

killed grandmas. I killed daughters. I killed firemen. I killed policemen," and then warning the viewers, "Where do terrorists get their money? If you buy drugs, some of it may come from you."

Bummer.

Like they wanted to do that? The buyers of drugs would be perfectly happy to buy them in a clean, well-lit store at reasonable prices, with the profits heavily taxed to support schools, medical benefits, or any other legitimate function of government—even police. That's how they buy cigarettes and liquor, neither of which finances international terrorists. (In a current prosecution, smuggling cigarettes from low-tax North Carolina to high-tax Michigan allegedly raised \$1,500 for an alleged affiliate of Hamas. But big violence needs bigger sums from more lucrative sources.)

It was bad when drug laws gave the Mafia an opportunity to do big business. It was worse when the laws encouraged Colombian and Mexican drug cartels to obtain aircraft and heavy weapons. Now that the drug laws provide profits to people who want to kill Americans wholesale instead of retail, it's time to change the laws.

Using drugs is stupid enough; making the users finance international terrorists is even more foolish.

TRIBUTE TO CARROLL "BUD"
FAIRCLO

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 27, 2002

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding Oregonian and authentic American hero, Carroll "Bud" Fairclo. A native of Dairy, Oregon in the 2nd Congressional District, Bud was a devoted family man, a well-loved member of his community, a fierce warrior, and most of all, an unwavering patriot.

Mr. Speaker, Bud Fairclo served during World War II as a member of Company L of the 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division of the Fifth and Seventh Armies. As an infantryman with the 3rd Division, which fought in campaigns across North Africa, Sicily, and Italy under Generals George S. Patton and Mark W. Clark, Bud saw some of the heaviest fighting of the war during a period when Germany's defeat was by no means certain. Bud participated in countless engagements, and though he performed with distinction in combat many times, his heroism on one occasion was particularly conspicuous.

On November 9th, 1943, near Mignano, Italy, Bud silenced three German pillboxes with a volley of grenades and rifle fire, saving many of his countrymen from the murderous fire of the enemy. He then single-handedly halted a German counterattack and was under constant enemy fire for nearly 18 hours until relief arrived. While he was severely wounded during this action, Bud refused evacuation to treat his injuries. Later he volunteered for observation post duty to direct mortar fire that silenced two remaining pillboxes that had fired on his unit throughout the night.

On April 11th, 1944 General Mark W. Clark presented Bud Fairclo with the Distinguished Service Cross for his extraordinary heroism in action, a decoration second only to the Medal of Honor. Bud's uncommon valor earned him

not only the distinction of being one of Oregon's most highly decorated veterans, but the enduring gratitude of the nation he fought so heroically to defend.

Like so many unassuming heroes of his generation, Bud Fairclo loved his country deeply, served it courageously in our Nation's darkest hour, and then quietly returned to civilian life, expecting neither recognition nor reward for his valiant service. Bud went on to father five children and run a horse-ranch in the Klamath Basin for more than half a century. While I never had the opportunity to meet Bud before his passing in 1997, like every child of the post-war world I have lived and breathed the freedom that he and his comrades bequeathed to us.

Mr. Speaker, on July 4th, I will have the distinct honor of presenting a framed set of Bud's military decorations to the Fairclo family as part of a ceremony dedicating the Mid-Columbia Veterans Memorial in The Dalles, Oregon. I will make this presentation with a profound and lasting reverence for the sacrifices he and his fellow veterans made on behalf of the generations that would follow them.

Today as our Nation faces a new war and young men and women across this great land answer their country's call to service, it is the heroism and selflessness of men like Bud Fairclo that will inspire them to great and noble feats. As we observe the birth of our Nation and commemorate the contributions Bud and others have made in defending it, we do so in humble recognition of the debt we owe to them—a debt that no riches or tributes could ever hope to repay.

BAY CITY POLICE CAPTAIN DAVE
BRUBAKER: A LAWMAN'S LIFE

HON. JAMES A. BARCIA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 27, 2002

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and mourning the death of retired Bay City Police Captain Dave Brubaker. When Dave passed away, his three children lost a wonderful father, his wife, Diane, lost a loving soul mate, the citizens of Bay City lost a committed public servant and I lost a friend.

Dave befriended all who crossed his path, including me. In fact, I often crossed his path as he was patrolling the streets of Bay City. His greeting was always the same. He immediately activated the flashing lights of his squad car. Whenever Dave saw me ever so slightly exceeding the posted speed limit, he'd pull me over. We'd share our latest deer hunting stories, then he'd let me go with a stern warning to slow down, a warning I naturally ignored until the next time Dave pulled me over.

Anyone who knew Dave quickly developed an appreciation for his good-natured sense of humor. Wherever he went, his natural charisma and outgoing nature drew people to him. He was always the center of attention and the life of the party. In fact, no one would have appreciated more than Dave the notion to pay tribute to him with a Fourth of July celebration and fireworks display.

Dave was also a serious and dedicated public servant who never swayed from his duty to protect and defend our community. He

was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. Above all, Dave cared deeply about people and never missed an opportunity to show it. The sense of loss for his wife, Diane, his three daughters and their husbands, his grandchildren and extended family certainly will never go away. Perhaps Dave's family can take solace in knowing that his fellow officers, his friends and the entire community are better off for having made Dave's acquaintance. We all miss him.

Mr. Speaker, in the aftermath of the tragedies of Sept. 11, every community has a better understanding of the debt owed to law enforcement officers like Captain Dave Brubaker. Dave did his duty with a firm hand and understanding heart. His life's work is his badge of honor and his legacy will continue to inspire all public servants. Please join me in remembering and honoring Captain Dave Brubaker.

CELEBRATING THE REHABILITATION AND PRESERVATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AT EL RANCHO VERDE APARTMENTS

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 27, 2002

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, today we rise to celebrate the El Rancho Verde Apartments, the largest preservation of affordable housing in the Western United States. This outstanding, \$117 million effort has truly been a community effort to preserve affordable housing for families who could not otherwise afford the high cost of living in Silicon Valley. We commend the efforts on the part of several groups: The Related Companies of California; Community Housing Developers, Inc.; City of San Jose Housing Department; State of California Housing Finance Agency; State of California Treasurer's Office and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Built in 1970, El Rancho Verde was at risk of being converted to market-rate property at the expiration of existing HUD Use Agreements. Now, this affordable housing will be preserved for a minimum of 55 years.

This rehabilitation project—considered by city, state and federal housing officials to be a model for the nation—preserves 700 low income two and three-bedroom apartments on 36 acres, enabling families to live in San Jose who otherwise might not be able to afford it.

We would especially like to applaud state officials, who gave this development the second largest ever allocation of tax-exempt bonds for multifamily housing to date.

Recognizing that childcare is another critical issue for low-income families, we commend the commitment to the East Side community in form of structural improvements to the adjacent child development center, El Rancho Verde Child Development Center. The Center serves 75 children, ages 3 to 10, most of whom live at the El Rancho apartments.

Thanks to the efforts of The Related Companies of California and Community Housing Developers, Inc., approximately 3,000 people—1,500 hundred of them children—will have a home in San Jose.