

named "Black Patch." However, his first major recognition as a film composer did not occur until 1962 for his score of the Kirk Douglas film "Lonely Are the Brave." That same year, he got his first Academy Award nomination for the film "Freud."

Throughout his career, he became associated with distinguished directors such as the late Franklin J. Schaffner who, with Mr. Goldsmith scoring, made "Planet Of The Apes," "Patton," "Papillon," "The Boys From Brazil," and "Lionheart." He also worked on a number of Paul Verhoeven films including "Total Recall," "Basic Instinct," and "Hollow Man." He wrote the scores for director Fred Schepisi films "The Russia House," "Mr. Baseball," "Six Degrees Of Separation," and "I.Q." And director Joe Dante gave Mr. Goldsmith the opportunity to show his talents for films like "Twilight Zone: The Movie," "Gremlins I and II," "Innerspace," "Explorers," "The 'burbs," "Matinee," and "Small Soldiers."

Mr. Goldsmith received 17 Academy Award nominations for his work starting in 1962 for "Freud," and including his work on films such as "Chinatown," "Hoosiers," "Basic Instinct," "LA Confidential," and finally for his score of the animated "Mulan" in 1998. He won four Emmy Awards for his television work and was nominated for five Grammy Awards.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering the life and work of Jerry Goldsmith. He was a national treasure. Although we will no longer get the opportunity to hear new scores from him, his musical legacy will live on in his recordings for generations.

DECLARING GENOCIDE IN DARFUR, SUDAN

SPEECH OF

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 21, 2004

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of this bill, declaring the atrocities unfolding in Darfur, Sudan, as genocide.

In Darfur, villages are being burned to the ground. Death squads herd African villagers into refugee camps until they are full to bursting, lacking food and basic medicines.

In a matter of months, government-backed militias have killed 30,000 people and forced more than one million from their homes.

People talk about "indicators of genocide" and lawyers argue whether the killing, which the administration has already characterized as ethnic cleansing, is genocide.

Whatever label one attaches to these killings, there is a moral obligation to do everything possible to stop them. To ignore slaughter on this scale is unforgivable.

To its credit, the administration is pushing a UN Security Council resolution. But as that process unfolds, the killing continues.

The time has come for action, for the international community to exercise its moral and political and arguably also legal obligations to intervene in Darfur.

Genocide has shown its ugly face too often this century: European Jews during World War II, Cambodians in the late 1970s, and Rwandans in 1994.

The lesson is clear. We must stop the genocide; prevent further atrocities; and bring those

guilty of genocide or ethnic cleansing to justice.

INTRODUCTION OF POVERTY STATS LEGISLATION

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2004

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, today I introduce legislation with Representative WILLIAM LACY CLAY, D-MO, that requires the annual poverty estimate and the National Assessment of Educational Progress to be subject to certain guidelines on the release of the information to the public. I am deeply concerned at what appears to be the politicization of data by the Bush Administration on important issues ranging from worker safety to the dangers of lead paint to emergency contraceptives. Because data regarding poverty and educational progress are essential to lawmakers at all levels of government to implement policies addressing these issues, it is critical that this information is disseminated in an open and timely process.

Last year, the Census Bureau decided to break with tradition to release its annual poverty estimates on a Friday in Suitland, Maryland, rather than during the middle of the week at the National Press Club in Washington, DC. Because that report was expected to announce the loss of millions of jobs, the questionable circumstances regarding the release of those statistics led myself and Representative CLAY to seek an investigation by the Government Accountability Office, GAO, as to why the Census Bureau made its decision. We should not be playing politics with science, which is why I believe this legislation is so important.

C. J. CHEN, TECRO
REPRESENTATIVE

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2004

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, C. J. Chen soon will be concluding his term as Representative of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office ("TECRO"). In this capacity C. J. Chen has spent the past four years as Taiwan's unofficial ambassador to the United States, an important posting and a critical position for the twenty-three million people on Taiwan.

Few diplomats have a greater understanding about East Asia and the United States than C. J. Chen. He has been a member of Taiwan's foreign service for more than three and one half decades, and he has spent most of that time focused on fostering ties between Taiwan and the United States. By all accounts, he has done an excellent job.

Representative Chen's diplomatic career has been most impressive. He has held a number of important positions in Taiwan's Ministry of External Affairs and capped his long diplomatic career in Taipei by being named Foreign Minister. During the past four years while serving as head of TECRO, Representa-

tive Chen has used his vast experience to preserve and expand ties between Taipei and Washington. Representative Chen's advice and counsel have always been sought by Members of Congress who have a keen interest in matters involving the Taiwan Straits. Therefore, his impending departure is a loss for Taiwan's friends in Washington.

Mr. Speaker, my colleagues and I wish Representative Chen and his lovely wife Yolanda well as they prepare to return to Taipei for new challenges. I look forward to seeing him again in Taipei or when he returns to Washington in the months ahead.

INTRODUCTION OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY FAIRNESS FOR MERCHANT MARINERS ACT OF 2004

HON. BOB FILNER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2004

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the "Social Security Fairness for Merchant Mariners Act of 2004" (H.R. 4904).

There were three major roles in World War II: the fighting forces overseas, the production army at home, and the link between them—the United States Merchant Marine. The maritime power of the Merchant Marine may have been the difference between victory and defeat.

The World War II Merchant Mariners suffered the highest casualty rate of any of the branches of service while they delivered troops, tanks, food, airplanes, fuel and other needed supplies to every theater of the war. Enemy forces sank over 800 ships between 1941 and 1944 alone.

Given the role of the Merchant Mariners in World War II, it is unbelievable that they were not given their proper recognition as "veterans". I would hope that this was an oversight, not a deliberate attempt to exclude them from benefits.

One of the results of this lack of the "veteran" designation is that the law does not recognize Merchant Mariners as veterans for Social Security purposes. If they had the veteran designation, their Social Security would have been calculated as if they had earned \$160 more a month than they did earn during their time in service in the Merchant Marines. Of course, what this means is a smaller Social Security check, now that they are retired.

My bill H.R. 4904, will fix this unfair situation! It will provide benefits with the status of "veteran" under the Social Security Act to the Merchant Mariners who served during World War II.

Combined with my bill, the "Belated Thank You to the Merchant Mariners of World War II" (H.R. 3729), which would compensate them for their exclusion from GI Bill benefits, Congress can fix the injustice that has been endured by the Merchant Mariners. We can never make up for years lost, but we can provide additional benefits to Merchant Mariners, many of whom are living on small, fixed incomes, in their final years.

I urge my colleagues to support and co-sponsor H.R. 4904

CONGRATULATING INDIANA
BROADCASTER OF THE YEAR
AWARD RECIPIENT, HAROLD A.
WELTER

HON. STEVE BUYER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2004

Mr. BUYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Harold Welter for receiving the Indiana Football Coaches Association "2004 Broadcaster of the Year Award."

For 39 years Harold Welter has been the voice of high school sports in Indiana's Kankakee Valley. If there was an important football game, boy's basketball game, girl's basketball game, and even sometimes a baseball game in the area, Harold was there broadcasting it on WKVI radio.

Though Harold is a die-hard fan of his hometown Knox High School Redskins, he broadcasts each game in a professional and impartial manner that brings the action of the game to life for his listeners. He also regularly invites local individuals to be guest commentators on a night's game, a privilege I have had on one occasion.

Harold has gone the extra mile promoting high school sports. He established a Saturday morning radio show now called "Saturday Sportsline" on WKVI which recognizes outstanding high school sports teams and athletes through in-depth interviews with coaches and players that let listeners learn more about our local sports heroes.

This year, the Indiana Football Coaches Association recognized Harold's dedication to high school sports in Indiana by naming him their "Broadcaster of the Year." It is a tremendous honor and well deserved. His sincerity and concern for the lives of young adults is admirable and recognized by all who know him.

From his first job in radio at WRIN in Rensselaer, Indiana, to his many years of calling high school sports in the Kankakee Valley, Harold has kept his listeners tuning in. I am pleased to join other Hoosier sports fans in honoring Harold for his contributions to Indiana high school sports and congratulate him again for being named "Broadcaster of the Year" by the Indiana Football Coaches Association.

THE HEALTHY START REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2004

HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2004

Mr. UPTON. Mr. Chairman, I rise today to announce that, along with my colleagues Representatives EDOLPHUS TOWNS, CHARLES "CHIP" PICKERING, ELIJAH CUMMINGS, SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO, ROSA DELAURO, JOHN SPRATT, BOBBY RUSH, JIM MARSHALL, and DANNY DAVIS, I am introducing legislation to reauthorize the Healthy Start Act, H.R. 4905.

The Healthy Start program works to reduce the incidence of infant mortality and low birth weight and eliminate perinatal disparities in communities across the Nation where the infant mortality rate is in excess of 150 percent

of the national average. The program, which began as a successful demonstration project in 1991 under the leadership of Health and Human Services Secretary Lewis Sullivan and was overwhelmingly authorized by Congress in 2000, has at its core the recognition that infant mortality and morbidity are not just medical problems, they are community problems. To qualify for a Healthy Start grant, communities must buy-in by forming networks of community public and private decision-makers and leaders, educators, health professionals, and family members to set ambitious goals for themselves and work in a coordinated and effective way to meet those goals. These programs are targeted to at-risk populations and are characterized by aggressive outreach to reach young women who are pregnant and/or are already mothers, as well as fathers, who live in communities with the toughest poverty, drug use, and unemployment.

We are fortunate to have a Healthy Start program in Kalamazoo, Michigan, in my Congressional district. Our Healthy Start Family Resource Center offers prenatal care, WIC resources, transportation, personal counseling and many other services. So far, 100 percent of the expectant mothers who have received prenatal care and other services through the Center have delivered healthy, full-term babies.

The Healthy Start Reauthorization Act will reauthorize the program for fiscal years 2005 through 2010 at "such sums as may be necessary."

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF MAJOR GENERAL RONALD L. LOWE

HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2004

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, the U.S. Congress and the nation take great pride in formally recognizing the exceptionally meritorious military service of Major General Ronald L. Lowe, U.S. Army, who completes his tour as the Chief of Staff, United States Pacific Command on the 29th of July 2004. This significant milestone marks the completion of more than 38 years of active and reserve service to the nation.

Major General Ronald L. Lowe was assigned to the position of Chief of Staff, U.S. Pacific Command, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii on 4 June 2000. Prior to joining the USPACOM staff, General Lowe served for three years as the Deputy Commander for Support, Eighth U.S. Army, Yongsan, Korea. In this role he served as the senior wartime logistician responsible for battle command of all Army combat service support forces in the Korea theater of operations. Earlier, MG Lowe served for four years as Vice Director of Information Systems for Command, Control, Communications and Computers (DISC4), Office of the Secretary of the Army, with duty at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

Prior to recall to active duty under the Defense Department's "Chairman's Ten" program, General Lowe held U.S. Army Reserve command assignments with the 351st Civil Affairs Command, the 7th Psychological Operations Group and the 14th Psychological Op-

erations Battalion. During the early years of his career General Lowe served on active duty as a mechanized infantry platoon leader, company commander and battalion logistics officer, in Europe. Later he served as a Deputy District Senior Advisor in the Republic of Vietnam and as Chief of the Enlisted Separations Branch of the U.S. Army Personnel Center.

General Lowe is a graduate of the Infantry Officer Basic Course, Civil Affairs Officer Advanced Course, the Command and General Staff College and the Army War College. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from San Jose State University and Certificates in Procurement and Applied Total Quality Management from the University of California, Berkeley. He has participated in advanced management programs at the University of California at Los Angeles, Michigan State University and Harvard University. In civilian life, General Lowe retired from Pacific Bell, an SBC Communications subsidiary, in 1997. Prior to his retirement he served as Pacific Bell's Executive Director of General Contracting. More recently he worked in Europe as a senior consultant for KPMG. He is a past President of the Senior Army Reserve Commanders Association, SARCA, and the National Civil Affairs Association and he currently serves on the Advisory Board of the Association of the U.S. Army.

General Lowe has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Expert Infantryman's Badge, the Parachutist Badge, the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Meritorious Service Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters and various other decorations.

The U.S. Congress congratulates MG Lowe on his retirement, and extends its gratitude for his many years of service to our nation.

A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO JOHN REAGAN MCKEE ON THE OCCA- SION OF HIS RETIREMENT

HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2004

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to Mr. John Reagan McKee on the occasion of his retirement. On June 4, 2004, Mr. McKee retired after thirty years as an English teacher at Libbey High School in Toledo, OH.

To truly do Mr. McKee justice would not be to speak of his achievements by the awards he received or the teams he coached; it would be to speak of the kind of educator he was. John McKee was able to turn discouraging circumstances into opportunities.

John McKee introduced students to their potential and his belief in their character guided and motivated children to fulfill their dreams. For the past five years, the Graduating class has chosen Mr. McKee as the teacher who influenced them most.

Whether an English teacher, basketball coach or Advisor on the school paper, John McKee brought out the best in his students and made sure they recognized it as well. In doing so, he ensured himself a permanent spot in the memories of his students as one who truly believed in them. Among students