

TRIBUTE TO JORDAN HENNER

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 18, 2001

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to recognize one of New York's outstanding young students, Jordan Henner. On July 13, 2001, the Boy Scouts of Troop 125 in Commack will recognize Jordan's achievements by giving him the Eagle Scout honor.

Since the beginning of this century, the Boy Scouts of America have provided thousands of boys and young men each year with the opportunity to make friends, explore new ideas, and develop leadership skills with learning self-reliance and teamwork.

This award is presented only to those who possess the qualities that make our nation great: commitment to excellence, hard work, and genuine love of community service. Becoming an Eagle Scout is an extraordinary award with which only the finest Boy Scouts are honored. To earn the award—the highest advancement rank in Scouting—a Boy Scout must demonstrate proficiency in the rigorous areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills; they must earn a minimum of 23 merit

badges as well as contribute at least 100 man-hours toward a community oriented service project.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the recipients of these awards, as their activities are indeed worthy of praise. Their leadership benefits our community and they serve as role models for their peers.

Also, we must not forget the unsung heroes, who continue to devote a large part of their lives to make all this possible. Therefore, I salute the families, scout leaders, and countless others who have given generously of their time and energy in support of scouting.

It is with great pride that I recognize the achievements of Jordan Henner, and bring the attention of Congress to this successful young man on his day of recognition. Congratulations to Jordan and his family.

IN MEMORY OF MR. JAMES F.
PYKARE

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Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Mr. James F. "Big Jim"

Pykare for his many years of service and countless contributions to his community.

Mr. Pykare, originally from Warren, Ohio, served his world community selflessly throughout his lifetime. He was born the son of the late Eugene F. and Ruth Clarissa Wallace Pykare. He has a very distinguished military career. Pykare served in Vietnam, Germany, Jordan, Lebanon and Alaska as a member of the Army. He also served on several special duty stations in the United States, specializing in Infantry Intelligence and Operations.

His loyalty and dedicated service to the Army was noticed. For his military service, Pykare was awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star for Valor. After serving his country selflessly, Pykare owned his own business, the Motorcycle Club of Cleveland, where he customized bikes. He also had a large love of politics that led him to taking an active role within the old Ward 13 Democratic Club.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me in honoring the memory of a wonderful, loving man. "Big Jim" Pykare has affected and served the Cleveland community in many capacities, and was an inspiration to many. He has touched so many of us, and will be greatly missed.