

in this institution look better than we deserve. He certainly did that for me in the years he served on my personal and my committee staff, and I appreciate this opportunity to publicly thank him for the dedication, loyalty and professionalism he exhibited over the years I have had the opportunity to work with him.

Mr. Speaker, I know you join with me in saying "thank you" to Harry F. Burroughs III for his years of loyal service to me, to the men and women of Texas' 8th Congressional District, and to this great institution. And I know you join with me in wishing him and his family many years of happiness and good fortune in the years ahead.

DAVE MOORE: A GUARDIAN FOR
WORKER FAIRNESS IN SAN DIEGO

HON. BOB FILNER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 1996

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I rise today to recognize Dave Moore, the business manager and financial secretary of Local 465 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, who will be justly honored as the 1996 Labor Leader of the Year by the San Diego County Building & Construction Trades Council on September 14, 1996.

Dave Moore was born into a union family in Schenectady, NY, and went on to spend his life in the larger union family that is the labor movement. Arriving in San Diego in 1960, he was quickly hired by San Diego Gas & Electric Co. His leadership qualities were obvious within his union, which made him a steward in 1962, and he achieved the position of journeyman lineman by 1967.

As Dave Moore's skills and knowledge increased, so did his zeal to serve—and to lead—his coworkers and his union. All of these qualities were duly recognized when, after 8 years as a steward, Dave was elected to his union's executive board. So successful were his two terms that he was appointed assistant business manager.

Dave was elected president of Local 465 in 1980 for two terms, and then served for two successive terms as the Local's business manager. Never forgetting his roots or his union brothers and sisters, he resumed work at San Diego Gas & Electric Co. for 3 years before being reelected as the Local's business manager for the third time in 1995. Dave Moore is a back-to-basics labor leader, ever watchful and alert to threats to the dignity of workers and always working and fighting for fair pay and fair treatment. He has worked to gain benefits such as health care, pensions, and parental leave, not only for his own family, but for the whole union family.

Mr. Speaker, I join labor leaders and many others in San Diego in congratulating Dave Moore on receiving the Labor Leader of the Year Award from the San Diego Building & Construction Trades Council.

HONORING L. CLURE MORTON

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 1996

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor one of the great judicial minds in Tennessee's history, who has ruled from the bench without passion or prejudice, gaining the respect of not only his peers and colleague, but of the community in which he served. Earlier today it was my pleasure to introduce legislation, which has been cosponsored by all of my colleagues in the Tennessee delegation, that will designate the U.S. Post Office and Courthouse in Cookeville, TN, the "L. Clure Morton Post Office and Court House."

Since his appointment to the bench in 1970 by President Richard Nixon, L. Clure Morton's career as a Federal judge has been distinguished by fairness, insight, innovation, and an iron grip on his courtroom. During his tenure, Judge Morton has never avoided controversial issues, addressing school integration, welfare, mental health systems, and prison reform.

Following his graduation from our alma mater, the University of Tennessee School of Law, Judge Morton spent 33 years in private practice, during which he also began his years of public service as a special agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. His judicial career began in 1970 with his appointment as a U.S. District Court judge in Nashville. He was then elevated to chief judge in 1977, and took senior status in 1984 which he currently holds, presiding over the northeastern division.

Earlier this year, Judge Morton decided to hang up his gavel and retire from the bench after 26 years. My bill will serve as a tribute to his undying commitment to make middle Tennessee a safer, fairer place. Though he will no longer preside over a courtroom, his presence will always be felt, having his name etched in stone at the Cookeville, Federal building.

H.R. 4056, LEGISLATION FOR
AUTOMATIC CITIZENSHIP

HON. PATSY T. MINK

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 1996

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii. Mr. Speaker, I have introduced legislation, H.R. 4056, to make it easier for legal residents to become citizens. Since Congress is passing laws that deny programs to noncitizens, it's appropriate to make it easier for them to become citizens.

The bill I have introduced, H.R. 4056, is legislation which authorizes automatic U.S. citizenship for three categories of legal permanent residents: Persons who have resided in the United States for at least 20 years; persons who have worked and paid Social Security taxes for at least 40 quarters; persons who are at least 70 years old and who have lived legally in the United States for at least 5 years; and persons who are U.S. veterans with an honorable discharge.

Current requirements for naturalization are retained including that of: Good moral character, attached to the principles of the Con-

stitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the United States.

There exist long backlogs in the naturalization workloads of the Immigration and Naturalization Service delaying citizenship for law-abiding individuals described in my legislation—those who have lived a significant amount of time in the United States, dedicated workers, the elderly, and our veterans. I strongly urge my colleagues to support my legislation, H.R. 4056, which enhances and hastens the acquisition of U.S. citizenship to truly worthy individuals.

GADSDEN JOB CORPS CENTER
ENRICHES YOUNG LIVES

HON. TOM BEVILL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 12, 1996

Mr. BEVILL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the Job Corps Center in Gadsden, AL, which enriches the lives of young people every day. Like their 60,000 fellow students at 100 Job Corps Centers nationwide, the young men and women enrolled at the Gadsden Job Corps Center are committed to improving their opportunities by obtaining marketable skills.

The Gadsden Job Corps Center represents an outstanding model of public-private partnerships in the Gadsden community. The U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Job Corps, Gadsden State Community College, and local citizens have joined forces to provide educational and vocational training for the students of Alabama through the Job Corps program.

While enrolled in the program, Job Corps students give back to their communities by donating their time and services. In fact, nationwide, Job Corps students have contributed more than \$42 million worth of services in the past 5 years.

In Gadsden, the skills of the students were demonstrated by the landscaping class in projects at Donahoo Elementary School and the fire station. The culinary arts students prepared eggs for Head Start's annual easter egg hunt sponsored by the Gadsden Job Corps Center.

These projects illustrate the positive relationships developed between Job Corps and the community. These experiences enhance the students' work history and provide exposure to volunteerism.

Job Corps students return the Federal Government's investment in them through reduced welfare and unemployment costs as they become working, taxpaying citizens. Congress supports Job Corps because it is a proven national program for at-risk young people which gets results.

I recently spent time with the students at the Gadsden Job Corps Center and I was very impressed by their enthusiasm, energy, and commitment to improving their lives and contributing to their community. I remain committed to the investment that we make in these young people through the Job Corps program. Job Corps works for America.