

blindness from unoperated cataract and addressing refractive error by improving efficiency, productivity and revenue-generating services. IEF is now a global leader in sustainability programming for eye care with hospital partners in 15 countries.

In 1999, IEF established its SightReach® Surgical (SRS) program, making available a wide range of ophthalmic products from manufacturers worldwide to eye care providers and international developing organizations. The program has reduced the cost of technology and provided valuable procurement and advisory services to nations that would otherwise have limited access to such resources.

Over the last 50 years, IEF has been instrumental in facilitating the tremendous growth in eye care services throughout the developing world, especially in Asia and Latin America. Cases of blindness due to trachoma, onchocerciasis, cataract, and blinding malnutrition have been reduced while the number of training programs, well-trained ophthalmologists, and modern technology has increased in developing countries. IEF has played a significant role in these achievements and has been supported by USAID, private foundations and the hundreds of thousands of individuals who support its mission.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the International Eye Foundation for its 50 years of extraordinary work and wish it continued success in making a difference in the lives of millions of people throughout the world.

TRIBUTE TO THE HISPANIC ASSOCIATION ON CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY (HACR) ON ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOE BACA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, I stand here today to commemorate a significant milestone and to commend the leadership of the Hispanic Association on Corporate Responsibility (HACR) for its work as one of the most influential advocacy organizations for Hispanic inclusion in Corporate America.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of HACR's founding in 1986, with a mission to advance the inclusion of Hispanics in Corporate America at a level commensurate with Hispanic economic contributions.

Thanks to the profound efforts and devotion of its exceptional and visionary leaders, in 25 years HACR grew from an original 7 coalition members to now representing 16 national Hispanic organizations in the United States and Puerto Rico.

For more than two decades, HACR's innovative work with corporate partners, stakeholders, elected officials, and community leaders has created a partnership that provides the expertise necessary to ensure the inclusion of Hispanics in corporate social responsibility and market reciprocity.

HACR's Commitment to Hispanic inclusion in the areas of corporate responsibility and community reciprocity include a focus on employment, procurement, philanthropy, and governance.

With a pioneering focus to meet unmet needs, HACR's signature programs, including

the Annual HACR Symposium, HACR CEO Roundtable, and HACR Corporate Directors Summit, present a unique opportunity for some of the nation's most forward-thinking companies to share best practices and continue advancing Hispanic inclusion.

Additional signature programs tailored to young Hispanics, including the HACR Corporate Executives Forum and the HACR Young Hispanic Corporate Achievers Program, lay the foundation for generations of Latino corporate leaders to come.

It is with great pride that I recognize HACR on this important anniversary. Since its founding, to its first corporate agreement, to its now extensive work with the nations' most prosperous companies and leaders of all levels, HACR continues to be a passionate and committed organization with a mission to achieve economic parity and reciprocity for the Hispanic community.

HONORING JUNE RUSSELL WRIGHT

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a woman of grace, class, and dignity, Mrs. June Russell Wright.

Mrs. Wright passed away on April 22, 2011. She and her husband, Dr. Robert L. Wright, Jr. have been my friends of longstanding for over 40 years.

June was born on November 7, 1939 in Columbus, Georgia to the late Mrs. Ollie Russell Carter.

She graduated from William H. Spencer High School in 1957 and Grady Hospital School of Nursing in 1960 as a registered nurse. Her nursing career spanned over 40 years, with 34 of those years spent at the Columbus Health Department. She worked in numerous clinics and retired as a nurse supervisor of the Tuberculosis clinic.

George Washington Carver once said that: "How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and strong. Because some day in life you will have been all these." June went far in life because she never forgot this lesson and she always wanted to help other people. Her involvement with her church and social civic organizations dedicated to the betterment of all people is a testament to this fact.

June was an active member of the St. Benedict Catholic Church where she served faithfully and worked with the Liturgy Committee, the Project 2004 Committee and sang in the church choir for over 30 years. She was an active member of the Columbus Chapter of the Links and an honorable Archoussa of Gamma Psi Boule. One of her greatest achievements was her induction as a Life Partner in the Horatio Alger Association of distinguished Americans. June truly believed in the mission of the Association that hard work, honesty and determination can conquer all obstacles. She lived her life this way and gave her all to making the world a better place to live.

But, her greatest role in life was that of dedicated wife and loving mother. She has

supported and served as the greatest cheerleader to her husband through his career as an optometrist, elected official and successful entrepreneur. Moreover, she has supported her children, Kimberly Wright Lavender and Russell T. Wright in all of their endeavors.

June was truly one of a kind who left an indelible mark on the world that will never be forgotten.

I am proud to have known a woman who has dedicated her life to uplifting others and I am proud to honor her life and legacy with this statement. To God be the glory for blessing the world with a woman such as June Russell Wright. We all are better because she travelled this way.

REINTRODUCTION OF THE TANNING BED CANCER CONTROL ACT

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, today, in honor of Melanoma Monday, I am reintroducing bipartisan legislation with my colleagues Representative CHARLIE DENT and Rep. JESSE JACKSON, JR.: the Tanning Bed Cancer Control Act. This legislation will empower the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to determine whether the current performance standards and regulations placed on tanning beds accurately reflect their safety and effectiveness.

Despite the known health risks associated with indoor tanning, more than two million people, the vast majority of whom are women and young girls, tan indoors every day. The United States Department of Health and Human Services and the World Health Organization's International Agency for Research on Cancer have classified indoor tanning beds as a known carcinogen (cancer-causing substance), the same category as tobacco smoke, asbestos and uranium. Research shows people who tan indoors are 75 percent more likely to develop melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer, which is now the most common form of cancer among young adults 25–29 years old. We can no longer ignore the startling health effects of indoor tanning.

In spite of the facts, the FDA currently classifies tanning beds in the lowest risk category, Class I. Other examples of Class I devices are Band Aids and tongue depressors, devices that pose no risk to consumers at all. The Tanning Bed Cancer Control Act requires the FDA to examine two sides of tanning bed regulation. First, it requires a study be conducted to determine whether or not tanning beds are appropriately classified in accordance with the risks of their use. The bill also addresses performance standards—factors such as the strength of the UV rays emitted and the recommended amount of time a consumer should remain in the bed. These standards have not been updated since 1985. Finally, the legislation calls on the FDA to carry out its own findings published in a 2008 Report to Congress and to edit the warning label requirements to clearly and more effectively inform consumers of the health risks associated with tanning bed use.

The link between skin cancer and indoor tanning is undeniable and we need to protect

Americans from harmful UV rays. We cannot afford to stand by and watch people suffer as a result of misinformation and poor regulation.

IN HONOR OF DR. ROBERT E.
JONES OF WHEELING, WV

HON. DAVID B. MCKINLEY

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Mr. MCKINLEY. Mr. Speaker, this week a great honor is bestowed on a great man, Dr. Robert E. Jones of Wheeling, West Virginia. In addition to his great abilities in the medical profession, Dr. Jones was an extraordinarily successful athlete for the Wheeling Ironmen from 1964–67. Due to his tremendous abilities, he is now being honored through induction into the Minor League Football Hall of Fame.

Dr. Jones was born in Scribner, Nebraska and played college football under legendary Nebraska coach, Bob Devany. He graduated with a Bachelor's Degree and obtained his Medical Degree from West Virginia University. Before enrolling at West Virginia University's Medical School, he spent time as a Washington Redskins.

His accomplishments on the professional football field and in the medical field are a true inspiration to our youth in America. Dr. Jones is an example to all that whatever your passions may be, with heart and dedication you can achieve anything. I am honored to have the opportunity to be a part of this celebration and congratulate Dr. Robert Jones on his great accomplishment.

HONORING PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICER ERIC ZAPATA

HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Mr. UPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Public Safety Officer Eric Zapata of Kalamazoo, Michigan, who was killed in the line of duty on the night of April 18th, 2011. Our heartfelt prayers and condolences go out to his family and loved ones.

A ten-year veteran of the Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety, Zapata was a tireless public servant who put the wellbeing of his community above himself. Like so many in local law enforcement, Zapata was a father, a son, a brother, and a friend—he will be greatly missed.

We are all deeply indebted to those brave men and women in public safety, whose countless sacrifices allow us to go about our daily lives and take our own safety for granted. The pain of this tragic loss is felt by every member of our southwest Michigan community.

PSO Zapata's ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom and security will never be forgotten. He leaves a legacy of distinguished service and selfless heroism.

Officer Zapata was the first Kalamazoo Public Safety Officer killed in the line of duty. Let's all pray he will also be the last.

HONORING THE ST. CLOUD AREA
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SMALL
BUSINESS PERSON OF THE
YEAR, BERNARD "BROWNIE"
WILLIAMS

HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Mrs. BACHMANN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the St. Cloud Area Chamber of Commerce Small Business Person of the Year, the Mark of Excellence, and the Entrepreneurial Success Award recipients. These individuals have stood out to the Chamber as "those who have the courage to aspire to a higher level" as business owners and community members.

Bernard "Brownie" Williams opened up a chiropractic practice in Sartell, Minnesota in 1981. Like many business owners, Brownie ran a family business where he and his wife were the only employees. However, as the community grew and changed, the needs of his patients changed as well. Brownie currently runs a full health clinic meeting the whole-body needs of the St. Cloud area. From family care to specialty therapies, Brownie is an image of what passion and dedication can accomplish. I congratulate Brownie Williams as the 2011 St. Cloud Area Chamber of Commerce Small Business Person of the Year.

Miller Architects and Builders of St. Cloud is a fifth-generation business. Dan Miller, the current owner, was raised in the family business and today runs it as a one-stop shop for his customers. Overseeing everything from design and financing to construction management, Dan has a legacy that now serves the entire upper Midwest. I am proud to honor Dan Miller as the St. Cloud Area Chamber of Commerce Mark of Excellence Award winner.

Especially in a tough economy, entrepreneurs are the oil to America's job and economic engine. John Schlecht opened up Crafts Direct after spending most of his career with other craft companies and supply stores. After a successful opening in 1990 and consistent growth despite the ups and downs of the economy, John is perfectly suited to be a model to other entrepreneurs and I'm pleased to praise him as the 2011 St. Cloud Area Chamber of Commerce Entrepreneurial Success Award winner.

Mister Speaker, I ask that this body also congratulate and recognize these men and their businesses as examples of America's unwavering spirit of success. Brownie Miller, Dan Miller and John Schlecht are just three of the many businesses that are adapting and thriving in our Nation, and they all deserve our gratitude.

HONORING MAYOR ABRAHAM
BREEHEY

HON. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise with deep sadness to honor the life of Abraham Breehey, Director of Legislative Affairs and Special Assistant to the

International President of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers. Abe passed away on Thursday, April 14, 2011, from complications related to a brain tumor and subsequent stroke.

Abe, 34, was born in 1976 in Binghamton, New York and is survived by his wife, Sonya, daughter, Abigail, father Ray, mother Carol, sister Rachel, 3 nieces, a nephew, and his friendly dog Kesey.

Abe received his Bachelor's Degree from Siena College in Loudonville, NY, and Master's Degree in Public Policy from the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy at the University of Albany. He also attended the Trade Union Program at Harvard Law School. Prior to joining the Boilermakers in 2004, he served as Legislative Assistant for labor and other issues for my friend and colleague Representative LLOYD DOGGETT (TX-25).

Abe was a leading voice in the labor movement, representing the Boilermakers on issues related to energy policy and climate change, and their impact on workers. He was widely respected for his passion, intellect, and ability to build consensus across ideological and political lines. He advised the AFL-CIO Building and Construction Trades Department as Chairman of the Department's Legislative Task Force. He acted as a trusted friend and advisor to advocates for working families both on and off Capitol Hill.

Abe had a genial nature, a ready smile, and was always a pleasure to work with. The labor and working families movement has lost a friend, a brother, and rising star. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family.

THE SIKES ACT AMENDMENTS
ACT OF 2011

HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, today I reintroduce a bill to amend the Sikes Act to improve natural resources management planning for State-owned installations used for the national defense. I reintroduce this bill, with minor technical changes, at the request of the Department of Defense (DOD). The amendments proposed by DOD will improve coordination between DOD, the Department of the Interior and State, Territorial and local partners for the protection of fish and wildlife resources on DOD lands and State-owned installations used for the national defense.

In the 111th Congress, as then Chairwoman of the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife and as a member of the Committee on Armed Services, I held an oversight hearing on this legislation. During testimony, the DOD and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service highlighted the significance of codifying this language as an important step forward with an agenda of promoting responsible environmental stewardship. DOD controls nearly 25 million acres of valuable fish and wildlife habitat at approximately 400 military installations nationwide. These lands contain a wealth of plant and animal life, vital wetlands for migratory birds and habitat for nearly 300 federally listed threatened and endangered species. For 50 years, the Sikes Act has helped the commanders of these installations