

1998 to July 2001. I also represent thousands of hard-working Americans who want to know that America's trade laws are going to be enforced if their own livelihoods ever come under a similar attack. That is why I stand before you today.

I applaud the President for his recognition that the domestic steel industry is in the midst of a crisis and for initiating a Section 201 investigation. That investigation has culminated in a unanimous agreement at the ITC that the U.S. steel industry has been significantly injured by the unfair trade practices of foreign producers and nations. Our laws now put the ball back in the President's court and call on the Administration to implement a remedy that will give the domestic industry a real opportunity to recover from years of unfair trade and to compete in today's ever-changing marketplace. This remedy must come in the form of strong, tariff-based relief.

An effective tariff-based remedy would help return steel prices to their normal pre-crisis levels and allow American steel companies to make the necessary investments to remain viable and competitive in the future. It would also stimulate foreign governments and steel producers to make the difficult decisions that U.S. producers have already made—to bring stability and balance to the global steel market. In order to be effective, this remedy must meet certain criteria.

The first key to an effective tariff-based remedy is that it must be substantial in order to ensure that import prices return to market-based levels. To that end, the domestic industry has determined that a 40 percent tariff rate on flat-rolled products is warranted. In the Section 201 investigation, two of the ITC Commissioners fully agreed with this determination.

An effective remedy also must be comprehensive and must be imposed for a substantial period of time. Applying a consistent tariff-based remedy across all flat steel products is the only fair way to impose relief, and the only way to ensure that foreign producers don't simply shift their excess production to other areas. Further, in order for a remedy to have any real effect on the domestic and global marketplace, it must be enforced for at least four years. This will allow the domestic industry to make the necessary adjustments to import competition, and the President to achieve his objective of repairing the global steel trading system.

In endorsing the use of an effective, tariff-based remedy, I strongly urge the President to steer clear of quota-based relief. Such a remedy would further distort the global marketplace by providing an artificial incentive for foreign producers to ship substantial amounts of low-priced steel into our borders as quickly as possible in order to "get in under the quota." The last thing U.S. producers need at this time is another uncontrolled flood of under-priced steel.

The Administration has promised on a number of occasions to be tough on unfair trade, and now is the time to live up to that promise. The President must implement this effective tariff-based relief in order to demonstrate to foreign producers and governments that the Administration is serious about addressing not just the problem of foreign excess steel capacity, but also the problem of unfair trade practices in general. Our laws are consistent with international law and designed to ensure that our industries have somewhere to turn for re-

lief when they fall victim to unfair trade. These laws are only effective to the extent they are enforced, and their enforcement is a duty that we owe to the American people.

ON THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF
THE ENACTMENT OF THE CHILD
CITIZENSHIP ACT OF 2001

HON. WILLIAM D. DELAHUNT

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 27, 2002

Mr. DELAHUNT. Mr. Speaker, for all our colleagues in this chamber, the days are long and the rewards often intangible. Once in a great while, however, the results of our work together are so compelling that it's worth stopping for a moment to take notice.

In this spirit, I rise today to celebrate the first anniversary of the implementation of the Child Citizenship Act of 2001. With the help of a remarkable bipartisan coalition—Congressmen HENRY HYDE and LAMAR SMITH; Senators DON NICKLES, MARY LANDRIEU and TED KENNEDY, to name just a few—we made history for tens of thousands of American families, and for the scores of overseas orphans they have embraced as their own.

On February 27, 2001, United States citizenship was conferred automatically on every young child under age 18 adopted by American parents. By the most conservative estimates, more than 150,000 children woke up that morning as American citizens.

The joy of that sunny morning brimmed on the faces of adoptive families, their relatives and neighbors from coast to coast. Spontaneous commemorations, public and private, sprouted up in dozens of communities across the country, from Atlanta to Alaska.

It was a special pleasure to help host the national celebration one year ago today, in Boston's historic Faneuil Hall. Since its construction in 1742, that hall has occupied a hallowed place on our nation's trail toward freedom. It witnessed the revolutionary speeches of Samuel Adams, the anti-slavery oratory of Frederick Douglass, and the stirring call of Susan B. Anthony for women's suffrage. Last February 27, we gathered in that cradle of liberty to mark another step forward.

The new law lives not only in the bright eyes of these children and the pride in their parents' hearts, but also in the story of human compassion. In addition to those "overnight citizens" of last February 27, the Child Citizenship Act has conferred automatic U.S. citizenship upon the lawful completion of each international adoption since. In 2001 alone, U.S. parents adopted over 4600 orphans from China and 4200 from Russia, 1700 from South Korea, 1600 from Guatemala, 1200 from Ukraine, 700 from each of Romania, Vietnam and Kazakhstan; 500 from India; 400 from Cambodia; and hundreds more from Bulgaria, Colombia, the Philippines, Haiti, Ethiopia, Poland, Thailand, Mexico, Jamaica, Liberia, and dozens of other nations—altogether, more than 19,000 overseas children since the new law took effect.

Each is now a United States citizen. Not one had to struggle with the red tape or expense of the naturalization process. No federal agency was saddled with reams of paperwork to process their cases.

The real meaning, of course, cannot adequately be measured in statistics. The deepest gratification lies in the strengthening of the family—the American family and the universal, extended family of which we are all a part. During the Faneuil Hall celebration, my own daughter Kara, herself a beneficiary of the Saigon Babylift 26 years ago and a naturalized citizen, stressed that U.S. citizenship is not a rejection of one's country of origin, but rather an opportunity to weave a new, deeply personal heritage.

The enactment of the Child Citizenship Act was a model of bipartisan legislative collaboration. I still hope to build on this success to address, either administratively or through additional legislation, a number of questions that remain about the Act's application to children of American citizens living abroad.

My only real disappointment—last February and still today—is the reluctance of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service to streamline its protocols for issuing certificates of citizenship.

Many of the 150,000 who assumed citizenship last year, and those since adopted, naturally desire official affirmation of their new status. Thousands have taken advantage of the new State Department procedures to acquire United States passports. The process is so straightforward that Senator KENNEDY was able to hand-deliver the first such passport in the nation on the stage at the Faneuil Hall celebration, within two hours of the legislation taking effect.

Inexplicably, however, the INS still has not followed suit. If an adoptive child who is now a U.S. citizen seeks an INS certificate, he or she must undergo the same lengthy, expensive and cumbersome process that faces a non-citizen seeking naturalization. This procedure is irrationally burdensome for both the applicant and the agency; and it offends nearly everyone who has the misfortune to have to undergo it.

These children are already American citizens. All adoptive parents want is a piece of paper affirming that fact. It should be no harder than getting a driver's license—or a passport.

Fortunately, this problem cannot negate the enormous benefits the law has conferred on adoptive families and our entire community. Especially in the wake of September 11, as we all struggle against global misunderstanding, this new law helps fulfill the lifelong dream of thousands of families and shows enormous respect to the compassion of our own great, diverse and generous nation.

IN HONOR OF GRAND MARSHAL
MARYANN CONNELLY

HON. ROBERT MENEDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 27, 2002

Mr. MENEDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and acknowledge the many accomplishments of Grand Marshal Maryann Connelly. The St. Patrick's Parade Committee honored her on Sunday, February 24th, 2002, at the annual brunch at the Hi-Hat Caterers in Bayonne, New Jersey.

Maryann Connelly is the Principal at the Philip G. Vroom Elementary School in Bayonne, New Jersey. She has been employed

by the Bayonne Board of Education for the past ten years as a teacher and guidance counselor.

She is an active volunteer in a variety of organizations: she was the first female President of Ireland's 32 in 1992; elected by Ireland's 32 as the first "Irishwoman of the Year" in 1985; elected to Bayonne St. Patrick's Parade Committee and was the first female Chairperson elected in 1991; and is currently serving her eighth consecutive term as the General Chairperson. She raised funds for the Hudson County March of Dimes; is a member of the Art Auction Committee for the Bayonne Hospital Foundation; and co-hosts a weekly Irish-American radio show.

Mrs. Connelly received the State of New Jersey Governor's Teacher Recognition Award in 1992; became a member of Who's Who Among American Teachers in 1996; was recognized as Outstanding Community Leader from Ireland's Civic Organization in 1999; and was awarded the New Jersey Heritage Award in 2001.

Maryann Connelly earned her Bachelors and Masters of Arts degree from New Jersey City University.

She is married to Philip Connelly and is the proud mother of Kevin Patrick.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Grand Marshal Maryann Connelly for her contributions towards cultural understanding and the education of our youth. We are pleased to have her play such an important and positive role in the community of Bayonne, New Jersey.

HONORING DR. A.B. FALCONE

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 27, 2002

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Dr. A.B. Falcone on the occasion of the one year anniversary of his passing, February 20, 2001. Dr. Falcone's resume is full of academic, professional and community service accolades which reveal his dedication to bettering the society in which he lived. Dr. Falcone's memory and work are alive and continue his legacy of service.

In December of 1953, as a medical researcher in biochemistry, Dr. Falcone co-discovered the phosphate exchange reactions of the mitochondrial ATP Synthetase of Oxidative Phosphorylation. He has been widely published, recognized by the International Who's Who of Intellectuals and Who's Who in the World and invited to participate in numerous seminars and scientific meetings.

Dr. Falcone had a number of professional memberships including the American Medical Association, the American Diabetes Association and the American Federation for Clinical Research. His community organization memberships included the Archeological Society of America, the Association for Academic Excellence, the Marines Memorial Association and the California Association for the Gifted. The Falcone Foundation has established an endowment for undergraduate research in chemistry at the College of Chemistry at the University of California, Berkeley.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Falcone for his unending support of and con-

tributions to academia, his community, our nation and the entire world. I invite my colleagues to join me in commemorating his life and wishing his family well.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE HONORABLE JACK McNULTY

HON. GARY L. ACKERMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 27, 2002

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the Honorable Jack McNulty, on the occasion of his 80th birthday today. Mr. McNulty is the father of our esteemed colleague, Congressman Mike McNulty.

The Honorable Jack McNulty has had a long and distinguished career in public service. He was first elected to office in 1949 and has been re-elected to serve the people of his community in every decade since. Just this past November, he was re-elected as Mayor of Green Island, a village in New York which his son, Mike, represents with distinction in Congress.

Jack McNulty is an upstanding citizen, dedicated public servant, and devoted father. I ask my colleagues to rise and join with me in honoring Jack McNulty and wishing him a happy 80th birthday, and many, many more to come.

WELCOMING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF BROOMFIELD

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 27, 2002

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the "First 100 Days" of Colorado's newest county.

At midnight on November 15, 2001, the City of Broomfield, Colorado, became the City and County of Broomfield, and as such became Colorado's 64th county. It represents the culmination of years of difficult and tireless work the results of which will benefit Broomfield residents with enhanced and more efficient services—not to mention a higher profile.

The success of these efforts is illustrated in an article from the Rocky Mountain News that I am attaching for the information of our colleagues.

It all started in 1994 when a citizen group first publicly broached the idea due to the inconveniences of a city spread across four separate counties. This resulted in a fractured community that had to depend on four different seats for basic services and property taxes that varied throughout the city. After four years of organizing and diligence on the part of many Broomfield officials, Colorado's voters took the necessary step of agreeing to amend Colorado's Constitution to allow the city to become a city and county.

But this was only the beginning of the work that lay ahead. As many in Broomfield County can now attest, creating a new county from scratch is a monumental task.

In order to prepare the new county for business, a city and county building, a courthouse and a county jail had to be located and constructed. In addition to these and other phys-

ical changes, an entirely new administrative system had to be developed, which included the complex and daunting county health care program. In the political arena, rather than conduct elections for county commissioners, Broomfield elected to have their town council and mayor perform the task of the county commission. This innovative system will ensure a smooth transition and ensure those city services and county services are coordinated, assuring the best possible results to residents.

The people and the government of Broomfield are to be commended for such an innovative and far-sighted task. Their years of hard work have at last come to fruition and their success will be measured by a better quality of life for their citizens. I hope my colleagues will join me in recognizing this accomplishment and in wishing the people of Broomfield City and County continued success and much prosperity in the years to come.

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100-DAY-OLD BROOMFIELD HAPPY AS A LARK

(By Berry Morson)

BROOMFIELD—Greg Young was turned away at the motor vehicle department in this newly formed county when he tried recently to register a used Subaru.

He didn't have the right paper-work, Young was told.

But it's what happened next that surprised Young.

The clerk who turned him away, Darlene Yengich, picked up the phone and politely, but firmly explained to the car's former owner which papers must be turned over to Young for the vehicle to get plates.

"It stunned me that she just called the person," Young said. He had made numerous calls to the previous owner in a vain quest for the magic papers.

Thanks to Yengich's call, Young is now legally driving the streets of Broomfield in his '92 gray Subaru wagon.

That's the kind of personal service community leaders were hoping to achieve when they campaigned for a 1998 ballot proposal to make Broomfield a county, as well as a city.

Today, Broomfield is quietly celebrating its 100th day as Colorado's 64th county, which took effect Nov. 15. No speeches or parades are planned.

But Young is taking plenty about the benefits of being able to register his car in the community where he's lived for 12 years. He showed up recently at a City Council meeting to tell City leaders about how helpful Yengich had been.

"I said, 'You must have gotten her from Planet Wonderful,'" Young said.

Before Nov. 15, Broomfield was divided among four counties—Adams, Boulder, Jefferson and Weld. Conducting business such as registering a car or applying for a marriage license meant a drive to a distant county seat.

Transition from a city of a city-and-county has been smooth, partly because citizens are behind the changes, said Russ Ragsdale, the county clerk and Yengich's boss.

"They all, as a majority, were behind this county thing, and they want to see us succeed, and they've helped," Ragsdale said. "I can see it when I sit in the motor vehicle office, and watch the customers as they come in. They're glad to have us here, and they make it easy on us."

Transfer of records from the previous counties to Broomfield went with few hitches, Ragsdale said.

Among the people most happy that Broomfield is now a county are police officers.