

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF VERA ANDRYCZYK

**HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 24, 2011*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Vera M. Andryczyk who is being honored this Sunday by the Ukrainian Federation of America for her tireless efforts as an advocate on behalf of the Ukrainian-American community and Ukraine.

Vera's accomplishments and advocacy on behalf of Ukraine have been numerous and extensive and have spanned several decades.

During the Cold war, through her work as a member of the Human Right's Committee Vera was actively involved in drawing international attention to Soviet persecution of Ukrainian dissidents.

COMMENDATION OF DR. ANANDA PRASAD, M.C., PH.D.

**HON. HANSEN CLARKE**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 24, 2011*

Mr. CLARKE of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Ananda Prasad as a pioneer in the field of health research. Dr. Prasad is responsible for over 50 years of research involving zinc as an element essential to human survival.

In 1963, Dr. Prasad was the first to describe cases of human zinc deficiency syndrome in young adults. While working at the University of Shiraz Medical School in Iran, Dr. Prasad met with a 21-year-old man who had the same physical characteristics as an 8-year-old boy. He diagnosed this patient as having extreme anemia and realized the condition was so prevalent in Iran it was considered an epidemic. Dr. Prasad continued to study patients with these symptoms, and discovered that a lack of zinc had an adverse affect on a human's height, weight, bone development, and sexual maturation.

During the past 50 years, Dr. Prasad has been at the forefront of scientific discoveries regarding zinc and zinc supplements. His work has saved countless lives in African and Asian countries, including his home country of India. In certain areas of South Asia where the infant mortality rate was as high as 85 percent, Dr. Prasad successfully worked to lower the mortality rate to 15 percent.

His lifelong work was recently awarded with the 2010 Mahidol Award in the Field of Public Health. This award, presented annually by the Prince Mahidol Award Foundation of Thailand, recognizes researchers and physicians for outstanding contributions in the field of public health for the sake and well-being of the peoples.

I honor and thank Dr. Prasad for his groundbreaking and pioneering work.

A TRIBUTE IN RECOGNITION OF THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER LOS ANGELES ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

**HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 24, 2011*

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles—the hub of Los Angeles' Jewish community—on the occasion of its 100 year anniversary.

Founded in 1911, the Federation is dedicated to ensuring the continuity of the Jewish people, supporting a secure state of Israel, caring for those in need, and mobilizing its members on political issues of concern to the Los Angeles community. In fulfilling its mission, the Federation spent more than \$50 million last year alone to enhance the lives of families throughout Los Angeles County.

The Jewish Federation is committed to ensuring the quality and reducing the cost of Jewish educational experiences by supporting pre-schools, religious/synagogue schools and day schools. The Federation offers financial aid to families to assist them in paying for full-time Jewish education. In addition, the Federation sends thousands of young Jews on educational missions to Israel each year to enable them to fully experience Jewish history and culture.

The well-being of low-income Jews and seniors is also a core priority for the Federation, especially when a senior is a Holocaust survivor. The Federation supports an array of programs to help survivors and vulnerable seniors, including senior centers that offer meals and social activities, as well as in-home services, legal services and reparations advocacy. Through its Emergency Cash Grant Program, the Federation provides aid for those who need help paying for necessities such as rent, food and medical care.

Reaching out to the broader community, the Federation is dedicated to ending hunger in Los Angeles and improving literacy among local public elementary school children. The Federation partners with other faith communities, civic groups and elected officials to reduce hunger across the City by implementing and funding hunger prevention and awareness activities. The Federation also operates the City's largest volunteer children's literacy program in the Los Angeles Unified School District. For more than 12 years, the Federation has trained and placed over 10,500 volunteers as reading partners reaching over 22,000 LAUSD students in high risk elementary schools. Through its many partnerships across Los Angeles, the Jewish Federation helps to provide aid to Jews and others who need assistance in areas such as job training and career counseling, scholarships, school loans, and emergency aid.

Throughout the course of its history, the Federation has also engaged the Jewish com-

munity in political advocacy. The Federation's long-held commitment to social justice was especially evident during the Civil Rights Movement.

My father, the late Congressman Edward Roybal, always credited coalition building among Mexican Americans and Jews as having played a major role in his successful election to the Los Angeles City Council in 1949, when he became the first L.A. City Councilmember of Latino heritage in modern times.

This unprecedented political alliance was born in part out of the history of Boyle Heights in my congressional district, where my father lived and I grew up. From 1910–1950, Boyle Heights was the largest Jewish community west of the Mississippi, with approximately 75,000 Yiddish-speaking Eastern European Jewish immigrants living side-by-side with neighbors from a variety of backgrounds and cultures.

Today, 62 years after my father won that landmark city council election, I am proud to be part of an effort to preserve the community's Jewish history through the restoration of the Breed Street Shul. This Shul—built in 1915 and expanded in 1923—is the last remaining synagogue of the 30 that once dotted Boyle Heights' landscape. It is my hope that this ongoing multi-million preservation effort, which includes exhibition space, will re-tell the area's history for current and future generations.

While the Jewish community boasts a proud history in the 34th Congressional District and throughout Los Angeles, the Jewish Federation's centennial anniversary celebration will kick-off a new focus on its future. With an eye toward reinventing itself to best serve the changing needs of its membership and the community at large, Jay Sanderson, the Federation's President, says, "We must be innovative in our work, as well as incorporate new ways to reach and engage with our community so we can successfully ensure a strong Jewish future in Los Angeles, Israel and around the world for the next 100 years and beyond."

To spur new ideas, the Federation launched its Next Big Jewish Idea campaign in January of this year. The effort calls on individuals, businesses, non-profits and organizations to submit their innovative ideas for programs that will strengthen and benefit the greater Los Angeles Jewish community. The winning idea will receive a grant of \$100,000 and be assisted by the Jewish Federation to bring it to fruition. The Federation's centennial also includes a host of events throughout the year, including a community trip to Israel.

Mr. Speaker, as the Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles prepares for its May 25th centennial gala, I ask my colleagues to please join me in congratulating this year's special honorees: Stanley P. Gold of the law firm Gang Tyre Ramer & Brown; Bram Goldsmith, Chairman of the Board of City National Corporation; and Nina Tassler, President of CBS Entertainment, for their unwavering support for the federation and the community. They are

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among a distinguished group of Los Angeles residents who make the Federation the go-to non-profit dedicated to meeting the needs of our area's 500,000-strong Jewish community. I also congratulate Jay Sanderson and the Federation's entire staff. They are all to be commended for their work to keep the Federation the vibrant and strong organization that it remains today and I extend to all of them my best wishes for many more successful years ahead.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. LEE ANN NUTT

**HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 24, 2011*

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to commemorate Dr. Lee Ann Nutt and her service as a longtime leader and champion of community college initiatives at North Central Texas College. Dr. Nutt, who has served as the provost of NCTC's Corinth Campus and as the face of the university for over 10 years, will begin the next chapter of her career as the Vice President of Instruction at the Tomball Campus of Lone Star College.

Dr. Nutt's educational expertise comes from both the public and private sectors, including service as the Director of Education at the New Mexico Health Care Association, various administrative positions, and college-level teaching experience at Texas Tech University and Lubbock Christian University. Her strong professional background and leadership abilities have not only enabled her to serve North Central Texas College, but also the community that surrounds it. She serves on the Board of Directors of the United Way of Denton County as well as the Denton Chamber of Commerce, and has been actively involved with the Family Resource Center of Denton County and Presbyterian Hospital. In addition, Dr. Nutt previously served on the 26th Congressional District Academy Board, providing professional advice on my selection of outstanding students to attend the U.S. Service Academies.

It is an honor to have the opportunity to represent North Central Texas College and the many individuals, like Dr. Nutt, who work to educate our young people in the 26th District of Texas. I would like to thank Dr. Nutt for her valuable contributions to the Denton County community and wish her the best of luck as she continues to positively impact the lives and futures of students throughout the State of Texas.

BRIANA MORGAN

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 24, 2011*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Briana Morgan for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Briana Morgan is a 8th grader at Moore Middle School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Briana Morgan is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Briana Morgan for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all her future accomplishments.

HONORING THE LIFE AND CAREER OF HARMON KILLEBREW, MINNESOTA TWINS HERO AND MEMBER OF MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL HALL OF FAME

**HON. BETTY McCOLLUM**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 24, 2011*

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and career of former Minnesota Twins player and member of the Major League Baseball Hall of Fame, Harmon Killebrew.

Harmon Killebrew played for twenty-two years, fourteen as a member of the Minnesota Twins. He was an extraordinary player, hitting 573 home runs, earning a place in thirteen all-star games, and winning the American League's Most Valuable Player award in 1969. I remember watching Hammerin' Harmon slug the Twins to victory on many occasions at Minnesota's Metropolitan Stadium and on television. His heroics on the baseball field and his kind and warm personality with both teammates and fans alike made him a beloved figure in the community.

Mr. Killebrew's legacy extends long past his playing years on the baseball diamond. He will also be remembered for his devotion to charity and his tireless work on behalf of leukemia research.

Mr. Speaker, I extend my deepest condolences to Mr. Killebrew's family.

HONORING GLENDA F. BRITTON

**HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 24, 2011*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation.

Whereas, in the Fourth Congressional District of Georgia, there are many individuals who are called to contribute to the needs of our community through leadership and service; and

Whereas, Mrs. Glenda F. Britton has answered that call by giving of herself as an educator at Edward L. Bouie, Sr., Traditional Theme Elementary School, and as a beloved wife, daughter, mother and friend; and

Whereas, Mrs. Britton has been chosen as the 2011 Teacher of the Year, representing Edward L. Bouie, Sr., Traditional Theme Elementary School; and

Whereas, this phenomenal woman has shared her time and talents for the betterment

of our community and our Nation through her tireless works, motivational speeches and words of wisdom; and

Whereas, Mrs. Britton is a virtuous woman, a courageous woman and a fearless leader who has shared her vision, talents and passion to help ensure that our children, receive an education that is relevant not only for today, but well into the future, as she truly understands that our children are the future; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Mrs. Glenda F. Britton for her leadership and service for our District and in recognition of this singular honor as 2011 Teacher of the Year at Edward L. Bouie, Sr., Traditional Theme Elementary School;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR. do hereby proclaim April 22, 2011 as Mrs. Glenda F. Britton Day of Remarks in the Fourth Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 22nd day of April, 2011.

CASARA ORR

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 24, 2011*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Casara Orr for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Casara Orr is a 12th grader at Arvada West High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Casara Orr is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Casara Orr for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all her future accomplishments.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. ANDRÉ CARSON**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 24, 2011*

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, due to a previous commitment at the White House on May 12th, I unavoidably missed two votes. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on final passage of rollcall 321, and "nay" on final passage of rollcall 322.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. ZOE LOFGREN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 24, 2011*

Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California. Mr. Speaker, I was absent from votes on Friday,