Parke-Davis research recruited Dr. Weston to work on the Salk project because of her experience with microscopes and the nervous system. During the interview process Dr. Weston broke down several barriers for women— Parke-Davis agreed to pay her what it was paying other MD's working for them, far more than the salary they usually paid women at the time, and following the interview she was the first woman to ever lunch in the company's executive dining room.

As Parke-Davis began to produce the Salk polio vaccine on a large scale, Dr. Kathleen Weston directed infectious control tests of the vaccine to certify no live virus was present. She went on to become head of the Parke-Davis toxicology laboratory in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Dr. Weston considers her three years working on the Salk polio vaccine as her top scientific achievement.

Following Parke-Davis, Dr. Weston continued her work in toxicology at Burroughs-Welcome in New York and as a consultant for government agencies including the National Institute of Health and the Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C. While in Washington, D.C. she also taught at George Washington University Medical School.

Dr. Weston continued to work as a consulting toxicologist until 1997. Today she is still an active reader and is currently assisting the Kenton Historical Society with their research.

Madam Speaker, Dr. Kathleen Weston has spent her life as a leader in toxicology research and as a trailblazer for women entering the medical profession. Her work with the Salk polio vaccine helped save countless lives around the world. I ask Madam Speaker, that you and the entire U.S. House of Representatives join me in honoring Dr. Kathleen Weston on the important work she has accomplished in the field of prescription drug toxicology and in her work to help record the history of her hometown of Kenton.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING ANDY ALLENSWORTH FOR WIN-NING THE BOYS' DIVISION III STATE BASEBALL CHAMPION-SHIP

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 29, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Andy Allensworth showed hard work and dedication to the sport of baseball; and

Whereas, Andy Allensworth was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Andy Allensworth always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the field; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Andy Allensworth on winning the Boys' Division III State Baseball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship he has demonstrated during the 2008–2009 baseball season.

HONORING CHARLES MYATT UPON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 29, 2009

Mr. GORDON of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Charles Myatt who is retiring from First Tennessee bank after a 40 year career.

In 1969, Charlie graduated from Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro with a bachelor's degree in Marketing. He began his banking career with First Tennessee in Chattanooga, and his talent and understanding of business were quickly recognized. Over the course of his 19 years in Chattanooga, he was promoted to numerous leadership positions, including senior vice president and manager of the branch division, as well as senior vice president and manager of the east region of Chattanooga's correspondent division.

Charlie returned to Murfreesboro in 1988 to become First Tennessee's Rutherford County Regional President. During his 21 year tenure as Regional President, Charlie more than tripled the number of First Tennessee banking centers from three to ten locations in Rutherford County.

Throughout his career, Charlie proved to not only be an excellent banker but also a dedicated community leader. Charlie is an active member, deacon, and past chairman of the budget and finance committee at First Baptist Church in Murfreesboro. He has maintained a constant connection with MTSU, serving on numerous boards and committees, and he has been recognized as an MTSU "Distinguished Alumnus."

Charlie has also served as President of the Boys and Girls Club of Rutherford County, Chairman of the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce, and Chairman of the Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Commission.

The many awards and distinctions Charlie has received highlight his successful career, including the Daily News Journal—SunTrust Bank "Humanitarian of the Year" and the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce "Business Person of the Year."

Charlie, I hope you enjoy a long and happy retirement with your wife, Judy, as well as your children and grandchildren.

> HONORING FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CARROLLTON

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 29, 2009

Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the First Baptist Church of Carrollton, Texas. The church is celebrating its 100th anniversary, and I would like to take a moment to speak about the history of the church and its past and present contributions to our community.

Established in 1909 by thirteen people, the First Baptist Church began its history at a missionary tent revival. The church conducted their services within the same tent of its establishment and at the home of one of its founders. On January 12, 1910, the church moved their services to an old bank building. Months following the move to the bank, the Baptist Ladies Aid Society graciously donated land to the church where the tabernacle was built. Over the next forty years, the tabernacle underwent building additions and extensive renovations to include a nursery, an education building, and parsonages.

In 1952, with guidance from Reverend Thomas B. Guinn, the church began building a larger education building south of the sanctuary. In 1955, the services were moved to the education building, and in 1957 a special auditorium was added to the building to hold the services. Twenty-nine years later the congregation would move again.

On Easter Sunday, March 30, 1986, the present-day sanctuary was opened to the public, and on this day, 2,655 people came to celebrate it. As for the former church location, it was decided the building would be transformed into the International Missions Center. The center has hosted five missionary companies which have worked in Latin countries, Korea, Vietnam, Cambodia, and Africa.

Today, the congregation has grown to have 4,500 members, and it continues to grow. With such a large congregation, the First Baptist Church has become a cornerstone of the community. The church involves itself in charity events and community programs. Under the leadership of Dr. Brent Taylor, the pastor since 1999, the church has continued programs such as the Bus Ministry which provides transportation to children and teenagers who are unable to attend service and the Friendship House which provides food, clothes, and Christmas gifts for families in need.

I am honored to represent the First Baptist Church of Carrollton and I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the congregation upon their 100th anniversary.

IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF MAJOR ROCCO M. BARNES

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 29, 2009

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, Major Barnes grew up in North Olmsted and graduated from North Olmsted High School. Shortly thereafter, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, and became part of the Army's Special Forces HALO detachment. He was trained as a Special Forces Medical Sergeant, Parachutist and Infantry Officer. Following his service in the Army, he joined the Army National Guard. Major Barnes' service in the military totaled thirty-one years; during which he served two tours in Iraq and two tours in Afghanistan.

Along the way, Major Barnes earned a Bachelor's degree in English Literature. In addition to his military service, his love for books and writing led him to a civilian career in the entertainment industry in California, where he became a playwright and screenplay writer. Additionally, he utilized his military experience within the private security sector; Major Barnes was the Director of West Coast Operations for Vance International.

Throughout his service in the military, Major Barnes consistently exemplified bravery, compassion and he often and readily offered his assistance to anyone in need, without regard to his own sacrifice. Major Barnes served as a father figure, guide and mentor to numerous young military recruits, and was like an uncle to the children of close friends. For many years, Major Barnes sponsored a child from Indonesia, sending money and letters of encouragement on a regular basis. Recently, Major Barnes was part of a successful effort to save the life a severely injured child in Afghanistan.

His compassion, unwavering integrity and professional excellence are documented in the numerous military commendations he received, including the California Medal of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Humanitarian Service Award, Armed Forces Reserve Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Service Award.

Major Barnes is survived by his mother, Grace Barnes-Filo; his father, Harold Barnes; his sisters, Therese Rose Barnes, Jennifer Barnes, and Julie Keating; And, his nephew Timothy and niece, McKenzie. I also extend my condolences to his extended family members and many close friends.

Madam Speaker, and colleagues, please join me in honor and remembrance of Major Rocco Martin Barnes, whose heroic actions, kindness, generous spirit and love for those closest to him will be remembered always. Major Barnes was a courageous United States soldier, and an exceptional human being. His life, gone too soon, was framed by his great love for family, friends and country. The significant sacrifice, service, courage that defined the life of Major Barnes will be honored and remembered by the entire Cleveland community, and our Country.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING BILL RUEGSEGGER FOR WINNING THE BOYS' DIVISION III STATE BASE-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 29, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Bill Ruegsegger showed hard work and dedication to the sport of baseball; and

Whereas, Bill Ruegsegger was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Bill Ruegsegger always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the field; now, therefore, be it

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TRIBUTE TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA R.C. CHURCH

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 29, 2009

Mr. PASCRELL. Madam Speaker, I would like to call to your attention the work of an out-

standing religious institution, St. Anthony of Padua R.C. Church in Paterson, New Jersey, which is celebrating its 100th Anniversary of dedicated service to its parishioners, and by extension, the greater community.

It is only fitting that St. Anthony of Padua R.C. Church Parish be honored in this, the permanent record of the greatest democracy ever known, for the spiritual home it has provided to American families, especially those just embarking on their path to the American dream, and the dedication to the entire community that helps keep this deeply rooted parish family growing towards the future.

On December 8, 1909, the feast of the Immaculate Conception, Salesian Father John Focacci, founding pastor, celebrated the first Mass in a small wooden building on Beech Street, Paterson. The parish was then called Saint Anthony of Padua Mission Church. From this humble beginning, Saint Anthony's ministered to the needs of a growing Italian immigrant population in the Sandy Hill section. Over the years, Saint Anthony's developed into a modern ecclesiastical and educational complex, the result of many sacrifices, hard work and dedication of its loyal parishioners.

Marking its 100th anniversary, Saint Anthony's finds itself once again tending to the spiritual and material needs of immigrants, this time from the Caribbean and Central and South America, seeking to realize the American Dream, parish services now echo English, Italian, and Hispanic voices, and trilingual choirs enrich the festive liturgies.

The parish has built its tradition by giving its parishioners spiritual roots in their neighborhood, providing a deep sense of community to those who have grown in the Church, receiving their sacraments there, as well as welcoming newcomers to the surrounding area. The St. Bonaventure's parish family has expanded throughout the years to include many parishioners who have moved out of the neighborhood, but return with their families to worship at the parish. I am certain that St. Anthony of Padua R.C. Church will continue to thrive and enrich not only those who worship there but so many others in need throughout the area.

The Salesian Fathers have withdrawn from the parish after more than a century of service. St. Anthony School closed its doors after 85 years as an educational Mecca to the neighborhood. Diocesan clergy now serve for the first time. Maintaining the parish's physical plant, especially the beauty of the House of God, is a constant financial concern. Despite these challenges, Saint Anthony's continues undeterred in its mission, facing the uncertain future with hope and confidence in the parish and their faith. St. Anthony's remains a living monument to those who came before and those who are still here.

The job of a United States Congressman involves much that is rewarding, yet nothing compares to learning about and recognizing the efforts of wonderful, thriving communities like St. Anthony of Padua R.C. Church Parish.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you join all of the parishioners and clergy of St. Anthony of Padua R.C. Church Parish, all those whose faith has been enriched throughout the years, and me in recognizing the outstanding contributions of St. Anthony of Padua R.C. Church Parish to the church community and beyond. HALL OF FAMER HAL MCCOY LEAVES THE PRESS BOX

HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER

OF OHIO IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 29, 2009

Mr. TURNER. Madam Speaker, as the Cincinnati Reds wind down their 2009 season, many in Dayton and southwest Ohio are feeling a sense of loss for the departure of the Reds' best known sports writer, Hal McCoy, who retires next week.

To call Hal McCoy an institution in sports journalism is somehow not giving him due credit. Hal McCoy is the Reds to the readers of the Dayton Daily News. He's been on the Reds' beat for 37 years—longer than any other sports reporter following a single team.

His "Real McCoy" blog on the Dayton Daily News site notes "McCoy has covered more than 7,000 major-league baseball games, written close to 18,000 baseball stories and eaten enough hot dogs to give Babe Ruth indigestion."

An honors graduate from Kent State University's School of Journalism, Hal McCoy has 43 Ohio and national writing awards. Most appropriately, he is also a member of the writer's wing of the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY.

Hal McCoy's retirement comes as the Dayton Daily News ceases its special reporting on the Cincinnati Reds due to budget limitations. As McCoy put it, "I'll finish the season covering the Reds and baseball, the last hurrah, then say my final goodbyes. They're putting me out to pasture. I only wish it was center field."

While he notes retirement is not something he looks forward to, Hal McCoy admits he may still do some writing for the Dayton Daily News. We hope so. Good luck and thanks for everything, Hal.

HONORING STANLEY L. STRAUGHTER

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 29, 2009

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor my friend Stanley L. Straughter, Chairman of the Mayor's Commission on African and Caribbean Immigrant Affairs. Throughout his thirty year career, Stanley has been dedicated to the cause of international development and the betterment of those living in his community.

Having lived and worked in various places around the world, including Africa, Asia, Russia, and the Caribbean, Stanley has a long history of working with foreign nations to promote economic development. Stanley has worked with foreign governments on transparency and financial issues, trade policy, and foreign direct investment. Among his many roles, Stanley serves as an advisor to the World Conference of Mayors, as Senior Finance Advisor to Niger and Togo, and as a Senior Advisor to the African Development Bank.

In addition to Stanley's exceptional work in international development, he is also a committed member of other groups and organizations. Stanley is a member of various national