

to settle claims under the False Claims Act and other administrative claims that the firm overcharged the government \$1.8 million.

Moreover, the company is reportedly under criminal investigation by the Department of Justice! Yet, notwithstanding this company's disgraceful track record, just a few weeks ago, the Navy once again entered into a lucrative contract with Ogilvy & Mather, to continue providing services in support of the National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign.

By the time this new contract expires in July of 2003, this firm could potentially receive more than \$770 million dollars of taxpayer dollars. Given the massive funds already dedicated to a highly suspect company, I consider it an affront to the U.S. taxpayer we continue throwing good money after bad. This matter is rapidly turning into the Enron of the War on Drugs.

Here we have a firm with a documented track record of fraud and mismanagement, and how does the government respond? By rewarding it with yet more taxpayer dollars. Not only is this an insult to the taxpayer, think of the message we are sending to the youth of America—the very same youth, I might add, that we are trying to keep off drugs—"Cheat once, ok. Cheat twice, fine. Cheat three times; we'll keep on giving you another chance, and rewarding you in the bargain." Is this the kind of message you are comfortable sending to American school children? Character and integrity counts across the board, not just in selective circumstances.

Let me be perfectly clear I am a supporter of an effective public media campaign to help fight drug use across this nation. This campaign is an important part of the war against mind altering drugs, delivering a powerful message to youth and families across the nation about the dangers of illicit drugs.

My amendment will not end the Media Campaign. I in no way seek to prevent the anti-drug message from being delivered loud and clear.

In an era of moral relativity, we should be sending a clear message to the kids we are trying to keep off drugs: character and integrity counts across the board, not just in selective circumstances.

I ask all Members to join me in passage of my amendment. No more excuses. We must do all we can to salvage a workable program, and spend public money responsibly. Should we find another approach to reach this goal, the Chairman has my commitment to work with him and refine the language appropriately as we move through the conference process, and I thank Chairman ISTOOK and Ranking Member HOYER for working with me to ensure this issue is addressed appropriately.

TRIBUTE TO MR. JOSEPH F.
WARNER

HON. JERRY WELLER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 4, 2002

Mr. WELLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Mr. Joseph F. Warner for his many years of service to the Illinois communities of Bloomington and Normal along with the County of McLean in Illinois. Mr. Warner was an outstanding leader in the civic, po-

litical, and charitable activities of these communities. Tragically, Mr. Warner lost his life on the morning of July 21 in an airplane crash. His strong leadership and enthusiasm for working to improve the quality of life in these Central Illinois communities will be very deeply missed.

A strong advocate for the welfare and good health of senior citizens, Mr. Warner was the president and chief executive officer of Heritage Enterprises in Bloomington—a major senior service company with high quality senior residential facilities throughout the State of Illinois. Further evidence of his interest in health care—a field he served for 32 years—was Mr. Warner's work as past president, vice president and director of the Illinois Health Care Association; as a member of the Governor's task forces on long-term care insurance and long-term care reimbursement; as a trustee of the Mennonite School of Nursing and as the past McLean County chairman of the American Heart Association.

Another key aspect of Mr. Warner's leadership was his interest in the providing of educational opportunities for young people—as demonstrated by his work as the fund-raising chairman for the innovative Challenger Learning Center for Science and Math; his service on Illinois State University's Board of Director's legislative committee; his presidency of the Redbird Education and Scholarship Fund at Illinois State University and his membership on the Board of Directors of the Illinois Wesleyan University Association.

Mr. Warner's wide-ranging interest in charitable and community service work was perhaps a natural extension of his strong spiritual beliefs which led to his directorship of the United Campus Christian Foundation and his leadership role as the ruling elder of the First United Presbyterian Church.

As an exemplary citizen and veteran of the United States Army, Mr. Warner believed in playing a very active role in the political process. His role included both work at the grassroots level as a Republican Precinct Committeeman with leadership service as the Chairman of the McLean County Republican Party.

Mr. Speaker, despite the tragic circumstances, I am proud to offer to you the fellow Members of the House of Representatives the extraordinary life of Mr. Joseph Warner as the ultimate example to us all of American citizenship and service.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO BOB CARLINO

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 4, 2002

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to a master craftsman and brave veteran who bravely fought for our country during World War II. Bob Carlino, of Pueblo, Colorado has repaired thousands of shoes for Coloradans since he became an apprentice shoe repairman at age fourteen. He continues to repair shoes today with his wife, Mary, at their shop in Pueblo. Bob has provided his services to Pueblo for over 60 years, including serving his country, and I am proud to tell of his accomplishments before this body of Congress today.

Bob, age 81, grew up on Pueblo's Goat Hill and learned the craft of shoe repair from his uncle at E. Pfost's Shoe Repair shop, where he received fifteen cents a week which he used for a Saturday movie. Bob joined the military after World War II began and became a member of the 224th Quartermaster Company where his work helped to contribute to the repairing hundreds of thousands of soldier's boots. During the Battle of the Bulge in December 1944, Bob's unit dropped their shoe repair equipment and picked up their rifles to fight and defeat the Germans. In the aftermath of the war, the 224th Quartermaster Company disbanded and Bob returned to Pueblo in early 1946 to reopen his shoe business. Bob was a devoted father and husband. He was an example for his community, ethically, morally, and honorably.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor to recognize Bob Carlino and his contributions to the community of Pueblo and this nation. I would like to thank him for his years of hard work and dedication to his nation. His efforts deserve the recognition of this body of Congress. Thank you Bob and I look forward to your continued service in your community.

HONORING THE CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL 4-H CLUBS

HON. BOB SCHAFFER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 4, 2002

Mr. SCHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend and honor the Centennial Anniversary of one of the premier youth organizations of the world, the National 4-H Clubs. One of the foremost youth organizations in Colorado, as well as the rest of the nation, 4-H is the youth education branch of the Cooperative Extension Service, a program of the United States Department of Agriculture. Since its founding in 1902, the National 4-H Clubs have been at the forefront of the effort to both educate and develop our nation's youth. Over the past century, the 4-H program has evolved from its predominately agricultural roots to offer a variety of educational programs for young people in both rural as well as urban areas. As it celebrates 100 years, this remarkable organization continues to enable young people to learn new life-skills, build self-confidence, and set and achieve goals, while at the same time having fun and meeting new people. In Colorado, I've witnessed numerous examples of how 4-H clubs have encouraged and inspired young people with programs ranging from environmental preservation to career exploration and preparation. The 4-H's, which stand for Head, Heart, Hands, and Health, comprise the centerpiece of the 4-H motto, "To make the best better," toward which each young person recites: "I pledge my head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service, and my health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world." I congratulate the 4-H Clubs of Colorado, and commend the National 4-H organization on its first 100 years dedicated to developing our nation's leaders of tomorrow.