

and other groups. The House of Representatives has already voted to approve the legislation, as part of the Transportation Equity Act.

This legislation will help the states keep drugged drivers off our roads. It will do so by encouraging the States to make the laws against drugged driving uniform, by researching better technology to test for drugs, and by giving law enforcement more training.

I urge my colleagues to join us in this effort.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO VERMONT HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

• Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the Vermont Housing Finance Agency, which on June 3rd will mark its 30-year anniversary of making affordable housing possible for Vermonters throughout the State. The Vermont Housing Finance Agency (VHFA), which is celebrating this significant milestone in my home State, has throughout its history been a consistent leader in financing safe, decent, and affordable housing for low- and moderate-income Vermonters. This is no small feat given the shortage of affordable housing options throughout the State.

The upcoming celebration gives us the opportunity to recognize the hard work and dedication of the leadership and staff of this agency. Executive Director Sarah Carpenter, Board of Commissioners' Chair Lisa Randall, and the 41 staff members and 7 commissioners work tirelessly to promote this agency's worthy goals. Over 24,000 Vermont families have directly benefited from the extraordinary assistance that VHFA has provided since its inception.

VHFA is an agency that each and every Vermonter should be very proud of. I admire the work that VHFA does and frequently look to its staff for guidance regarding affordable housing matters in Vermont. I am delighted to stand before you today in recognition of this great agency, which exceeds the standards of excellence in so many ways. I offer VHFA my deepest congratulations for its 30 years of service to the people of Vermont.●

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM GREENBLATT

• Mr. TALENT. Mr. President, it is with honor that I recognize Mr. William Greenblatt of St. Louis, MO, in the celebration of his 50th birthday on May 9, 2004.

Mr. Greenblatt has made significant contributions to the public and the media through his photography services. His photos have appeared in many well-known newspapers, magazines and periodicals from The New York Times to Sports Illustrated to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

In his personal photography business, he has assisted many prominent cus-

tomers and used his talents to earn the role of official photographer for public officials and popular recording artists.

Mr. Greenblatt is affiliated with numerous professional groups and serves on a variety of community boards. He is also the recipient of many awards and commendations in his professional career.

I congratulate Mr. William Greenblatt on reaching the landmark year of 50, and I wish him many future years of happiness and enjoyment in his personal and professional endeavors.●

THANKING CHIEF WILLIAM MICHAEL ROTH

• Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina. Mr. President, I wish to recognize the accomplishments of one of my constituents, William Michael Roth, and to commend him for his tenure as Chief of Police for the Town of Lexington, South Carolina Police Department as he leaves after 29 years of service.

Chief Roth has served as a law enforcement professional for over 31 years. Under his leadership, the size of the Lexington Police Department has more than tripled and it has received many awards for its efforts in public and youth safety. Roth exhibits an innovative and hands-on approach to law enforcement that has greatly benefited the police department and the Lexington community through the establishment of new safety services and the creation of outreach programs to individuals of all ages.

Roth was instrumental in the creation of local school-based programming such as School Resource Officers and DARE classes for elementary and middle school students. Roth oversaw the creation of an "Adopt-a-Cop" Program within the Lexington Police Department that was recognized as the 2003 Public Safety Program of the Year by the Municipal Association of South Carolina and as a Model Cities Program by the National League of Cities at their annual conference. Roth was directly responsible for the establishment of an investigative division in the Police Department that includes a Child and Elder Abuse Investigator and a full time Victim's Advocate.

Roth has been an asset to the Lexington Police Department and to the State of South Carolina. I invite you to join me in thanking Chief William Michael Roth for his service and dedication to quality law enforcement and the safety of the citizens of South Carolina.●

TRIBUTE TO DR. BART BARLOGIE

• Mrs. LINCOLN. Mr. President, I rise today with my colleague Senator MARK PRYOR to honor Dr. Bart Barlogie, professor of medicine and pathology at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, UAMS, the Arkansas Cancer Research Center, ACRC, and director of the Myeloma Institute for Research and Therapy, MIRT.

For his lifelong work to find innovative treatments for myeloma cancer, Dr. Barlogie received the International Myeloma Foundation's Second Robert A. Kyle Lifetime Achievement Award on May 8, 2004, in Little Rock, AR.

Throughout his career, Dr. Barlogie has been recognized as one of the most innovative, creative, and knowledgeable minds in the field of myeloma clinical research and treatment. His leadership has made Arkansas home to the foremost center for myeloma research and treatment in the world.

Innovations pioneered under Dr. Barlogie's leadership include the accepted use of bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell transplants that have resulted in better clinical outcomes for myeloma patients. In fact, the MIRT has performed more than 4,400 bone marrow transplants, far more than anywhere else.

Dr. Barlogie's work with thalidomide as a treatment for myeloma has dramatically changed how patients are treated. His use of anti-angiogenesis as a cancer treatment is now widely accepted and used in not only myeloma but many other forms of cancer.

Over the last 10 years, Dr. Barlogie's work has led to the widespread use and acceptance of magnetic resonance imaging, MRI, and positron emission tomography, PET, scans for myeloma patients. His work is also on the forefront of the movement toward effective molecularly targeted therapies and treatments. These techniques continue to improve the means by which physicians can combat cancer.

Dr. Barlogie is totally devoted to his patients. He is continually driven to find better therapies, prolonged remission rates, a better quality of life, and, ultimately, a cure to one of the most challenging and misunderstood of all cancers.

I am proud to honor Dr. Barlogie today, and I am happy that he, his wife Kathleen, and their three children, Britta, Eva, and Bart, have made their home in Little Rock, AR. They have made significant contributions to our State and community.

I know all Arkansas join me in thanking Dr. Barlogie for making Arkansas the center of his professional and personal life. His achievements have helped make our stellar medical institutions, the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, the Arkansas Cancer Research Center, and the Myeloma Institute for Research and Therapy, gain worldwide prominence in the fight against cancer.●

• Mr. PRYOR. Mr. President, I rise today with my colleague, Senator BLANCHE LINCOLN, to honor Dr. Bart Barlogie.

I am pleased to have this opportunity to publicly commend Dr. Barlogie for his unyielding dedication and stalwart leadership in the field of oncology research and treatment. His hard work has led to the development of innovative and comprehensive approaches to treatment of patients with multiple

myeloma, which has translated better therapies, prolonged remission rates for cancer survivors and improved the quality of life for many of his patients. Moreover, his commitment may ultimately lead to a cure for the most challenging and misunderstood of all cancers.

On May 8, 2004, Dr. Barlogie was awarded the International Myeloma Foundation's Second Robert A. Kyle Lifetime Achievement Award. This award, which is being given for only the second time, recognizes the significant and revolutionary work of his professional career. This award follows an already long and distinguished line of accomplishments.

Arkansas was well on its way to becoming the center for myeloma clinical research and treatment when Dr. Barlogie accepted the position of director of hematology/oncology, and director of research at the Arkansas Cancer Research Center, (ACRC), at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, (UAMS), and founding director of the Myeloma and Transplantation Research Center, MTRC, within the ACRC. His research team has developed innovative and comprehensive approaches to the treatment of patients with multiple myeloma. Because of his leadership role in the area of myeloma research and treatment, he was named the first director of a newly established Myeloma Institute for Research and Therapy.

During Dr. Barlogie's 15-year tenure at UAMS, more myeloma patients have been treated in Arkansas than anywhere else in the world. Yet, despite his gains in this area, myeloma continues to affect thousands. This year, approximately 15,000 Americans will be diagnosed with myeloma. Looking to the future, Dr. Barlogie envisions a satellite-based intensive training program which will reach physicians worldwide so that many of these patients treated at the institute will have access to specialized medical care upon returning to their home States or countries.

Of paramount importance to Dr. Barlogie are his wife Kathleen and their three children, Britta, Eva, and Bart. He loves them dearly and credits their support for his success. They have made their home in Little Rock, AR, and have added a number of their own contributions to our community and State.

We thank Dr. Barlogie for making Arkansas the center of his professional and personal life. His past and future achievements have truly helped make the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, the Arkansas Cancer Research Center, and the Myeloma Institute for Research and Therapy very respectable among the premier health care institutions in the State. More importantly, through his work, Dr. Barlogie has had concrete and positive impacts on the everyday lives of thousands of his patients. His commitment to this cause is incredible: he is saving

lives and providing hope for millions more.●

TRIBUTE TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE ALLAN RAMSAY, JR.

● Mr. VOINOVICH. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Allan Ramsay, Jr., assistant regional chief administrative law judge and Cleveland Hearing Office chief administrative law judge, who passed away on May 18, 2004.

I have always been a strong advocate of public service, and a staunch supporter of those who put service before self. Serving the citizens of the great State of Ohio for over 22 years, Judge Ramsay was one of those individuals. His dedication to his profession and to helping others reflected his compassion and devotion to his fellow citizens.

Appointed to the Cleveland Hearing Office of the Social Security Administration as an administrative law judge in 1982, Judge Ramsay worked tirelessly to improve the lives of more than 15,000 people who turned to the Social Security Administration in their times of need. From 1992 to 1997, he served as the chief administrative law judge in the Social Security Hearing Office in Columbus, OH. In 1997, he returned to Cleveland as the chief judge of that office, and in 1999 he became the assistant regional chief administrative law judge, while maintaining his leadership position in the Cleveland Hearing Office.

Throughout his distinguished career, Judge Ramsay touched the lives of countless individuals. His career is a shining example of public service of which the people of Ohio and the rest of the Nation should be proud.

Judge Ramsay held himself to a high standard and his service to our Nation reflects that. Judge Ramsay is survived by his wife, Beatrice, and his two children. In this time of great loss, my condolences go out to the entire Ramsay family. I can only hope that they will find solace in the thoughts and prayers of loved one, friends, and all those whose lives were bettered through his work.

May God bless Judge Allan Ramsay and his entire family.●

TRIBUTE TO R. PRESTON WOODRUFF, JR.

● Mrs. LINCOLN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to an Arkansan who has committed over a quarter of a century of his life creating programs that enhance access to higher education for Arkansans.

During his tenure as chairman of the board of directors and then as executive director for the Arkansas Student Loan Authority, ASLA, Mr. R. Preston Woodruff, Jr., has unselfishly shared his knowledge and talents to ensure that students are equipped with the financial resources needed to become future leaders in our State and our Nation.

Programs established under Preston's leadership include: EdLoan—a

special loan for Arkansas teachers which offers incredibly low interest rates for those who choose to remain in Arkansas to teach in grades K through 12. Student Outreach Services—a program available to all Arkansas schools which provides materials and seminars to high school counselors and their students in order to promote the benefits of higher education and the means to achieve a higher education. Student Advantage Scholarships—25 scholarships awarded annually by ASLA. This program was formed as a means to create interest in the financial aid process and to provide funds to assist in gaining access to higher education. Honor Roll Student Loan Borrower Benefit Program—a program that offers the lowest student loan interest rates available to Arkansas students.

Preston was also instrumental in establishing the Education Finance Council, EFC, an association of not-for-profit State student loan secondary markets that played an important role in influencing legislation regarding the Federal Family Education Loan Program.

On June 30, 2004, Preston will officially retire from his position as executive director for ASLA. He is a living example of the many outstanding Americans who were born and educated in Arkansas, and I am privileged to recognize his tireless commitment to Arkansas students and outstanding leadership as executive director of the Arkansas Student Loan Authority.●

HONORING ERIC SIMON, GRADUATING SENIOR OF NEW PRAGUE HIGH SCHOOL, NEW PRAGUE, MN

● Mr. COLEMAN. Mr. President, today I wish to honor a fine young man, Eric Simon, who will be graduating from New Prague High School in Minnesota on Friday, June 4, 2004.

Eric Simon has earned my respect because of the extraordinary courage he has demonstrated in confronting one of life's most difficult challenges. Eric's father has AIDS, and he has lost his mother and sister to AIDS.

During the early 1980s, Eric's father, Douglas Simon, served in the Army National Guard at Fort Benning, GA and during his service he was injured and required emergency medical surgery. During surgery, Douglas Simon required a nine-unit blood transfusion. The blood he received had not been screened as it should have been, and it contained the AIDS virus.

Eric and his brother, Brian, were spared from the ravages of the disease, but they have had to shoulder adult responsibilities since they were children. Since he was a boy, Eric has handled the grocery shopping, worried about paying the bills and cared for his father.

Sometimes Eric has had to listen to some unpleasant and even mean-spirited comments from people who don't understand what his family has been