

forcing his family into financial hardship and requiring them to accept assistance from others. No doubt this early experience, in concert with Joe's deep Christian faith and the example of some compassionate mentors, played a significant role in setting him on his life's mission of helping those less fortunate.

As a young man, Joe became involved with the St. Vincent de Paul Society and began to expand his work with the poor through that organization. Realizing the need to provide an organizational foundation to capitalize on Joe's dedication and energy, the Catholic Diocese of Belleville began Catholic Urban Programs with Joe as Coordinator, a position he has held to this day.

There are those who say that Joe Hubbard can accomplish more with one phone call than others could with a week's work. In the past 50 years, Joe has developed many contacts and knows how to pull the right resources together to solve a problem. But Joe Hubbard is not just a high-level administrator. Joe goes into the broken homes and squalid apartments to deliver assistance. He visits the sick and elderly and those in prison. He delivers the food and clothing to families. He holds the hands of people as they lay dying, listening to their final words and seeing to it that they are laid to rest with dignity.

Joe Hubbard has received many accolades for the work he has done ministering to the poor and needy in his community but that has never been what drives him. Joe's faith, his family and many friends and service to his fellow man are important to him. Joe has been quoted, "When you are created in the image and likeness of God. . . . We all have a common bond of love." This statement probably best explains what has kept Joe Hubbard doing God's work for his fellow man for these past 50 years.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in an expression of appreciation to Mr. Joe Hubbard for a lifetime of compassionate care and to wish him the very best in the future.

IN HONOR OF THE EVESHAM
TWINNING ASSOCIATION'S 20TH
ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOHN H. ADLER

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. ADLER of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I am extremely pleased to honor the Evesham Twinning Association on their 20th Anniversary of their "twin town" relationship between Evesham, New Jersey and Evesham, England. The year 2010 marks 20 years that the two towns of Evesham have shared a formal relationship of friendship.

The little known tradition of twin towns began after World War II to promote international relationships. This tradition was meant to unite a global community to guard against animosity between cultures. While still a new concept in the United States, twin towns has a rich tradition in Europe that fosters appreciation of other cultures and creates bonds between communities.

This tradition of acceptance of similarities and differences between Evesham, New Jersey and Evesham, England has been fostered for 20 years as guests from both countries

have visited their twin town and become part of each other's families. The festivities for the 20th Anniversary of these two towns include a cultural convergence, as the Mayor and Mayoress of Evesham, England and Evesham, New Jersey will exchange gifts. Also, a ceremony with the Cherokee High School Girls Traveling Choir and the Boy Scout Troop #100 from Marlton will promote cultural unity between the two towns.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my fellow representatives of the House join me in congratulating the Evesham Twinning Association on their 20th Anniversary and the citizens of both New Jersey and England who have spent the last 20 years cultivating this cherished relationship. I am proud to be able to represent these exceptional citizens and their British brethren.

A TRIBUTE TO JIM HUDSON,
ALHAMBRA CHIEF OF POLICE

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Jim Hudson, retiring as Chief of the Alhambra Police Department.

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate Chief Hudson on his very successful career in public service. His lifetime of dedication to public safety—an amazing 34 years—is remarkable. Chief Hudson not only exhibited valor and perseverance, he also fostered courage and dedication among our brave men and women in law enforcement.

Chief Hudson began his career as a Police Explorer, a Cadet, then a Reserve Officer at the Orange Police Department. He then joined the Glendale Police Department in 1981 before he transitioned back to Orange, where he quickly rose through the ranks as an Officer, Sergeant, and finally Lieutenant. In 2001, Chief Hudson made his way to the City of Alhambra where he started as Police Captain and eventually was promoted to Chief of Police in 2004.

Under his leadership, the Alhambra Police worked to build a safe community where Southern California families can live, work and play.

His great leadership and guidance of the police department and the community will be deeply missed.

I ask all Members to join me in thanking Chief Hudson for his extraordinary service. I wish you all the best in your retirement.

TRIBUTE TO MAJOR GENERAL
HARRY "A.J." W. FEUCHT, JR.

HON. STEVE AUSTRIA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. AUSTRIA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Major General Harry "A.J." W. Feucht, Jr. for his outstanding service to our Nation, and the State of Ohio, on the occasion of his retirement.

It is an honor to join the people of Ohio's Seventh Congressional District in congratu-

lating General Feucht upon his retirement as assistant adjutant general for Air, and as a commander for the Ohio Air National Guard.

He also served as the Air National Guard assistant to the commander, Air Force Materiel Command at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. In this role he provided support necessary to maintain and sustain Air Force weapon systems readiness.

In 1968, General Feucht joined the Ohio Air National Guard and during his service obtained a bachelor of business administration from the University of Cincinnati. He has commanded the 180th Fighter Wing and the 121st Air Refueling Wing in the Ohio Air National Guard and in 2004 was promoted to major general.

General Feucht is an accomplished command pilot with over 4,700 total flying hours with more than 4,000 in the F-100, A-7, and F-16 and over 700 in the KC-135. For his distinguished service, he was presented the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding services and achievements.

For his many years of dedication to our Nation, I again join the people of Ohio's Seventh Congressional District in extending our best wishes upon his retirement and wish him ongoing success in all future endeavors.

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF
RAMON "RAY" LUGO III, NEWLY
APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF NASA
GLENN RESEARCH CENTER IN
CLEVELAND, OHIO

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Ramon "Ray" Lugo III, the newly appointed Director of NASA Glenn Research Center in Cleveland, Ohio. Serving as Acting Director of NASA Glenn since 2007, Mr. Lugo is the first Hispanic-American Director in the history of NASA.

As Director, Mr. Lugo will continue his duties as the leader of NASA Glenn. He is responsible for planning, organizing, and implementing the vital programs and missions that keep NASA Glenn and the Cleveland community on the forefront of scientific research and innovation. In his new position, Mr. Lugo will continue to oversee NASA Glenn programs that focus on spaceflight systems development, aeropropulsion, space propulsion, power systems, nuclear systems, communications and human research.

Mr. Lugo began his career at NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida in 1975 while still a student. His experience there inspired him to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering in 1979 and a Master's degree in engineering management in 1982. His work has been recognized with numerous national honors, including two NASA Exceptional Achievement Medals for his outstanding contributions to the Galileo mission and International Space Station redesign. He was also awarded three NASA Outstanding Leadership Medals.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor and recognition of Mr. Ramon "Ray" Lugo III, upon being named the first

Hispanic-American to the position of Director of a NASA center. Mr. Lugo's journey at NASA has been framed by integrity, expertise and energy. He brings a renewed hope and vision to NASA Glenn, to the citizens of Cleveland and to our entire Nation.

HONORING BRIANNA COMMERFORD
ON BEING NAMED HOPE ON
WHEELS' NATIONAL YOUTH AM-
BASSADOR

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of the Hyundai Hope on Wheels program, and to congratulate a brave young woman named Brianna Commerford on being named the Hope on Wheels' National Youth Ambassador. This program will donate \$6.8 million to 68 children's hospitals across the nation, continuing Hyundai's long-standing commitment to the treatment of pediatric cancer. The organization could not have picked a more able or appropriate ambassador than Brianna.

One of the great joys of serving in Congress is representing so many outstanding and remarkable citizens who use their life abilities and experiences to improve the lives of those they may never meet. Brianna Commerford is one of those exemplary citizens. Just twelve years old, Brianna displays a wisdom and maturity far beyond her years, and has created incredible good out of one of life's most terrifying situations.

When she was nine years old, Brianna was diagnosed with Stage IV Hodgkin's Lymphoma. With courage, tenacity, and support from those around her, Brianna overcame a year of grueling treatment and eventually defeated the cancer. Since entering remission in October 2009, Brianna has shared her story of survival in schools, hospitals, and other places across New Jersey, bringing hope and inspiration to so many. Moreover, Brianna has helped raise over \$20,000 for the American Cancer Society.

Brianna has taken a scary and daunting prognosis and unlocked its potential for good. She has learned one of life's most difficult lessons—that greatness is found in our ability to create good within our own locus of control. I can think of no one better suited to serve as a National Ambassador for this important cause. The same energy that carried her through treatment will serve the Hope on Wheels initiative well, as Brianna and Hyundai partner to find new ways to treat and hopefully one day prevent and cure pediatric cancer.

Thanks to her courage and the skill of her doctors, Brianna is back to doing what she loves: riding horses, playing soccer, and living the life of an active twelve-year-old. She has made the commendable decision to further the cause of pediatric cancer research by sharing her story with us today. In closing, I would like to leave you with you a line from a poem Brianna wrote while she was in treatment: "I have CANCER and I really DON'T like it. The chemo is GROSS, but I'm STRONG and can fight it."

Brianna brings a powerful testimony to the importance of living courageously and pur-

suing your goals relentlessly. It is an honor to represent Brianna and her family in Congress, and pay tribute to the many successes she has achieved with her great courage and persistence.

SUPPORTING GOLD STAR
MOTHERS DAY

SPEECH OF

HON. LAURA RICHARDSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 28, 2010

Ms. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H. Res. 1617, which supports the goals and ideals of Gold Star Mothers Day. Gold Star Mothers Day is observed on the last Sunday of September each year. I am proud to cosponsor H. Res. 1617, and I thank my colleague, Congressman ROSKAM for introducing this resolution.

Gold Star Mothers Day reminds us all of the ultimate sacrifice made by our men and women in uniform who gave their lives for our country. We also remember the mothers of our fallen soldiers who have to deal with the pain of losing their child.

On June 4, 1928, the American Gold Star Mothers, Inc. was established when twenty-five mothers who lost a child in World War I met in Washington, DC. Membership was later opened to mothers who lost children in other armed conflicts. Congress then designated the last Sunday as Gold Star Mothers Day on June 23, 1936.

These remarkable women have turned their grief into service to others. Gold Star Mothers provides a mutual bond of sympathy and support. They also assist veterans and their dependents with VA claims, and provide aid to service members and their families who have died or were wounded during active duty.

Mr. Speaker, I also want to recognize the 11 service members from Long Beach, California, which is in my district, who lost their lives during Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. They are: Pfc. Sephen Castellano, Sgt. Anthony Davis, Jr., Pvt. Ernesto Guerra, Spec. Roberto Martinez Salazar, Pfc. David T. Toomalatai, Staff Sgt. Joshua Whitaker, Sgt. 1st Class Randy Collins, Sgt. Israel Garcia, Pfc. Lyndon Marcus, Jr., Spec. Astor Sunsini-Pineda, Pfc. George Torres. I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking and remembering these individuals for their service to our country, and to keep their families and especially their mothers in our thoughts and prayers.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in supporting H. Res. 1617 and I yield back the remainder of my time.

CONGRATULATING SRC, INC.
PRESIDENT, BOB ROBERTS, ON
HIS RETIREMENT

HON. DANIEL B. MAFFEI

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. MAFFEI. Madam Speaker, I rise today in tribute to Robert U. Roberts, a lifelong servant to the U.S. military and defense industry,

on the occasion of his retirement from SRC, Inc., formerly Syracuse Research Corporation.

A native of Hamilton, New York, Bob Roberts joined the U.S. Air Force in 1960 and soon after receiving his commission entered flight training at Dover Air Force Base. He flew more than 200 combat missions in Southeast Asia and in 1972, he became Director of Acquisition Management to the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, Office of Special Projects. After 20 years of distinguished military service in numerous assignments at various levels of command, Bob retired from active duty in 1980. Bob received the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with 15 Oak Leaf Clusters, Airman Medal and Meritorious Service Medal. He has always welcomed professional challenges and never declined an opportunity to serve his country. The list of Bob's active duty assignments is long and many Air Force personnel, both uniformed and civilian, count themselves fortunate for the opportunity to have served with and learned from Bob Roberts.

Bob joined SRC in 1991 as president and CEO. His knowledge and leadership in U.S. government and private sector programs has greatly advanced SRC's capabilities to support numerous customers, including the Department of Defense, the National Air Intelligence Center, the Naval Air Warfare Center and the Environmental Protection Agency, as well as state and local initiatives associated with economic development, technological innovation, environmental quality and academic-to-industry partnerships.

SRC was fortunate to have Bob's leadership for nearly 20 years. Under Bob's direction, the company has seen tremendous growth, and continues its mission to keep America safe and strong by protecting its people, environment and way of life. An independent, not-for-profit research and development company with more than 50 years of experience in defense, environment and intelligence, Bob helped shape the company into what it is today—a resource that is delivering unique, next-generation solutions of national significance to our government. SRC plays a critical role in protecting America's freedom and Bob leaves SRC strong, successful and well-positioned to meet future challenges.

Bob has been supported in his professional career by numerous close friends, strong relationships and his eight children. On behalf of the 25th District of New York, I would like to thank Bob Roberts for his many years of service to our Nation. Bob Roberts answered the call to serve his country, and his service has made a difference. We wish you well, Bob, and hope you know how deeply grateful we are for your contributions. Best wishes to you upon your retirement.

HONORING THE HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS OF WATERVILLE AREA

HON. MICHAEL H. MICHAUD

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. MICHAUD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area on the 30th anniversary of their founding.

Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area (HVWA) was founded in 1980 by a small