

food, mediation services, crisis intervention, resource information for victims of domestic violence, and case management for housing.

The residents from the East Los Angeles community greatly respect and admire Karen for her courage, leadership, and compassion. I wish her the very best in her retirement.

**LEADER OF DELHI MASSACRE OF
SIKHS COMING TO U.S. TO MAKE
A SPEECH**

HON. DAN BURTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, on October 31, 1984, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was assassinated by her two Sikh bodyguards after she ordered an attack upon the Golden Temple, which is the center and seat of the Sikh religion. In the aftermath of the assassination, thousands of Sikhs were killed in anti-Sikh riots. The massacre was by any definition a brutal atrocity, and one of the most prominent figures accused of helping to orchestrate the violence was Jagdish Tytler.

Now, Mr. Tytler, who led mobs of Hindus in killing Sikhs, some by burning them to death, and who saw to it that Sikh police were locked in their barracks and therefore unable to respond to the massacre, has been invited to speak at the convention of the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin in San Diego, which begins on June 25th. As someone who has long championed the cause of freedom, democracy, and equal rights for the Sikh community and other oppressed minorities in that part of the world, I am deeply concerned about this man coming to the United States, and I would urge the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin to reconsider their invitation to Mr. Tytler.

I am also deeply concerned to learn that Mr. Tytler has been given a position in the government of Prime Minister Manmohan Singh. Prime Minister Singh is a Sikh, and the Sikh community naturally had high hopes that Manmohan Singh's appointment to India's top job would bridge the gap between the Sikh and Hindu peoples. It is difficult to understand how this can be accomplished when Prime Minister Singh is willing to bring a person like Mr. Tytler into his government, as many Sikhs, including my good friend Dr. Gurmit Singh Aulakh, President of the Council of Khalistan, consider Mr. Tytler's presence in the government an affront to the Sikh people.

So long as people like Jagdish Tytler are in the India government, it draws into question whether India is truly willing to uphold the democratic values that it preaches. In addition Mr. Speaker, it should also draw into question the wisdom of the hard-working taxpayers of this country supporting a government that rewards the Jagdish Tytler's of the world with power and authority.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO ROGER ROTH

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the life

and legacy of Roger Roth. Roger bravely battled the Storm King Mountain Fire outside the town of Glenwood Springs, Colorado in 1994, but succumbed to the blaze along with thirteen fellow firefighters while working to protect the City. I personally served as a firefighter and understand the risks they face each and every day. Witnessing the awful inferno that fateful July day, I know Roger and his comrades battled the fire with the utmost courage and valor. With the tenth anniversary of the Storm King Fire approaching, I believe it appropriate to recognize the sacrifice Roger and the Storm King Firefighters made on behalf of a grateful community, state and Nation.

A member of the Oneida tribe of the Iroquois Nation, Roger grew up in Michigan and attended Northern Michigan University. He spent seven summers as a trail crew leader at Isle Royale National Park on Lake Superior. He became a firefighter in 1989, first as a hot-shot, an elite group of firefighters who specialize in wildland fire suppression, and then became a smokejumper, providing initial attack on forest fires in remote, mountainous areas. He worked winters for the Fish & Wildlife Service at the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge and was a private helicopter pilot. An avid outdoorsman, Roger enjoyed fishing and hunting. He was a hard worker and dedicated member of his crew. Above all, he was devoted to his family and friends.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to rise before this body of Congress and this nation to pay tribute to the life and memory of Firefighter Roger Roth. Roger personified the Hotshots credo of Safety, Teamwork, and Professionalism; putting himself in harms way for unfamiliar people and places. He made the ultimate sacrifice doing what he loved, and I, along with the Glenwood Springs community and the State of Colorado are eternally grateful to this brave man.

**DEMOCRACY CAUCUS AT THE
UNITED NATIONS**

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I would like to commend my co-chair of the Congressional Human Rights Caucus and ranking member of the House International Relations Committee, TOM LANTOS, for introducing this important and timely legislation. I would also like to thank Chairman HYDE and Chairman DREIER for their leadership on this important issue.

The strength of the United Nations has been declining in recent years. Corrupt dictatorships now hold many seats on the U.N. Human Rights Commission. It is incredible that the leading world body charged with protecting and exposing human rights has some of the worst human rights abusers sitting in judgment. I was extremely concerned when the United Nations Commission on Human Rights passed a watered down draft discussion on the slaughter occurring in Darfur, Sudan. I commend the administration for taking a stand on the importance on the commission passing strong resolution and applaud the U.S. delegation for walking out when the commission failed in its responsibility to expose and condemn the human rights abuses taking place in Darfur.

It was unfathomable that on May 4 the commission allowed Sudan to renew its seat on the panel. Over one million people have now been displaced in Darfur. Thousands are dying. Women raped. Boys and men slaughtered. The rainy season has begun, and the roads will soon become impassable. Massive numbers face death while the Government of Sudan blocks humanitarian aid, continuing to worsen an already tragic situation. The Government of Sudan must be held accountable for what is occurring in Darfur.

The United States must continue to take a leadership role in calling the world's attention to the human rights abuses occurring across the globe. The creation of a democracy caucus at the United Nations is a first step in reducing the power of abusive nations which sit at the United Nations. This caucus can help fill the seats on the Human Rights Commission with freedom loving democracies which respect and protect the human rights of their people.

**TRIBUTE TO BISHOP ZEDEKIAH
LAZETT GRADY**

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2004

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Bishop Zedekiah Lazett Grady, one of eight legendary leaders of the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church who will be retiring this year at the Quadrennial Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Bishop Zedekiah Lazett Grady was born in Loughman, Florida, the son of the late Walter and Sylvia Bynum Grady. He was educated in the public schools of Sanford, Florida and is a graduate of Crooms Academy. He further matriculated at Edwards Waters College and the B.L. Lee Theological Seminary, where he received an Associate of Arts and the Bachelor of Theology degrees. He also attended Allen University, where he received the Bachelor of Arts degree and Dickerson Theological Seminary, where he earned the Bachelor of Divinity and Masters of Divinity degrees. He furthered his graduate theological studies at the Union Theological Seminary in New York, New York and the Urban Training Center in Chicago, Illinois. He has received honorary doctorate degrees from Kittrell College in North Carolina, Allen University, and Edwards Waters College.

Bishop Grady has served the church and African Methodism for well over 40 years as a distinguished pastor, capable administrator, civic organizer, ecumenical leader, social reformer, teacher and Presiding Elder. He has served as pastor in Florida and South Carolina. For almost twenty years he was pastor of my home church, Morris Brown in Charleston, South Carolina. During his tenure there, Bishop Grady burned several mortgages, renovated the sanctuary, purchased and developed additional property, organized and developed several social service programs, and added 1,100 members to the church roll.

While serving as Presiding Elder of the historically rich Edisto District, the South Carolina Conference in the 7th Episcopal District, Bishop Grady distinguished himself by realizing a 10 percent increase in membership each year and increasing the number of pastoral charges from 24 to 35.