

terrorist attacks on September 11. Let's again resolve to proceed in a bipartisan manner to address the underlying problems of our national disaster response as we continue to supply the necessary support to the people of New Orleans and the gulf coast to enable them to put their lives and their communities together again.

TRIBUTE TO HALL OF FAME  
COACH JIM BOEHEIM

**HON. JAMES T. WALSH**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2005*

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Syracuse University's Head Coach and my fellow Central New Yorker, Jim Boeheim. On September 10, 2005, Coach Boeheim was inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame joining the likes of legendary coaches such as Red Auerbach, Lenny Wilkens, and Dean Smith.

On and off the court, Coach Boeheim has proven to be a great leader and a great mentor. Both his colleagues and players admire his coaching abilities as well as his personal traits.

Coach Boeheim became head coach of Syracuse University in 1976 after working as an assistant. Since then, his resume shows a remarkable list of accomplishments:

- 703 career wins;
- 74.5 winning percentage;
- 1 National Championship—2003;
- 10 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances;
- 3 Final Four appearances;
- 40 NCAA Tournament wins;
- 27 20-win seasons;
- Big East All Time Wins Coach;
- Three-time Big East Coach of the Year;
- Eight Big East regular season championships;
- Elected to Greater Syracuse Sports Hall of Fame—1991;
- 2000 Recipient of the Claire Bee Award;
- Three-time USBWA choice for Coach of the Year;
- Nine-time NABC District II Coach of the Year;
- Eighth-fastest Division I coach to reach 600 wins.

Clearly his record alone is worthy of his induction into the Basketball Hall of Fame, but as any Syracuse native can attest, his efforts do not stop on the hardwood floor. Both he and his wife Juli are active community members. They organize and participate in a wide variety of community events; all with the goal of giving back to the people who have given them so much.

Topping the Boeheims' list of community endeavors is their creation of Coaches vs. Cancer's Basket Ball. Basket Ball, a yearly celebration of dinner and dancing aimed at raising funds for local American Cancer Society programs and services, has brought in hundreds of thousands of dollars and benefited an untold number of cancer victims.

Mr. Speaker, undoubtedly Coach Boeheim deserves this prestigious honor, and it is with great pleasure that I help recognize his commitment to Syracuse University, Syracuse basketball, and our community as a whole.

HONORING AND MEMORIALIZING  
THE PASSENGERS AND CREW OF  
UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHT 93

SPEECH OF

**HON. TIM MURPHY**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 13, 2005*

Mr. MURPHY. Madam Speaker, 4 years after the passengers and crew of United Airlines Flight 93 gave their lives to save others, Congress recognized their heroic actions by passing legislation calling for a permanent memorial in the U.S. Capitol. The presence of mind and strength they exhibited on September 11, 2001 averted an even greater tragedy in the Pittsburgh region.

As passengers and crew of Flight 93 called their loved ones and quickly learned of their fate, they knew what had to be done. Looking out the plane's windows that clear day, they saw our homes, our schools, and our communities in southwestern Pennsylvania. Valuing human life, something their hijackers did not, they waited to act until they were over an empty field, sparing our lives. Their goal of averting tragedy in our Nation's capital was realized, but in their final moments, they were also thinking of us.

For their actions that day, families throughout southwestern Pennsylvania hold a special place in their hearts for the passengers and crew of Flight 93. Prayers of thanks go to them for giving their lives to save so many. I encourage every resident of the 18th Congressional District visiting Washington, DC to take time to stop by the memorial after its completion and honor Flight 93. We have our lives, our families, and an enduring example of the human spirit for which to thank them.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING  
DON MELHORN

**HON. ROBERT W. NEY**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2005*

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker:

Whereas, Don Melhorn received the President's Award from the Muskingum County Farm Bureau; and

Whereas, Don Melhorn has been acknowledged by the members of the Muskingum County Farm Bureau for his excellence and commitment toward farming; and

Whereas, Don Melhorn should be commended for his outstanding dedication to the Muskingum County Farm Bureau and for his exceptional knowledge and expertise.

Therefore, I join with the residents of the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in honoring and congratulating Don Melhorn for receiving the President's Award.

IN HONOR OF DR. AMANDA BADEN,  
2005 ANGEL IN ADOPTION

**HON. JERROLD NADLER**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2005*

Mr. NADLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an extraordinary woman, Dr.

Amanda Baden, who is an outstanding example of someone who has made a critical difference in the lives of children through work on adoption issues. Dr. Baden, a Licensed Psychologist and Assistant Professor at Montclair State College, is my congressional district's Angel in Adoption. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the gala honoring her, so I hope to honor her now.

Dr. Baden's commitment to adoption issues is rooted in her own history: She was born in Hong Kong and adopted as an infant by a couple from New York. She has used her personal experience to advance the understanding of trans-racial adoption by academics and professionals. Her contributions to the adoption community have touched many lives.

Through her passion and determination, she has actively engaged and educated professionals in the adoption process. She co-developed the Cultural-Racial Identity Model, which has gained recognition for its value as an alternative means for considering the identity paths for transracial adoptees. Dr. Baden, along with Mary O'Leary Wiley, recently published a journal article pertaining to birth parent issues in *The Counseling Psychologist*. She was also part of the writing team that published the "Outstanding Major Contribution" in *The Counseling Psychologist* on adoption issues in 2003. She has lectured regionally and nationally and she has co-chaired the series of adoption-related conferences at St. John's University in New York City. She has conducted numerous workshops about the psychology of adoption for professionals, families, and adoptees of all ages. I look forward to her soon-to-be-published work, *The Handbook of Adoption*, which I believe will become a singular reference for families interested in adoption.

In addition, Dr. Baden gives freely of her time to many organizations involved in adoption. She is a consultant and board member to both the Korean Adoptee and Adoptive Family Network (KAAN) and the Families with Children from China of Greater New York (FCCNY). She also contributes her time to International Adoption Alliance and the Children's Aid and Family Services organizations in New Jersey. Dr. Baden has even found time to initiate and lead a peer-support group for professionals dealing with issues of adoption in their own fields.

Dr. Baden is highly recommended by her peers in the academic world and by those in the adoption field. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Penn State University, a Master of Education in Counseling from the University of Georgia, and a Ph.D. in counseling psychology from Michigan State University. I invite you to visit her website [www.transracialadoption.net](http://www.transracialadoption.net) to learn more about her work and adoption issues.

Dr. Amanda Baden is a remarkable individual who has set an example of passion and commitment we should all strive to achieve.

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**HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2005*

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express our Nation's gratitude for the contribution made by the people and Government of