CROWN POINT BULLDOGS 8 AND UNDER GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to pay tribute to the exceptional achievements of the 2009 Crown Point Bulldogs 8 and Under Girls Softball Team. This truly remarkable softball team accomplished extraordinary feats during their undefeated season. For their great ability and skill, as well as their tremendous dedication and hard work, these outstanding young athletes are to be congratulated.

On July 12, 2009, the Crown Point Bulldogs 8 and Under Girls Softball team won the National Softball Association's Indiana State Championship. They went undefeated with a record of 4-0 in the tournament. The team then went on to win the National Softball Association World Series, with a record of 5–1. This victory marked the first World Series Championship in Crown Point history.

The people of Crown Point as well as the community of Northwest Indiana can be proud of this successful and talented softball team. The team consists of: Maggie Ballentine, Kari Bauner, Hannah Bond, Madelyn Elish, Gracie Frazier, Skylar Hekkel, Hailey Herbert, Brooke Manhatton, Mallory McMahon, Caitlyn Phillips, Emma Van Prooyen, and Megan Van Prooyen.

Madam Speaker, I would like to once again extend my most heartfelt congratulations to the members of the 2009 Crown Point Bulldogs 8 and Under Girls Softball Team, as well as head coach Kevin Frazier, assistant coaches Mike Manhatton, Shawn Ballentine, and Matt McMahon, and all of the community, including parents and caregivers, who have instilled in this team the desire to succeed, as well as the great value and discipline found in sports activities. I look forward to watching their future athletic achievements as they continue to rise to the top.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DONALD A. MANZULLO

OF ILLINOIS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Mr. MANZULLO. Madam Speaker, on Tuesday, May 18, 2010, I missed a series of votes because I was not feeling well. If I had been here, I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 273, "yea" on rollcall No. 274, and "yea" on rollcall No. 275.

INVESTIGATE ALLEGED WAR CRIMES IN SRI LANKA

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, May 19 commemorates the one-year anniversary of the end of the war and the remembrance of the many lives lost during the civil war in Sri Lanka. I call on the international community to pursue independent investigations into the alleged war crimes that occurred. The U.S. would not be alone in calling for these investigations. The UN High Commissioner for Human Rights and the European Union have already called for independent investigations. Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch and other NGOs have called for similar investigations of war crimes, crimes against humanity and human rights violations. The alleged crimes include:

• Extrajudicial abuse and detention of unarmed civilians and former combatants;

- use of child soldiers;
- harm to civilians and civilian objects;

• the killing of captives or combatants seeking to surrender;

- individual disappearances; and
- inhumane conditions.

All parties complicit in violating human rights must be held accountable. Only then can the Sri Lankan people really move forward in trying to achieve peace and stability on the island.

CONGRATULATING OUTSTANDING HIGH SCHOOL ARTISTS OF NEW JERSEY'S 9TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Madam Speaker, once again, I come to the floor to recognize the great success of strong local schools working with dedicated parents and teachers. I rise today to congratulate and honor a number of outstanding high school artists from the 11th Congressional District of New Jersey. Each of these talented students participated in the 2010 Congressional Arts competition, "An Artistic Discovery." Their works of art are exceptional.

Sixty-one students participated. That is a wonderful response, and I would very much like to build on that participation for future competitions.

Madam Speaker, I would like to congratulate the three winners of our art competition. First Place was awarded to Christina Eng from Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child for her work, "Capitol Building in Winter." Second Place was awarded to Austin Dimare from Parsippany Christian School for his work, "Italiano Donna." Third Place was awarded to Elizabeth Frino from Pequannock Township High School for her work, "Rock Star".

I would like to recognize each artist for their participation by indicating their high school, their name, and the title of their contest entry for the official record:

Boonton High School: Zenab Kahn's "Faiza"; Joseph Park's "Self Portrait with Friends"; Nicole van de Vliet's "Out of Africa"; Arielle Winters' "Meow".

Bridgewater Raritan Regional High School: MingZhu Hai's "Self Portrait as a Child"; Dana Li's "Guitar Playing"; Amanda Wong's "Friends".

Chatham High School: Hannah Drossman's "Giverny"; Ria lizuka's "Aries After 8th Period: Reduced to Mathematical Component"; David Daniel Melgar's "Lust". Hopatcong High School: Kristen Fahy's "Chroma Lily".

Livingston High School: Jennifer Brodsky's "A City in the Sun"; Amy Friedman's "Walking into the Shadows"; Sarah Tse's "Utilities", Mark Zlotsky's "A Frickin' Tree!".

Madison High School: Rachel Fico's "Mixer"; Vandela Larsson's "Glow"; Stephanie Riveros' "Deadlock"; Bailey Theado's "Kavala Village".

Millburn High School: Chanthia Ma's "Self Portrait"; Sona Roy's "Green-eyed", Dana Serruto's "Movie Time"; Jordan Scharf's "Chair in a Field of Roses".

Montville High School: Allison Au's "Caribbean Still Life"; Victoria Eng's "Light"; Michael Johnston's "Short Sighted"; Micah Schure's "Trombone".

Morris Catholic High School: Josh Gilardi's "Empire State of Mind"; Liz McCormick's "Christmas in the City".

Morris Knolls High School: Jennifer Hastings' "The Lake Monster"; Meredith McCabe's "A Safe Place to Hide"; Rebecca Syracuse's "Fear of Intimacy"; Irina Walter's "Hero of War".

Morristown High School: Demetria Jorge's "Sunset Salute".

Morristown-Beard School: Ashley Young's "Anor Hinge".

Mount Olive High School: Daniel Gillette's "Stripping Down the Media"; Vanessa Lorenzo's "Ghosts of Chernobyl".

Oak Knoll School: Christina Eng's "Capitol Building in Winter"; Gioia Topazio's "Leaves".

Parsippany Christian School: Sydney Dahl's "Insecurity"; Austin Dimare's "Italiano Donna", Lexie Reilly's "I Love You".

Parsippany High School: Ashley Del Rio's "Murano Glass"; Brittany Ann Serrao's "Untitled".

Pequannock Township High School: Kristin Brian's "Scale"; Elizabeth Frino's "Rock Star".

Ridge High School: Lillian Chen's "No Treasure After All"; Edward Kowalewski's "Helix"; Mary Petras' "Peace"; Howard Wei's "Guardian of the Trolls Lair".

Roxbury High School: Sam Knopka's "Self Portrait"; Nick Griffin's "Free Your Mind"; Alessandra Varilias' "Innocent Soldiers"; Ruth Vega's "Plastic Beauty".

Seton Hall Preparatory School: Dylan Hughes' "Students in Blue"; Charles Kohaut's "Eye".

Watchung Hills High School: Sofia Lizza's "Spoons"; Lisa Monetti's "Clouds Are Shrouding in Moments Unforgettable"; Alex Nahorniak's "Untitled"; Carolyn Thornton's "Maggie".

West Morris Central High School: Courtney Dietsche's "Fish of Fantasy: Nightly Wanders".

Each year the' winner of the competition has their art work displayed with other winners from across the country in a special corridor here at the U.S. Capitol. Thousands of our fellow Americans walk through the exhibition and are reminded of the vast talents of our young men and women. Indeed, all of these young artists are winners, and we should be proud of their achievements so early in life.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating these talented young people from New Jersey's 11th Congressional District.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. XAVIER BECERRA

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Mr. BECERRA. Madam Speaker, on Tuesday, May 18, 2010, I missed rollcall Nos. 273, 274, and 275. If present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall Nos. 273, 274, and 275.

EMILY ENGLAND CLYBURN— LIBRARIAN AND HUMANITARIAN

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Madam Speaker, on May 7, 2010 a good friend of mine, Emily England Clyburn, received a much deserved reward for her extraordinary service to South Carolina State College and our Nation. Her alma mater and beloved institution marked her distinguished career of public service with an honorary doctorate degree. Emily's honorary degree embodies her humanitarian spirit, a gift she shares as a lifelong librarian.

Emily's career began with her belief in earning a strong education. She graduated from Berkeley Training High School in Moncks Corner, South Carolina in 1956 before going on to receive her bachelor's degree from S.C. State in 1961. Here, she met her husband, U.S. Congressman JAMES E. CLYBURN. Mrs. Clyburn went on to earn her Masters in Librarianship from the University of South Carolina in May 1977.

Mrs. Clyburn employed her education by dedicating her career to libraries. She gave her students the gift of learning by establishing the first library at Fairwold Middle School in Columbia, SC. She worked at Simonton Elementary School in Charleston, SC and was assistant librarian at Burke High School. Mrs. Clyburn was also head librarian at the Naval Hospital in Charleston, SC and eventually went on to retire in 1994 after serving two tours as Assistant Librarian at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Columbia, SC.

Congressman and Mrs. Clyburn continue to support educational initiatives through the James E. and Emily E. Clyburn Endowment for Archives and History at their alma mater, S.C. State. S.C. State will honor Mrs. Clyburn's lifetime of achievement with the Emily E. Clyburn Archives and History Center in the soon to be constructed James E. Clyburn University Transportation Center, a lasting symbol to a woman who will leave an everlasting legacy.

Mrs. Clyburn has been bestowed many honors in her career, none more important than that of mother and wife. Since their marriage in 1961, Congressman and Mrs. Clyburn have dedicated their lives to a sense of purpose and the betterment of society and have instilled these same values into their three wonderful daughters, Mignon, Jennifer, and Angela. I'm certain these same lasting principles will also influence their two grandchildren, Walter and Sydney.

Madam Speaker, here is someone we can all look up to and be proud of—a strong woman who overcame the many boundaries of her time and a sterling model of how we should define true success by our ability to give back. Emily England Clyburn has accomplished far more than any honorary doctorate can appropriately signify. I am proud to call Emily my friend, her husband a colleague, and their service to this Nation extraordinary.