

field of medical research. Among her many impressive accomplishments, Dr. Healy served as the first female director of the National Institutes of Health, dean of the College of Medicine and Public Health at the Ohio State University, president of the American Red Cross, and president of the American Heart Association.

A brilliant scientist, an innovator, and a strong leader who could effectively communicate technical information, Dr. Healy was also a valued Presidential adviser. Dr. Healy selflessly answered the call to public service from Presidents Ronald Reagan, George H.W. Bush, and George W. Bush.

Dr. Healy was a courageous champion of women in science and medicine. While serving as the director of the National Institutes of Health, Dr. Healy introduced a number of initiatives, including the Women's Health Initiative, which resulted in monumental advances in understanding the causes and researching the cures of diseases that affect women. Dr. Bernadine Healy was truly a source of inspiration who touched the lives of so many of us in Ohio and around the world, and her extraordinary legacy lives on. She will not be forgotten.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO PETER DOUGLAS

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, today I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the achievements and legacy of Peter Douglas, executive director of the California Coastal Commission, who will be retiring this November. Peter is truly a giant among California conservationists, and our State is a much better and more beautiful place as a result of his life's work.

Established by voter initiative in 1972, the Coastal Commission was created by the people of California and is sustained by their support and active participation. For nearly four decades, the California Coastal Commission has worked to protect, conserve, restore, and enhance the resources of the California coast and ocean for current and future generations.

Peter Douglas was there at the creation of the commission, and he has shaped and guided its work every step of the way. As a legislative aide in the early 1970s, he helped draft the 1972 Coastal Initiative and the California Coastal Act of 1976, which made the commission a permanent public institution. After 7 years as the commission's chief deputy director, he was named executive director in 1985 and has served ever since.

Along with its stewardship of responsible development along the coast, the Coastal Commission has led the way in preserving public access to our State's coastline and beaches. From the beginning, Peter Douglas believed that protecting public access went hand in hand with protecting California's nat-

ural heritage, because the public would work to protect a resource that they could enjoy. Under Peter's leadership, the commission worked to create public parks in some key areas that might otherwise have been developed, including Crystal Cove, Malibu Bluffs, and Tomales Bay State Park.

Here is what Peter Douglas himself says about coastal conservation: "The coast is what it is because a lot of people worked really hard and sacrificed to protect it. And if we want it to be there for our children, we have to keep fighting to protect it. In that way, the coast is never saved—it is always being saved."

When asked if he had any idea when he started out 40 years ago what his legacy would be, Peter Douglas replied, "Absolutely not. I never thought about it. I just thought it was noble work, and I wanted to make a difference."

Peter Douglas has made a tremendous difference. From the bottom of my heart, I offer him my profound thanks and best wishes.●

REMEMBERING JEREMY HENWOOD

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, today I am honored to pay tribute to San Diego Police Officer Jeremy Henwood, who recently died in the line of duty at the age of 36. On August 6, 2011, Officer Henwood was shot by a suspect who pulled alongside his patrol car. He passed away several hours later.

In his 4-year career with the San Diego Police Department's Mid-City Division, Officer Henwood earned a reputation as a caring, dedicated officer, and committed leader. Everyday, he selflessly put his life on the line to protect the city he loved.

A strong believer in public service, Jeremy Henwood served in the U.S. Marine Corps for 15 years, first on active duty and later as Reservist. Major Henwood did two tours of duty in Iraq and one in Afghanistan. He recently returned from deployment in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, where he commanded a Marine logistics company.

Police Chief William Lansdowne has stated that Officer Henwood "believed he was a protector and his job was to save others." One of his colleagues called him "a true hero who not only served this country, but served this city." A generous and courageous man in life, Officer Henwood's organs were donated to save other lives.

Officer Henwood is survived by his mother Beverly, his father Robbie, and younger siblings Robbie Junior and Emily. My thoughts and prayers are with them during this tragic time. I also send my deepest condolences to Officer Henwood's colleagues in the San Diego Police Department, who continue to serve our community and protect our people.●

NEW HOPE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I am honored to recognize the 100th anniversary of the founding of New Hope Mis-

sionary Baptist Church, the oldest African American church in San Bernardino, CA.

In 1911, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church opened its doors under the leadership of Minister James Hart.

It all began in response to African-American migrants who wanted a place of worship. In 100 years, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church never lost sight of its responsibility to creatively meet the ever-changing needs of the community it serves.

During the pastorate of Dr. David E. Campbell from 1950-1978, New Hope built a new building and became the first Black Baptist congregation in southern California to elect women to the board of trustees. Under Dr. LeMar Foster from 1984-1997, the congregation established numerous organizations, fellowships, and outreach programs. The church's current pastor, Dr. Robert E. Fairley who has served from 1978-1983 and from 1997-present, has introduced worship services to accommodate overflow crowds, added a van to support the new transportation ministry, and established new programs for hospitality, premarital, and marital counseling.

The year 2011 marks a significant milestone in the life of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, which was "Founded on Hope, Built in Love, and Sustained by Faith." I congratulate New Hope Missionary Baptist Church on this significant anniversary and 100 years of extraordinary service to the community.●

OCEAN VIEW LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD CHAMPIONS

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I am very pleased to extend my best wishes and congratulations to the Ocean View Little League team from Huntington Beach, CA. On August 28, this team of 11- and 12-year-olds defeated Japan to win the Little League World Series championship in Williamsport, PA.

It was a dramatic victory. With two outs and the bases loaded in the bottom of the sixth and final inning, first baseman Nick Pratto delivered a sharp single to center to score the winning run for Ocean View.

Nothing could stop this team. Not their friendly rivals from Billings, MT, who pushed Ocean View to the brink of elimination by winning an extra-inning thriller earlier in the Little League World Series. And not Hurricane Irene, which brought rain to Williamsport and pushed back the final game by more than 3 hours. Ocean View defeated Billings on August 27 to win the U.S. championship and then outlasted a tough Japanese team 2-1 to win the final.

Orange County, CA, has produced scores of major league baseball players, the 2002 World Champion Angels, and the Cal State Fullerton Titans, four-time winners of the College World Series. Now, for the first time, Orange

County has a Little League World Series champion.

This was a great victory for Ocean View's players and coaches as well as their families and the Huntington Beach community that supported their long march to the championship.●

CHARLES TOWN, WEST VIRGINIA

● Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, today I celebrate the 225th anniversary of the incorporation of the city of Charles Town, WV. Charles Town has a rich history and heritage of great significance not only to West Virginia but to the entire nation.

Charles Town was originally founded in 1786 in what was then Virginia. The city was named after Charles Washington, the brother of our first President, George Washington. Charles Washington moved to the lower Shenandoah Valley in 1780 and there he began building his home known as "Happy Retreat." In 1786, he asked the Virginia State Legislature for permission to incorporate a town there, which he named "Charles Town." After Charles Washington's death, Charles Town became the county seat of newly formed Jefferson County.

Our Nation's focus turned to Charles Town in 1859 with the trial and execution of abolitionist John Brown and his followers after their historic raid on Harper's Ferry. The trial proceedings, and the words uttered by John Brown in Charles Town on the institution that held millions of Americans in bondage, helped shape our Nation's debate on issues surrounding the Civil War. When Virginia seceded from the Union, Charles Town became part of the newly created State known as West Virginia. Today, visitors come to Charles Town from all over to view an area steeped in the history of our Nation.

Charles Town has undergone many changes over 225 years. And those many changes are evident in its abundance of historic sites, including its architectural landmarks and museums, and transitions over time in its local economy. The residents of Charles Town have always met these changes with courage and vision, and have confronted challenges with resilience and strength of spirit. They are proud and hard-working, and will undoubtedly help carry the city into a promising future.

The city's local leaders—both past and present—also deserve credit for the city's success. Their leadership and inspiration have guided Charles Town as it has developed and grown, while remaining true to its heritage and our West Virginia values. I join Mayor Peggy Smith and the city council in celebrating this momentous occasion.

Two hundred twenty-five years ago, Charles Washington had a vision for the city of Charles Town and the people of the lower Shenandoah Valley who would establish their lives there. And, as the citizens and leaders of Charles Town look ahead, I believe

strongly that the city continues to hold great promise for a prosperous future.●

BILLINGS BIG SKY ALL-STARS

● Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I wish to share some exciting news from my home State of Montana. As many already know, the Little League World Series reached its thrilling completion last month. Montana's team, the Big Sky All-Stars from Billings, played in the U.S. Championship Game after a breathtaking, extra-inning victory over California in its previous game.

This Billings team was the first team from Montana to reach the Little League World Series. Only eight teams from the thousands of Little Leagues across the country make it to the World Series held in South Williamsport, PA, each year. One of our boys, Ian Leatherberry, originally said that the team was just hoping to play in the regional tournament. Instead, they played so long that they had a good excuse for missing the first week of school.

Behind the leadership of manager Gene Carlson and his coaches, these Treasure State champs became the talk of the tournament and the Nation. With great pitching, outstanding defense, and timely hitting, they quickly proved they belonged by defeating South Dakota and Louisiana, winning each game by a thrilling two-run margin.

Despite our State not even having a million people, Montana's All-Stars didn't blink when taking on the team from Huntington Beach, CA, for the right to reach the U.S. championship game. Montana's starting pitcher Cole McKenzie battled California's hitters, holding them scoreless. Then Ben Askelson hit a dramatic walk-off home run to give our boys an amazing 1-0 win in extra innings.

It is honestly no surprise to me that the Big Sky All-Stars punched above their class. Whether competing in Little League baseball or showing the rest of the world true sportsmanship, Montana knows how to compete.

Despite their loss in the national championship game, Gene and his players earned the respect of all of Montana. These 12 boys—Ben Askelson, Jet Campbell, Sean Jones, Connor Kieckbusch, Pearce Kurth, Ian Leatherberry, Brock MacDonald, Andy Maehl, Cole McKenzie, Dawson Smith, Gabe Sulser and Patrick Zimmer—played with great skill and determination, making everyone from the Big Sky State proud of their immense accomplishment.●

HONORING RAYMOND MEDER

● Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, today I honor Raymond Meder and his service to the Army of the United States during World War Two.

Raymond arrived in Normandy 6 days after D-day and went on to fight in the

frigid Battle of the Bulge. After that defining battle, Raymond Meder and his commanding officer were ordered to take a jeep full of ammunition to the front line—in German territory.

A mortar exploded in front of Raymond's jeep, flipping it over. The crash shattered Raymond's wrist and he suffered from shrapnel in his leg. Still under heavy fire, Raymond Meder crawled to the side of the road and covered his commanding officer with his own body. Sadly, that officer never made it. But Raymond returned fire through the night and into the morning with a machine gun until reinforcements arrived.

In a hospital in France, Raymond Meder was visited by an Army captain who told him, "You'll earn medals for this."

Yes, he earned them. But he never received them.

Three weeks later, Raymond returned to the battlefield. His wrist was deformed for the rest of his life. He never complained. And his military records were destroyed by a 1973 fire in St. Louis.

Raymond Meder passed away just a few months ago, on March 30. His son Ray and daughter-in-law Corine started asking questions about Raymond's service. Last month I had the honor of presenting to his family Raymond Meder's Bronze Star, Combat Infantryman Badge 1st Award, World War Two Victory Medal and Honorable Service Lapel Button.

These may be small tokens, but they are powerful symbols of true heroism, sacrifice, and dedication to service.

These medals are presented on behalf of a grateful nation.●

TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH CETNAR

● Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, today I honor Joseph Cetnar.

According to his sister, Joe grew up as "real New York City street kid." He was born to Polish-Ukrainian immigrants who wanted to give their children the American dream. He had to work for the American dream. And he did.

Joe worked hard his whole life from a very early age, when he sold hot dogs on the streets of New York. In 1941, Joe enlisted in the Army Air Corps. And he parachuted into France during the invasion of Normandy.

Like many veterans who returned from war, Joe didn't speak much about his experience in the European theater.

His military records were destroyed by a fire in 1973. And in 2009, Joe passed away, leaving behind his wife of 65 years.

Joe Cetnar never received the recognition he deserved. His sister Dotty and his niece Aleksy started asking questions about Joe's service. And together, we discovered that Joe earned several medals he never received.

Last month I had the honor of presenting to his family Joseph Cetnar's American Defense Service Medal,