

HONORING LTC ROBERT ZANGAS,  
USMC

**HON. TIM MURPHY**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, March 25, 2004*

Mr. MURPHY. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful nation, we honor a man today who lost his life serving our country. Bob Zangas of Level Green, Pennsylvania first went to Iraq as a marine and returned later as a civilian to help rebuild that country.

His job was in public affairs, helping Iraqi journalists and media spread good news about their country. But his work transcended this simple description. He was also a teacher. One of his proudest moments was teaching Iraqi women his craft so they could open women's centers around the country. He was fully aware that he was one of the few western men who had the opportunity to interact with Iraqi women as they began to enjoy the freedom of pursuing careers of their own.

Bob was moved by his time in Iraq. He described a land that "is in desperate need of everything, where he felt he, "was pouring a cup of water out into a dry desert"—but believing some day it would make flowers grow. He lived on a hope that he made a difference and he most certainly did. He believed that our mission in Iraq was right and just. He saw firsthand the gratitude of the Iraqi people, and their gratitude to the Americans who were there to help.

Bob Zangas was proud to represent his country and dedicated to helping his fellow man. Americans and Iraqis alike mourn his passing, but celebrate his accomplishments. His wife Brenda described him as, "a true, patriotic American, humanitarian and Marine and foremost a father and husband." His brother described him as an "American's American" and talked of his "supreme sacrifice in selfless service." Bob Zangas closed one of his last letters with the challenge to, "hang on to your dreams." That is just what he did—to the very end. It is a dream of compassion, a dream of freedom, and for that the whole world is grateful. Thank you Lt. Col. Bob Zangas. Thanks to you we shall hold on to our dreams.

INTRODUCTION OF THE KNOWLEDGE  
UTILIZATION IN EDU-  
CATION ACT OF 2004

**HON. RUSH D. HOLT**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, March 25, 2004*

Mr. HOLT. Mr. Speaker, I wish to briefly announce the introduction of the Knowledge Utilization in Education Act of 2004.

This act, which I will introduce today in the House of Representatives with bipartisan support, aims to increase the use of research-based knowledge to boost student performance and close the achievement gap.

There is a clear need for this legislation. Research shows that student achievement increases when teachers use practices based on scientifically valid research. While the No Child Left Behind Act requires educators to use instructional practices based on research, such practices are not widely used. Given that

students in 25,000 public schools may not be making adequate yearly progress, steps must be taken now to meet the demand for research-based instruction.

Overall, the act would help schools by providing new resources so educators can link education knowledge to classroom practice. The bill would also launch a national leadership initiative to bolster education knowledge.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this act. Congress should act now to give classroom teachers the research-based tools they need to help our Nation's children succeed. Thank you.

HONORING WARREN CENTRAL  
RAIDERS FOR BASKETBALL  
CHAMPIONSHIP

**HON. RON LEWIS**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, March 25, 2004*

Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Warren Central Raiders for winning this year's Kentucky Men's High School Basketball Championship.

The hours of extra practice under the leadership of Head Coach Tim Riley brought this impressive distinction to Warren County. I want my colleagues in the House of Representatives to know of the pride that I have in representing these students and their families.

Everyone knows about Kentucky's love of basketball and the commitment many make every season to win. The Raiders remarkable 29-7 record reflects the great winning tradition of Kentucky basketball. I would like to commend the Raiders for their team work and determination. Third time's the charm!

OUTSTANDING YOUNG PEOPLE

**HON. SAM JOHNSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, March 25, 2004*

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to bring before this Congress the following outstanding young people who have voluntarily served orphans, public school children, college students, juvenile delinquents, and needy families under the official invitation and authority of government agencies in Russia, Romania, Mongolia, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand, and Taiwan. The excellent character demonstrated by these young people, as well as their commitment to the principles upon which our Nation was founded, have not only attracted the attention of leaders, parents, the media, and students, but it has also brought honor to the United States of America and to the Lord Jesus Christ whom they serve.

Adams, Grant (OK), Adams, Julianna (OK), Adams, Starla (OK), Adler, Robert (IN), Adler, Sally (IN), Aiken, Molly (TN), Allen, Rebekah (KS), Altman, Rachel (OH), Anders, Erin (MI), Anderson, Alice (CA), Anderson, Daniel (CA), Anderson, Donald (CA), Anderson, Julie (CA), Arevalo, David (CA).

Baggott, Jessica (NY), Bair, Aileen (OH), Bair, Robert (OH), Baker, Jordan (OK),

Baldrige, Jana (WI), Bartlow, Jeremy (TX), Bass, Chase (LA), Bean, Amy (CA), Bell, Lauren (TX), Bell, Mike (TX), Bell, Rachel (TX), Bender, Anthony (CA), Bender, Patty (CA), Bender, Steven (CA), Berge, Melanie (MN), Bernhardt, Jacob (IL), Bogner, Melanie (TX), Bolger, Ann (NY), Bolger, Jim (NY), Bolger, Lauren (NY), Bolger, Maeva (NY), Bolger, Meghan (NY), Bourne, Daniel (PA), Bourne, William T. (PA), Brock, Jarrod (WA), Books, Joy (WA), Browder, Haley (TX), Brown, James (NY), Brown, Sarah (NY), Brown, Summer (GA), Brubaker, David (PA), Brubaker, Emily (PA), Brubaker, Jeni (PA), Brubaker, Leon (PA), Brubaker, Luke (PA), Brubaker, Mary (PA), Brubaker, Nathan (PA), Buckingham, Elisabeth (OK), Busse, Nathan (OK), Busse, Jenece (MO), Butler, Isaiah (MD), Butler, Kathryn (MD), Butler, Linda (MD), Butler, Lisa (MD), Butler, Luke (MD), Butler, Rachael (MD), Butler, Tol (MD), Bye, Angela (CAN).

Carlisle, Jeshua (MO), Carpenter, Daniel (LA), Cato, David (LA), Cato, Timothy (LA), Cavender, Ben (MI), Chen, Anna (NY), Chen, Faith (NY), Chen, Grace (NY), Chen, Karen (NY), Chen, Stephen (NY), Chen, Timothy (NY), Cheney, Bailey (GA), Cheney, Erin (GA), Cheney, Linda (GA), Cheney, Ted (GA), Christensen, Joshua (MO), Coffia, Jonathan (MI), Coggin, Joshua (VA), Comaris, Shawn (WI), Comstock, Carol (IN), Comstock, Gordon (IN), Conner, Elizabeth (TN), Cook, Kristi (SC), Cook, Timothy (SC), Copu, Beny Bill (IL), Copu, Carmen (IL), Copu, George (IL), Copu, Joy (IL), Copu, Paul (IL), Copu, Paula (IL), Copu, Peter (IL), Copu, Rebecca (IL), Copu, Robert (IL), Copu, Stefana (IL), Copu, Valen (IL), Cover, Michelle (CA).

Dagarin, Ruth (MA), Davidson, Nathan (FL), David, Daniel (VA), Davis, Elizabeth (VA), Dawson, Melody (CA), DeBoer, Stephen (IL), DeMaise, Laura (IN), Dettwyler, Brad (OR), Diel, Jonathan (WI), Dillon, Kirsten (CA), Dingwall, Robert (FL), Donnenworth, Kimberly (KS), Dowden, Corey (TX), Drinkall, Craig (IL), Dudley, Crystal (TX), Dudley, Wes (MI), Dunnam, Rebecca (GA), Dzimianski, Sara (GA).

Elgard, Briana (MN), Elliott, Paul (OK), Emhof, Kalen (FL), Ewing, Crystal (MN).

Fagala, Jessica (OK), Fear, Andrew (FL), Feig, Nathaniel (WI), Fellers, Susana (MN), Ferguson, Sarah (TX), Fite, Joshua (AR), Furlong, Michael (TX).

Gaffney, Camille (MI), Garabedian, Krikor (CAN), Garner, Lisa (TX), Gentz, Benjamin (IA), Gergeni, Judy (IN), Gergeni, Rodger (IN), Gillson, Kirsten (MN), Gillson, Micale (MN), Gillson, Rowan (MN), Glasgow, Anneliese (OH), Glasgow, Kirsten (OH), Gothard, William, Goodwin, Joshua (CT), Gray, Charissa (OR), Gwin, Jennifer (SC).

Hagemeyer, Leah (CA), Hall, Parys (PA), Hargrove, Sarah (OH), Hausner, Zachary (MO), Haviik, Timothy (MN), Hawkins, Donald (OR), Hawkins, Jonathan (OR), Hawkins, Sally (OR), Hawkins, Susan (OR), Haynes, Esther (OK), Haynes, Harriet (OK), Haynes, Herbert (OK), Haynes, Mary (OK), Heisey, Joel (PA), Henderson, Johanna (FL), Hill, John (IA), Holley, Melanie (MI), Hoppe, Jonathan (MN), Hordyk, Jaclyn (CAN), Horneman, Hosea (FL), Houser, Galen (CA), Huber, Monica (PA), Hutson, Kristin (MO), Hullinger, Jennifer (IL).

Jefferies, Megan (MI), Jensen, Joy (IL), Jernigan, Ginger (FL), Johnson, Alanna (MI), Johnson, Benjamin (PA), Johnson, Katie (IN), Johnson, James (MI), Johnson, Juliana (PA), Josephsen, John (MT), Joyner, Sarah (NC).