

Then, in 1992, Senator Adams was elected to the Indiana Senate, and currently serves as Chair of the Governmental Affairs & Interstate Cooperation Subcommittee and is a ranking member of the Environmental Affairs and Natural Resources committees. He also serves on the Pensions and Labor committee.

Senator Adams was recognized for achieving a one hundred percent voting attendance record, having been present for all 570 roll-call votes recorded during the 16 week long 2003 legislative session.

In addition to his duties at the Senate, Senator Adams has also been actively involved in his local community as a member of the Kosciusko County Historical Society and the Kosciusko County Retired Teachers Association. He has also served as a board member for the Bowen Center for Human Services and the Warsaw Community Development Corporation.

After 16 years in the Indiana General Assembly, Senator Adams recently announced that he would not seek re-election to Indiana Senate District 9 in 2004.

Upon the completion of his third term, Senator Adams looks forward to spending more time with his wife, Nancy, and their five children and fifteen grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I know his constituents will be sorry to see him leave. But both they and his family can take comfort in the knowledge that he has both capably and honorably represented District Nine for the past 16 years.

I know that all of Senator Adams' colleagues agree with me in saying that they are proud to have served with him during his long and distinguished career.

I wish him and his family well.

BOY SCOUTS HONOR STEPHEN BARROUK WITH DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS AWARD

HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 24, 2004

Mr. KANJORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my friend and colleague, Mr. Stephen Barrouk, native of Wilkes-Barre, in Luzerne County, in my district, who is being honored by the Boy Scout Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

I ask that my colleagues pay tribute to him as he is awarded the Distinguished Citizens Award at a dinner tonight at Genetti's in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Steve has served as President and CEO of the Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Business and Industry since 1989. In this capacity, he manages three organizations including the Chamber of Commerce, Committee for Economic Growth and the Greater Wilkes-Barre Industrial Fund, Inc.

Steve attended E.L. Meyers High School in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. Upon graduation, he went on to the University of Pittsburgh, where he received his bachelor of arts degree in urban studies and economics and his master's degree in public administration.

Prior to his appointment in Wilkes-Barre, Steve worked in the Pittsburgh Department of City Development in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He later worked as Deputy Director of the Allegheny County Department of Development

and Executive Director of the Allegheny County Industrial, Hospital and Higher Education Authorities. On behalf of all of Northeastern Pennsylvania, I offer my gratitude to our colleagues in the western part of the state for educating Steve on economic development. At our first opportunity, we stole him back.

Steve is a current Board member and past Chairman of the Pennsylvania Economic Development Association. He serves on the Boards of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Alliance, the United Way of the Wyoming Valley, the Ethics Institute and Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

I am especially proud of the leadership Steve has shown as an original member of the Board of the Earth Conservancy; non-profit, charitable organization that I helped to establish to restore, preserve, and develop more than 17,000 acres of land throughout Luzerne County previously owned by a bankrupt coal company. We worked very closely together on this project, which I believe will have a profound impact on present and future generations of Northeastern Pennsylvanians. Especially in the earliest days of the organization, we endured a great deal of criticism and controversy.

Like the Earth Conservancy, the Luzerne County Convention Center Authority generated a great deal of controversy in its early days and has since been recognized as an overwhelming success for the entire region. Steve Barrouk served as chairman of this authority and continues to serve on the board. It is for his willingness to step forward and lead efforts that may be controversial but serve the long-term interests of the community that Steve deserves the greatest commendations.

Steve is also a member of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives, Northeast Economic Development Association and the International Research Council. He has also served on the Board of the Northeast Pennsylvania Philharmonic Society and was a member of the Osterhout Free Library Long-Term Planning Committee and Downtown Task Force.

Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to represent a man who has tirelessly served our community. Northeastern Pennsylvania is a stronger community because of the service of Steve Barrouk, and I can think of no higher compliment for a man. I am pleased to join the Boy Scouts in honoring this man who has worked so earnestly to improve the quality of life in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO EDNA WILSON MOSLEY

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 24, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is a privilege to rise today to pay tribute to Edna Mosley for her selfless dedication to the community of Jefferson County, Colorado, and congratulate her on receiving the "Power of One" award at the 2004 Colorado Woman Conference. The conference recognizes individual women, selected by Colorado newswomen, who have made an extraordinary difference in their community, and it is my privilege to acknowledge Edna before this body of Congress and this nation today.

As an active member in her community, Edna dedicates her efforts to a vast array of civic functions. Tamara Banks of KWGN-TV selected Edna for this award in recognition of her hard work and dedication toward the redevelopment of Lowry Air Force Base and Fitzsimons Army Base. When Lowry was decommissioned, Edna helped transform Lowry into a popular home development and community with shops and stores, and Fitzsimons now houses the prestigious Colorado University Health Science Center. Her extensive involvement in Aurora includes serving on the Aurora City Council for three terms, serving as co-founder of the Denver-Nairobi Sister Cities Committee, and serving as president and chair of Denver Sister Cities International.

Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to recognize Edna Mosley today before this body of Congress and this nation and congratulate her on receiving the "Power of One" award. Her exceptional civic service has done much for the betterment of the City of Aurora and the State of Colorado. I thank her for her service and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

COMMEMORATING THE 183RD ANNIVERSARY OF GREEK INDEPENDENCE.

HON. JAMES R. LANGEVIN

OF RHODE ISLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 24, 2004

Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in proud recognition of the 183rd anniversary of Greek Independence. This special day for Greece commemorates the strength and determination of its people to restore their democratic roots and identity.

The political philosophies of both the United States and Greece have been challenged by oppressive powers, and both nations have proudly defended their right to self-government and individual freedoms. After showing a desire to be free from the Ottoman Empire in 1821, Greece endured eleven long years of war to succeed in gaining independence. American and Hellenic cultures greatly respect their tradition of independence and recognize the importance of democratic principles.

The United States and Greece have always enjoyed a friendship and alliance in international and cultural endeavors. Hellenic principles resonate in our culture and politics, since the United States was founded on the principles of democracy developed thousands of years ago in the city-states of ancient Greece. The beauty of Greek architecture can even be found while taking a walk through our beloved Capitol building. Likewise, our country's influence on Greece can be seen in their first Constitution, which was based on our Declaration of Independence and the principles behind the American Revolution.

On a cultural level, I am looking forward to this summer and the homecoming of the Olympic Games to Athens. Since Greece resurrected the Olympics in 1896, they have symbolized peace and excellence for people around the world. The Olympics show that great athletic skill and spirited competition can bring nations together despite their differences. Greece will undoubtedly serve as a gracious host of the Games, and the 25th Summer Olympics will prove again to the