

who turned the art of batting into a science.

Mr. Speaker, he began his major league career with the Boston Red Sox on December 7, 1937, and played for the team exclusively for 19 years. He retired with a career high .344 batting average, and was, of course, the last player to hit over 400 for a full season in 1941. Ted Williams is tied for 11th all time, with 521 home runs, and 11th with 1,839 RBIs.

He won two Triple Crowns, and was a two-time MVP. He held six American League batting championships and received 18 All-star game selections.

These tremendous achievements, Mr. Speaker, were reached despite Ted missing five seasons serving his country as a naval aviator in World War II, and then later he went on to become a Marine aviator, flying 39 combat missions in Korea and earning an Air Medal and two Gold Stars.

On January 20, 1966, Ted Williams was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame, and on May 29, 1984, the Red Sox formally retired his number 9.

In 1994, the so-called "Einstein of batting" opened the Ted Williams Museum and Library in Hernando, Florida, becoming the number one tourist attraction in Citrus County. My family has had the opportunity to visit this wonderful museum, and I was his Congressman for many years. We had an opportunity to meet and talk with him many times.

But Mr. Speaker, Ted Williams was much more to his country than just a baseball legend.

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He was also a legend in terms of helping others. When I first came to Congress, Ted Williams, as I mentioned, was one of my constituents. Unfortunately, districts were redrawn in 1991 and I moved away from him. However, I continued to work with him and to speak with him on a number of key issues. And one issue, Mr. Speaker, I would like to share with you this afternoon.

In 1995 he was recovering from a stroke that he suffered. During his therapy he came to know a young woman whose name was Tricia Miranti. She was also going through therapy much like him, and he used to play checkers with her and talk to her. She had a brain hemorrhage which she suffered at the age of five. Ted Williams is a man who exemplified determination and hard work. He was impressed with her determination and her hard work and he watched her go through therapy. They became fast friends and out of their friendship grew Williams' creation of a scholarship fund for disabled students.

In 1997 I had the honor of working with Ted to raise funds for that scholarship program. Ted's dedication to Tricia and those who share her experiences can be summed up in the following quote he gave to an article in 1998. He said, "It makes me feel lucky.

If ever, as long as I live, I can help anyone in any way possible, I will. It makes you just feel great."

This statement, of course, is no surprise to those who knew Ted. His passionate support of the Jimmy Fund, an organization dedicated to raising funds for cancer research and treatment for children, is also legend. In his autobiography Ted wrote, "I think one of the greatest things ever said is that a man never stands so high as when he stoops to help a kid."

Mr. Speaker, Ted Williams is one of the greatest hitters to ever play the game, if not the greatest. But he should also be remembered for what he accomplished outside of the game, accomplishments that we will not find in career statistics, but the impact of which will be felt for years to come. God bless Ted Williams and his family.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CULBERSON). Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 2 p.m.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 48 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until 2 p.m.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CULBERSON) at 2 p.m.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Lord, You are wisdom for the ages and strength in times of weakness, renew Your people in faith and by our prayer wash us clean in Your Holy Spirit.

Guide the Members of Congress during this week. Bring forth from their diversity a unity of purpose. Born out of honest exchange and compromise, let there emerge great leadership for Your people.

Through the power of Your own Spirit work through them and in them.

By works in the mind provide new understanding and by works in the heart bring about freedom and unity, enough to hold a Nation, now and forever. Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. SEN-

SENBRENNER) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF HON. SHERROD BROWN OF OHIO, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Elizabeth Thames, District Director to the Honorable SHERROD BROWN of Ohio, Member of Congress:

JULY 8, 2002.

Hon. DENNIS J. HASTERT,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
*Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House, that I have been served with a civil subpoena for testimony issued by the Geauga County Court of Common Pleas, Chardon, Ohio.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I determined that it is inconsistent with the precedents and privileges of the House to comply with the subpoena.

Sincerely,

ELIZABETH THAMES,  
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#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
*Washington, DC, July 12, 2002.*

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*The Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
*Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on