

in dealing with similar matters of common interest.

SEVENTH.—To the effect that public opinion has greater awareness of the subject, it is suggested that a document be drawn up, to be disseminated by the national and international communication media, in which the problems and current situation of the project in question are expressed.

EIGHTH.—The Joint Committees of the Chamber of Deputies request that this report be sent to the Honorable Chamber of Senators so that, within the framework of the faculties conferred on it by the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States, it proposes the actions necessary for the report's implementation.

Given in the Committee Room of the San Lazaro Legislative Palace, April 27, 1998.

TRIBUTE TO HERB AND SHEILA  
FRANKEL

**HON. BRAD SHERMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 19, 1998*

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Herb and Sheila Frankel for their efforts to improve the quality of life in our community.

Although Herb and Sheila both spent their childhoods in Chicago and the families knew each other, the two met and married a year later in Los Angeles. With Herb having already served in the US Army and working in the family retail business and Sheila working as a dental assistant, the family moved to the San Fernando Valley in 1974 and began to focus their energy on Jewish community involvement.

The Talmud states, "He who gives charity serves the Holy One daily, and sanctifies his name." The Jewish community of the Shomrei Torah Synagogue and the San Fernando Valley have appreciated and enjoyed the charity of the Frankels for many years, as the devotion of their energies have given the community the strength to expand, and set into motion programs that will not only benefit today's members, but also the next generation.

The Frankel family has devoted a large amount of time to the Jewish communities of Temple Beth Ami and Shomrei Torah Synagogue. Their efforts illuminate a zealous determination to contribute to and support a growing Jewish community.

Herb has held many leadership offices such as Financial Secretary, Vice President and a three year term as President of Temple Beth Ami. He also co-chaired the merger committee of Temple Beth Ami and Congregation Beth Kodesh when the two Jewish communities joined to form Shomrei Torah Synagogue. Currently, Herb is the co-chairperson of the High Holy Days seating committee.

Sheila has served as an active member of the Sisterhood of Shomrei Torah Synagogue on the Donor Committee and as the chairperson of numerous Donor luncheons.

Herb and Sheila have had three beautiful children, Paul, Laurie and Adam. Unfortunately, Laurie was lost to cancer in 1995. Sheila's sister Roberta and Brother-in-law Ron Katz are also members of Shomrei Torah Synagogue.

Mr. Speaker, distinguished colleagues, please join me in honoring two outstanding in-

dividuals of our community. Herb and Sheila Frankel are dedicated members of Shomrei Torah Synagogue and role model for the West San Fernando Valley Jewish community.

IN RECOGNITION OF JOHN J.  
MURRAY

**HON. RALPH M. HALL**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 19, 1998*

Mr. HALL. Mr. Speaker, it is with a great deal of personal gratification that I pay tribute to the major accomplishments over the past six decades of an individual who not only dedicated his military career to serving and honoring our country, but also continued that service in his leadership positions at Raytheon—formerly E—Systems. On 29 May 1998, Mr. John J. Murray will retire from Raytheon Systems Company in Greenville, TX, with 31 years of dedicated service on programs that contributed to the strength of our national defense and commercial welfare.

Mr. Murray was born on January 6, 1922, in Brooklyn, New York. He attended school there and graduated in 1939. In 1957, he received a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from St. Joseph's College in Pennsylvania while teaching ROTC. That same year he graduated from the United States Air Force Command and Staff College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. Mr. Murray retired from the United States Air Force in 1967. He continued his education in 1977 by earning his Master's of Business Administration at the University of Dallas in Texas.

Mr. Murray served 24 years as an officer in the Air Force, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel and Combat Rated Pilot with more than 5,000 flying hours. His military career earned him the Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters and numerous other military service medals. During his Air Force Career, he served in a variety of operational and staff positions. In some of his early military assignments, between 1944 and 1960, he served in several operational and administrative positions and became qualified in 20 different aircraft.

Mr. Murray started his career flying "The Hump" in the China-Burma theater of WW II in C-47 aircraft for the U.S. Army Air Corps. He then signed on as a Base Legal Officer at Mitchell Field, New York and tried about 400 cases. Mr. Murray served as Commander of a Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron from 1960 until 1964. From 1964 through 1967, he was assigned as Operational Plans Officer, Headquarters North American Air Defense Command. In this capacity, he was specifically responsible for planning the systems requirements, operational employment concepts, and force levels, as well as performing operational analyses of the Improved Manned Interceptor and Airborne Warning and Control System Programs. Mr. Murray continues to be a member of the Air Force Association and has been a member of the Greenville Flying club for many years.

Mr. Murray began his remarkable career with Raytheon System Company—Greenville, then known as LTV Electro Systems, in 1967. His extensive 31 years of experience at Raytheon Systems Company—Greenville has included a wide variety of program manage-

ment positions. From 1968 to 1973, he was Program Manager for the Airborne Surveillance and Control System on the EC-121T aircraft. He was assigned special duties during 1973 that involved detailed preparation of the operations and logistics plan for the Sinai Field Mission Program. From 1973 to 1978, he was the Integrated Logistics Support Program Manager for the E-4A modification effort. From 1978 to 1980, he served as the Program Manager for the 4950th Test Wing Class II Modification Services Program.

Mr. Murray's management positions ranged from very high technologies with the Advanced Research Project Agency, where he successfully managed the Multitude Chip Module Program and the Applied Specific Electronic Module Program during the 1990 to 1995 time frame, to very large and complex aircraft programs during the 1980s. His management experience has also included service as the Material Program Manager for the E-4B Advanced Airborne Command Post Program. For 19 of those years, Mr. Murray was honored by being appointed consecutively to serve as chairman of the Employees' Political Action Committee (PAC). The Greenville PAC was organized in September 1976, with a mission to encourage Greenville employees to be better informed on federal, state, and local policies and action and, intensify the employees' and company's networking effort with elected representatives. During this 19-year chairman position, he inspired continued communications among members of our U.S. Congress, the PAC, and the population of Hunt County, Texas by hosting informative political forums at Greenville.

On election years, people running for local, state, and national elected positions were invited to speak giving the employees a first hand knowledge of each candidate's opinions. Those elected were invited back to brief PAC members of events in their respective jurisdictions. Some of the special guests over the past 19 years include: Governors Bill Clements and George W. Bush; U.S. Senators Lloyd Bentsen, Phil Gramm, Kay Bailey Hutchison, John Tower; U.S. Representatives Dick Arney, Joe Barton, Jim Chapman, Sam Hall, Sam Johnson, Max Sandlin, and myself. Mr. Murray has briefed influential people in Washington on Raytheon Systems Company—Greenville programs and shaped funding for many of the national security aircraft. He represented the interest of Greenville employees, the company, and the American free enterprise system.

Mr. Murray's career at Raytheon has been one of "can do" and "team spirit." He has been a leader, encourager, friend to all, and an anchor in times of difficulty. He has always been ready to contribute in whatever capacity was needed and his range of experience has been a benefit to many younger employees. Mr. Murray is a native of New York as is his wife, the former Terry Casey. They moved to Texas in 1967 and are 31-year residents of Greenville, Texas. They have three children: two daughters, Laura Murray and Nancy Feuille; and one son Bill Murray. They also have six grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, when we adjourn today's session—let us do so in honor and respect for this great American.