

site have been conducted with the support of the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii, Conservation Fund, National Park Service, National Trust for Historic Preservation, and the University of Hawaii. The landowner, Monsanto, has also been supportive.

The Honouliuli site, which is located in a gulch in an agricultural area on the island of Oahu, still contains many remnants of the camp. The special resource study authorized by this bill will evaluate the Honouliuli site, as well as associated sites on Oahu and other islands, regarding its significance in the history of World War II; in relation to the forcible internment of Japanese Americans, Italian Americans, and German Americans; and for its physical historic resources.

One of the things I am most proud about America is our willingness to examine painful and often shameful periods of our past. The experience of Hawaii in relation to Executive Order 9066 has not really been told before. The proposed resource study will provide a map of how we might move forward in preserving and interpreting the historical record of this period.

I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this legislation.

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE OF
MICKEY CAFAGNA, MAYOR OF
POWAY

HON. BRIAN P. BILBRAY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. BILBRAY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to mourn the passing of one of San Diego Counties most beloved citizens, Mayor Mickey Cafagna. Mayor Cafagna lost his battle to cancer on Saturday, April 11, 2009, and I urge my colleagues to join me in commemorating the life of this devoted public servant.

Mayor Cafagna has had a long history of serving San Diego County. In addition to being a successful businessman, he was elected mayor of Poway, served on the Poway City Council, was chairman of the Regional Solid Waste Association, and represented the city of Poway on the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) since 1998, serving two years as Chairman of the Board, where I had the privilege to serve with him.

A consummate family man, Mayor Cafagna is survived by his wife Sharon of 43 years, his two children and five grandchildren, who were the light of his life. Mayor Cafagna was widely known and respected for his goodwill to all, his ability to bring people together with warmth, humility, and good sense of humor. His accomplishments both personal and public are to be commended and I can say that he will be sincerely missed by the people of San Diego County, especially in the beautiful city of Poway.

It is with immense gratitude that I commend Mayor Cafagna for his long and distinguished service on behalf of his constituents and county. His humor and easygoing personality will be greatly missed by all who worked with him. However the stories and warm memories of this larger than life man will be shared by many. I urge my colleagues to join me in commemorating the life of Mayor Mickey Cafagna.

HONORING DR. PADMANABHAN
"DAN" MUKUNDAN

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, on February 5, 2009 the City of Chicago and the nation lost an inspirational leader in community health, Dr. Padmanabhan "Dan" Mukundan. Dr. Mukundan, or "Dr. Dan" as he was warmly known, was a pioneering force in community medicine in Chicago for nearly 40 years. Dr. Dan held a lifelong commitment to caring for the medically underserved and he believed passionately in providing the highest quality of medical care to all persons regardless of health status or ability to pay.

Dr. Dan opened his first practice on Chicago's South Side in the 1970s, and in the early 1990s he joined ACCESS Community Health Network where he served as the Medical Director. His drive and enthusiasm for quality community health care attracted other dedicated medical providers into the field and into ACCESS, which is now the largest community health center organization in the nation. With Dr. Dan's support, ACCESS has grown to operating over 50 health centers serving over 215,000 patients annually in the greater Chicago area. Today, ACCESS is regarded as a national leader in providing quality primary and preventive medicine to uninsured and underinsured patients. Dr. Dan's work was essential to enabling ACCESS to build a unique community health infrastructure in the Chicagoland area, an infrastructure leveraged through partnerships to provide patients access to the specialty, diagnostic and inpatient services they require. In addition, he expanded the scope of ACCESS's program to include mental health and social services.

On Saturday, April 25, family, friends, colleagues and patients of Dr. Dan will gather to remember his life and his accomplishments. I extend my heartfelt condolences to Dr. Mukundan's family and to those who will gather in his memory, including Donna Thompson, Linda Shapiro and other members of the ACCESS leadership team.

Dr. Mukundan's work had an indelible impact on the fabric of health care in Chicago's underserved communities and today I rise to recognize, and to direct my colleague's attention to, this great Chicagoan.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF RAY-
RAY RUSSELL

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. BONNER. Madam Speaker, the city of Mobile and indeed the entire state of Alabama, recently lost a dear friend, and I rise today to honor the memory of Ray-Ray Russell.

A native of Mobile, Ray-Ray graduated from Williamson High School in the Maysville community and earned a Bachelor's Degree in communication from Alabama State University.

In 1996, Ray-Ray returned to Mobile and started working for WBLX-FM radio. He was

host of the station's long-running radio show, "The Gulf Coast Wake-up Party." For years, listeners across the central Gulf Coast tuned in every morning for Ray-Ray to help them start their day. He also broadcast Friday night high school football games for Comcast's Port City 6.

However, Ray-Ray's contributions extended far beyond the airwaves. He started the Rolling Reader program, in which disc jockeys read to elementary school children. In fact, Ray-Ray read to Mobile and Baldwin County classes at least once a week. He also participated in a number of charity events.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering a dedicated community leader and friend to many throughout Alabama. Ray-Ray Russell was an outstanding example of the quality of individuals who have devoted their lives to the field of broadcast journalism, and at the age of 42, he was taken from us too soon.

On behalf of all those who have benefited from his generous spirit, permit me to extend thanks for his many efforts in making Mobile and south Alabama a better place. Ray-Ray will be deeply missed by his family—his seven children and his seven brothers and sisters—as well as the countless friends he leaves behind. Our thoughts and prayers are with them all at this difficult time.

HONORING MITCH KING

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. MORAN of Virginia. I rise to thank and praise Mitch King for his exemplary 36 years of public service—a career which has spanned 11 Postmaster Generals and during which mail service has expanded to serve more than 149 million addresses every day, becoming the country's largest retail network.

Mitch is the epitome of a true public servant: he was and is always professional, always ready to help with any issue, and always on the lookout for constructive solutions. It has been an honor to benefit from his contributions both on the House Appropriations Committee and in my District over the years, and it is only right that we should honor and salute him for his more than three decades of service.

Mr. King is one of several Managers in the Government Relations Department at the U.S. Postal Service Headquarters in Washington, DC, responsible for Congressional Liaison and legislative activities. He will retire from the Postal Service on May 1, after 36 years of service.

During the later part of his career, he managed Postal Service Congressional Liaison activities for the states of Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, and the District of Columbia. He was also responsible for postal-related legislative activity within the House Appropriations Committee. Additionally, one of his ad hoc activities included service on the Elections Center-sponsored Election Mail Task Force.

Mitch began his postal career in 1973 as a letter carrier in my District in Falls Church. Subsequently, he became a supervisor of letter carriers, before becoming an Instructor in

the Delivery Service Branch of the Postal Service Management Academy in Potomac, Maryland. By the spring of 1982, he began working in the Government Relations Department at the U.S. Postal Service Headquarters in Washington, DC. In 1992, he was promoted to the position of Government Relations Manager; a Postal Career Executive position.

Since then he has managed government relations activities with many Members of Congress, addressing an ever expanding variety of postal-related issues. He has also served as the principal postal contact for the House Appropriations Committee and the Financial Services Appropriations Subcommittee. While the Postal Service receives only minimal funding to support free mail for the blind and overseas voters, Mitch has been an extraordinary resource to us in addressing a host of postal issues which have arisen in our committee.

Mitch and his wife, Mickey Fenyk-King, recently celebrated their 35th anniversary. Now, they look forward to having more time to spend with family and friends and to exploring the world together. They have surely earned our thanks and congratulations for a job well done and our very best wishes for their journeys ahead.

HONORING KATE DONAGHUE

HON. JAMES P. McGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. McGOVERN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to my friend, Kate Donaghue from Westborough, Massachusetts for her outstanding service to the people of my district and my home state of Massachusetts. On Sunday, April 26 of this year, Kate will be this year's recipient of the Democrat of the Year award from the Middlesex Worcester Coalition in appreciation for her lifetime of service.

For over 20 years Kate has given countless hours of her time to help promote social and political change in Massachusetts. Kate has been an avid volunteer with many groups and has worked tirelessly for the greater good for more than 40 years. She has served as an elected member of the Massachusetts State Democratic Committee for the past 13 years and has served in many capacities with the party. She is one of the founding chairpersons of the Middlesex Worcester Democratic Coalition and is also a board member of the recently formed Worcester Democratic League. She has also represented her district at countless state and national conventions.

Kate is also the founder of the widely read Donaghue's Democratic Dispatch, which she founded in 2000. This popular email newsletter provides information about political and civic events that are happening across the commonwealth. Thanks to her efforts, thousands of individuals are kept abreast about how to be engaged in local and national political efforts.

Kate has also worked tirelessly to get others involved in community service efforts. She has helped organize Earthday Clean-ups, food drives and clothing drives.

Madam Speaker, I commend Kate Donaghue for her dedication to Massachusetts and the political community in promoting activ-

ism in politics throughout the community. I congratulate Kate on receiving this award and I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to this fine example of civic engagement.

94TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 94th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. It is morally imperative that we remember this atrocity and collectively demand reaffirmation of this crime against humanity.

For thousands of years, the Armenian people have been known for their perseverance in the face of great challenges. Today we honor the victims and survivors of the Armenian Genocide. We pay our respects to the Armenian people for their strength to overcome adversity.

It is a somber day as we reflect on the victims of the Armenian Genocide, the continued denial by the Turkish government, and our own government's inaction in using the word genocide to describe these events.

There is an absurdity about Turkey's inability to recognize its own past and something deeply disturbing about our government's complacency in this misrepresentation of history.

The Armenian Genocide is the first genocide of the twentieth century. Between 1915 and 1923, 1.5 million Armenians were systematically and deliberately killed by the Ottoman Turks.

Our own National Archives and writings from the U.S. Ambassador to the Ottoman Empire, Henry Morgenthau, display how the Ottoman government specifically decided to target the Armenians, move them towards what is the modern day Syrian Desert, and butcher men, women, and children.

It is a disturbing history, but one that needs to be retold, remembered, and reaffirmed to ensure its legacy and rightfully honor its victims and survivors.

We have stood by for too long as the Turkish government manipulates the issue of the Armenian Genocide. We have watched them pay millions of dollars to Turkish lobbyists to mislead and even threaten members of Congress. We have watched the Turkish government bring scholars and writers to court for insulting Turkishness just for writing the words Armenian Genocide. And two years ago we watched in profound disbelief when Hrant Dink was assassinated in Istanbul.

It is enough.

Armenian Genocide Recognition is not only important for Armenians, it is important for us as Americans. If we are going to live up to the standards we set for ourselves and continue to lead the world in affirming human rights everywhere, we need to stand up and recognize the Armenian Genocide.

To not do so sends a message that we are complicit in Turkey's denial. By not affirming the Armenian Genocide, we fail as Americans to take a stand against all genocides and we fail to end genocide denial.

We can reverse this path and officially speak the truth. We as Americans and as an

entire international community must recognize the Armenian Genocide so that we can renew our commitment to prevent such atrocities from occurring again.

I am hopeful that the U.S. Government can stand behind our statements and our promises.

HONORING CODY WAYNE JOHNSON

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Cody Wayne Johnson a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 70, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Cody has been very active with his troop participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Cody has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Cody Wayne Johnson for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING ADDIE GREEN

HON. KENDRICK B. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. MEEK of Florida. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to recognize and extend my congratulations to the Honorable Addie Green on the occasion of her retirement from elected office. Ms. Green will retire as County Commissioner for District 7 in Palm Beach County, and can look back on a proud career of service and distinction in community leadership.

Though she is a native Alabamian, Ms. Green has been a resident of Palm Beach County since 1965. She graduated from Stillman College with a Bachelor of Science degree and went on to receive her Masters Degree in Education from Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University in Tallahassee, Florida.

Ms. Green served as Mangonia Park's Vice Mayor in 1988 and Mayor in 1991. In 1992, she was elected to the Florida House of Representatives and served four consecutive terms as the District 84 Representative. While serving in the Florida House of Representatives from 1995 to 1998, I had the pleasure of working with Ms. Green. During her State tenure, she served on several influential House committees and was instrumental in securing vital resources for Palm Beach County.

The appropriations Ms. Green worked diligently to bring to Palm Beach County included: \$1.35 million for the Mangonia Residence for senior citizens; \$751,000 for Floridians stricken with Parkinson's disease; \$250,000 for the Belle Glade Business Park Wages Program to create new jobs; tax relief for NOAH, an organization that provides affordable housing to more than 400 families in