

He who binds himself to a joy
Does the winged life destroy
But he who kisses the joy as it flies
Lives in eternity's sunrise.

No force, not even life itself, could bind Meg Donovan or ground her flight. She was only 47. But, in that time, her gifts to those of us who are gathered here and to those from around the world who have benefited directly or indirectly from her commitment, were full and rich.

This morning, as she looks down upon us, I know that she would expect us to cry and that, if she could, she would herself hand us the tissues. But she would also want us to be thankful for our time together, and to dedicate ourselves to improving our own lives by helping others.

We are sad today, but our sorrow is accompanied by the abundance of joy in the memories we share, the life we celebrate and the love that surrounds us.

May that joy melt, over time, the clouds of our grief. May Meg's family, especially, draw comfort from our affection and from the deep respect we held for her.

And may Meg Donovan rest in peace, for we will never, never forget her. •

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA INTERNS

• Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, the South Carolina Semester in Washington Program, hosted by the Institute of Public Affairs at the University of South Carolina, provides outstanding Honors College students at the state's public universities an invaluable opportunity to work as fellows in Congress, the Administration and in the private sector while pursuing an academically rigorous program of study and examination in Washington, D.C.

This program joins a number of other prestigious offerings sponsored by many of the finest colleges and universities from across the Nation. Not only do these fellows assist in taking care of the business of the Nation, providing a tremendous service to Congress, the Agencies and the entities supporting them, by doing so these exemplary young people represent the best for the future of government at the local, city, county, state, regional, national and international levels.

As the South Carolina Semester in Washington completes its seventh year, the program continues to demonstrate that these students and the campuses they represent are some of the finest in the country. To date students have participated from USC Columbia, Clemson University, the College of Charleston, the Citadel, South Carolina State University, University South Carolina Aiken, Winthrop University, Lander University and the University of South Carolina Lancaster. For the Fall of 1998, the program will add its first student from Coastal Carolina University. Certainly few states can demonstrate a more comprehensive involvement from its higher education community.

The offices which participate are essential to the quality of the program. The time spent by professional staff in the office setting mentoring these students is a contribution to success; not

only in this program but to these young people for a lifetime. Over the years the following offices have been gracious host learning sites for the South Carolina Semester in Washington fellows: Senator STROM THURMOND, Senator FRITZ HOLLINGS, Congressman FLOYD SPENCE, Congressman JOHN SPRATT, Congressman JIM CLYBURN, Congressman BOB INGLIS, Congressman LINDSEY GRAHAM, Congressman SANFORD, Congressman ED WHITFIELD, Congressman CLIFF STEARNS, former Congressman Butler Derrick, former Congressman Robin Tallon, former Congresswoman Liz Patterson, former Congressman Arthur Ravenel, the Senate Commerce Committee, the White House, the Department of Education, the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Corporation for National and Community Service, the Office of the United States Trade Representative, the South Carolina State Washington Office, Barron Birrell and the American Council of Life Insurance.

The participants during the 1997-1998 academic year further enhanced the reputation of the program for reliable, diligent and intelligent contributions to their workplace. These students, their university, hometown and placement include for the Fall 1997 semester: Mary Borowiec, USC Columbia, Columbia, S.C., Congressman LINDSEY GRAHAM; Cara Carter, USC Columbia, Spartanburg, S.C., Congressman MARK SANFORD; Katherine Graham, USC Columbia, Charleston, S.C., Office of the United States Trade Representative; Scott Harris, Lander University, Batesburg, S.C., Congressman JOHN SPRATT, Kim Hartwell, USC Columbia, Lexington, Kentucky, the White House; Charlene Miller, USC Columbia, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Senator HOLLINGS; John Sallee, USC Columbia, Lexington, Kentucky, U.S. Department of Education; Beth Sims, Winthrop University, Darlington, S.C., Congressman BOB INGLIS; Amber Stamegna, USC Columbia, Mount Pleasant, S.C., Barron Birrell.

For the Spring 1998 semester, the participants include: Heather Brooks, USC Columbia, Charlotte, North Carolina, Congressman JOHN SPRATT; Derham Cole, USC Columbia, Spartanburg, S.C., Congressman BOB INGLIS; Ryan Lindsay, USC Columbia, Clemson, S.C., American Council of Life Insurance; Anne Knight, USC Columbia, Columbia, S.C., Congressman JIM CLYBURN; Amy Milligan, College of Charleston, Mount Pleasant, S.C., Congressman FLOYD SPENCE; Becky Sibilia, Clemson University, Bridgewater, New Jersey, Senator STROM THURMOND; Josh Staveley-O'Carroll, Clemson University, Charleston, S.C., Senate Commerce Committee.

Mr. President, I wish to commend the Institute of Public Affairs at the University of South Carolina for implementing and coordinating such a fine program. Dr. Doug Dobson and Dr. William Mould have been instrumental in the successful tenure of this offering. I

also wish to salute the other campuses and offices which make the effort to give quality to this endeavor. Finally to say well done to these outstanding students in hopes we will enjoy their contributions to society from positions of leadership in the years to come. •

RECOGNITION OF EVELYN DUKES

• Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize a true urban innovator, a woman who has devoted her "retirement" years to solving the many challenges that confront urban communities across the nation, Ms. Evelyn Dukes.

The urban community of north-eastern Detroit has greatly benefitted from the work of Ms. Evelyn Dukes. Her involvement with urban and neighborhood renewal began with the "Adopt-A-Park" program. In her neighborhood, Ms. Dukes daily observed gangs, drug users, and loiterers frequenting a parcel of land that was formerly a small community park, but had become a symbol of fear and apathy. Fortunately, Ms. Dukes did not view Brookins Park in the same manner. As an organizer for numerous Block Clubs and Neighborhood Watch Groups, Ms. Dukes saw the area as an opportunity to bring the community together and reclaim a vital recreational park. By calling on organizations from the city's Park and Recreation Department to the Detroit Piston Basketball Organization, Ms. Dukes' vision for Brookins Park became a reality. Today the land is used by community residents for picnics, reunions, and birthday parties, and Ms. Dukes is on to her next project, Skinner Park.

Ms. Dukes is also involved in her neighborhood organization and is an active member in the Citizen Band Radio Patrol organization. While on patrol, she documents dangerous situations and possible criminal actions. Evelyn is President of the Ninth Precinct Community Relations Board and is very involved in the City Wide Roundtable, an organization of Detroit leaders who meet on a regular basis to discuss issues and solutions involving public service, safety, and awareness.

At 73, Evelyn Dukes' personal commitment to her neighborhood and city are an inspiration to everyone. She is truly a model for community involvement, and her efforts and achievements clearly set Ms. Dukes apart as an exemplary citizen. She has been honored by being selected as only one of seven people in the country to receive the National Crime Prevention Council's Ameritech Award of Excellence in Crime Prevention.

I know my colleagues join me in congratulating Ms. Evelyn Dukes on receiving this award and thanking her for the stalwart dedication she has shown to improving her community. •