

TO HONOR THE NATIONAL HISPANIC JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION

HON. ED PASTOR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. PASTOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to bring my colleagues' attention to an exciting event that is occurring in my district for the first time ever. On June 20–23, 1,500 members of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists will gather in the Valley of the Sun for the group's 19th Annual Convention: Our Time is Now, Imagenes Y Voces de Nuestro Tiempo.

I'm proud that my district will be the site where hundreds of Hispanic journalists and media professionals will converge to continue to promote the mission of this organization dedicated to the recognition and professional advancement of Hispanics in the news industry. NAHJ endeavors to increase the number of Hispanic journalists in print, broadcast and new media industries. The organization works to improve coverage of Hispanic communities so they are accurately portrayed in the news. The annual convention gives members the opportunity to be revitalized by workshop issues on industry trends and ideas that affect careers and the way news is covered. It also gives members the chance to network, train and encourage journalists of the future.

Some of you may be aware that NAHJ has been a leader in improving the quality of journalism as it is now practiced in the United States. Organizations such as NAHJ have been instrumental in assuring that the media accurately reflect the communities they serve, not only through the hiring of diverse personnel, but through their news coverage. Therefore, NAHJ has been a significant force in assuring that media are practicing good and better quality journalism.

Established in April 1984, NAHJ created a national voice and unified vision for all Hispanic journalists. NAHJ is governed by a 16-member board of directors that consists of executive officers and regional directors who represent geographic areas of the United States and the Caribbean. The national office is located in the National Press Building in Washington, D.C.

NAHJ has approximately 1,500 members, including working journalists, journalism students, other media-related professionals and academic scholars. In addition to employment and career development, NAHJ works to organize and provide mutual support for Hispanic journalists in English, Spanish and bilingual media; encourage the study and practice of journalism and mass communication by Hispanics; promote fair treatment of Hispanics by the news media; and foster greater understanding of the culture, interests and concerns of Hispanic journalists.

Besides the national convention and career expo, the organization has dozens of exciting projects and programs, which include mid-career and professional development programs, an online job bank, journalism awards, internship and fellowship listings, student journalism workshops, a newsletter and scholarships.

As you can see, the National Association of Hispanic Journalists is a strong professional

organization that has provided genuine leadership and continues to advocate for Hispanics in the news industry. I congratulate NAHJ on the occasion of its 19th Annual Conference, and I ask my colleagues to please join me in wishing them a successful event and best wishes for the future.

HONORING HOPE NANCARROW FOR HER SERVICE TO THE MENTALLY ILL

HON. GEORGE W. GEKAS

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GEKAS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor Hope Nancarrow of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, who has dedicated her life to improving the emotional and mental condition of hospital patients. Since the early 1960's, Hope has helped to improve the quality of life for countless patients at the Harrisburg State Hospital. With her innovative therapy methods, she has helped many mentally ill individuals.

As a volunteer at a time when hospitals often ignored the emotional needs of the mentally ill, Hope set out to help those interned at the state hospital. With hymns and Bible readings, Hope lifted the patients' spirits. As the years progressed, Hope found more diverse therapies for dealing with patients.

Her use of pets in the hospital has brought joy to so many patients who yearn for the companionship and love they can only receive from familiar animals. She reached patients who no one else could with her understanding and incredible love for people. In addition to her work at the hospital, Hope helps to enrich the lives of other challenged groups. For example, Hope is a weekly reader at the Tri-County Association of the Blind.

Hope is the epitome of self-sacrifice and devotion to humankind. She has an intense appreciation for the human condition. She strives to personally help as many hospital patients as possible. With her keen insight into the kind of treatment mentally ill individuals need and deserve, she continues to make a difference in the lives of many.

I know that the entire House of Representatives will join me in celebrating the efforts of this outstanding woman for her care of the mentally ill. Hope Nancarrow stands as a guiding light of inspiration for all of us.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING ROBERT L. DILENSCHNEIDER

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I commend the following article to my colleagues:

Whereas, Robert L. Dilenschneider on the 13th day of May, 2001 was awarded a Doctorate of Public Service, conferred upon him by the Muskingum College Board of Trustees; and

Whereas, Robert Dilenschneider as a foremost expert in the fields of public commu-

nications and strategic counseling, has influenced the representation of historic events on the world's stage; and

Whereas, Mr. Dilenschneider provides vital guidance for organizations as they disseminate information to international, national and regional communities; and

Whereas, Mr. Dilenschneider inspires cross-cultural exchanges and facilitates diverse educational opportunities through his leadership in the Institute on International Education, the governing body for the Fulbright Program; and

Whereas, Mr. Dilenschneider has demonstrated a commitment to improving the lives of those around him by serving on the Board of Governors for the American Red Cross and the advisory board for New York Presbyterian Hospital; and

Whereas, Mr. Dilenschneider has maintained a resolute commitment to education through scholarship as reflected in his publication of numerous best-selling books and his willingness to serve as a commentator in the media; and

Therefore, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the impressive accomplishments of Robert Dilenschneider.

A TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL TARIQ MOODY

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Michael Tariq Moody for his tremendous dedication to his church and community during his brief life on the occasion of the Mike Moody and Darian Williams Memorial Basketball Game.

Michael attended the New York City Public School System, graduating from Boys and Girls High School in February of 1998. Immediately prior to his death, he had intended to further his education at St. Augustine's College in Raleigh, North Carolina.

"Mike," the younger of two sons born to Harold and Deborah Moody, was often compared to Andrew in the Bible because he professed and put God first in his life starting at a young age. He believed in the commandment "Honor thy Father and Mother" with deep conviction. He always honored, respected and loved his mother. Michael was an active member of Victory Christian Tabernacle Church.

Michael displayed incredible charisma throughout his teenage years. Mike, an extraordinary basketball player, used his skills on the court not only to win the game, but to help others. Playing for teams such as Black Men Who Care, Bethelite Deacons, ABC Metro Basketball Team and the Hydro Tech League, Michael filled his home with trophies and honors awarded to him for his excellence in basketball.

Mr. Speaker, Michael Tariq Moody devoted his short life to serving his community and church. As such, both he and his family are more than worthy of receiving our recognition today. I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in remembering and honoring the life of this remarkable man.

IN MEMORY OF MR. TINO
FULIMENI

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a great man, Mr. Tino Fulimeni, for his years of dedicated service to the Cleveland and world community.

Mr. Fulimeni, originally from Vestaburg, Pennsylvania, hitchhiked to Cleveland after high school and found a job with Republic Steel Corporation. After joining the union he spent some time in the Army and later married Yvonne, another native from his hometown. The two soon settled in Berea, Ohio and he returned to the steel mill to serve on union committees.

In 1977, Mr. Fulimeni became a full-time staff representative for the United Steelworkers of America. He spent a great deal of time working with women and racial minorities to provide and ensure equality for all steelworkers. He represented over 21,000 steelworkers after he became director of the union's District 28. His hard work and dedication to the rights of workers did not go unnoticed. Mr. Fulimeni soon thereafter was appointed special assistant to the union's international president.

Mr. Fulimeni is truly a man of the people. His dedication and loyalty to all steelworkers earned him the respect of all his colleagues. He was known as a tough negotiator, a strong co-worker, and a close friend to many. In addition to his union work, Mr. Fulimeni was active in the American Legion. His strong leadership and patriotism were apparent to his peers who elected him post commander three times.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring and remembering a truly great man, Mr. Tino Fulimeni. He has touched the Cleveland community and helped many steelworkers. He will be greatly missed.

HONORING TOM HAMILTON

HON. TAMMY BALDWIN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Tom Hamilton, who has been with the Forest Service for the past 37 years. Mr. Hamilton is retiring from federal service after serving as the Director of the Forest Products Laboratory, the nation's leading wood research institute located in Madison, Wisconsin.

Tom has led the Forest Products Laboratory (FPL) in its dedication to solving societal problems related to the forest and its products by using the best scientific resources available. While some may not be aware, FPL is the public side of the public-private partnership needed to create technology for the long-term sustainability of our forests.

Originally from Westfield, Wisconsin, Tom later graduated from UW-Madison, with a B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. from the UW's Department of Agricultural Economics. He spent much of his career with the Forest Service at various forest research stations, and later with the Forest

Service Washington Office. In 1994, Tom was appointed Director of FPL.

As Director, Tom has led more than 250 scientists and support staff conduct research on expanded and diverse aspects of wood use, including pulp and paper products, housing and structural uses of wood, wood preservation, wood and fungi identification, and finishing and restoration of wood products. In addition to traditional lines of research, Under Tom's leadership, the Forest Products Laboratory has responded to environmental pressures on forest resources by using cutting-edge techniques to study recycling, developing environmentally friendly technology, and broadening the nation's understanding of ecosystem-based forest management.

Through Tom's initiative, work is now ongoing at FPL towards new recycling technology, creating a new fiber resource, and reducing pressure on our precious forests.

Tom's leadership of this important research resource has been a national treasure, and his many years of service with FPL and the Forest Service are commendable. As he transitions to a new phase of life following his retirement from public service, he will truly be missed.

HONORING LILLIAN TICK ON HER
100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. GARY L. ACKERMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring Lillian Tick on the occasion of her 100th Birthday.

Lillian Tick was born Lillian Ostrega, the oldest of five children to Isadore (Ichimayer) and Frieda (Frima) Ostrega, in the city of Wyshkov, Poland on the third day of July 1901.

Mr. Speaker, Isadore Ostrega left Poland for the United States in 1908 to search for a better life for himself and his family. In 1912, after years of hard work, he was able to bring his wife, Frieda, to join him. When Frieda left Europe, it was Lillian who obtained and supplied food for her family. It took eight years before Lillian's parents were finally able to save enough money to bring their children to America. Lillian, her three brothers—Louis, David and Hyman—and her sister, Dora, all arrived at Ellis Island in 1920.

Lillian eventually met and married Morris Tick, a lansman emigre from Poland. They had three children: Irving, who passed away in 1988, Theodore (Ted) and Natalie.

Mr. Speaker, Lillian Tick is affectionately called Mama Lilly by all who know her and cherish her. Mama Lily's many friends and admirers include Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes, and Cantor Sol Zim and the other congregants and employees of the Hollis Hills Jewish Center, where she is nearly a permanent fixture.

Mama Lily is a four-foot-nine-inch bundle of energy. To this day, she still cleans and dusts to the level of her own height, maintains her own room, and insists on doing the dishes each evening, as well as the family ironing, despite having fractured both hips and walking with the aid of a quadruped cane.

Mama Lilly reads the newspapers everyday, and attends Shabbat and High Holiday serv-

ices regularly. When she is able, she observes the various Yahrzeit memorials in honor of her dear departed.

Mr. Speaker, if you ask Mama Lilly how she feels, the response is invariably, "I'm fine." When you meet Lillian Tick for the first time, you find a universal mother and grandmother. From then on you will always address her as, and you will always have, a "Mama Lilly."

The Hollis Hills Jewish Center is celebrating Lillian's 100th Birthday on June 23, 2001, so that all of Mama's many friends can share in this joyful occasion. She is beloved by all; her search for a new and better life in America, her independent spirit, and her life of hard work is the essence of our great nation: a land of immigrants yearning to breathe free.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all my colleagues in the House of Representatives to rise and join me now in honoring the 100th Birthday of Lillian Tick, who has touched the lives of so many people during her glorious years with us.

IN HONOR OF WALTER J. BRANT,
JR.

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Officer Walter J. Brant, Jr. for his dedication and devotion to his community.

Walter Brant, born in the Bronx, relocated to Long Island where he graduated from North Babylon High School in 1980. Officer Brant joined the New York City Police Department in August of 1993. Upon completion of the academy he was assigned to Police Service Area #2 where he has served the Cypress Hills Development Community for the last seven years.

While serving as a Community Policing Officer, Walter implemented the C.P.R. Bike Ride, which involved both the community youth, and Officers. Officer Brant has also participated in the 1999 City Wide Recruitment Campaign. He is presently active in the N.Y.P.D. after school program, A.S.P.I.R.E., and is involved with providing protection for the community's senior citizens. In addition, Walter has received the Law Enforcement and Community Achievement Awards and the CPR Award recognizing him for his commitment to the principles of Courtesy, Professionalism, and Respect.

Walter enjoys spending his free time with his friends and family. He devotes himself to the love of his life, Angela and their two children Jaelyn and Christopher. He also enjoys boating, carpentry and coaching his son's Little League baseball team.

Mr. Speaker, Officer Walter J. Brant, Jr. has devoted much of his life to serving his community through his duty as a police officer. He is a very dedicated individual who for many years has devoted himself to the youth of his community. As such, he is more than worthy of receiving our recognition today. I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in honoring this truly remarkable man.