

service. They open their doors to assist those brave Americans that have served our country and instill a warm sense of pride in our nation that these men and women fought so hard to defend.

In honor of Flag Day, I rise to extend my appreciation to thank all the brave veterans, and the men and women in our Armed Forces for serving and protecting our nation from assaults on our freedoms and liberties. Because of your tireless efforts, this truly is the land of the free and the home of the brave, and I am honored that we can share and enjoy the peace and prosperity of this great nation.

TRIBUTE TO CHESSYE BAUGHMAN POWELL

HON. FLOYD SPENCE

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 13, 2001

Mr. SPENCE. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, April 30th, Chessye Baughman Powell retired from the United States House of Representatives, after thirty-four (34) years of devoted service. Chessye began her service to the people of the Second Congressional District of South Carolina in the Orangeburg Office of my predecessor, Congressman Albert Watson, on March 11, 1967. When I became a Member of Congress, in January 1971, I was glad that Chessye wanted to continue to assist the constituents who were being served through my Orangeburg Office.

From 1967 to 2001, Chessye dedicated herself to the various needs of the constituents of the Second Congressional District, as well as to those of persons from throughout our State. Chessye mastered the bureaucracy of the Federal Government and she was very adept at contacting the appropriate officials to address the many situations that were presented to her. Also, I was always proud of her representation of me at meetings and events in the Second Congressional District. In a 1997 profile in the (Orangeburg) TIMES AND DEMOCRAT, Chessye reflected on her career and the changes that have taken place over the more than thirty (30) years that she has served the citizens of the Second Congressional District. Chessye noted that, during her career, the UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MANUAL has become "probably ten (10) times the size that it was twenty-five (25) years ago." Chessye also observed that she has been guided by the motto: "When duty calls, you have to rise to the occasion." Chessye has always risen to the occasion, whatever the circumstances have been.

Chessye attended Newberry College, in South Carolina, and she began working for the (South Carolina) State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) at the time that it was being developed by Chief J.P. "Pete" Strom. Chessye later was employed by SCM, an industry in Orangeburg, South Carolina, where she met her husband, Roy. Chessye and Roy have a son, Greg, who is a health care executive in Atlanta, and a daughter, Allyn, who is a graduate student at the College of William and Mary. In 1990, Chessye became a District Administrator on my staff, based in my Orangeburg Office.

Chessye has dedicated thirty-four (34) years of her life to helping others. She can be justifi-

ably proud of her many accomplishments, and I am pleased to join her many friends in wishing her much happiness in her future endeavors.

B'NAI B'RITH INTERNATIONAL HONORS DAN S. WILFORD

HON. KEN BENTSEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 13, 2001

Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a true leader in the field of health care, Mr. Dan S. Wilford. On Monday, June 18, 2001, Mr. Wilford will be recognized by B'nai B'rith International for his leadership and commitment to the public in the field of health care.

For the past 17 years Mr. Wilford has served as the President of Memorial Hermann Health Care System and its nine subsidiary corporations. He also serves as the Chief Executive Officer of a community-based, non-profit hospital system, comprised of thirteen hospitals in the greater Houston area and two hospitals in Beaumont and Orange, Texas. The system also includes an outpatient center, two nursing homes, and a retirement community. Mr. Wilford's involvement in these organizations has set him apart as a leader and an activist in the health care community.

Dan Wilford is involved in many different professional organizations. He is active in the Texas Hospital Association, American Hospital Association, and serves on the Board of Directors of the Voluntary Hospitals of America, the Hospital Research and Development Institute, the United Way of Texas Gulf Coast, and the Greater Houston Partnership.

As a member of the University of Mississippi's class of 1962, he was inducted into the University's Alumni Hall of Fame in 1995. In 1966, Mr. Wilford received a Masters Degree in Hospital Administration from Washington University, in St. Louis, Missouri, and later was awarded the University's Distinguished Alumnus Award. He has countless recognition for his devotion to the health care industry, but the award he receives tonight truly stands out.

B'nai B'rith International's National Health Care Award is given to a health care professional who embodies their commitment to making our communities a better place to live. Through his community involvement and multiple leadership roles Mr. Dan Wilford exemplifies the goals B'nai B'rith sets to achieve. Mr. Wilford's sense of community activism helps to make the city of Houston a better place to live and I am proud to join B'nai B'rith in recognizing him for all that he has done.

TRIBUTE TO MS. JOYCE M. HAYES

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 13, 2001

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, as a former teacher, I am happy to rise before you today to recognize Ms. Joyce M. Hayes, who is retiring from Flint Community Schools after 33 great years of teaching.

Armed with a desire to teach, Joyce Hayes began her college career in Marshall, TX, where she graduated in 1967 from Wiley College with a Bachelors Degree in English and a minor in History. In 1968, she worked as an English teacher at Terrance Manor Middle School in Augusta, GA. Later she moved to Flint, where she began teaching Adult Education courses at C.S. Mott Adult High School and Beecher Community High School. She later became an English and Speech teacher at Jordan College in Flint, and at Longfellow Middle School, also in Flint.

In 1981, Joyce began a term with Flint Northern High School, one that has lasted to this day. In addition to English, Joyce taught World, American, and Modern Literature, Mythology, Grammar and Composition, and Successful Writing and Reading to hundreds of students from ninth to twelfth grades. She also served as the Instructor for the school's Honors/Gifted Student Program, Class Advisor, and Student Council Advisor. In 1992, Joyce became English Department Head, a position she has also held to this day. The same year, Joyce successfully completed her Masters Degree in Education from Eastern Michigan University. Two years later, she completed another degree from Eastern Michigan, this time a Masters in Guidance and Counseling.

For many years, Joyce has been dedicated toward working to improve our schools, not just in Flint, but also throughout the state and the nation. She is a member of the Michigan Education Association, National Education Association, and the National Council of Teachers of English, among many other groups. She has been an important part of many citywide and statewide committees designed to further educational and emotional growth among our students. Joyce has been recognized for her efforts by inclusions in Who's Who Among High School Teachers, American Educators, and American Women, and was recently chosen as the 2001 Saginaw Valley Teacher of the Year.

Mr. Speaker, Joyce Hayes is a tremendously respected individual. Many of her students, past and present, have greatly benefited from her insight, as has the entire Flint community over the course of the last 33 years. She has always been a fighter for education, for she believes that a strong educational background is the basis toward improving the quality of life, I ask my colleagues to please join me in congratulating her on her retirement, and wishing her the very best in her future endeavors.

A TRIBUTE TO THE CARPENTERS LOCAL UNION NO. 845

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 13, 2001

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the Carpenters Local Union No. 845 in Delaware County. Founded a century ago, three Local Unions from Pennsylvania united to form the Delaware County District Council. Over the next 75 years, Local Union No. 845 evolved to become the largest of the three locals in Delaware County, Pennsylvania.

Carpenters Local Union No. 845 has established itself as one of the most distinguished