

young people across this nation is to "Just Say No" to drugs.

Bobby Johnson's law enforcement career has moved him throughout Louisiana and across the nation. Beginning in 1982, Mr. Johnson worked for the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office in Shreveport, LA, serving in areas of corrections, patrol, public relation, and DARE; finally ending his 10 year tenure at the rank of Sergeant. In 1993, Bobby was recommended to be the Coordinator for the Louisiana DARE Training Center operated by the Red River Delta Law Enforcement Planning Council. After serving 6 years at this facility, the Louisiana DARE Officer's Association nominated Bobby for the office of 1st Vice President on the National DARE Officer's Association Board of Directors. Mr. Johnson won this election in Salt Lake City that would be a four year position on the board, progressing from 1st Vice President, to Vice President, to President, and concluding with Past President. Presently, the National DARE Officer's Association is holding their annual conference in Washington, DC between the 7th and 10th of July.

The Drug Abuse Resistance Education program is our nation's most prominent and visible attempt to educate young people to resist drug abuse. It reaches over 60% of elementary school children in the United States, and is far and away the most prevalent drug education program in use today.

Mr. Speaker, Bobby Johnson not only serves his country diligently, but also is a fine husband and proud father. He and his wife of 17 years, Kathy, have three beautiful daughters between the ages of 6 to 12.

I, along with his family, and all of the citizens of Louisiana, salute his accomplishments and his active leadership in educating the children of America to "Just Say No." Thank you Mr. Bobby Johnson.

THE CRUISE INDUSTRY

HON. MARK FOLEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 1999

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to address an issue that is central to our nation's economy, the tourism industry. As co-chairman of the Congressional Travel and Tourism Caucus, I believe this issue is worth bringing to the attention of the American public. The issue I wish to discuss is the vital role which the cruise industry plays in relation to our nation's economy and tourism industry.

In regard to our nation's economy, the cruise industry has made significant contributions. With more than five million annual passengers, the industry is a major contributor to the overall U.S. economy. In 1997 in my home state of Florida, the cruise industry was responsible for direct spending of \$2.1 Billion dollars and generated almost 59,000 jobs.

Companies such as those outlined below are but a few examples of domestic U.S. companies that depend on the cruise industry as a steady and important source of income:

Tourism support services such as provided by Amadeus, Strategic Cruise Line Services, and Image Photo Services;

Purchases of ship equipments, and supplies from vendors such as General Hotel and Restaurant, Harbour Marine Systems, International

Paint, Mobil Aviation and Marine Sales and Ecolab;

Corporate Services provided by companies such as Maritime Telecommunications Services, the Berkely Group, Howard Snoweiss Design Group and J. Walter Thompson;

Ship repair and maintenance provided by companies across the country such as Atlantic Marine of Mobile, AL., Todd Pacific shipyards of Seattle, WA., Cascade General of Portland, OR., Unitour Ship Services of Long Beach, CA., and United States Marine Repair which owns San Diego Shipyard, San Francisco Drydock and Norshipco in Norfolk, VA.

Food and beverage purchases are made in a number of states from such familiar sources as Coca-Cola, Kraft, Heinz, Nabisco, J.R. Simplot, Fresh Point, Sysco, Ernest & Julio Gallo, and Anheuser Busch. Every week, just one cruise ship will purchase approximately 25,000 pounds of food from U.S. suppliers—everything from beef, pork, chicken, seafood, cheese and other dairy products, to vegetables and fruit.

The cruise industry provides employment for thousands of U.S. citizens aboard its ships, in shoreside corporate jobs, and with its extensive network of suppliers. Cruise lines and their direct suppliers are the largest employer of U.S. citizens in the maritime sector of the United States.

Furthermore, the cruise industry also plays a significant role in our domestic transportation and lodging industry. The cruise industry is America's largest private-sector purchaser of U.S. airline tickets, accounting for more than four million tickets purchased annually. Pre- and post-cruise packages include lodging at some of the nation's largest hotel chains including: Hyatt, Intercontinental, Wyndham and Sheraton.

In view of the cruise industry's contributions, I am proud to highlight some of the benefits which the tourism industry provides to our economy. It is with this thought in mind that I continue to advocate the importance of both the cruise and tourism industries. Support for the cruise and tourism industries will generate jobs and additional revenues for the United States. In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, I wish to introduce several statistics for the record generated by a recent Price Waterhouse Cooper's economic analysis. I thank you for this time.

1997 CRUISE INDUSTRY ECONOMIC IMPACTS

DIRECT U.S. EXPENDITURES BY INDUSTRY—RESULTING FROM THE PASSENGER CRUISE INDUSTRY

	<i>Millions</i>
Air Travel .....	\$1,604
Food & Beverage .....	464
Financial Services .....	352
Business Services Including Advertising .....	351
Ship Maintenance and Repair .....	220
Other Transportation Services, Primarily Shore Tours .....	160
Petroleum Refining and Related Industries .....	143
Hotels and Lodging .....	124
Insurance .....	120
Entertainment .....	96
Other Durable Goods .....	78
Public Administration .....	67
Other Publishing and Printing .....	60
Nonresidential Construction .....	56
Fabricated Metal Products .....	55
Motor Vehicles and Parts .....	49
Other Communications .....	48
Retail Trade .....	40
Drugs, Soaps and Sundries .....	34

	<i>Millions</i>
Personal and Repair Services .....	22
Real Estate .....	19
Apparel and Other Finished Textile Products .....	19
All other industries .....	1,841
Total Direct Expenditures .....	6,150

Total Expenditures Resulting from the Cruise Industry .... 11,620

U.S. Job Impact of the North American Passenger Cruise Industry

	<i>Total Jobs</i>
Travel Agents, Shore Transportation & Other Transportation .....	\$26,465
Air Travel .....	25,702
Passenger Cruises .....	22,000
Business Services .....	18,451
Retail Trade .....	10,381
Hotels and Lodging .....	7,914
Wholesale Trade .....	7,619
Water Related Services, Primarily Ports .....	7,243
Membership and Misc. Services .....	5,894
Ship Maintenance and Repair .....	4,100
Food .....	3,714
Entertainment .....	3,525
Engineering & Management Services .....	2,486
Insurance .....	2,219
Banking .....	1,945
Construction .....	1,600
Fuel .....	473
Other Industries .....	24,702
Total .....	176,433

THE MURPHY-HARPST-VASHTI CAMPUSES

HON. BOB BARR

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 1999

Mr. BARR of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I urge those in Washington who believe government is the solution to every problem to visit the Murphy-Harpst-Vashti (MHV) campuses in the state of Georgia. Located across our state, the MHV programs are making a positive difference in the lives of young people.

MHV focuses its efforts on at-risk children. In other words, they help to turn the lives of endangered children around, and help them to become productive members of society. Each of the MHV agencies reaches out to the communities where they are located, identifies children who may become problems in their homes, schools, and neighborhoods, and extend a helping hand to them.

In an era when many social workers, teachers, and parents respond to troubled children by handing them prescription drugs and sending them on their way, the comprehensive approach to troubled children taken by the Murphy-Harpst-Vashti campuses provides a welcome change. I commend them for their work.

COMMUNITY RENEWAL THROUGH COMMUNITY- AND FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

SPEECH OF

HON. DEBBIE STABENOW

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 22, 1999

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my deep concern regarding H.

Res. 207, "Community Renewal through Community- and Faith-Based Organizations." While there are many statements in the resolution that I support, I oppose this legislation and was very concerned to see it pass on June 22, 1999. We have many wonderful faith-based organizations and nonprofits in Michigan who provide services to people in need. I believe they are an important part of our human service delivery system. My concern arises in this legislation with the language that would allow faith-based organizations receiving Federal funds for charitable services to require that beneficiaries of their services actively participate in religious practices or instruction. This, Mr. Speaker, crosses a very serious line drawn in our Constitution. This legislation violates our individual religious liberties protected by the First Amendment's separation of church and state.

Clearly, H. Res. 207, infringes upon the rights and freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution, and I deeply regret that it was passed by this House.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. ANNA ROBERTS  
OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

**HON. BOBBY L. RUSH**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 23, 1999*

Mr. RUSH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the life of Mrs. Anna Roberts who made her heavenly transition on Wednesday, June 16, 1999 at the age of 93. Mrs. Roberts was the youngest of fourteen children born to the union of the late Elizabeth and William Martin in Atlanta, Georgia on October 17, 1905.

She united in Holy matrimony to Mr. Roy Roberts, Jr. in 1925. Shortly thereafter, Mrs. Roberts migrated to Chicago with her husband, as God blessed them to have five sons and a daughter. A devoted Christian woman, Mrs. Roberts was a member of the Roman Catholic Church, serving faithfully in the Holy Angels Church parish. She was preceded in death by her husband Roy, Sr., son, William Martin Roberts and daughter, Regina Roberts.

The biblical Greek name Anna is the equivalent of the Hebrew name Hannah which means favored and grace. Hannah was a favored and virtuous woman. And in this day and time, who can find a virtuous woman? One whose price is far above rubies and the heart of her husband is safely entrusted to her. A woman who willingly works with her hands, who with the fruit of her hands plants vineyards, with her hands she stretches out to the poor, with her hands she cares for the needy.

A woman who works through the night to feed her household. A woman whose strength and honor were her clothing. A woman whose mouth speaks and wisdom and tongue with kindness. A woman whose children call her blessed and most of all, a woman who fears the Lord. Annabell, as she was affectionately known, was such a woman. A loving, committed and dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, great-great grandmother, mother-in-law, godmother, aunt and friend. Indeed, she was a virtuous woman.

Mr. Speaker, I am truly honored to pay tribute to the life and legacy of my constituent, Mrs. Anna Roberts.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI'S NATIONAL TITLE

**HON. PETER DEUTSCH**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 23, 1999*

Mr. DEUTSCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in celebration of the University of Miami's championship victory in the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) College World Series. It is both an honor and a joy for me to recognize the Hurricanes on their triumphant season.

On Saturday, June 19th, the Miami Hurricanes defeated the Florida State Seminoles by a score of 6 to 5 to win this year's NCAA baseball championship. This is the third championship for Miami and it is a fitting end to a stellar, yet challenging, season in which the 'Canes won 50 games, while losing only 13.

The road to the championship was filled with adversity since the season's beginning as the Hurricanes lost three top hitters to the pros, and six more players to injuries. However, the team overcame these challenges with outstanding performances on Saturday by players such as Kevin Brown and Mike Neu, whose efforts were symbolic of their team's outstanding talent and hard work throughout the season.

Coach Jim Morris deserves a great deal of credit for winning his first national baseball title in six years with the University of Miami. Since 1994, he has led the Hurricanes to very successful seasons, each concluding with heart-wrenching losses in the College World Series. This past Saturday, Coach Morris's perseverance and dedication finally paid off. I wish to congratulate Coach Morris and the University of Miami baseball team for a well deserved victory, a victory of which the entire university and the south Florida community can be very proud.

POLISH WOMEN'S CLUB OF THREE RIVERS, MASSACHUSETTS CELEBRATES ITS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. RICHARD E. NEAL**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 23, 1999*

Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, on Sunday, June 27th, 1999, the Polish Women's Club of Three Rivers, Massachusetts will celebrate its 75th anniversary.

Having the distinct pleasure of representing this community in the Congress, I take this opportunity to publicly congratulate the club's members on their 75 years of dedication and good work to their community. This anniversary is indeed a milestone; an achievement in which they should be proud.

I also take this opportunity to enter into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD today the complete history of the Polish Women's Club of Three Rivers. May the many years of service and good work of the club forever be remembered as a part of our nation's history.

POLISH WOMEN'S CLUB OF THREE RIVERS, THREE RIVERS, MASSACHUSETTS, 1924-1999—HISTORY

On February 24, 1924, the Polish American Women's Citizens Political Club of Three

Rivers and Thorndike was formed. There were 59 charter members. On March 30, 1924, Miss Anna Rusek became the first president.

The purpose was:

1. To encourage women to become citizens and assist them in procuring citizenship papers by teaching them English and related subjects.

2. Take active part in politics and get proper recognition and positions on local, state, and federal level.

3. Support businesses owned by people of Polish extraction.

In 1933 we joined the Massachusetts Federation of Polish Women's Clubs, Inc. This affiliation enables us to further foster our Polish culture and we have gained much through the years in this association. We have hosted their conventions in 1952, 1969, 1979, 1984, and 1989. Our activities within the framework of the Federation includes District V which comprises the Western Massachusetts area. We are very actively and continuously involved in holding various offices and directing the activities of this unit.

On October 20, 1958, our name changed to the Polish Women's Club of Three Rivers. Our constitution was revised to foster our ethnic culture, encourage higher education, and exchange cultural ideals. This remains our purpose to this day.

On May 8, 1949, we observed our twenty-fifth anniversary; on April 27, 1974, our fiftieth; on October 27, 1979, our fifty-fifth; on October 27, 1984, our sixtieth; on October 28, 1989, our sixty-fifth; on October 22, 1994, our 70th, and on June 27, 1999, our 75th.

We also have held or still hold memberships in the United Polish American Organizations Council—Township of Palmer, Polish American Congress, and The Kosciuszko Foundation.

Monetary contributions have been made to numerous organizations, such as The Blind Children of Poland; Child's Wish Come True, Inc.; Kosciuszko Foundation Renovation Fund, Palmer Ambulance Service Inc.; Palmer Library; Polish American Congress for the Polish Room, Museum of Immigration at Ellis Island; Pope John Paul II's Guest House in Rome and Endowment Fund; Pope John Paul II Cultural Center—Washington, D.C., Saints Peter and Paul Church; Support of Solidarity in Poland; United Polish American Organizations Council—Township of Palmer; and Literacy Volunteers of America of Quabog Valley.

Observance of our 50th, 60th, 65th, and 70th anniversaries and the history of our club have been entered into the Congressional Record of the United States of America.

We contribute our time, talents, and money to various worthwhile projects and causes in a very positive manner. Again, these are too numerous to mention.

We have been able to develop and promote our Polish culture, receive scholarship grants for our daughters and members; have or children of Western Massachusetts take part in the statewide essay contests sponsored by the Federation; serve as executive officers and committee members in the various organizations we are affiliated with.

We have been and are actively participating in religious, civic, political and community affairs.

A scroll signed by members of our club was included on November 13, 1976, in the time capsule buried at that time as part of the commemoration of the 200th Anniversary of the Town of Palmer. The capsule will be re-opened in the year 2076.

Our membership today is 127-73 are 65 or over and 54 are under 65. Dues are \$2.50 a year. Members 65 years and over are exempt from payment. We follow the calendar year for our meetings, January through December, with no meetings June, July, and August. Meetings are held on the fourth