contains requirements that private citizens get timely answers from ESA enforcement agencies and insists on reporting requirements so that we know how many applications are really going unanswered.

The reforms in the substitute make sense and they should be adopted. The base text should be rejected.

IN RECOGNITION OF MS. LINDA LEONARD

HON. CAROLYN McCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2005

Mrs. McCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Ms. Linda Leonard, a dedicated member and Executive Director of Long Island Crisis Center, LICC. On October 10, 2005, Ms. Leonard will celebrate 30 years of service to the citizens of Nassau County and Long Island.

Long Island Crisis Center was created in the 1970s by students of Adelphi University to promote counseling for students by students via telephone or face-to-face appointments. Since then, the Center has expanded to help countless Long Islanders with a wide array of programs.

Ms. Leonard has been in charge of the Center since 1979. She has brought support to numerous groups on Long Island and has brought the LICC from its very humble beginnings to an established multi-service agency. The people of Long Island are in debt to the work of this committed woman.

There have been many groundbreaking programs established by Ms. Leonard in her 30 years of service. For example, in the late 1970s runaway and homeless youth had no where to turn to for support. Ms. Leonard changed that in conjunction with the Nassau County Youth Board. She established the Runaway and Homeless Youth Hotline along with housing for these young people. She further led the way in the creation of Nassau Haven, a shelter for these same youth. While this shelter was not opened until 1980, the LICC continued to help these young members of the Long Island community.

Ms. Leonard is also responsible in creating support lines for people from stigmatized populations of Long Island. She had led the fight to create peer counseling and assistance programs for gay and lesbian youth. She pursued this fight through the 1980s, a time where this policy was viewed as highly unpopular. In 1993, LICC formed Pride for Youth with a grant from the Paul Rapoport Foundation. Pride for Youth's mission is to enhance the health and wellness of these youth through education, supportive services, and youth development.

It is the strong leadership of this woman that has allowed the LICC to be an effective organization in helping those members of the Long Island community most needing help. Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in congratulating Linda in her 30 years of service. Best wishes, Linda, and I can only hope you continue serving Long Island in the exceptional way you have for 30 years.

A PROCLAMATION THANKING CAMERON R. AGIN FOR HIS LIFE-LONG DEDICATION TO HIS COM-MUNITY AND HIS COUNTRY

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, October 6, 2005

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas Cameron R. Agin honorably served his country during a time of conflict in World War II; and

Whereas, Cameron R. Agin continued his life of service with the Zanesville Police Department, earning the rank of Captain; and

Whereas, Cameron R. Agin led a life devoted to civic responsibility and true patriotism in the Jaycees, Charity Newsies, American Legion, Boy Scouts, Grotto, Shrine and the VFW.

Therefore, I join with family, friends and the entire 18th Congressional district of Ohio in thanking Mr. Cameron R. Agin for his inspiring service both in war and at peace.

RECOGNIZING KATZEN INTER-NATIONAL ON ITS 50TH ANNI-VERSARY

HON. STEVE CHABOT

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2005

Mr. CHABOT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the impressive achievements of a company in Ohio's First Congressional District that is celebrating its 50th anniversary. KATZEN International is a leading name in the ethanol industry and has been involved in the design and development of 70 ethanol plants around the world. I think my colleagues would agree that 50 years is a remarkable amount of time to be in any business, and this is no exception.

KATZEN International, Inc. was formed in 1955 by Dr. Raphael Katzen. The company includes a group of highly experienced chemical and mechanical engineers, biologists, and designers who have applied their expertise to provide innovative and advanced design concepts encompassing the agriculture, chemical, sugar, paper, and other industries.

Dr. Katzen pioneered a number of technologies used to produce fuel grade ethanol and as early as 1945 he designed, built, and operated a 17 million gallon per year ethanol plant in Springfield, Oregon using wood as a feedstock. Dr. Katzen and his colleagues have worked to improve the quality of life in rural America by developing some of the most efficient and successful ethanol plants in the country. As the ethanol industry has matured and larger plants have become the norm, KATZEN has retained its agriculture base and continues to work with ethanol plants of all sizes.

On behalf of the. people of Ohio's First Congressional District, I would like to congratulate Raphael Katzen and KATZEN International on 50 years of technology, development, environmental stewardship, and support for rural America.

TRIBUTE TO WALT HIERSTEINER

HON. DENNIS MOORE

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2005

Mr. MOORE of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, I want to take a moment to bring to the attention of the House of Representatives a profile and interview of one of my leading constituents in Kansas' Third Congressional District, Walter Hiersteiner of Prairie Village, Kansas. Walt recently was the subject of an article in "The Best Times: a newspaper for Johnson County's 60-and-older citizens", which I am including with this statement.

Walt Hiersteiner has a long history of service to his family, friends and community. Since 1946, he has been involved with the management and administration of the Tension Envelope Corporation of Kansas City, Missouri, where he has been responsible for numerous innovations in that field, including 25 United States patents. Just as important, if not more so, has been his dedication to the Kansas City community, including: service on the Shawnee Mission Board of Education; establishment of the Committee for Excellence, which supported several school bond issues; service on the Kansas State Board of Regents, to which he was appointed by Governor Robert Docking; chairing the Legislative Committee for the Johnson County Community College Foundation; and fundraising and direct financial support for numerous worthy community causes, including the Children's Center at Johnson County Community College and the Truman Medical Center.

I am pleased to have this opportunity to place this profile from the Best Times in the RECORD, but I am more pleased to have this opportunity to publicly recognize Walt Hiersteiner as a vitally important community leader and activist in the Third Congressional District, and as my personal friend for many years.

[From The Best Times, Sept. 2005]
WALT HIERSTEINER: COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
OVER A LIFETIME

(By Lynn Anderson)

A native of Des Moines, Iowa, Walter Hiersteiner graduated from the University of Iowa in Iowa City (a member of the Phi Beta Kappa society in 1939) and then Harvard Law School in 1942, where he was an editor of the Harvard Law Review. While a student at the University of Iowa, he met Jean Newburger, whom he married in 1944. After World War II, the couple moved to Kansas City.

Following his graduation from Harvard Law School, he practiced briefly with the Kansas City law firm of Ryland, Stinson, Mag & Thomson. In 1942 he was called in as a commissioned Naval officer, serving until 1946, principally as a naval gunnery officer stationed in Cincinnati, Ohio, and then Long Island. New York.

Following his discharge in 1946, he practiced briefly with the law firm of Margolin & Reinhardt in Kansas City. Then, in 1946, he joined the Tension Envelope Corp., which at that time had four manufacturing facilities. Years later, when Bert Berkowitz and Walter Berkowitz died within three weeks of one another, Bert Berkley, the son of Bert Berkowitz, became president, and Walter became executive vice president, sharing principal management responsibilities with Bert Berkley.

Bert Berkley's son, Bill, has taken over the sole management of the Tension Envelope