

what the game of golf was about. He knew that was what life was about. And if you ever walk one of his courses, you will see that his work reflected those truths.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my House colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Robert Trent Jones, Sr. and express our condolences to his two sons, Bobby and Rees and their families. Robert Trent Jones, Jr. and his wife, Clairborne, are distinguished members of my Congressional District and I consider them to be a part of my family as well.

THE JING LYMAN CIVIC  
LEADERSHIP AWARD

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 23, 2000

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, members of the American Leadership Forum have come to Washington, DC this week to hold what they call a "gathering." ALF's senior fellows have come from around the nation to meet and reflect on the idea of civic engagement, develop projects to increase civic involvement and to announce the recipient of a prestigious award being given for the first time.

The award is called the Jing Lyman Civic Leadership Award. It is named after Jing Lyman, one of the most outstanding individuals I've ever had the privilege to know. She is a national treasure and one of America's great women.

Her contributions to our nation and its communities are numerous. Of particular note are her activities that reflect the values of the American Leadership Forum for which Jing has served as National Board Chair. In several organizations, Jing's role was creator and leader. She was the founder and board president of the National Organization for Women's Enterprise, Inc. She was a founding member and chair of the Women and Foundations organization. She was a founding member and executive committee member of the Stanford Midpeninsula Urban Coalition, and she was a founding member and the first director of the Midpeninsula Citizens for Fair Housing.

Mr. Speaker, the recipient of the American Leadership Forum's first Jing Lyman Award will be selected based on his or her substantial accomplishments in innovative community building and for building bridges beyond his or her own sphere of influence. Throughout her life, Jing Lyman has developed groundbreaking organizations in her community to connect women to the opportunities our society offers, and she has continually expanded her sphere of influence beyond Stanford University in order to build housing for the poor and disadvantaged throughout the community.

While working on these civic activities Jing Lyman has been an active member of the Stanford University community. She has been a steady and devoted partner to Stanford University's President Emeritus Richard Lyman. Together they have been an inspiration to thousands of Stanford students. They are my close friends and my frequent advisors.

Another great American woman, Eleanor Roosevelt, wrote, "Friends, you and me. You brought another friend. And then there were three. We started our group, our circle of

friends. And like that circle, there is no beginning or end." Jing Lyman's achievements have reflected this simple dynamic. She has not only accomplished a great deal, but she has gained innumerable friends and admirers along the way. The projects and organizations she has founded and advanced, will live long beyond ourselves.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and our colleagues to join me in extending our congratulations to Jing Lyman on the occasion of this inaugural award, and to convey the gratitude of the American people and their Congress for the extraordinary and lasting contributions she has made to our Nation.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD  
SERVICES IN CONNECTICUT  
CELEBRATES ITS 50TH YEAR!

HON. JAMES H. MALONEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 23, 2000

Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to bring to the attention of the House of Representatives and the American people the celebration of an event, and the history of an activity, that has gone on now for fifty years. Today and tomorrow, June 22nd and 23rd, 2000, the American Red Cross Blood Services, Connecticut Region, is marking its fiftieth anniversary of blood collections in Connecticut.

In 1950, at the Danbury Teacher's College, now the campus of Western Connecticut State University, in my congressional district, the first efforts to collect blood in Connecticut began. During that year, about 10,000 pints of whole blood were taken using sterile glass bottles. In 1999, nearly 160,000 pints were collected using sterile plastic collection kits.

We have come a long way in advancing this very necessary program. Not only is the Red Cross to be congratulated for its efforts, but the people of Connecticut are to be commended for supporting the program and making the collections possible. The American Red Cross Blood Services continues to serve Connecticut's hospital Banking and Financial patients as the only provider of blood products to our state's 33 hospitals, as well as providing this and other forms of assistance in their disaster relief efforts.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of Connecticut's 5th District and the state as a whole, I congratulate the American Red Cross, and in particular, the American Red Cross Blood Services, Connecticut Region, for their commitment to our area and for the wonderful service they provide to all of us on a daily basis.

A RUSH TO DEATH IS NEVER  
NECESSARY

HON. MAJOR R. OWENS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 23, 2000

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, Gary Graham (Shaka Sankofa) was exterminated by the State of Texas yesterday, June 22, 2000. He was killed with a lethal injection despite that

fact that there are many reasons to doubt the guilty verdict which placed him on death row. Gary Graham clearly deserved more time alive to investigate fully all of the irregularities surrounding his trial. Since death is irreversible and human life is sacred, time should not have been rushed. The American people and their powerful State Governors should fully note recent developments which indicate that a large percentage of the people on death row are probably not guilty. Gross inadequacies in the criminal justice system are generating deadly mistakes. In my opinion there are too many people who approve of the death penalty as a just punishment for certain crimes. At the same time almost no American citizens approve of the execution of innocent victims. Gary Graham was the 222nd person executed in Texas since the state resumed capital punishment in 1982. He was the 135th person executed during the present Governor's tenure. Mr. Speaker, the Rap poem below summarizes this disgracefully sad situation.

CREDO OF THE EXECUTIONER

When in doubt  
Just let them die  
Ambitious Governors  
Never cry  
Witness eyes  
Never lie  
Bargain basement lawyers  
Refuse to pry  
Treat the truth  
Like a spy  
Voters yell for blood  
Compassion is swept away  
In a primitive flood  
Savages satisfied  
Delighted that so many  
In great Texas  
Have already died  
When in doubt  
Kill them first  
Then publicly pray  
Moral indignation  
Soon fades away.

RECOGNIZING THE CHINATOWN  
HEALTH CLINIC

HON. NYDIA M. VELAZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 23, 2000

Ms. VELAZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with great honor to recognize the achievements of an outstanding organization that provides excellent services in New York's 12th Congressional District. The Chinatown Health Clinic (CHC), located in the Lower East Side of Manhattan, was selected as one of the winners of this year's "Models That Work" competition sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, for their Primary Care Mental Health Bridge Program (PCMH).

The Chinatown Health Clinic is a non-profit, community based health care facility established in 1971 to provide health care services to the New York City Asian community. CHC provide access to quality and culturally sensitive health care and health education services. It advocates on behalf of the Asian community who, due to cultural, language, education or financial barriers, may not have access to basic health care services or health education activities.

The Bridge Program was created by the Chinatown Health Clinic in response to the