

funding for one of the pre-eminent art museums in the Memphis area, the Brooks Museum, where he is memorialized on their wall for his efforts.

Governor McWherter continued his support for education by budgeting money for the University of Memphis to construct a new campus library that provides state-of-the-art access to information technology and is fully accessible to the disabled. In honor of his dedication to their project, the University of Memphis named the library the Ned R. McWherter Library.

During and after his tenure, Governor McWherter served as a confidant to Presidents Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton. President Carter noted how McWherter was "one of the most effective and finest public servants" he had ever known. President Clinton remembered how Gov. McWherter had a way of calming him down when he was excited and how McWherter's "few blunt words" were invaluable to him while he was in the White House. I remember how McWherter had a way of calming anyone down by simply telling them to "ease along."

Governor Ned McWherter will be remembered for his hard work, his dedication to Tennessee, his many accomplishments and for his down-to-earth nature and ability to connect to with the people he served. He had a charm like no other governor Tennessee has seen. He was blunt and never shied away from the real tasks at hand. He had a witty sense of humor coupled with his own folksy sayings. On the campaign trail, he often joked that all he would need to start the day as Governor was "four vanilla wafers and a cup of coffee."

Governor Ned Ray McWherter passed away on April 4, 2011 at the age of 80. He will be missed by his family and friends as well as the many working and middle class Tennesseans he strove to serve and help. He is survived by his son, Michael Ray McWherter; his daughter-in-law, Mary Jane Wooten McWherter; two grandchildren, Walker Ray McWherter and Mary Bess McWherter; a stepdaughter, Linda Ramsey; and two step-grandchildren, Matthew Ramsey and Brett Ramsey. He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Bette Jean Beck McWherter. Gov. McWherter was a great politician, leader, Tennessean and American. We are lucky to have had him come our way. His was a life well lived.

JASON SALAZAR

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 8, 2011

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jason Salazar for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Jason Salazar is a 12th grader at Warren Tech North and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jason Salazar is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jason Salazar for winning the Arvada Wheat

Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all his future accomplishments.

ON THE OCCASION OF CONGREGATION B'NAI MOSHE'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY SERVING THE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN

HON. GARY C. PETERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 8, 2011

Mr. PETERS. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to rise today to recognize Congregation B'nai Moshe on the occasion of its 100th anniversary of service to the Jewish community of southeast Michigan.

The history of Congregation B'nai Moshe is an excellent example and chapter of the American story. The congregation was founded on September 2, 1911, by nine Hungarian immigrants who came to America to seek new opportunities and to freely practice their beliefs. An integral part of their journey was to form a congregation that allowed them and the 25–30 Hungarian-Jewish families of Detroit to fully practice their traditions and customs. In 1915, after just 4 short years, the Congregation was able to purchase its first shul on Elliot Street near Hastings which served as a house for worship to over 70 families.

Much as America met the call to face unparalleled challenges of the 1930s and 1940s, so did Congregation B'nai Moshe. Shortly after moving to its new home in the Dexter building in 1929, the congregation was faced with the challenge of overcoming the Great Depression. Not only did the congregation survive those economically tumultuous years, it prospered and by 1944 it had paid off the new synagogue's mortgage. Just as the country rose to answer the call to service during World War II, so did the members of B'nai Moshe. Many served in World War II and fought to protect our freedom and liberty.

As the Jewish community in southeast Michigan grew and evolved so did B'nai Moshe; first moving with its members to Oak Park and later to its current home in West Bloomfield. During this period, members of the congregation ensured that the story of the Jewish community in southeast Michigan would forever be set in stone, founding the beginnings of the Jewish Museum of Detroit. Since its arrival at its present location, the congregation has celebrated the construction of many new resources which have enriched the lives of both its members and the greater community.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Congregation B'nai Moshe with its members and it is my hope that the congregation, just as our great country, will continue to endure into the next 100 years and beyond.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHABAD OF PORT WASHINGTON

HON. GARY L. ACKERMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 8, 2011

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Chabad of Port Washington for 20 years of exceptional spiritual leadership and community, the Chabad has been an anchor of welcoming faith—a constant source of spiritual support for anyone who seeks it.

An "unorthodox Orthodox Synagogue," the Chabad of Port Washington's membership is a conglomeration of Jews from a wide array of ages, backgrounds, and levels of observance. This diverse membership creates a welcoming atmosphere rich in culture and accessible to every corner of the Jewish community. The Chabad's unrivaled religious and educational experiences provide a forum for individuals of disparate backgrounds to come together as a single, unified congregation.

The Chabad's mission focuses on bringing to life traditional Jewish values to promote spiritual growth in a way that is both enjoyable and easy to understand. It is dedicated to promoting wisdom, comprehension, and knowledge of Judaism to both the membership and the broader community. The Chabad provides not only classes focused on a deep and comprehensive understanding of the Torah, but educational opportunities for young Jews experiencing their first exposure to the joys of Hebrew School. This approach to education allows the Chabad to reach out to a broad swatch of Jews and create the best opportunities for spiritual growth.

Tonight, the Chabad celebrates its 20 years of good works and pays special tribute to some of the individuals who have made it possible. Adam Katz, the President of the Chabad's board of directors, will have a new athletic center dedicated in his honor. The celebration also will recognize John Maura, Jr. with the Community Service Award; Chaim (Bryan) Sherman and Dr. Orly Calderon-Sherman with the Community Builders Award; and Alan Schoenfeld with the Chesed Award. Without the contributions of these extraordinary individuals, as well as many others, the exceptional achievements of the Chabad would not be possible.

Mr. Speaker, since 1991, the Chabad of Port Washington has been working tirelessly to educate, enlighten, and support its local community. I am proud to recognize the extraordinary dedication and accomplishments of the Chabad and I ask my colleagues join me in thanks and gratitude for its two decades of tremendous work supporting the community and promoting Jewish faith.

JACOB CISNEROS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 8, 2011

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jacob Cisneros for receiving the Arvada Wheat