

Xerox management of the commercial value of Mr. Warnock's Interpress graphics language for controlling printing, the two boldly left Xerox to start Adobe. At their new company, they developed an equivalent technology, PostScript, from scratch and brought it to market.

Today, their technology is ubiquitous. It assists hundreds, if not thousands of businesspeople, families, artists, entrepreneurs and dreamers in sharing their ideas across platforms and without boundaries.

Their ignition of the desktop publishing revolution through PostScript technology created new opportunities for the use, digitization and compression of ideas, images, and text. Their vision has evolved into a multi-solution approach to various challenges that include household names such as Acrobat, Illustrator and Photoshop—no longer a circus performer, an artistic occupation and a place to get film developed—but cool new ways to communicate, efficiently and clearly.

Geschke and Warnock's entrepreneurial success has been chronicled by some of the country's most influential business and computer industry publications, and they have received numerous awards for technical and managerial achievement, including their most recent, the Medal of Achievement Award from the American Electronics Association.

Innovation is rarely the effort of one person or one idea, but is rather the symbiosis of knowledge, intellect, genius, creativity, entrepreneurship, risk-taking and, in Silicon Valley, a kind of fleeting wing-and-a-prayer faith that things will turn out for the best. Mr. Geschke and Mr. Warnock have certainly filled the giant footsteps of their predecessors by taking their bold idea, based upon well-studied science and invention, moving forward with it and daring to do the impossible.

It is an honor to stand here in the shadow of their achievements and thank them for their contributions and the example they have set for the hopeful engineers, entrepreneurs and businesspeople of the coming generations.

A TRIBUTE TO BALTIMORE COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY, SANDRA O'CONNOR

HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 28, 2006

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to rise before you today to salute a woman who has spent many years working towards bettering the quality of life in the State of Maryland. Sadly, after 32 years of service the eight time elected Maryland State Attorney, Sandra O'Connor, will give up her post. She is the longest serving prosecutor in the State of Maryland.

As a former prosecutor, I had the privilege of working under Sandy during her tenure. I have great respect and admiration for the work she has done over the last 32 years. She continuously worked to support victims and witnesses. In fact, she is responsible for creating the first unit in Maryland to assist victims and witnesses. Mrs. O'Connor cracked down on criminals by establishing tough standards for people who use handguns as well as commit violent crimes in Baltimore

County. As a direct result of her leadership, Baltimore County has the most offenders serving no-parole sentences in Maryland. She has also established a Child Abuse and Sexual Offense Unit, and a Repeat Offender Unit. In addition, she has established programs for Rape Awareness and "Better Safe Than Sorry".

Without a doubt, this is a woman of great caliber. Her grace, dignity, and unparalleled determination set her apart from so many in her field. She worked tirelessly through the years to remain free from partisan views and instead focused on how to better assist Maryland citizens.

Mrs. O'Connor not only devoted her time to the State's Attorney for Baltimore County office, but also to a number of other organizations. She is the Vice-President and Director of the National District Attorney's Association; a past president of the Maryland State Attorney's Association; and she was appointed to serve on the Board of Directors for the State Justice Institute and the Advisory Board for the National Information Center. Mrs. O'Connor has also been honored by a number of organizations for her outstanding service. In addition to serving on these boards, Sandy also lectures at the National College of District Attorneys and in 1991 she was a recipient of the Distinguished Faculty Award.

As a graduate of Catonsville Senior High, Indiana University, and Indiana University School of Law she has made her alma maters proud. Mrs. O'Connor has set the standard extremely high and leaves big shoes to fill. Confidently, I can say that she is the best in this field and Baltimore County was lucky to have her for so long.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join with me today to salute State's Attorney for Baltimore County, Sandra O'Connor, for a remarkable job. She will always be remembered for raising the bar and setting the precedent for future Baltimore County State's Attorneys.

IN HONOR OF SEYMOUR ROBINSON, MAY 24, 1916—SEPTEMBER 13, 2006

HON. XAVIER BECERRA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 28, 2006

Mr. BECERRA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Mr. Seymour Robinson, a passionate advocate, a loving family man, and a good friend who passed away on Wednesday, September 13, 2006. Family and friends will be gathering for a memorial service on October 1 in Los Angeles to honor Seymour's long and full life, which was marked by a remarkable family, dedicated community service, and incredible friendships.

When an email came through from "SEYNITA@aol.com," you always knew you were in for a treat. Seymour reached out to so many of us on so many days—with emails containing an interesting article, a good joke, a personal observation, or a call to action. His email distribution list included members of Congress, community and business leaders, neighbors, friends, and just about anyone who was willing to sign up. So when the message arrived not long ago from SEYNITA@aol.com with the subject line "Seymour Robinson memorial service," everyone from our Nation's

leaders to faraway friends stopped in our tracks. Even when our loved ones and friends reach the amazing age of 90, we are still unprepared and deeply struck by their deaths. We come to rely on them to always be there, so that they might bestow upon us the strength and wisdom that we both need and appreciate.

Seymour brought contagious energy and vigor to his life's activities. A tireless advocate who was always there to roll up his sleeves and fight, Seymour fought as a labor organizer for living wages, as a community organizer for racial integration and harmony, and as a political coordinator for AARP/Vote. While serving on the Mayor's Advisory Committee, he helped former Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan govern better. During my tenure here in this body, he has helped me serve the interests of our seniors better through his AARP/Vote advocacy.

And a special note about Seymour's service to our country during World War II.

Seymour received the Croix de Guerre for his contributions during the D-Day invasion and the liberation of Paris. Our country owes a debt of gratitude to veterans like Seymour who fought on the battlefields of yesteryear for the freedoms we hold today.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to his beloved wife of 60 years, Anita Robinson; children: David, Lorraine, and Billy Robinson; and his granddaughters: Rachel and Mara Woods-Robinson. Rarely do partnerships like Anita and Seymour's achieve the depth of commitment they had. To see Seymour light up when sharing a story about their travels was to see a man so passionately in love with his wife and so proud and content with their life together.

Mr. Speaker, it is with heart-felt sorrow, yet great pride and admiration that I ask my colleagues to join me today in saluting Seymour Robinson. And though we are all comforted knowing that Seymour rests in peace, we also know that we have marching orders and must continue fighting for social justice in his honor.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT ENHANCEMENTS ACT OF 2006

SPEECH OF

HON. MAXINE WATERS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 27, 2006

Ms. WATERS. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 6062, "the Community Development Enhancements Act of 2006." I want to thank Mr. FRANK for sponsoring this bill, and our distinguished Chairman Mr. OXLEY, who is an original sponsor of the bill. The bill will enhance the community development investments made by financial institutions.

The bill has two major provisions. One provision would increase the amount of investments that a financial institution can make for community development from 10 percent to 15 percent. This increase in the amount that banks can invest in such activities will enable the banks to invest more of its resources in investments that will directly benefit communities and low and moderate income persons.

Another provision directs portions of the investments made by the financial institutions to