

IN HONOR OF VERA HALL

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 31, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Vera Hall on the occasion of her 90th birthday. Vera is an exceptional individual and a longtime citizen-activist.

Vera was born and raised on a farm in Austinburg, Ohio. From an early age, she was interested not only in organic gardening, but also in politics and the arts; she especially enjoys attending performances of the Cleveland Orchestra. She graduated from Austinburg High School in 1939 and went on to attend The Ohio State University for two years, before U.S. involvement in World War I granted her the opportunity to go to radio school. She worked as a radio operator for 18 years. She also worked as a teletype operator in the airline industry, and eventually became a supervisor. She was actively involved in the Communication Workers of America, and served as its treasurer.

Vera has also actively fought for social justice issues for many years. During the Vietnam War, she joined Women Speak Out for Peace and Justice, and served as their treasurer for 25 years. Her peace activism continues to this day; every weekend, she goes to the West Side Market to demonstrate against war. She is also active in the Single-Payer Action Network, the Western Reserve Alliance, Women for Racial and Economic Equality, United Farm Workers, and the Cleveland Indoor Garden Society. Vera is a proud single mother, a lover of music and the arts, and an avid traveler.

Mr. Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honor of Vera Hall on her 90th Birthday. I extend my warm wishes to her on this special day.

HONORING THE CONGRESSIONAL
BLACK CAUCUS**HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON**

OF TEXAS

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Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 40th Anniversary of the Congressional Black Caucus.

What began forty years ago as a formation of 13 Members who set out to fight racial injustice has now grown nearly 3 times with 43 Members of the Congressional Black Caucus. The Caucus is a stalwart political force within the United States Congress. It is unfortunate that we yet remain in the struggle for the fight for social, educational, economic/financial, and health equality.

As an active member of the Caucus for nearly 2 decades, it is a pleasure to work among those who are the voice for our most vulnerable populations. Our Congressional Districts know no boundaries and for many of us, we are the Congressional Representatives for minorities who, otherwise, would not have representation on issues of importance to them and their families. It is no secret that what gives soul to these United States is our

unique ability to seamlessly blend many cultures into one; and we do so respectfully. However, there are miles to go. Until we get there, we will continue to fight for the least among us on critical issues that impact minority communities.

Four decades as the conscience of the Congress was and still remains the reason we have stood the test of time. It is an honor to serve.

HONORING GARY MILLER OF AN-
NANDALE, MINNESOTA ON HIS
RETIREMENT AS SHERIFF OF
WRIGHT COUNTY**HON. MICHELE BACHMANN**

OF MINNESOTA

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Mrs. BACHMANN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and thank Sheriff Gary Miller of Annandale for more than 30 years of service in law enforcement to Wright County, Minnesota. From his beginnings as a part time deputy in 1975, to his ten years as Sheriff of one of the largest law enforcement agencies in Minnesota, Sheriff Miller was a dedicated public servant whose contributions to his department and to Wright County cannot be measured.

While Wright County was growing rapidly, the Sheriff's department grew along with it, and Gary spent time in nearly every role as he rose through the ranks. The deputies under his leadership respected both him and his servant attitude. Sheriff Miller made a point to be a positive presence for the citizens he served and he was a familiar face in every city of Wright County.

During his term as Sheriff, Gary addressed a devastating growth in methamphetamine use helping to bring the number of methamphetamine labs in the county down to a near zero. Sheriff Miller also was known for his good fiscal management of the department, especially in recent years when the economy required lean management. One step towards this involved combining efforts with two other counties to create a state-of-the-art forensics lab that allows for quick and efficient processing of forensic evidence. In 2009, Sheriff Miller opened up a new law enforcement center and jail, a process that started only a year before he was first elected to Sheriff. That sense of completion is what led him to think about retirement, and his time as the county's highest law officer came to an end on January 3rd, 2011.

Like many counties across our Nation, the Sheriff's office in Wright County stands for justice and peace and we are grateful for all that they do to protect our families and neighborhoods. I ask this body, along with the Speaker of the House, to join with me in thanking Sheriff Gary Miller for his dedication to the Sheriff's department and to Wright County, Minnesota.

IN RECOGNITION OF CARL D.
GLICKMAN**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

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Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize the achievements of philan-

thropist and civil leader Carl D. Glickman who will be receiving Notre Dame College's highest honor, the 2011 Notre Dame College Medal on Saturday April 2. The medal is awarded to an alumnus, friend of the College, or civic leader in the Greater Cleveland community who exemplifies the values of Notre Dame College by demonstrating personal, professional, and global responsibility through their community service.

Glickman and his late wife Barbara have donated millions of dollars to scholarship funds and healthcare institutions. Recently, the Cleveland Clinic Foundation opened the Glickman Urological Institute, named for Carl and Barbara Glickman. Together with fellow Notre Dame College Medal recipient Samuel H. Miller, Glickman founded and contributed millions of dollars to the Cleveland State University Moses Cleaveland Scholarship Fund. He has also donated generously to Cleveland Central Catholic High School and the Diocese of Cleveland.

Carl Glickman has been president of The Glickman Organization, a real estate development and management firm, since 1953. He was formerly the Director of the Cleveland Port Authority. In the 1960s, Glickman served the City of Cleveland as a member of the Mayor's Committee on Urban Renewal and the Mayor's Task Force on Higher Education. Over the years, has served as chairman of several banks and medical facilities and on many boards in the Greater Cleveland community. Currently, he serves as trustee emeritus for the real estate investment firm Lexington Realty Trust and is on the board of directors of Bear Stearns Companies and John Carroll University.

Dr. Andrew P. Roth, president of Notre Dame College recently said that Glickman's "generosity to the health, welfare and education of all citizens of Cleveland deserves our utmost respect. He embodies the values of Notre Dame College and its founding Sisters by demonstrating relentless dedication to the community. We are honored to present the Notre Dame College Medal to this great benefactor of our city."

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, it is my privilege to bring to your attention this recognition to one of Northeast Ohio's great citizens, Carl Glickman, as he receives this high honor from Notre Dame College.

CONGRATULATING THE STERLING
HEIGHTS REGIONAL CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
ON THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY**HON. SANDER M. LEVIN**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Sterling Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce & Industry in recognition of their 50th anniversary.

Beginning in 1961 as a small, localized Chamber, the Sterling Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce & Industry has grown over the last 50 years to become a leading business organization in Macomb County with more than 1,600 members and sixth-largest in the State of Michigan.

The organization started out as the "Greater Utica Chamber of Commerce," becoming the