

the top of the Billboard Contemporary Jazz charts. The follow-up album, *Between the Sheets*, reached number one, earned gold status, and was nominated for a Grammy in 1993. The band went three-for-three in 1995 with its third release, *Elixir*, which also hit number one and stayed on the charts for more than a year and a half. And, as if to save time, its fourth album, *4*, entered the charts at number one.

The magic of Fourplay is based on the interactions between keyboardist Bob James, bassist Nathan East, guitarist Larry Carlton, and drummer Harvey Mason, each a pop music icon in his own right.

Now in heavy rotation at radio throughout the country, Fourplay X, the supergroup's landmark tenth album, entered the Billboard Jazz Charts at the number one position and has remained No.1 for five weeks.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that it is incumbent on this body to recognize the accomplishments of Fourplay. The group's phenomenal success makes them most worthy of our recognition today.

VETERANS' MEMORIALS, BOY  
SCOUTS, PUBLIC SEALS, AND  
OTHER PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS OF  
RELIGION PROTECTION ACT OF  
2006

SPEECH OF

**HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 26, 2006*

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in opposition to H.R. 2679, the "Public Expression of Religion Act." This legislation would eliminate awarding attorney's fees to individuals who win lawsuits under the Establishment Clause of the Constitution. While the proponents argue that the bill would protect public officials from lawsuits, what the bill will actually do is deny citizens from exercising their freedom of religion.

Without the ability to recoup legal fees, the costs to bring a lawsuit against a defendant would be too high for most people to afford. This body should not be enacting legislation to deny Americans their day in court.

H.R. 2679 is opposed by groups including the American Civil Liberties Union, the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, and the American Jewish Committee.

I urge my colleagues to vote "no."

HONORING DAN SHANNON OF  
LAGRANGE, IL

**HON. DANIEL LIPINSKI**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 28, 2006*

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dan Shannon, an exceptional citizen of the Third Congressional District of Illinois and founder of Operation Homelink. Operation Homelink seeks to establish a communication link between deployed military personnel and their families. The program not only serves as a means of contact for troops and their families, but as a strong show of support for American soldiers stationed overseas.

Operation Homelink enables communication and encouragement by providing free refurbished computers to both deployed military units and their spouses or parents. Troops on the field then have the ability to e-mail their loved ones updates, while loved ones have the ability to relate local news and send their best regards. This excellent program truly makes a difference in the lives of our soldiers, as well as their families and friends.

I ask my colleagues to rise with me to acknowledge Dan Shannon for his highly successful and significant program that supports our armed forces. Dan shows all citizens the importance of becoming involved to support our troops and how one idea can touch the lives of so many people. I commend him for his continued efforts and unyielding determination.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JIM KOLBE**

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 28, 2006*

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 483, my vote was not recorded.

Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

MILITARY COMMISSIONS ACT OF  
2006

SPEECH OF

**HON. BOB ETHERIDGE**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 27, 2006*

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to speak on this legislation to establish military tribunals for terrorist suspects.

This legislation was made necessary by a U.S. Supreme Court decision in June in the case of *Hamdan v. Rumsfeld*, in which the court ruled that the military commissions created by the Bush administration violated both U.S. and international law. This important legislation is necessary to create a lawful framework in order to bring to trial such terrorist suspects as Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, the alleged mastermind of the 9/11/01 terrorist attacks on America. Without passage of this legislation, the United States will have no legal means to bring to justice those who have participated in the most heinous acts of terrorism against our country.

I agree with my Democratic colleagues who rightfully argued we should have been allowed to consider substantive changes to the bill such as those contained in the Skelton motion to recommit, which I voted for. The Skelton language would have provided for expedited consideration of the statute's constitutionality and required the statute to be renewed in three years, but unfortunately, the Skelton motion failed to pass. Although the Republican Majority would not allow consideration of proposed Democratic amendments, it is important to note the significant and substantive changes that have been made to the bill to correct the serious flaws of the original White House proposal.

Specifically, the bill would replace the White House's denial of habeas corpus rights with a

process known as combatant status review in which detainees may challenge their detention within the confines of the military commission system. In addition, the manager's amendment assures the prohibition of cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment, codified in the Detainee Treatment Act (Pub. L. 109-163, P.L. 109-148). It also clarifies that defendants will be able to examine and respond to redacted classified evidence being used against them.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 6166 is not a perfect bill, but I will vote for it so the United States can move forward with prosecuting terrorist suspects in a manner consistent with our values in a fair and just system.

A TRIBUTE TO STUART PYLE

**HON. JIM COSTA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 28, 2006*

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Mr. Stuart Pyle of Bakersfield, California. Mr. Pyle was an exemplary advocate for effective water policy primarily in California's San Joaquin Valley.

As a past manager of the Kern County Water Agency, Stuart is remembered by all who knew him for his love and dedication to his family, his commendable service to the community, and his success in managing the second largest water contractor in the State of California.

Mr. Pyle was born in 1925 in Napa, California. He spent most of his adolescent years with his five siblings in Tahoe City and Auburn, California. As a Naval Officer during World War II, Mr. Pyle earned a degree in civil engineering in only three years. Following the war, he began his career in water as a developer of dams and canals for the California Department of Water Resources. As his career in water was established, he met his wife Virginia and married her in 1950.

In 1967, the Pyle family moved to Pakistan, where Stuart worked as a project manager for water systems for three years. When the Pakistani Civil War broke out they were forced to move back to the United States. Upon his arrival to the states, Stuart was hired as the manager of National Water Issues for the Federal Government in Washington DC. After three years in DC, he was offered a job as manager of the Kern County Water Agency. Stuart spent the next 17 years of his life dedicated to advancing water policy in Kern County.

Throughout his life Mr. Pyle was extremely involved in his community. He served on the National Academies of Science, was a Member of the Rotary Club, and was an active supporter of the Bakersfield Assistant League. Even while enjoying retirement, he was active in the United States Committee on Irrigation and Drainage. In addition to being a life long advocate of water policy, he was also a dedicated member of the Christian Science Church where he was a reader on the Board of Directors.

Mr. Pyle is survived by his beloved wife of 56 years Virginia, their five children; Linda, Jennifer, Stuart, Marianna, and Tom, and his nine grandchildren.

Stuart Pyle led a happy life full of love and adventure. His professional achievements will

leave an eternal legacy for his family and community.

IN HONOR OF LANCE CORPORAL  
CLEVE KINSEY

**HON. JO BONNER**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 28, 2006*

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Marine Lance Corporal Cleve Kinsey, who was wounded in Ramadi, Iraq, earlier this year.

Cleve, a native of Foley, Alabama, and a member of the Marines' 3rd Battalion, 8th Regiment, was injured on April 1, when an improvised explosive device was detonated next to the Humvee in which he was riding. Sustaining serious injuries to his left leg, Cleve faced the very real threat of losing his leg. After undergoing at least 12 surgeries, which included having muscle tissue transplanted from his back to his leg, his leg was saved.

A member of Foley High School's track and football teams, Cleve joined the Marines upon graduation. Throughout his career with the Marines, Cleve has set a standard of excellence and displayed the qualities of discipline, devotion, and dedication to country that are the hallmarks of men and women throughout the long and distinguished history of the American military.

Mr. Speaker, I am happy to note that Cleve returned home last month. I urge my colleagues to take a moment to pay tribute to Marine Lance Corporal Cleve Kinsey and his selfless devotion not only to our country and the freedom we enjoy, but to a people who are in the infant stages of a new life—a new freedom—in their own land.

I ask my colleagues to join with me in recognizing a true hero. I know Cleve's parents, Jimmy and Penny, his brothers, Matthew and Christopher, his sister April, and his many friends join with me in praising his accomplishments and extending heartfelt thanks for his selfless efforts on behalf of a grateful Nation.

CONGRATULATIONS TO POINT  
COMFORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**HON. RON PAUL**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 28, 2006*

Mr. PAUL. Mr. Speaker, Point Comfort Elementary School, of the Calhoun County Independent School District, is among the 26 Texas schools that have recently received the Department of Education's prestigious Blue Ribbon Schools award.

The No Child Left Behind-Blue Ribbon Schools Program recognizes outstanding public and private schools that are either academically superior or have demonstrated dramatic and consistent gains in student achievement. The Department of Education selects Blue Ribbon Schools based on nominations submitted by the states. My colleagues may be interested to know that every school nominated by Texas received a Blue Ribbon Schools award.

Schools can be nominated for a Blue Ribbon Schools Award if at least forty percent of

their disadvantaged students show dramatic improvement over three years on state tests in reading or English language arts and mathematics. Schools whose student bodies rank in the top ten percent on state tests in reading or English language arts and mathematics may also be nominated for a Blue Ribbon Schools Award.

In addition to these two criteria, Blue Ribbon Schools must meet Adequate Yearly Progress requirements in reading or English language arts and mathematics, must not have been identified as a "Persistently Dangerous" school within the last two years, and must comply with other Department of Education requirements.

Point Comfort's designation as a Blue Ribbon School is a tribute to the schools' teachers, administrators, and other employees' dedication to providing students with a quality education. It also is a reflection of the students and parents' commitment to the pursuit of educational excellence. I am therefore pleased to offer my congratulations to Point Comfort Elementary School for being one of the 26 Texas schools designated as Blue Ribbon Schools by the Department of Education.

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF  
JOSEPH PIZZORNO, JR.

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 28, 2006*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize and celebrate the contributions of Joseph Pizzorno, Jr., N.D. Dr. Pizzorno is a pioneer in naturopathy, the founder of Bastyr University, author of several books, and acclaimed by various health organizations.

Dr. Pizzorno has illuminated the field of naturopathy, or treatment by natural, holistic methods, in the modern world of medicine. He has founded Bastyr University, a multidisciplinary accredited school in natural health sciences; where he served as president for 22 years followed by serving as president emeritus, senior advisor to the president, member of the Board of Trustees, and a professor, until his recently announced retirement. Dr. Pizzorno was appointed by President Clinton to the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy and by President George W. Bush to the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee. He has also served on the Seattle/King County Board of Health, founding board of directors of the American Herbal Pharmacopoeia, the Scientific Review Board of the Cancer Treatment Research Foundation, chair of the American Public Health Association, and vice chair of the Institute for Functional Medicine Board of Directors. Dr. Pizzorno is an accomplished author having written several acclaimed books and is the founding editor of Integrative Medicine: A Clinicians Journal. In 2001, Dr. Pizzorno founded SaluGenecists. Inc. to develop artificial intelligence-aided advice systems to provide smart, personalized health promotion, and self-care guidance for the public and practitioners.

Dr. Pizzorno was recognized as a "Pioneer in Holistic Medicine" by the American Holistic Medical Association; awarded "Naturopathic Physician of the Year" by the American Asso-

ciation of Naturopathic Physicians; granted the "Founder's Award for Pioneering Complementary and Alternative Medicine" by the National Foundation for Alternative Medicine; and declared "Humanitarian of the Year" by the Cancer Treatment Centers of America.

Mr. Speaker and my fellow colleagues, today I ask you to join me in commending the actions of the noble Dr. Joseph Pizzorno, Jr. His dedication to the medical community has improved the medical field for everyone and his doctrines are certain to endure.

TRIBUTE TO THE JAZZ GREAT,  
NATHAN EAST

**HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 28, 2006*

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the renowned jazz musician, Nathan East, a distinguished member of the music industry. It behooves us to pay tribute to this outstanding artist and I hope my colleagues will join me in recognizing his impressive accomplishments.

Born one of seven children to Thomas and Gwendolyn East on December 8, 1955, in Philadelphia, PA, Nathan East and his family moved to San Diego, CA, when he was 4 years old to accommodate his father's aerodynamic engineering position at General Dynamics. As a child, East would peck out familiar melodies on the family piano. Music filled the home as his sister Cecilia practiced the French horn and their sister Gertrude played the flute. When Nathan was in the seventh grade, he began playing cello in the junior high school orchestra. At age 14, he switched to bass guitar, inspired by his older brother David's mastery of the guitar. He began playing for local church groups and folk masses with his brothers.

East played along with the recordings of jazz bassists Ray Brown, Ron Carter, Charles Mingus, Buster Williams, Scott LaFaro, Motown's James Jamerson, James Brown, Sly Stone with Larry Graham, Cream, and horn bands like Chicago, Tower of Power and Blood, Sweat & Tears as they came over the radio or out of his record player. The young bassist began playing in his high school's jazz ensemble, marching band, choir, chorus, and pep band, as well as local Top 40 bands. He also listened to Wes Montgomery, Quincy Jones, Cannonball Adderley, Herbie Hancock, Wayne Shorter, George Benson, Bob James, Harvey Mason, Lee Ritenour, Jimi Hendrix, Santana, session bassist Chuck Rainey, Earth, Wind & Fire's Verdine White, and Francis Rocco Prestia.

East's breakthrough came while he was a member of a band named Power. They were hired as the house band for a Stax revue. The recognition brought the attention of Barry White, who hired the entire band for a national tour. Still a teenager, East became a member of the Love Unlimited Orchestra ("Love's Theme") playing The Apollo Theater, Madison Square Garden, Kennedy Center and other major U.S. venues. East earned a bachelor of arts degree in Music from University of California at San Diego. He began work on a master's degree when instructor Bertram Turetzky suggested that he already had