

Whereas, within moments of the crash at the Pentagon, Inova AirCare was on the scene to transport patients, and AirCare 2, the system's back-up helicopter, transported needed supplies to the scene for use in patient triage; and

Whereas, Inova Blood Donor Services collected more than 2,000 units of blood in the first week following the attacks, and a portion of the donations were sent to New York and New Jersey to help injured patients; and

Whereas, the Inova Institute of Research and Education contacted the Food and Drug Administration to allow usage of a new drug—in its final phase of testing—in a successful attempt to save the life of Virginia State Police Trooper Michael Middleton; and

Whereas, more than a month after the September 11 attacks, Inova Health System played a leading role in the initial diagnosis and treatment of patients exposed to anthrax at the Brentwood Postal Facility; and

Whereas, Inova Fairfax Hospital emergency room physician Cecele Murphy diagnosed the first inhalation anthrax patient on October 19, 2001, before the source of the anthrax was known; and

Whereas, within two days, the hospital diagnosed the second anthrax case, and Inova physicians soon developed protocols for hospitals to follow in screening postal workers and other potential inhalation anthrax cases; and

Whereas, in collaboration with infectious disease specialists from Kaiser Permanente, Inova physicians published an anthrax case study in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, an article that was published faster than any other case study in the journal's history; and

Whereas, Inova Fairfax Hospital held three press conferences to educate the public on key anthrax information, including the fact that it is not contagious and that patients in and visitors to hospitals are safe; and

Whereas, Inova Health System continued to take the lead in producing and distributing anthrax information to inform the public via information hotlines, websites, the press, and public meetings; and

Whereas, throughout the turbulent Fall of 2001, the medical professionals and staff of Inova Health System responded to emergency situations with great dispatch, diligence, courage, and professionalism; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Inova Health System for its quick and effective response to the events of September 11 and the anthrax incidents in October 2001; and, be it

Resolved further, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Inova Health System as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration and gratitude for its dedication to the health and welfare of the citizens of Northern Virginia.

HONORING MR. WILLIAM WEST

HON. SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2002

Mrs. CAPITO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of a constituent of mine, Mr. William West. I am proud to recognize Mr. West for his dedication to furthering agriculture education in the state of West Virginia.

On a national scale, Mr. West was one of six educators to be recognized by the National

Association of Agricultural Educators with the 2000-01 Outstanding Agricultural Education Teacher Award. This annual award was presented to Mr. West for conducting the highest quality agricultural education programs and rewarding him for his civic, community, agricultural and professional leadership.

This award also serves as a highlight of Mr. West's ability to draw upon community resources in order to provide meaningful educational experiences for all students.

Currently a teacher at Ripley High School in Ripley, West Virginia, William West continues to supply top quality agricultural education. His work, and the example he sets, has provided an invaluable service to his students and to West Virginia. I am honored to commend Mr. William West and offer him my best wishes in the future.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2002

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, during an absence yesterday, I regrettably missed Roll Call votes 375-377. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner:

Roll Call #375: Yea; Roll Call #376: Yea; Roll Call #377: Yea.

TRIBUTE TO HART AND MARK HASTEN

HON. MIKE PENCE

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2002

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Hart and Mark Hasten, two brothers born in the small town of Bohorodczany, Poland and currently living in my home state of Indiana. In 1942, acting on horrifying rumors that Nazis were murdering Jews everywhere, their father placed young Hart and Mark in a horse drawn carriage and the family fled town in the middle of night.

Shortly after the Hastens left Bohorodczany, twelve hundred Jews were gathered by the Nazis and murdered in a nearby town. Hart and Mark, and their parents, were the only surviving Jews from the area.

Recently, the two brothers traveled back to their boyhood town to erect a monument in the memory of the martyrs. Rabbi Kasriel Shemtov from Israel and Rabbi Moseh Kolesnik from Ukraine as well as fifty Jewish people from neighboring villages joined Hart and Mark to observe the dedication.

The story of those who perished is etched in Hebrew and English on a granite stone in a small cemetery where they may rest in peace.

Mr. Speaker, I praise Hart and Mark Hasten for erecting this monument in the name of their fellow townspeople. This is a special memorial for a deserving community of heroes.

TRIBUTE TO AMBASSADOR PER ANGER OF SWEDEN

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 10, 2002

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, I call to the attention of my colleagues to the passing during the August recess of Ambassador Per Anger of Sweden. He died Sunday August 25 in Stockholm at the age of 88. I invite my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to him.

Mr. Speaker, Per Anger was a distinguished career diplomat of his native Sweden. He was ambassador to Australia, Canada and the Bahamas, Consul General in San Francisco, an advocate and activist within the Swedish Foreign Ministry for humanitarian assistance, and an effective voice of conscience in Swedish diplomacy. But most of all, he will be long remembered for his active and effective collaboration with Raoul Wallenberg in the saving of Hungarian Jewish lives during the Holocaust, and then for his advocacy on behalf of Wallenberg after the Soviet Army took him prisoner at the end of World War II.

Mr. Speaker, Ambassador Anger was born in Goteborg on December 7, 1913, and studied law at Stockholm and Uppsala universities. He began his diplomatic career in Berlin, but he was posted to Budapest in late 1942. During his early days in Budapest, he passed on a historic piece of intelligence—the plans, location and operations of Nazi concentration camps that he had gleaned from refugees to Hungary.

He was still in Budapest in March 1944 when Nazi Germany occupied Hungary. Shortly after the German Wehrmacht arrived, Adolf Eichmann and his henchmen appeared in Budapest with the assignment to exterminate the Jewish population of Hungary. Per Anger began issuing temporary Swedish passports and identity cards to Hungarian Jews in an effort to protect them against deportation to Nazi extermination camps.

In July of 1944, Raoul Wallenberg arrived at the Swedish Legation Budapest. He came at the request of the United States and with the support of the Swedish government in an effort to do what he could to save the lives of Hungarian Jews. Wallenberg expanded the use of these protective passports, issuing tens of thousands of them to Jews facing shipment to extermination camps, and with American financial assistance he leased apartment buildings where Jews driven from their homes stayed nominally under Swedish diplomatic protection. Together Wallenberg and Anger saved tens of thousands of children, women, and men from the forced marches and from the trains bound for death camps at Auschwitz and elsewhere in Nazi-occupied Europe.

Mr. Speaker, while Per Anger's diplomatic career is distinguished, it is his efforts with Raoul Wallenberg that set him apart, that raise him above the many eminent Swedes who have served their country with honor and integrity. Ambassador Anger's association with Raoul Wallenberg gave him a cause that he continued to pursue with commitment and intelligence throughout his life. Because of that association, he will be honored around the world for generations.

A great deal of what we know about Raoul Wallenberg's efforts in Budapest in 1944 is the