

his country and his family. His great partner in life, Judy Garrett, is a great public servant in her own right and has many accomplishments to her credit. The couple live in Fletcher Hills in El Cajon. Bill has decided to retire and to spend his time with family traveling and doing those things retired people do. He has received great praise from every sector of the community for his unselfish commitment to his profession and the people he represents.

Mr. Speaker, I know my colleagues join me in thanking Bill for his public service and wishing him the very best future possible.

DAVE AND MARY COSTIGAN'S 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

HON. LANE EVANS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. EVANS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Dave and Mary Costigan on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary, which they celebrated on August 21, 2004. They have five children and nine grandchildren and have lived in Quincy, Illinois for most of their marriage.

Dave and Mary were both born and raised in Bloomington, Illinois. Mary Ensenberger graduated from Fontbonne College in St. Louis and majored in Physical Education. David Costigan graduated from Notre Dame University and received his Masters and PhD in History from Illinois State University. He served in the U.S. Army from 1953–1955 and was honorably discharged.

Since 1957 David Costigan has taught history at Quincy University. He has held the Aaron M. Pemberton Chair in History and is now Professor Emeritus at the University. After many years and many awards for outstanding teaching, Dave continues to lecture and teach particularly in his areas of interest which include local Quincy history, the Civil War, and U.S. foreign policy.

Throughout her life, Mary Costigan has been an extraordinary teacher in her own right. Upon graduation from college, she taught Physical Education at my alma mater, Alleman High School in Rock Island. For many years, she also served as a tennis instructor in the Quincy area. Mary won many area tennis titles in Quincy as well as throughout the tri-state area of Illinois, Iowa and Missouri during her years on the courts.

Both Mary and Dave have contributed their time and energy to a variety of community and civic projects during the past 50 years. They have been very active in their church and local schools and regularly attend church services at St. Francis Solanus Church. Through their church they helped sponsor a family from Laos, bringing a Laotian family to Quincy to escape war and poverty in Southeast Asia.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring Mr. and Mrs. Costigan on this joyous occasion. I wish them all the best as they celebrate the life they have created and as they enjoy their many years to come.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF LORENZO CHAVEZ

HON. TOM UDALL

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, last month my home state of New Mexico lost a great man. Lorenzo Armijo Chavez, who spent his entire life in the Land of Enchantment, died at the age of 90. Born and raised in Magdalena, Lorenzo rose from modest beginnings to become a celebrated attorney, state legislator, and father of Albuquerque Mayor Martin Chavez. He was a legend in his own time, and he leaves a long and unique legacy.

Afflicted with polio, Lorenzo received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of New Mexico in 1941. Attending Georgetown Law School as a full time student, Lorenzo earned his Juris Doctor degree while working 70 hours per week in charge of the Reading Room at the Library of Congress. He was a member of the Georgetown Law Journal Staff for 2 years and co-authored "Insurance-Rate Making," graduating third in his class.

Upon graduation, Lorenzo became a law clerk for Justice Ambrose O'Connell in the Court of Custom & Patent Appeals in Washington, D.C., followed by work for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in the District of Columbia, in charge of War Risk Insurance. He then became a special assistant to the Attorney General of the U.S. in charge of land condemnation in New Mexico. In this position, he obtained for the Federal Government the land where Sandia Corporation is now located for \$3.00 per acre.

In 1946, he started his law practice in Albuquerque. During these early years, he was elected to the House of Representatives in the New Mexico Legislature representing Socorro County where the press characterized him as one of the two most effective freshman legislators. Despite pressure from influential and other friends, he refused to run for any other public office; during ensuing years, he refused appointments as a judge in the various courts, preferring to represent the injured workmen whom he felt had been sorely neglected by the courts for years. He helped create new law protecting injured workers. Additionally, he tried the first Federal court case where a Native American served in the jury.

During the Johnson Administration, he served his country for \$1.00 per year as a special advisor on Minority Enterprises to Howard Samuels, head of the Small Business Administration, where he encouraged and promoted loans to Spanish Americans and other minority businessmen throughout the United States. In the 1960s he was a member of Civilian Orientation Corps for the Defense Department.

In 1962, Lorenzo founded and became the first president of the American Savings and Loan Association in Albuquerque, NM. Also in the 1960s, he served on the Board of the prestigious International Academy of Trial Lawyers, of which he was a member for many years. After the death of U.S. Senator Dennis Chavez, he raised the funds necessary, contributing substantially himself, to have a statue of the Senator cast and placed in Statuary Hall in the Capitol in Washington, D.C. where

it will remain for posterity. He made the presentation himself, along with Senator Hubert Humphrey, Vice President Lyndon Johnson, and other distinguished statesmen, to U.S. Congress.

Lorenzo's love and compassion for the poor and the underdog manifested itself in legal representation, despite lucrative offers from the insurance companies. He handled over 16,000 plaintiffs suits in every county of the state where there was a court, winning over 90 percent of them, and handling 68 cases in the Supreme Court of New Mexico, winning 99 percent of those cases. During his 52 years of law practice, he tried cases in every surrounding state as well as in California and Illinois. He handled some 12 cases in the Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit and handled cases in the Court of Claims in association with eventual U.S. Supreme Court Justice Abe Fortas. He handled cases in the New Mexico Federal District Court. His pro-bono cases were numerous. These accomplishments led to him being the first New Mexican accepted into the International Academy of Trial Lawyers and he was regularly named in America's Best Lawyers.

Lorenzo served as a mentor to many up-and-coming Hispanic lawyers, including former Governor Toney Anaya. He was a founder of the G.I. Forum, a Hispanic veterans' political group. Former Governor David Cargo recalls Lorenzo approaching him in the 1960's and urging broader Hispanic representation on boards of regents throughout the state.

When taxpayers complained about the high income tax they paid, Lorenzo's favorite comment was that he was delighted to pay taxes, that he remembered only too well when he didn't make enough money to pay taxes at all. He had firm principles—and, I believe, right ones. He expounded them clearly, he acted upon them decisively.

Lorenzo is survived by his wife, Sara Chavez, three sons, Larry, Phil and Martin, 6 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. When Martin was running for office and he was asked to name his heroes, his father was always the first person he named.

Mr. Speaker, Lorenzo Chavez lived a long, productive and admirable life. He was a kind and loving husband, father and grandfather and enjoyed his life with family and friends to the fullest extent. His life left an indelible mark in the most significant of ways. He never forgot the foundations of family values, love and concern for others, a good education, and a solid work ethic. A great man is no longer with us, but will always be remembered in the minds and hearts of everyone who knew him. I cannot think of a more honorable legacy than that.

HONORING LANCE CORPORAL MARK E. ENGEL

HON. THOMAS G. TANCREDO

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. TANCREDO. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep regret and heartfelt admiration that I rise today to honor a fallen Marine from my district, Lance Corporal Mark E. Engel. Lance Corporal Engel sadly succumbed to injuries he suffered during combat in the Al Anbar province of Iraq. He was on his second deployment.

During a routine patrol on July 6th, Lance Corporal Engel's light armored vehicle struck a roadside bomb. After a valiant fight that lasted the better part of a month, Lance Corporal Engel passed away with his family at his side, just one day before his 22nd birthday.

Mark was an active young man. He attended West Middle School, and later attended Cherry Creek High School, where he played varsity football as a fullback. By all accounts, Mark was an avid athlete, an outdoorsman, a neighbor and a friend. Mark was a bright star that will be dearly missed by his family, his friends, his fellow Marines, and our community.

Mr. Speaker, my deepest sympathy goes out to the family of Lance Corporal Mark Engel. Mark served his country with distinction, making the ultimate sacrifice for freedom and liberty in defense of a grateful nation. All of us owe him a great debt of gratitude.

His dedication and bravery will not be forgotten.

IN RECOGNITION OF GERTRUDE
MCDONALD ON THE OCCASION OF
HER 88TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge the achievements of Gertrude "Gert" McDonald, a lifelong New Yorker and dedicated public servant. On August 5, 2004, many of Mrs. McDonald's friends and colleagues will gather in her longtime neighborhood of Sunnyside, Queens to celebrate her 88th birthday. I am very pleased to offer my best wishes to Mrs. McDonald for a truly memorable and enjoyable evening.

Gertrude McDonald's decades of service to our community are truly worthy of celebration. Born in New York City, Gert moved to Sunnyside when she was seven years old. For more than sixty years, Gert has worked tirelessly to improve the well-being of her fellow New Yorkers. Gert has been a Democratic District Leader and a Downstate Representative of the Steering Committee of the Women's Political Caucus; additionally, she continues to serve as the President of the Queens of Angels Senior Center Club and the Corresponding Secretary of the 108th Precinct Community Council. Mrs. McDonald is a member of Community School Board 24, the United Forties Civic Association, the Borden Avenue Veterans Residence Advisory Board, the Queens Correctional Facility Advisory Board, the Mayor's Volunteer Task Force and, significantly, has been a loyal member of Queens Community Board Two for nearly thirty years.

Gert has also been a prominent figure in local politics for decades. At a time when women were usually relegated to a supporting role, Gert took the bold step of tossing her own hat into the ring. Her legacy as the first woman to run as a Democratic candidate for public office in Queens is truly inspirational. Although Gert did not prevail in her 1968 candidacy for the New York State Assembly, this bold act encouraged other women, including me, to run for public office.

With a quick wit and undeniable charm, Gert has a reputation for finding clever ways to

make her point. When the mayor proposed cutting garbage pickup in Queens to once a week, while leaving Manhattan pickup at three times per week, Gert suggested that Queens residents should take their garbage to work.

I continue to be in awe not only of Gert's contributions to the public good, but also of the level of energy and enthusiasm she brings to her many activities. Mrs. McDonald's life and accomplishments are a reflection of the strength and vitality of New York City itself.

I would like to join Gert McDonald's friends and family in marking this special occasion; I trust that she will be surrounded by the warmth of happy memories, good cheer and loving friendships.

Mr. Speaker, I request that my colleagues join me in paying tribute to Gertrude McDonald, a mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and cherished friend of New York City. To Mrs. McDonald and her dedicated colleagues and friends at Queens Community Board Two, I offer my continuing admiration, respect and support.

HONORING MICHAEL PHELPS

HON. BENJAMIN L. CARDIN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Michael Phelps for his performance representing the United States in Athens at the Games of the XXVIII Olympiad.

Michael Phelps, who was born in Baltimore and now lives in Towson, is a lifelong resident of Maryland's Third Congressional District.

So, we Marylanders have been following Michael's career long before these Olympic games. At age seven, he joined the North Baltimore aquatic club, and at age sixteen, he won his first world title at the 2001 world championships in Japan. This was only the beginning of many recordsetting victories.

This August, joined by the rest of the world, we watched with extraordinary pride as Michael earned eight medals.

Through seventeen races in eight days, Michael did much more than beat his competitors—he exemplified true sportsmanship.

After winning his fourth individual gold medal, Michael stunned the athletic world by giving up his spot in the men's 400 meter medley relay on July to team mate Ian Crocker. The relay team won a gold medal, setting a world record. Michael's words say it best, and show why for him "world-class champion" is an understatement.

When asked about his decision, Phelps responded, "Ian is one of the best relay swimmers in U.S. history . . . when we want to put the four fastest guys up there, we look at everything, all the past swims, and we make the best decision . . . we came into this meet as a team and we're going to leave as a team."

Those words demonstrate why Michael Phelps is recognized as an outstanding role model, not just for athletes, but for all of us, no matter what our life's work.

As Michael leaves our state this fall to pursue his studies at the University of Michigan, we offer him our hearty congratulations and best wishes for the future.

I urge all of my colleagues to join me today in thanking Michael Phelps for representing our country with such honor and grace.

TRIBUTE TO BILL LAMBERT

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting my very good friend and an all around great guy, Bill Lambert, who for 40 years has served the United Teachers of Los Angeles as their Political Director. His colleagues will honor him at the UTLA Leadership Conference this summer.

Bill has worked tirelessly for decades on behalf of the teachers and the students of Los Angeles. He has counseled me on the intricacies of many difficult education issues, provided special insights on many bills I've sponsored, and hounded me mercilessly to work harder for his schools, find more funding for his projects and solve more problems for his teachers. He has demonstrated a special commitment to improving vocational education for students who are not college bound.

When Bill began his involvement in Teachers' organizations in 1957, teachers in Los Angeles had no family health insurance plans and no added bonuses for teaching over 30 years. He was a founder and key member of advocacy groups including the Elementary Teachers Association of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Teachers Association. An extremely successful negotiator, he has succeeded in winning both an excellent salary increase and improved benefits for Los Angeles' teachers.

Bill was born in the Bronx, but spent most of his life in Los Angeles. An alumnus of UCLA with a Masters Degree from Cal State Los Angeles, he began his long career in education in 1955 as a teacher at Montague Elementary School. He soon gained leadership positions among his fellow teachers and eventually became a legislative advocate on their behalf. He helped lobby along with United Teachers of Los Angeles for the revolutionary Rodda Act, which in 1975 became the first collective bargaining bill for teachers in California history.

Among his finest accomplishments is Bill's work for Children of the Dream, a program that puts children of diverse backgrounds—Israeli and Arab, Pakistani and Indian—together to help shatter stereotypes and create understanding. In 1997 he won the NEA Applegate Doros International Understanding Award.

Bill and his wonderful wife, Lenore, have four fine, successful children.

Please join me today in honoring my close friend, Bill Lambert, for his outstanding contributions to our community and for his steadfast commitment to the education of our children and to their teachers.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF
VERONICA ZASADNI (RONNE)
FROMAN, REAR ADMIRAL, U.S.
NAVY, RETIRED

HON. DUNCAN HUNTER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 7, 2004

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service of Veronica Zasadni