

addition to his \$3 million salary. So Allen earned millions for firing thousands.

The Part-Time and Temporary Worker Protection Act address this problem. Simply put, if an employer provides health care and pension benefits to full-time workers, then they must provide partial coverage to contingent workers.

Under the bill, all employees working 500 hours or more per year receive a prorated share of health benefits under the employee sponsored group health plan based on the amount they worked. In other words, an employee who works 20 hours per week is eligible for half of the benefits of a full-time employee.

In addition, employees working 500 hours or more per year are eligible to participate in an employer-provided pension plan at the same prorated rate.

The bill also allows voluntary part-time workers to receive unemployment compensation while looking for part-time work. Currently, in order to receive unemployment insurance, a part-time worker must look for, and accept if offered, full-time work.

Another concern is the misclassification of employees as independent contractors. The Part-Time and Temporary Workers Protection Act limits the IRS's ability to waive employer tax liability for misclassifying employees as independent contractors and prevents Federal and defense contractors from willfully misclassifying employees as independent contractors.

Finally, the bill requires the Bureau of Labor Statistics to conduct an annual survey to determine the level of health and pension benefits for temporary employees, the number of jobs an individual holds, and the number of hours an individual works on each job.

I urge my colleagues to join with me in supporting the Part-Time and Temporary Workers Protection Act of 1996.

TRIBUTE TO 1996 PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR BRAD CONNERS

HON. GERALD D. KLECZKA

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 1996

Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Brad Connors, who was named a 1996 Presidential Scholar. As a constituent of mine, it is a special honor to congratulate Brad and his distinguished teacher, Mr. John Burke.

Each year, only 141 students in the country are selected for the prestigious Presidential Scholar award. The competition is fierce, and those that are chosen must demonstrate excellence in academics, leadership, and school and community involvement.

Brad recently graduated from Catholic Memorial High School, where he excelled both in and out of the classroom. Namely, he finished school with an A average and was a member of the academic decathlon team. Coached by Mr. Burke, the team took second place at the State finals. Brad won individual honors, as well, with a gold medal in economics and bronze medals in both fine arts and science.

In addition, Brad participated in football, basketball, and track all through high school. In fact, this year the Catholic Memorial track

team took the State championships by one-half of a point thanks to Brad's relay team in the final event. And, somehow he still found the time to coach a youth basketball team in his community.

Brad's parents, Mike and Sheila Connors, are undoubtedly very proud of their son's achievements. I share in their pride and wish Brad the best of luck in his studies at Notre Dame next year.

IN HONOR OF MARIO JIMENEZ

HON. ESTEBAN EDWARD TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 1996

Mr. TORRES. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognition of the great honor that will be bestowed upon Mr. Mario Jimenez of Whittier, CA.

On June 28, 1996, during the annual graduation ceremony of the university of his hometown, Huitzuco, Guerrero, Mexico, Mr. Jimenez will be named the "Father of the Generation" for the class of 1993-96.

Mario Jimenez, a leader of the community and a philanthropist in my congressional district, has spent many years supporting our local youth and educational initiatives. As a successful businessman in Pico Rivera, Mario has dedicated his time and resources to various programs and activities that promote excellence in education. He is a member of the Congressional Award Council, a national organization that challenges and recognizes young people in my congressional district.

In honor of the following 1996 graduates of the Centro de Bachillerato Tecnológico, I congratulate the candidates to receive a bachelor of science in electricity: Francisco Castrejon Marban, Isahi Flores Garcia, Eden Vladimir Garces Nunez, Ricardo Ernesto Garcia Castro, Jose Alfredo Jimenez Roman, Adrian Lopez Carrera, Jose Esteban Marban Salgado, Rafael Mendoza Pañaloza, Jorge Israel Ortega Figueroa, and Jorge Luis Rivera Roman y Armando Tellez Escamilla.

The following candidates are to receive a bachelor of science in fiscal accounting: Flavio Aguirre Pineda, Lazaro Alonso Astudillo, Edgar Aragon Perez, Heriberto Coronel Flores, Silberto Calindo Garcia, Marilyn Gonzalez Varga, Maribel Ildenoso Flores, Martha Eugenia Jimenez Elizalde, Rubi Nelly Lagunas Gaytan, Suhail Lopez Garcia, Omar Marban Ocampo, Nayelli Miranda Sanchez, Celina Nieves Nieves, Adson Peralta Bautista, Alicia Rodriguez. Arellano, Claudia Rojas Aragon, and Susana Sonido Gomez.

The following candidates are to receive bachelor of science in administrative information: Nazaria Basilio Saavedra, Alejandro Casarrubias Merino, Violeta Castillo Jaimes, Elida Castro Ayala, Victor Hugo Delgado Hernandez, Antonio Elizalde AVila, Ozcar Encarnacion Jaimes, Flor Figueroa Taboada, Alfonsina Hernandez Castrejon, Matrizna Hernandez De La Cruz, Armida Eliona Marban Marban, Gustavo Morales San Matrin, Henrik Adu Nava Figueroa, Andres Nery Robles, Malinal Xochitl Ocampo Cardenas, Nallely Pineda Gonzales, Lorena Rosales Franco, Rocio Segura Eligio, Juan Tabodada Ayala, Alfonso Toledo Figueroa, Isaias Valle Abrego, and Magdalena Villalva Estrada.

The following candidates are to receive bachelor of science in fiscal accounting: Yaraset Maria Alonso Cruz, Candido Barrera Vasquez, Angel Bautista Capistran, Lucero Bustos Quezada, Yaneth Alejandra Bustos Terrones, Daniel Castrejon Hernandez, Conrado Diaz Mota, Luis Alberto Elizalde Marban, Arturo Guevara Dircio, Maricela Jarez Gatica, Maria Aldegunda Lopez Hernandez, Andres Jordan Mendoza Arteaga, Rosales Maricruz Morquecho, Sandra Ocampo Santos, Yareli Perez Herta, Jesus Reza Cruz, Luis Rojas Castro, Betzavet Salinas Mateos, and Maria Del Rosario Santiaguillo Guerrero.

The following candidates are to receive bachelor of science in general medicine: Rossana Castrejon Hernandez, Belen Catalan Chavez, Fatima Janet Catalan Lopez, Sindy De Jesus Tapoya, Magnolia Elizalde Gaytan, Maribel Garcia Munoz, Juan Benito Gaytan Castrejon, Nestor Hernandez Riquelme, Luz Estela Iriarte Salinas, Selene Montanez Dominguez, Maribel Montes Juan, Graciela Peralta Marba, and Maria De La Guadalupe Soto Garcia.

GEYSERVILLE INTERMODAL VISITORS CENTER

HON. FRANK RIGGS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 1996

Mr. RIGGS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to express my appreciation and support for the recognition given by the Committee on Appropriations to the value of a proposed project in Geyserville, CA, in Sonoma County. In the report accompanying the fiscal year 1997 Agriculture appropriations bill, the committee expresses its expectation that the Department will give consideration to funding this project under the rural business enterprise grants program. While the report makes reference to intermodal transportation and technical assistance requests relating to a train depot in Geyserville, one point merits clarification. In order to fully meet the rural needs of Geyserville, it is important to give equal consideration to funding the construction of a visitor's center and small business incubator, which will be constructed adjacent to the depot.

MFN STATUS FOR CHINA

HON. NEIL ABERCROMBIE

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 1996

Mr. ABERCROMBIE. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to speak out against granting China the most-favored-nation [MFN] status. For many years I have followed the human rights and business violations occurring in China. This past year we have once again seen many problems arise with China.

As my colleagues know, last month the United States customs agents arrested suspects in the United States with ties to China's state-owned munitions companies for smuggling AK-47's and other dangerous weapons into the United States. These same companies are selling nuclear weapons technology