RECOGNITION OF LANCE CORPORAL JONATHAN KYLE PRICE

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 16, 2006

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Lance Corporal Jonathan Kyle Price who was recently killed in action fighting for freedom in Ramadi, Iraq.

Lance Cpl Price was a 19 year-old from Woodlawn, Illinois and was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 10th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C. He graduated from Woodlawn High School in Woodlawn, Ill.

Price paid the ultimate sacrifice for his country. He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Cheryl Price Hunsell and John Hunsell of Woodlawn; his father, David Price of Indianapolis, Ind.; a brother, John R. Hunsell of Woodlawn; two sisters, Krystal Martin and husband Eric of St. Louis and Rachel Hunsell of Woodlawn; his fiancee, Brea Tate of Mt. Vernon and many other family, friends and loved ones. I am proud of the service this young man gave to his country and the service his fellow troops perform everyday. Not enough can be said about Lance Cpl Price. It is soldiers like him that are risking their lives day in and day out to ensure our freedom here at home and to others throughout the rest of the world. I salute him and my best wishes go out to his family and all the troops fighting to ensure freedom and democracy. God bless them and may God continue to bless America.

TRIBUTE TO MAYOR RICK ALLEN

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a great American, a dedicated Oregonian, an avid Oregon Duck fan, and a good friend of mine, Mayor Rick Allen. Throughout his career, Mayor Allen has played a significant role in shaping the City of Madras, while paving the way for future development and growth. Today, we thank him for his years of public service and recognize the numerous contributions he's made during his tenure in office.

Mr. Speaker, following graduation from Madras High School in 1975, Rick took over as the manager of the local bowling ally. It was there that he began learning the ways of the business world. His hard work at the bowling alley gave him the experience and knowledge that led him to his next business endeavor as the manager of the Tiger Mart. It didn't take long until Rick had purchased Tiger Mart and turned it into a thriving gas station and mini mart. Soon, he'd be on to even bigger and better endeavors.

First elected in 1982, at the young age of 25, Rick embarked into the world of politics as a member of the Madras City Council. His business savvy brought efficiency and effectiveness to his elected post and to the operation of local government. Rick served 6 years as a member of the city council, and served as the mayor for the last 2 years. Following his service on the city council, Mayor Allen went on to serve 8 years as a Jefferson County Commissioner, continuing his role of public stewardship.

Mr. Speaker, following a brief departure from elected office, Rick's dedication and devotion to his community called him back for a second tour of duty. In 2000, the City of Madras faced great uncertainty with alleged scandals and wrongdoings within the city government. During these tumultuous times, Rick recognized the need for stability and consistent leadership, which encouraged and inspired him to mount a write-in candidacy to once again return to serve as the Mayor of Madras. He was overwhelmingly elected in 2001, securing 80 percent of the vote and upon election immediately went to work to rebuild and restore trust within the community.

Mr. Speaker, those who know Rick best will tell you that he's not one to back down from a challenge and he's not afraid to make an unpopular decision if he believes it is best for the community. During his tenure, Rick tackled challenges and controversy head on. He was a visionary for growth, led the charge for expansion, and has been a champion for economic development in the region. Under his leadership, the city acquired industrial land near the airport while making significant improvements and enhancements to the airport property. Rick has been a strong advocate for recreation and rafters who float along the lower Deschutes River. He was a key player in East Madras Development Project, which will establish 1,700 new homes, an 18-hole golf course, over 60 acres of open space, and 20 acres set aside for the local schools.

Mr. Speaker, these illustrate just a few of Mayor Allen's accomplishments during a long and distinguished career. I ask that my fellow colleagues join me in congratulating this extraordinary man and great American. For years to come the region will flourish and residents will benefit from the foundation and vision that Mayor Allen has pursued. I wish Rick the best in future endeavors, and personally, I would like to thank him for all he's done for the people of Jefferson County, the Second Congressional District, and the great state of Oregon.

TRIBUTE TO CLOYCE DICKERSON

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 16, 2006

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me today in congratulating Cloyce Dickerson as he receives the Walter Reuther Award from UAW Local 659. Cloyce will be honored at a reception on Sunday by the membership of the Local.

The Walter Reuther Award is given to UAW members, public officials and community leaders, in acknowledgement of their contributions to the advancement of working people and their families. 41 years ago Cloyce Dickerson began his career with General Motors Chevrolet Manufacturing Plant and started his lifelong commitment to improving conditions for his fellow workers.

He was employed with Chevrolet as a skilled tradesman and a Building Repairman. He worked for the UAW in the capacities of Alternate Committeeman, UAW/CAP Council Member, Jobs Bank Coordinator, Attendance Coordinator, EAP Coordinator-International Appointment, Health and Safety Representative-International Appointment, Quality Network Representative-International Appointment, served on Person to Person Committee, the Joint Council, and was chair of the UAW Black Caucus.

In addition he also was a founding member of the North End ''GOTV'' Headquarters, a member of Christ Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church, former Vice-President and life member of the NAACP–Flint Branch, a board member of Big Brother/Big Sisters, works with Boys and Girls Club, and the Democratic Black Caucus. As the father of six and the grandfather of nine, Cloyce understands the importance of instilling community values in our youth and was recently honored by the Flint Human Relations Commission with the Service to Youth Award.

Cloyce was inducted into the Afro-American Hall of Fame in 1998. In 2005 the Bruin Club of Flint gave him the Athletic Alumni Award because of his athletic prowess during his high school and college years. Cloyce was an All Conference and All State honoree basketball player during his years attending Central High School. Attending Mott Community College, Cloyce was on the school's 1964 Regional Championship Basketball team.

Mr. Speaker, may the members of the House of Representatives join me in honoring a remarkable, committed, compassionate man, Cloyce Dickerson, and he is recognized for his lifelong contributions to the UAW and its members.

GIRL SCOUTS OF NASSAU COUNTY FOCUS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF GOOD SELF IMAGE FOR GIRLS

HON. CAROLYN McCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 16, 2006

Mrs. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize the Girl Scouts of Nassau County for their work to promote health and self-esteem, to build courage, confidence and character in girls and young women.

The Girl Scouts provide an extremely important service, always working to find new ways to address the key issues facing girls and young women. Recently, the Girl Scout Research Institute released a study which concluded that feeling acceptance and emotional health are critical toward achieving healthy habits. The study was quite timely, released just before National Eating Disorder Awareness Week, which is February 27 through March 3. The study brings everyday girls' voices to the forefront of discussions on health and self esteem issues.

The Girl Scouts of Nassau County offer a range of healthy living activities that address the girl as a whole rather than just the food she eats, her weight and her exercise habits. Dove, the beauty brand, made that point by running a Superbowl commercial. The commercial aimed to widen the definition of beauty and inspire healthy, positive self-images among women. The talents of the Girl Scouts of Nassau County Chorus were recruited, and