

serve on the appellate court. These four remarkable women deserve our thanks for their outstanding work on behalf of women in New Jersey and everywhere.

Mr. Speaker, there remains today an equality gap between women and men that contradicts the basic principles of our great Nation. With the tireless efforts of the Alice Paul Institute and the 2005 Alice Paul Equality Award honorees, this gap is being closed. I thank all those who have sought a more just America through the advancement of equality for women, and encourage my colleagues to support this cause in the U.S. Congress. Together we can continue to create better opportunities for all women.

IN HONOR OF THE GOLDEN JUBILEE OF SISTER MARY HELEN JACZKOWSKI

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2005

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of Sister Mary Helen Jaczowski, upon the joyous occasion of her 50th Jubilee Year. As she has for half a century, Sister Mary Helen continues to serve in dedicated and holy ministry, a ministry of faith that focuses on the children, seniors and families of our community. She teaches by example, and her words and deeds, reflecting kindness, compassion and love, radiate strength and hope within the hearts of many, including my own.

Inspired by a true calling of spiritual and humanitarian duty, Sister Mary Helen began her ministry with a strong foundation in education. She started her life-long career in education by teaching third, fourth and fifth grade students at St. John Cantius School. Sister Mary Helen taught at various parochial schools throughout Cleveland and Northeastern Ohio, and also held leadership roles as assistant principal and principal. To fortify her knowledge and educational expertise, Sister Mary Helen earned a Master's degree in Education along the way. Today, she continues her educational ministry and leadership as assistant principal at Immaculate Conception School in Cleveland's Slavic Village neighborhood.

As a long-time social activist, Sister Mary Helens' unwavering dedication, focused on improving the lives of those around her, is clearly reflected throughout our Cleveland neighborhoods, from Tremont to Slavic Village and beyond. In Slavic Village, Sister Mary Helen led the restoration effort to transform the long-since abandoned Harvard School into an affordable, warm and secure place to call home for senior citizens, now known as the Harvard Village Senior Apartments.

Mr. Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honor and celebration of the Golden Jubilee of Sister Mary Helen Jaczowski. Her commitment, kindness and caring for the people of our community, from our children to our elderly, has served to lift the spirits of countless individuals, and continues to radiate faith, hope and light throughout our entire community.

HONORING THE BERKELEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2005

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Berkeley Police Department of Berkeley, California on the occasion of its 100th year of service.

At the time of its founding over a century ago, the Berkeley Police Department was a pioneering institution. Led by August Vollmer, who was elected Town Marshall in 1905 and appointed as Berkeley's first Chief of Police in 1909, the Berkeley Police Department became known for its innovative management and law enforcement methods, and its practices were adopted by other departments nationwide.

Chief Vollmer is considered by many to be the father of modern law enforcement. He was one of the first officials to institute the use of a basic records system, scientific investigation, and motorcycle patrols as law enforcement methods. He sought police officers with good educations, worked with U.C. Berkeley to establish a police school, and also established the department's Law Enforcement Code of Ethics, which prohibited officers from receiving gratuities and from smoking on duty, and also required them to use as little force as possible in making arrests.

In addition to these innovations, Chief Vollmer was also one of the most progressive figures in law enforcement during his time. He recruited the first female and African American officers to the force in Berkeley, and also became a prominent opponent of the death penalty.

In the years since its remarkable founding, the Berkeley Police Department has continued to serve the public with courage and compassion, working to protect the residents of Berkeley and also to become involved in the community. In addition to its establishment of the charitable Christmas in April program in 1991 and other community service projects, the Department has also made a sustained effort to establish an effective model for community-involved policing.

Furthermore, the Berkeley Police Department has devoted considerable resources to the development of other programs of dire importance, such as the Domestic Violence Unit, Youth-Police Workshops with Beat Officers, the Citizens' Academy and Toys 4 Tots with Marines. In recent years, the department has received grants from the Department of Justice, the Office of Traffic Safety and others to institute innovative public safety reforms, and in 2003 reported the city's lowest violent crime rates since 1974.

On April 7, 2005, the Berkeley Police Department will be holding its centennial celebration. I would like to take this opportunity to commend and thank those who have given of themselves to serve the public through their work with the police force. I congratulate the Berkeley Police Department for 100 years of invaluable service, and salute its officers for their tireless efforts to make our community a safer, better place.

A TRIBUTE TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PRESBYTERIAN HOMES

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2005

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Southern California Presbyterian Homes for 50 years of providing outstanding housing and health care services to older adults throughout Southern California.

Southern California Presbyterian Homes, a nonprofit corporation, was founded in 1955, as a mission outreach of the Presbyterian Church, to provide quality housing, health, and support services for senior citizens regardless of faith, race, income, or ethnicity. The organization is dedicated to serving the needs of seniors that enrich the physical, social, and spiritual dimensions of their lives.

Southern California Presbyterian Homes has grown from its humble beginnings of one continuing care retirement community in La Jolla in 1955 to 38 facilities in 2005 and serving over 3,300 senior citizens. There are continuing care retirement communities, like Royal Oaks Manor in Bradbury and Windsor Manor in Glendale, that provide multi-level care from independent living through skilled nursing. Kirkwood of Glendale is an assisted living facility that provides a residential alternative to older adults who currently reside in a nursing home or their own homes, and need assistance with activities of daily living and specialized dementia care. Affordable housing facilities such as Rosewood Court in Pasadena, Casa de la Paloma, The Gardens, Otto Gruber House, Palmer House, and Park Paseo in Glendale provide excellent living opportunities and support services for senior with limited incomes. Southern California Presbyterian Homes also provides home and community-based services through its adult day health care center and through Southern California Presbyterian Homes Home Care.

I am proud to recognize Southern California Presbyterian Homes for its 50 years of compassionate care to senior citizens in Southern California and I ask all Members to join me in congratulating Southern California Presbyterian Homes for their remarkable achievements.

TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN SEAN GRIMES

HON. JOE KNOLLENBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 12, 2005

Mr. KNOLLENBERG. Mr. Speaker, today I join the people of the 9th Congressional District and the State of Michigan in honoring the passing of an American hero and patriot, Captain Sean Grimes, who lost his life in the line of duty in Iraq on March 4th. Captain Grimes was assigned to the U.S. Army's 1st Infantry Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team where he served with distinction as a Combat Medic. At the time of his passing, Sean Grimes was 31.

A Bloomfield Hills native, Captain Grimes graduated from Lahser High School in Bloomfield Hills in 1991. Shortly after graduating