

Far too numerous to mention—but far too important to forget—we remember and honor these heroes, not just today, but every day.

Some may say that the Korean War has been known as the Forgotten War. But it has been my personal mission to try to rectify that—as I have met with thousands of veterans in dozens of cities across the country. And I know that, here today, I am among many allies in this effort to remember.

Clearly one of the most compelling monuments to the veterans of this War is this moving memorial on the national mall. I recently saw an interesting statistic—a list of the top most-visited National Park Service memorials. As you might expect, Arlington National Cemetery is first, followed by the World War II and Vietnam memorials. But the Korean War Veterans Memorial has risen to number 4—averaging more than 3.2 million visitors per year.

I think people are remembering. And the priceless lesson that “Freedom Is Not Free” could not be more appropriate today.

For Korea, freedom has meant the chance to energize our economy; institutionalize democracy; and join the responsible community of nations. Today, we are proud to do our part in the war on terror, in peace-keeping operations, and in international economic and social organizations as well. With the United States, we are working to transform our alliance for the challenges of the future—building on the legacy of such forward-thinking leaders as General Riscassi, General Tilleli and General Sennewald, who are here with us today.

To all our friends from other nations who answered our call for help—I would like to offer this verse from Ecclesiastes that says: “A faithful friend is a strong defense, and he that hath found him, hath found a treasure.” A friend in need is a friend indeed. Certainly, the generous spirit of your friendship we will continue to honor and treasure.

To the veterans here today, you are our heroes and we remember you. And we hope you believe that Korea was a country worth saving—a people worth protecting—and a war worth fighting. Thank you very much.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2008

Mrs. MALONEY of New York. Madam Speaker, on June 9, 2008, I missed rollcall votes numbered 438, a resolution honoring the life, musical accomplishments, and contributions of Louis Jordan on the 100th anniversary of his birth; 439, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Black Music Month, and 440, a resolution congratulating James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia, for 100 years of service and leadership to the United States.

Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall votes numbered 438, 439, and 440.

CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION WINNER: KAITLIN SURDOVAL

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2008

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the outstanding artistic talents of high school students from around our nation who have participated in the 2008 Congressional Art Competition: An Artistic Discovery.

For the past 27 years Congress has had the distinct pleasure of hosting this nationwide competition. I am very proud of the students who have participated in this competition, and I would like to specifically recognize the finalist from each of the four counties that make up New Jersey's Fifth Congressional District: Kaitlin Surdoval of Warren County, Megan Dreisbach from Sussex County, Kaitlin Cibenko from Passaic County, and Megan Sherlock from Bergen County.

Of these four finalists, Kaitlin Surdoval placed first for the entire district. Her outstanding artistic talent is truly remarkable and I am proud that her art will be displayed for the upcoming year here in our nation's capitol, representing New Jersey's Fifth Congressional District.

I am also pleased to recognize the hard work of the Art Societies that have been so instrumental in the organization and judging of the Competition in my district: the Sussex County Art Society, the Sussex-Warren Art Society, the Ringwood Manor Art Association, and the Bergen Museum of Art and Science.

In addition to the tremendous support of the art societies, citizens and businesses around the fifth district have been wonderfully supportive of the Art Competition and Kaitlin Surdoval. I would like to recognize James McCracken of the House of the Good Shepherd, Michael Alfone from the Borough of Ramsey, and Sal Risalvato of the New Jersey Gasoline-C-store-Automotive Association for their generous donations to assist Ms. Surdoval with her travel to Washington, DC for the celebration of the culmination of this year's Competition.

I am very pleased to be able to support this Competition which brings together so many citizens of the Fifth District to celebrate our talented youth.

HONORING CHESTER GOSPEL CHURCH

HON. TIMOTHY WALBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2008

Mr. WALBERG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Chester Gospel Church in Charlotte, Michigan on the celebration of its sixtieth anniversary. It is with great admiration and pride that I congratulate Chester Gospel Church on behalf of all of those in south-central Michigan who have benefited from its steadfast commitment to faith, service and prayer.

Chester Gospel Church began to serve the Charlotte community in 1958 under the leader-

ship of Pastor Merritt Johnson, and the church occupied a one room schoolhouse at that time. Over the years, Chester Gospel has undergone numerous renovations to its original building in order to accommodate its flourishing membership. Chester Gospel now serves over one hundred members with its sister church, Bright Hope Bible Church, in Potterville, Michigan.

A spirit of humility and service has always been a mark of Chester Gospel Church as its congregation constantly seeks ways to reach out to the Michigan community. Roughly five years ago, Chester Gospel sent out six families to found the Bright Hope Bible Church in Potterville. In addition, each month Chester Gospel volunteers at the City Rescue Mission in Lansing, serving women and children at the Family Center. Chester Gospel has dedicated the entire month of August to Missions, and during the month, speakers come from all corners of the world to share the challenge of spreading the love of the Lord Jesus. Additionally, the church hosts Vacation Bible School each summer to encourage children's faith and promote the fellowship and love that is found throughout the halls of Chester Gospel Church.

In celebration of its sixtieth anniversary, Chester Gospel Church will be hosting a homecoming celebration. Four previous pastors of the church will be in attendance, including Pastors Merritt Johnson (1958–63), Elwood Norton (1966–70), Larry Pike (1971–82), and Barry Smith (1982–93). Currently, Pastor Marc S. Livingston faithfully leads Chester Gospel Church. The anniversary celebration includes a time for prayer, fellowship and sharing memories of the church's long and devoted history to service.

Madam Speaker, today I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Chester Gospel Church on the celebration of its sixtieth anniversary. May others know of my high regard for the inspiring faith of this vibrant church, as well as my best wishes for Chester Gospel Church and its congregation in the future.

IN MEMORY OF HAZEL HARVEY PEACE

HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2008

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, rise today to honor Hazel Harvey Peace, a longtime friend of District 12 and a Fort Worth icon, who passed from this life on June 8, 2008, at the age of 100.

Hazel Harvey Peace, while small in physical stature, was a giant of a Texan who had a huge influence not only on the individuals who were fortunate enough to come within her sphere of influence during her long and fruitful life, but on her community, the state and the country. A native of Fort Worth, Hazel Harvey Peace was born on August 4, 1907 at a time when segregation was still alive and when opportunities for African Americans were still limited. Hazel Harvey Peace always exhibited that she was a special person. By the age of 13, she graduated from Fort Worth Colored High School, which later was renamed I.M. Terrell High School. By the age of 16, Mrs. Peace earned a bachelor's degree from Howard University, located in Washington, DC.

She returned to Fort Worth to join the staff of her alma mater, I.M. Terrell High School, where she was a teacher and administrator for 46 years before retiring, for the first time. After her I.M. Terrell High School career, Mrs. Peace served nine years as the student affairs director and the financial aid coordinator of Bishop College in Dallas before retiring a second time. During her teaching career, Mrs. Peace earned a masters degree from Columbia University and did subsequent graduate work at other universities.

While Hazel Harvey Peace may have retired from her professional career twice, she never retired from teaching, mentoring and kindly encouraging her former students, her neighbors, and her community. The cornerstone of her message and teaching was simple but powerful: attain the best education possible and always conduct yourself properly in your personal and professional lives. Generations of students fondly recall Mrs. Peace dedicating herself to arming them with knowledge that would enable each to be successful at whatever they chose in life, while also stressing what one student describes as "proper conduct, proper diction, proper vocabulary, proper dress and proper carriage." Likewise, generations of community leaders, mayors, council members, city managers and other public stewards were the recipients of her wise counsel and of her vision to make the City of Fort Worth, the State of Texas and the United States of America a better place for generations to come. She rose to become the great dame of Fort Worth not because of wealth, not because of powerful position and not because of her station in life. Rather, she became one of the most influential women in Fort Worth's history because of her determination and dedication to inspire.

Throughout the years, Mrs. Peace worked tirelessly not only for her students and the community's youth, but for the entire community. Her involvement included serving as co-chair for the City's Committee for the 150th Anniversary of Fort Worth, chairwoman of the Near Southeast Neighborhood Advisory Council and the United Community Centers, as well as service on other organizations such as the Tarrant County Housing Partnership, YWCA, Fort Worth Chapter of the NAACP and Women's Policy Forum Management Committee. Her numerous awards included Tarrant County Junior College Northeast Campus President's Cup Award, The Black Awareness Better Life Award, the Fort Worth School District's Distinguished Alumni Award and the Fort Worth Outstanding Women Award. In 2002 she was honored by being selected to be an Olympic Torchbearer as the torch made its way through Fort Worth.

Because of her dedication to education and her belief that excellent libraries go hand in hand with education, the City of Fort Worth Central Library named its children's section the Hazel Harvey Peace Children's Library in 2002. To honor her life work, former students, friends and corporate citizens raised more than \$350,000 in 2004 to create a Hazel Harvey Peace professorship at the University of North Texas in Denton, the first endowed professorship in Texas to be named for an African American woman at a four-year, publicly supported university.

Our city, our state and our county are much better as a result of the life work of a wonderful, loving and dedicated woman—Hazel Harvey Peace.

She will live forever in the thousands upon thousands of people she touched, from her students and children throughout the community, to her neighbors and public stewards. She will be missed but not forgotten.

TRIBUTE TO MAX GUSTAFSON

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2008

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Max Gustafson for his longtime service to the community of Perry, Iowa. He recently earned the 2008 Civil Servant of the Year award from the local Rotary Club as well as special recognition by the Firefighters Association for his 53 years of service with the Perry Fire Department.

Soon after serving over four years in the Army with the 1st Tank Company in the 34th Division, 133rd Infantry, Max began volunteering with Perry Fire Department. During his 53 years of service, Max served as fire chief for 10 years, and at the age of 93, Max continues to be active with the Perry Fire Department by contributing his mechanical skills. On his 90th birthday, he chose to celebrate by climbing to the top of the ladder on the ladder truck. Max has dedicated an immense amount of his time to the people of Perry and he is living proof that you are never too old to serve the community you love.

Max's loyalty to the Perry Fire Department and community has earned him a great deal of admiration, and his service deserves to be commended. I consider it an honor to represent Max Gustafson in the United States Congress, and I know my colleagues join me in wishing him the best as he continues to serve the town of Perry and set a positive example for all to follow.

RECOGNIZING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, DISASTER RECOVERY AND RELIEF EFFORTS AT CAMP ATTERBURY

HON. MIKE PENCE

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2008

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend and recognize the extraordinary contributions of emergency management, disaster response, and recovery personnel as well as government officials and military leaders at Camp Atterbury Joint Forces Maneuver Training Center, an important Army National Guard training site in my district which was devastated by the recent severe weather in Indiana.

I wish particularly to honor Governor Mitch Daniels and his administration, as well as these outstanding individuals in the Indiana National Guard for their yeoman's work on behalf of Camp Atterbury:

Major General R. Martin Umbarger, Adjutant General

Brigadier General Clif Tooley, Assistant Adjutant General

Colonel Barry Richmond, Post Commander
Lieutenant Colonel Ronald A. Morris, Deputy Post Commander

This area suffered greatly from severe storms and weather, creating a catastrophe of nature that inflicted injuries, destroyed property, and displaced many of our citizens. In response, these officials went above and beyond the call of duty, showing great poise while saving lives and serving the personnel working at their post.

Madam Speaker, as Hoosiers continue to recover from Mother Nature's fury, I feel confident that the military and civilian personnel of Camp Atterbury will be well served by these leaders.

HONORING LOYD AND PHYLLIS MUSGRAVE

HON. MARILYN N. MUSGRAVE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2008

Mrs. MUSGRAVE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Loyd and Phyllis Musgrave, who are celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary.

Loyd and Phyllis Musgrave grew up in southeastern Colorado. Both of their families were homesteaders, living in a small community about 25 miles south of Fort Morgan. They met as children, when attending Sunday school together in a one-room schoolhouse. Later, both attended Fort Morgan High School.

Phyllis laughingly recalls that Loyd proposed to her several times, but each time she told him "I'll have to talk to my mother about that." When she finally did get around to speaking to her mom, he didn't bring up the subject again. She became impatient and decided to broach the subject herself "Loyd has always teased me that I proposed to him," Phyllis says.

On May 27, 1938, only one day after Phyllis graduated from high school, they were married. Afterwards, they moved to a farm near Hoyt, Colorado, and by the late 1940s, they completed the house where they continue to live today.

Loyd and Phyllis have 2 sons, Jerard and Larry, who both live in Colorado, 6 grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren.

Phyllis recalls all the fun that she and Loyd have had together over the years. "We did a lot of traveling," she said, including trips to Canada, Alaska, and Hawaii. The only states they haven't explored are Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont.

The couple's life motto is Matthew 6:33: "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." They have always been active in their local church, and today they remain involved in Hoyt Community Sunday School.

I want to congratulate Loyd and Phyllis Musgrave on their 70 years of marriage, and to thank them for the blessing they have been to their family and community.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. NANCY SUTTON

HON. JOHN P. MURTHA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 26, 2008

Mr. MURTHA. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the accomplishments of Mrs. Nancy Sutton, as she