

FAREWELL TO CONGRESSMAN
TONY HALL

HON. MARTIN FROST

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2002

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate Congressman Tony Hall on becoming the United States Ambassador to the United Nations food and agriculture agencies in Rome. I cannot think of anyone that I would rather have represent the United States on a global stage than my friend, Tony Hall.

Congressman Hall and I have served together in the House for 23 years, and serving most of that time together on the Rules Committee. During this time, I have come to admire his strong will and dedication. We all recognize Tony Hall as a tireless advocate of ending world hunger and ensuring global food security. His record on this issue speaks to his passion, his many accomplishments include: working actively to improve human rights conditions around the world, and the enactment of a law he authored to fight hunger-related diseases in developing nations. These and other works on behalf of the needy earned Congressman Hall a nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize in 1998, 1999, and 2001.

Although we will miss him in the House, I know that the United States will be well served by Congressman Hall. We as Americans should feel privileged that we have such a compassionate and dedicated individual looking after our interests in the United Nations. I know my colleagues will join me in wishing him the best of luck.

TRIBUTE TO DR. AND MRS. HENRY
ANDERSEN

HON. BOB SCHAFFER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SCHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. and Mrs. Henry "Hank" Andersen of Lamar, CO as they celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. Hank and Marjorie Anderson grew up in the small town of Cozad, Nebraska. They were high school sweethearts who married on July 31, 1942. For their lifetime commitment to each other and their strong example to their family and community, Mr. Speaker, the United States Congress commends Hank and Marjorie and wishes them many more wonderful years together.

After graduating from Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri, with a major in speech, Miss Marjorie Evelyn Ford married Naval Ensign Henry Stanley Andersen. In 1942, the couple moved to New York City, where Hank, a Naval officer who loved to fly, was stationed as a pilot. There, their small family grew to include a daughter, Sue Ford Andersen. After Hank's tour of duty ended in 1945, the Andersen's moved back to Nebraska. In 1947, they welcomed the birth of their second child, Stanley Ford.

After graduating from the University of Nebraska Dental School in 1949, Hank moved his family to Lamar, Colorado. There, he opened a successful dental practice, which he maintained for almost 35 years.

As their children grew, Hank and Marjorie became very involved in the life of their community. Marjorie joined two women's service organizations, Sorosis and P.E.O., while Hank became an active member of the South-eastern Colorado Dental Association. Both Hank and Marjorie have been active members of Lamar's First Presbyterian Church. Family has always been very important to Hank and Marjorie. Throughout their married life, the Andersens made numerous trips back to Cozad, Nebraska to visit their parents, Ralph and Pearl Ford (Pa Ralph and Sweetiepie to their grandchildren) and Henry and Ella Andersen, (affectionately referred to as Pa Henry and Squeezetight). Even after their parents passed away, the Andersens continued to make the trip to visit their aunt and uncle, Floyd and Kate Mundell.

Hank and Marjorie take great pride in their children, and were very excited when Sue married James Ocken in 1966 and when they became the grandparents of Cassandra "Cassie" Ocken and Staci Ocken Helseth. They have also greatly enjoyed their great-grandchildren, Chase Henry Helseth and Courtney Laura Helseth. The Andersens are always prepared to show off their most recent family photos.

Always avid sports fans, Hank and Marjorie held season tickets to the Air Force Academy football games during the 1950s, and never missed an opportunity to attend Lamar High School football and basketball games. The Andersens have also continually encouraged the young people of their community, faithfully attending the school events of neighborhood children, long after their son and daughter left home.

After Dr. Andersen retired in 1983, the couple enjoyed traveling to Kennebunkport, Maine, the home of their favorite president, George Bush, and to the countryside of Wisconsin to see the fall colors.

After 60 years of marriage, Hank and Marjorie Andersen are still a beautiful picture of what it means to be in love. Everyone who knows them can see how much they enjoy being in each other's company. They take care of one another, laugh together and set a meaningful example of commitment in marriage.

Citizens of Colorado, Hank and Marjorie are a truly remarkable couple. I am proud of their momentous accomplishment, and I ask the House of Representatives to join me in extending our warmest congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Henry Andersen.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SNOOTY

HON. DAN MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2002

Mr. DAN MILLER of Florida. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor one of my district's finest and longest residing citizens. On July 21st this constituent turned 54 years of age and has been loyally serving Manatee County since 1949. Appropriately this guy has become the mascot for the county that bears the name of his kind. Of course I am referring to the legendary Snooty, the manatee of the South Florida Museum in Bradenton, FL. Snooty is the longest living manatee in cap-

tivity and has been the main attraction of the museum for over fifty years.

Snooty was born "Baby Snoots" at the old Miami Aquarium in 1948, and a year later was transferred to Bradenton as part of our annual Florida Heritage Festival. It didn't take long for Snooty to become one of Bradenton's most adorable and popular residents, as he soon became a regular part of curriculum for local elementary school students. Although Snooty sometimes spends up to 18 hours of his day eating and sleeping, you could hardly label him lazy, as he has entertained over one million visitors. Snooty has also welcomed many notable guests such as former Vice President Dan Quayle, General Norman Schwarzkopf, and Captain Kangaroo.

Thanks to the grand status of Snooty and support from the community, a beautiful new facility was erected for him in 1993. The Parker Manatee Aquarium holds approximately 60,000 gallons of water and provides Snooty with both deep and shallow regions to replicate his natural habitat. The new complex also includes many educational exhibits to inform the public about this rare sea mammal and its struggle to regenerate its population.

I would like to extend an invitation to my colleagues and their families to visit Snooty and experience why Manatee County is so proud of their mascot. On behalf of everyone of the 13th District of Florida, it is with great pleasure that I wish Mr. Snooty a happy 54th birthday.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROBERT L. EHRlich, JR.

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2002

Mr. EHRlich. Mr. Speaker, on Wednesday, July 24th, I was unavoidably detained on my way to vote on House business. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following way:

Aye on Rollcall 335 on passage of H.R. 4547, the Cost of War Against Terrorism Authorization Act of 2002.

A SPECIAL TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF
TEN YEARS OF INCORPORATION
FOR THE TOWN OF AWENDAW,
SOUTH CAROLINA

HON. HENRY E. BROWN, JR.

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 25, 2002

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, small towns are God's little wonders and today I would like to recognize the small town of Awendaw in my district. Awendaw is known as the "land of the Seewee Indians." It has a rich history that included a visit from the 1st President of the United States, George Washington while on a southern tour in 1791. During the 16th century, records show four Indian tribes that inhabited the land—the Samp, Santee, Seewee and the Wando. Agriculture was their way of life. In 1670, English colonists came to South Carolina at Port Royal in Beaufort. They traveled down the coast until they sighted what is now called Bull's Bay. They