

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

A PROCLAMATION CONGRATULATING THE SOUTHEASTERN FFA FORESTRY CLASS FOR PLACING 4TH IN "THE BIG E"

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 26, 2005

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, the Southeastern FFA Forestry Class demonstrated exemplary knowledge of the skills and competencies required for a career in forestry; and

Whereas, the Southeastern FFA Forestry Class has been determined and has endeavored for excellence in the furthering of their forestry education; and

Whereas, the Southeastern FFA Forestry Class members Scott Clary, Chase Carroll, Brian Brown, and Jacob Peecher have achieved individually in the career development event.

Therefore, I, on behalf of the people of Ohio's 18th Congressional District applaud your accomplishment. Your efforts have made us all proud.

RECOGNIZING BRIDGET CALL

HON. NICK J. RAHALL II

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 26, 2005

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, today I pay tribute to Bridget Call to congratulate her on being selected as West Virginia's teacher of the year for 2006.

Bridget Call, who was chosen from 50 excellent nominees statewide, sets high standards and strives to be a role model for her students. She has dedicated many years to educating and enlightening students at Matewan High School in Mingo County. In addition to her classroom responsibilities, she also serves as head of the Drama Department at Matewan High. In light of her background as a former actress and director with The Araconia Story Inc. summer productions, this additional role is well suited for her talents. As a result of her dedication, Ms. Call will receive an educational technology package from the Smarter Kids Foundation valued at \$14,000.

It is with great pride that we recognize a woman who has inspired and motivated so many of our youth in West Virginia. Through her experimental, yet effective teaching style, Bridget Call has contributed greatly to the education of an entire generation of youth in southern West Virginia and I am certain she has been an inspiration to her colleagues as well. As I have said in the past, education is not a solitary endeavor or achievement, nor is it to increase an individual's fortunes, but rather it is to enrich the whole of the family.

America's 229-year-old history is rich with those who have made a difference through

educating themselves. Rather using what they have learned to not only educate others but to raise our Nation to inspiring heights. Because of their achievements we continue to prosper from their education and willingness to share their knowledge. The people of West Virginia have always striven for excellence. West Virginians are continually working to better themselves and their communities through education. Ms. Call exemplifies the qualities that are displayed in all West Virginians. West Virginia and the educational system at large, is better for having Ms. Bridget Call.

CELEBRATING THE 90TH BIRTHDAY OF BERNARD ZISES

HON. GARY L. ACKERMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 26, 2005

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 90th birthday of Bernard Zises and to honor the contributions he has made both to his community and to the United States. Bernard turns 90 on October 23, 2005 and he will celebrate this momentous occasion surrounded by family and friends.

Bernard first made a name for himself in the early 1930's as a college basketball player in New York City. He was a standout during his four years as the highest scoring player in the entire New York City college system. His contributions off the court, however, have been far more impressive.

On March 30th, 2005, Bernard was honored as the "Gezunter of the Year" by the Gezunter Club at the Sid Jacobson Jewish Community Center in East Hills, New York. This prestigious honor was bestowed upon Bernard in recognition of his years of dedicated service to the Jewish community in New York and abroad. He has been a huge supporter of, among other charitable causes, the Sid Jacobson Jewish Community Center, the UJA-Federation of New York, Hadassah and the State of Israel.

While he has been honored for his acts of altruism and charity, Bernard is most proud of his wonderful family. His 66-year marriage to his wife, Ruth, his 3 children, 9 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren are all great sources of inspiration and happiness to him.

Mr. Speaker, I commend Bernard Zises for his years of dedicated commitment to our community, to the Jewish community, to the United States, to the State of Israel and those around him. Bernard's integrity, selflessness, and stature have certainly made an enormous impression on the great many lives he has touched. In recognition of a lifetime of generosity and altruism, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to rise and join me in honoring Bernard Zises as he celebrates his 90th birthday.

TRIBUTE TO MATT GLASGOW

HON. THOMAS G. TANCREDO

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 26, 2005

Mr. TANCREDO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Matt Glasgow, who is set to retire from his position as a Public Affairs Specialist with the U.S. Forest Service on the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, and Gunnison National Forests in Colorado.

In addition to serving the public as member of the U.S. Forest Service, Matt spent 20 years in the U.S. Army, retiring as a Master Sergeant in 1981. During that time, Matt served in posts as far away as Europe, Asia, the Middle East, and Africa. Closer to home, he spent time in Washington serving at posts in the Pentagon, the White House, and the U.S. Capitol.

Matt was a recipient of numerous military awards, including the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Air Medal, the Joint Services Commendation Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal. He has also received several well deserved merit awards from the U.S. Forest Service.

Mr. Speaker, Matt has spent the last few decades serving America.

His dedication to public service, his expertise, his commitment, and his enthusiasm on the forest will all be missed.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING WILLIAM "BILL" BALSER

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 26, 2005

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas William "Bill" Balsler was elected to the high office of Department Commander of Ohio on Sunday, July 10, 2005; and

Whereas, William "Bill" Balsler is a 30-year member of the American Legion Post 85, where he has held many offices including Post Commander and Finance Officer; and

Whereas, William "Bill" Balsler has exemplified the meaning of successful civic duty through his unselfish role to serve the greater good of the Ohio Valley; and

Whereas, William "Bill" Balsler recently celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary with his wife Trudy and is the loving father of 3 children and 2 grandchildren.

Therefore, I join with the residents of the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in recognizing William "Bill" Balsler for his longtime dedication to the residents and children of Ohio's 18th district.

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