benefit from a stable, democratic Iraq, this war was not entered into for Israel's benefit. Granted, a democratic force in the region will be welcome by the Israeli government, but a stable Iraq will be no means ensure an end to the dangers faced by our allies in Israel. Suggesting that the United States waged this war solely to advance its Middle East policies will only serve to increase the anti-Semitism that already permeates the area, and potentially increase the violence that the Israeli citizens have been forced to endure for years. It is true that, prior to the commencement of the War with Iraq, President Bush stated, "A new regime in Iraq would serve as a dramatic and inspiring example of freedom for other nations

in the region." I fully agree with this statement, and feel that it is important to recognize that the spread of freedom and democracy in the region is of great benefit to the entire world, not just Israel. The spread of democracy will directly lead to the spread of peace. There has not been one instance in modern history where a democratic government has gone to war with another democratic government—not one. Achieving such a peaceful existence is of monumental importance to the United States, Israel, and all other nations opposed to violence and terror tactics.

While I certainly do not expect each of my colleagues to agree with me on the question of whether or not we should have entered this war, I do urge all Members of Congress to think carefully about the potential effects that their statements may have, both on the war and on other subjects of a sensitive nature.

TRIBUTE TO DR. LAY KHIN KAY

HON. HENRY E. BROWN, JR.

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 8, 2004

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Dr. Lay Khin Kay, co-founder and chief medical director of QTC Medical Services, Inc., for dedicating the past 23 years of her career to the development of medical claims technology.

Dr. Kay's career began in Burma when she obtained her Doctor of Medicine degree from the prestigious Rangoon Institute of Medicine. She came to the United States to further her education and obtain certification as a Board Certified Internal and Occupational Specialist. Dr. Kay devoted years of service performing disability evaluations at the Social Security Administration where she identified a major disconnect between traditional medical evidence development and rating requirements. The medical evidence collected by an evaluating physician rarely met the expectations of ratings requirements; consequently, long delays and appealed cases increased.

In 1981, Dr. Kay co-founded QTC Medical Services to develop a rating-driven disability evaluation protocol, and worked to educate thousands of evaluating physicians. As technology progressed, Dr. Kay continued to develop new techniques to improve the evaluation process. She created QTC's Medical Knowledge Library, which serves as the main database for KMEP (Dr. Kay's Medical Evaluation Protocol), a web-based application designed to help physicians generate disability medical examination content. Instead of using a standardized physician examination guide, KMEP software produces claimant-specific, protocol-based, field-level evaluation worksheets. These worksheets ensure that each physician will completely and accurately address every medical issue of the claimant according to the corresponding disability program's standards.

In 1997, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) awarded its first performance-based contract to QTC to conduct a pilot program that was established by Congress to perform compensation and pension examinations (C&P) for veterans filing disability claims through VA. QTC now performs about 50 percent of the VA's C&P exams through 10 of its regional of-

fices. In 2003, the KMEP application aided the QTC examining physicians in the production of over 69,000 disability exam reports with near-perfect adequacy ratings.

Dr. Kay's efforts have given disabled veterans a simplified evaluation process, which eliminates the need for retraining, costs less money, and produces timelier quality reports. Thank you, Dr. Kay, for your innovative and cost-effective contributions to the veterans' claims disability process.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO MARTA AND CHARLIE PETERSON

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 8, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to rise today and to pay tribute to the service of Marta and Charlie Peterson to Mesa Verde National Park. Recently, after over thirty years of dedicated service to our nation park system, the couple announced their retirement. They leave behind a great legacy of dedication and commitment to our lands and I am honored to recognize their service before this body of Congress and this nation today.

Marta and Charlie joined the park service in 1969 on separate journeys. They met while working at adjacent parks in their first year and married soon after. Together they have worked in nine National Parks, acclimating to the changing conditions and terrain, finding happiness in each and every park. After seven years at Mesa Verde National Park, Charlie retires as the chief ranger and Marta retires as the administrative assistant to the park superintendent.

Charlie and Marta's dedication to our National Parks is evident through the numerous awards and recognition they have received over the years. Charlie received the Department of Interior's Medal of Valor and the park service's Harry Yount Award. The Medal of Valor was given for his role in saving his friend from drowning. Working as scuba divers cleaning drains to improve the flood conditions, his friend was pulled into the drain, only to be saved by Charlie. The Harry Yount award honors rangers considered by their peers to be the top rangers in the National Park Service.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Marta and Charlie Peterson before this body of Congress and this nation today. They have provided years of dedicated service to our national parks. I thank them for their hard work and service, and wish them all the best and happiness in their future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO CLIFFORD BARNETT CROWLEY

HON. TERRY EVERETT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 8, 2004

Mr. EVERETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the memory of a distinguished citizen and friend to many in my Congressional District, Mr. Clifford Barnett Crowley, who passed away on July 6 of an extended illness at the age of 92.

Mr. Crowley was a native of Houston County, Alabama where he and his wife, Donnie Vernell Wilkinson, established a family farm. Crowley was well known for his ingenuity and keen ability to adjust to change in agriculture. This skill earned him state wide distinction as Alabama Peanut Farmer of the Year in 1969 and 1970.

Crowley was an active member of Pine Hill Free Will Baptist Church in Dothan, serving as a Sunday School teacher, deacon and trustee. He was also much beloved for his participation in a local musical group which entertained fellow seniors, family and friends.

I offer my condolences to Mr. Crowley's wife and extended family. We have lost a valued and much respected member of our community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANNE M. NORTHUP

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 8, 2004

Mrs. NORTHUP. Mr. Chairman, on July 7, 2004, I inadvertently voted "nay" on an amendment to the fiscal year 2005 Commerce, Justice, State and the Judiciary Appropriations bill (H.R. 4754). I respectfully request the RECORD reflect that I supported the Paul Amendment withholding funds from the United National Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), and intended to vote "aye" on rollcall vote No. 333.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO LANCE COR-PORAL MANUEL ADRIAN CENICEROS

HON. HILDA L. SOLIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 8, 2004

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Lance Corporal Manuel "Manny" Adrian Ceniceros, United States Marine Corps, a member of the Regimental Combat Team 1 Headquarters Company, 1st Marine Division, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Manuel Adrian Ceniceros was born on November 15, 1980. He was a good son to his mother Angela De La Cruz and a loving husband to his wife Elizabeth. He enjoyed life and lived it to the fullest. His hobbies included drawing and playing the trumpet. Manuel and Elizabeth dreamed of starting a family some day. They lived in East Los Angeles, just a few blocks from my office, before he was deployed.

Manuel epitomized what every man should be—a good son and loving husband, a caring friend and considerate neighbor, a good-hearted young man who enjoyed life and strived to ensure that others did as well.

For love of our country, and to protect its freedoms, Lance Corporal Manuel Adrian Ceniceros volunteered to participate in a convoy mission, not knowing that it would be his last unselfish act of honor and courage. On June 26, 2004, he was killed in an explosion in the Iraqi Province of Al Anbar. Manny was laid to rest on July 6 in Santa Ana, the city of