IN TRIBUTE AND APPRECIATION OF SALLY TIBBETTS

HON. CHARLES F. BASS

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. BASS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a loyal member of my staff, Sally Tibbetts, as she leaves Washington for warmer climates and to pay tribute to her dedication and commitment before this body of Congress.

Sally has been on my staff since 1997 and has performed ably and consistently during her time with me. As a public spokesperson before the media and countless community organizations, I could have had no better assistant to help positively present my agenda on behalf of all New Hampshire's citizens.

Her distinguished record as a journalist and Press Secretary for Congressman Bill Zeliff (NH–01) before joining my staff demonstrated her talent. On behalf of New Hampshire's Second District, her work and success with media outlets as diverse as the Manchester Union Leader and Concord Monitor; Milford Cabinet and Keene Sentinel; WMUR and NH Public Television; and WOKQ, WEVO, and WZID have proven her skill.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to pay tribute to Sally's service to New Hampshire and the nation. I am extremely honored to consider her and her husband Gary as friends and wish them the best of luck in their new lives far—but not far in spirit—from the Granite State.

RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF NIGHTRIDERS, INC.

HON. BOB BEAUPREZ

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES $Tuesday, \ January \ 20, \ 2004$

Mr. BEAUPREZ. Mr. Speaker, the occasion on which I rise today is to recognize the importance of one small business based in my home state of Colorado. This business has provided Colorado with an innovative private sector concept that demonstrates social-minded entrepreneurship by assisting in our nation's fight against drunk driving.

Each year, seventeen thousand Americans die in alcohol-related traffic accidents and over six hundred thousand are injured. While Congress has made numerous efforts to reduce the number of these tragedies, private sector industries and community leaders perform a vital role to stop drinking and driving. One such company leading the fight against this tragic and avoidable threat is NightRiders, Inc.

Located in Boulder, Colorado, NightRiders was created by three pioneering young men who wanted to reduce impaired driving and its tragic consequences. Founders Gary Calnan, Brad Dickerhofe, and Carl Grodnik implemented NightRiders to operate on a simple, but effective business plan that gives individuals peace of mind and the freedom to get home safely without risking lives. NightRiders provides such a valuable service that it enjoys the endorsements of local businesses and law enforcement officials.

Let me take a moment to explain how they operate. A dispatched driver on a folding mo-

torized scooter meets you at your automobile, places the scooter in the trunk, drives you home, and the driver gets back on the scooter to assist the next customer.

Recently, NightRiders was recognized by the National Commission Against Drunk Driving (NCADD) and received the 2003 Corporate Leadership Award. Past recipients of the Corporate Leadership Award from the NCADD include Liberty Mutual Group (2002), The Century Council (2001), Kmart Corporation (2000) and Daimler Chrysler (1999). By presenting this award to NightRiders, the NightRiders solution to affect real change in the problem of drinking and driving on a national scale.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me and the NCAAD in commending NightRiders for their efforts and vision to reduce the senseless tragedies associated with drunk driving.

IN RECOGNITION OF MS. GLORIA NILSON

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an exemplary individual, Gloria Nilson whose professional accomplishments are equally matched by her generous and selfless contributions to the community in the areas of education, the arts and culture. Just this past year, on December 6, 2003, the Monmouth University Library Association honored Ms. Nilson, awarding her with their 2003 Community and Humanities Award.

It is clear to me that Ms. Nilson is truly deserving of this award because of her dedication and diligence with every project that she has taken on. Being regarded as a pioneer in a field where few women were even licensed to sell real estate, Ms. Nilson is widely recognized in the state of New Jersey, and nationally as one of the state's top-ranking Realtors.

Remarkably, Ms. Nilson began her career carrying a typewriter in the trunk of her car to draw up contracts and close sales for clients. After being ranked Number 1 in the state of New Jersey for residential real estate volume by the New Jersey Real Estate Board for four consecutive years, she started Gloria Nilson Realtors in 1977. As Executive Vice President, Director of Luxury Homes for Gloria Nilson Realtors/GMAC Real Estate, she is the exclusive affiliate for Sotheby's International Realty for the Greater Monmouth County area, and in 2000, placed third in the country for GMAC.

Notable among her numerous affiliations and philanthropic activities; Ms. Nilson is the founding board member of the Women's Council for the Cancer Center at Monmouth Medical Center, she is also the first woman to be named chairperson of the Business Council at Monmouth University's School of Business. Widely recognized for her outstanding contributions both professionally and personally, her awards include the Monmouth Girl Scouts Council 2001 Women of Distinction Award, the Monmouth Ocean Development Council's 1996 Silver Gull Award for Business Achievement, and the 2000 Community Service Award for GMAC Real Estate, which is now given annually in the name of Gloria Nilson.

Once again, Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate Ms. Gloria Nilson on her Community and Humanities Award and offer her the highest praise for her professional achievements, as well as her civic contributions.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. GALLEGLY. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, December 8, I was unable to vote on ordering the previous question on H. Res. 465, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (rollcall 672); on agreeing to H. Res. 465 (rollcall 673); on ordering the previous question on H. Res. 473, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill H.R. 2673 (rollcall 674); on agreeing to H. Res. 473 (rollcall 675); on passage of H.R. 2673, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act 2004 (rollcall 676); and on a motion to lay on the table, H. Res. 474, a resolution regarding a question of the privileges of the House regarding rollcall 669 (rollcall 677). Had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on all measures.

RECOGNIZING ROBERT PARKS DAILEY, WHO AFTER 34 YEARS OF SERVICE IS RETIRING AS THE CLOVERDALE, CALIFORNIA POLICE CHIEF

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Cloverdale Police Chief Robert Parks Dailey, who is retiring after 34 years of service to his community.

Chief Dailey has spent all of his adult life in lain enforcement. He began his career as a Senior Patrol Officer with the Berkeley, California Police Department in 1970 and spent nine years on the force during one of the most tumultuous periods in this city's colorful history

He joined the Cloverdale Police Department as a Sergeant in 1979 and quickly advanced through the ranks. He was promoted to Lieutenant, a rank he held until 1987, when he became the Chief of Police. In 1993, his title was changed to Director of Public Safety when the Cloverdale Fire Department was added to his command. When the Fire Department hired a full time Chief in 1996, he reacquired the rank of Chief of Police, a position he held until December 31, 2003.

During his tenure with the Cloverdale Police Department, he automated the police records system, restructured the Department for clearer lines of authority and responsibility, implemented a remodeling of the Department, and oversaw the Department's participation in the county-wide Computer Aided Dispatch/Records Management System/Mobile Data Computer Program.

Chief Dailey is a member of the California Peace Officer's Association, the California Police Officers Association, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Sonoma County Law Enforcement Chiefs Association (where he served two terms as President) and the Santa Rosa Training Center Advisory Committee. He also represented the California Police Chief's Association on the State Association of Chiefs of Police Committee.

Chief Dailey also served his community as a member and Past President of the Cloverdale Rotary Club, President of the Cloverdale Citrus Fair Board of Directors, and a member of the Cloverdale Eagles Boosters Club and Cloverdale Project Graduation Committee.

Mr. Speaker, Chief Dailey is a dedicated public servant who plans to spend his retirement years working with the League of California Cities Interim Chief of Police program, traveling, and improving his golf handicap. It is appropriate that we honor him today.

TRIBUTE TO ED McVANEY

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to rise and pay tribute to an outstanding patriot from my home state of Colorado. My friend, Ed McVaney, is currently in Iraq where he has placed himself in harm's way to assist the citizens of that nation in their recovery from three and a half decades of tyrannical oppression. It is my pleasure to call the attention of this body of Congress to the bravery and heroism of this great American.

Ed recently retired as CEO of the J.D Edwards Corporation in Denver. During Ed's tenure, J.D. Edwards grew to become Colorado's largest software company. Under his watch, the company played a major role in promoting the health of Colorado's economy. J.D. Edwards employed five thousand Coloradans and kept our state at the forefront of the technology industry.

Ed's journey to Iraq began as the result of a discussion he had with Congressman Bob Schaffer last May. When the Congressman proposed the trip, Ed's patriotic nature shone through and he accepted without hesitation. In Iraq, Ed spends each day working tirelessly to help the country rebuild its ravaged economic infrastructure. Ed is truly utilizing his vast expertise and tremendous work ethic for the betterment of those desperately in need.

Ed currently lives in a 10-foot by 10-foot travel trailer near one of Saddam Hussein's former palaces. He spends each day working tirelessly to help the people of Iraq rebuild their homeland. It is truly an admirable human being who is willing to sacrifice his comfortable retirement to risk life and limb to assist others. Ed's commitment to this project is far from a symbolic gesture; he has made a commitment to remain in Iraq for an entire year.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to rise and call the attention of this body of Congress and our nation to Ed McVaney. Ed has done a great deal for the betterment of the state of Colorado, the United States, and the people of Iraq. He has done all this while happily serving

as a wonderful husband, a tremendous father and a loyal friend to many. I am proud of Ed and it is my honor to recognize him here today.

RECOGNIZING COMPLETION AND OPENING OF DIAMOND TRAINING CENTER

HON. MELISSA A. HART

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Ms. HART. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the completion and grand opening of the Diamond Training Center, a 30,000 square foot, state-of-the-art, baseball and softball practice center, located in Warrendale, PA. I am happy to see the spirit of entrepreneurship flourishing in the congressional district that I represent.

The training center will combine traditional baseball practice methods with new technology such as the Pro Batter—a newly developed improvement upon the traditional style of batting cages. Management anticipates that the center will service nearly 10,000 patrons per year; including, but not limited to, little league, high school, and local college teams, and even a potential minor league franchise.

I ask that all of my colleagues in the House of Representatives join with me in recognizing the grand opening of this new enterprise. I am proud to have the Diamond Training Center in my district, where it will not only stimulate the economy but also will provide a functional athletic facility for the residents of Western Pennsylvania.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF MOTHER DEOLA BOOKER

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mother Deola Booker, a dedicated community leader and an exceptional gospel singer, who passed away recently. She was an active member of the Christian Memorial Tabernacle Church of God in Christ Congregation in Seaside, California, for over twenty years.

Her dedication to her church was matched only by her dedication to her community, for which she received numerous awards and recognition. Among them was a certificate of recognition for her work with the Monterey County Department of Social Services Children's Services presented by me on behalf of the California Legislative Assembly in 1991. She was also a well-known and well-loved musician, gracing those who knew her with her amazing voice and talented piano playing. She shared this love of music with others through her work directing choirs, as well.

Mother Booker will be greatly missed by the many that knew her, were helped by her, or who shared in her love and kindness to all people. Those who were touched by her will forever remember her spirit of service and faith

TRIBUTE TO BOB BEVERLY

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to rise and pay tribute to my friend Bob Beverly. Throughout his life, Bob has done a tremendous amount for the sport of skiing and the people of our home state of Colorado. Each day, Bob shares his joy for life with others and it is my honor to rise and call the attention of my colleagues to his many contributions.

Bob was born in Steamboat Springs, and it was there that his lifelong passion for skiing began. While in high school, Bob was an alpine ski racer and a member of the renowned Steamboat Springs High School Marching Band on Skis. After high school, Bob attended the University of Denver, where he was active in the promotion of skiing as a collegiate sport. In fact, Bob's work was instrumental in the University sanctioning skiing as a varsity sport.

After leaving the University of Denver, Bob continued his dedication to skiing when the National Ski Area Committee appointed him as its Chairman. In this capacity, Bob played a key role in influencing the National Collegiate Athletic Association's recognition of skiing as an official sport. Later, Bob helped to pioneer the skiing industry in Mesa Creek, Grand Mesa and my hometown of Glenwood Springs.

Bob has dedicated a great deal of time to the promotion of skier safety. He has organized chapters of the National Ski Patrol, created a volunteer patrol program and has passed his knowledge along to countless instructors and patrolmen. Bob has also worked tirelessly to share his love for skiing with young people. He developed a statewide youth ski program, and continues to dedicate time to sharing his love for skiing with children. Bob's dedication to his sport has not gone unnoticed. In 1965, he was awarded the Halstead Memorial Award by the United States Ski Association and, in 2000, he was inducted into the Colorado Ski Hall of Fame. Bob has always used skiing as a means to better the lives of countless people.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to call the attention of this body of Congress to the contributions of Bob Beverly. Hundreds of young people have had their lives enhanced as the result of Bob's tireless enthusiasm, zest for life and altruistic nature. Bob has managed to do all of this while happily serving as a tremendous husband, father, and friend to many. It is a true honor to count Bob among my close friends.

CONGRATULATING WOODBURY, MINNESOTA, ON BEING RECOGNIZED AS THE NATION'S HOTTEST CITY UNDER 100,000 PEOPLE IN THE CENTRAL UNITED STATES

HON. MARK R. KENNEDY

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mayor William