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RECLAMATION RECYCLING AND
WATER CONSERVATION ACT OF
1996

SPEECH OF

HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 4, 1996

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak in favor of H.R. 3660, the Reclamation Water Recycling and Conservation Act. This project will provide valuable financial assistance to much needed water-recycling projects in States and areas which are sorely in need of the water that will be provided.

My home State of Texas, along with several other Southwestern States, is currently experiencing a severe drought, and the money authorized in this bill will leverage the other 75 percent investment made by those communities. Of all the things we need to survive, water is the most important and an adequate supply of clean water is certainly a high priority for every community.

The projects in this bill will put the taxpayers' money to good use for a good cause, supporting 16 projects in Texas, California, Utah, and New Mexico. The reclamation and reuse of wastewater makes environmental sense and hopefully, as this method of water production takes on greater importance, everyone will understand that it costs less to prevent pollution than to clean it up later.

I strongly urge my colleagues to consider your own communities and vote in favor of this bill, which will help those who need it the most.

HONORING THE CARLOW COLLEGE
STUDENTS OF SPIRIT

HON. WILLIAM J. COYNE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 5, 1996

Mr. COYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor some very special women—the Carlow College Students of Spirit for the year 1995–96. Carlow College is a private Catholic college for women in Pittsburgh. The college has created a "Woman of Spirit" award to call attention to women in the Pittsburgh area who exemplify the college's ideals of competent and compassionate service in both their personal and professional lives. The college presents a Woman of Spirit award every month, and it holds a gala event each year to pay tribute to the previous year's recipients. This year, Carlow College began honoring a "Student of Spirit" each month as well. Each Student of Spirit has an excellent academic record and has been actively involved in her community life.

The first individual to receive the Student of Spirit award from Carlow College was Amy Hryckowian. Amy, a senior in early childhood

education and a 1992 graduate of Ambridge Area High School, is an active participant in Carlow College's student government and in many service projects. An advocate for women's issues, Amy attends college leadership conferences in the Pittsburgh area and in Washington, DC. Amy has contributed her active support to Pittsburgh's Central Blood Bank for 3 years, organizing the annual blood drives at Carlow College, and she was actively involved in the 1995 United Way campaign at Carlow College.

The Student of Spirit for November 1995 is a wife and a mother who has raised three children and provided care for two family members with disabling illnesses. Marian Beth Allen is a junior nursing student who returned to college to pursue a lifelong interest in nursing. Marian holds an undergraduate degree in biology and a master's degree in public health. She has been a teacher, a researcher, and a day care provider. Active in community service, Marian has facilitated activities for children, senior citizens, and young adult families as a member of her temple's Leadership Committee.

Originally from St. Croix in the Virgin Islands, Corinne Francis was honored as Carlow College's Student of Spirit for the month of December. A junior theology major, Corinne has been involved in student outreach projects and campus ministry throughout her college career. She has influenced other students to join her volunteer efforts with Pittsburgh's Sojourner House and Habitat for Humanity. Corinne supports herself at college by working in a nursing home while maintaining her place on the dean's list and in the honor student program at Carlow. Her dream is to develop a volunteer organization to improve community life.

English and writing major Margaret Horvath was selected as January's Student of Spirit. A 1992 graduate of West Mifflin Area High School, Margaret was recently inducted into the Alpha Psi chapter of Delta Epsilon Sigma, a national scholastic honor society. She exercised editorial leadership in the founding of Carlow's student news magazine and has been a contributor to Carlow College's literary anthology.

Ross Township resident and graduate of Winchester Thurston School in Shadyside, Beth Walter was named as the February Student of Spirit by Carlow College. Having entered Carlow College on a half-tuition academic scholarship in 1993, Walter has maintained dean's list standing for the past 3 years. A student of piano and ballet, she has been a dance and piano instructor for the elementary grades at Winchester Thurston School. Committed to the Carlow College ideal of lifelong learning, Walter plans to pursue a doctorate after finishing college.

The Student of Spirit for March 1996 was Patti Higgins, a graduate of Gladstone High School. A student of the Carlow Hill Program, Patti Higgins is also a clerk stenographer for the Allegheny County Health Department in the Division of Public Drinking Water and Waste Management. Believing strongly that children need a solid foundation in education touched with a sense of wonder to develop their minds, she has been active in parent groups and is a volunteer tutor and school librarian for elementary school children. A writing major with an avid interest in science, she is considering the possibility of teaching after graduation.

A lifelong resident of Dormont, Kelley Beeson, was named as the Student of Spirit for April 1996. Kelley is a 1992 graduate of Keystone Oaks High School and has made the dean's list for four semesters at Carlow College. Kelley is senior editor of Carlow College's literary anthology. She has also published poetry in national anthologies of the writings of college students. Last fall, she was officially invited to join the Madwomen in the Attic, Carlow College's program for women writers in the Pittsburgh area.

Amy Semancik was selected as Carlow College Student of Spirit for May 1996. A senior business management major minoring in communications, Amy will assume the presidency of the Student Government Association at Carlow College this fall. Always a trailblazer, Amy was active in the creation of the Student Senate to represent student concerns about issues on the Carlow College campus. For 2 years, Amy was a volunteer at Sojourner House, a drug and alcohol rehabilitation center in Pittsburgh for women and their children. She has served as a volunteer for the Bishop's Annual Dinner for Catholic Charities and the Carlow College Alumnae Association's annual phonathon, and as an organizer for a number of student social events.

The June 1996 Student of Spirit is Fabyonne Williams, a 1990 graduate of Westinghouse High School. An elementary education major, Fabyonne has been active in educational activities for teenagers and new parents. Fabyonne is very involved with the Pentecostal Temple Church, working with young members of the parish. She also served as a vice-president of United Black Students in 1993 and served as the president of that organization in 1994.

July's Student of Spirit was Andrea Molinaro. Andrea was vice president of the Student Athlete Association her senior year and attended the first National Student Athlete Association Conference in Chicago. Andrea was treasurer for the class of 1996 for 2 years, and she interned at the Rangos Research Center exploring chromosome inactivation. She was also active in the Forum to Advance the Awareness of Human Rights, and she participated in the Meager Meals program at Carlow College.

Shannon R. Smith was honored as Carlow College's Student of Spirit for August 1996. Shannon is a biology major with a minor in chemistry. She has been able to maintain a 4.0 GPA while at Carlow College. Shannon views graduation as the beginning of new educational opportunities that she will share with others. She has a deep appreciation for the struggles and triumphs of women in the past and looks forward to the challenges in the future that will be beneficial to all women.

DeLacey Ellis was selected as the Carlow College Student of Spirit for September 1996. A beneficiary of Carlow College's Elizabeth Carol Program, DeLacey has stated that Carlow College has been a very important and positive influence on her life. Fulfilling her roles as both a wife and a mother, DeLacey was still able to attend to her Carlow College course work with consistency and accomplishment. DeLacey salutes Carlow College for its rigorous academic programs and the loving and graceful community the college supports.

Mr. Speaker, all of these women have been blessed with a number of precious gifts—energy, enthusiasm, intelligence, compassion,