

as she helped prepare young children for the rigors of school and helped mold their characters.

Throughout her life, Mrs. Adams has had a passion for writing. She is well known for her love of poems, many of which have been published. She also shares her poems with family and friends for funerals, class reunions, and family reunions. Currently she is working on a book about her mother's life, which she hopes to have published.

This love of writing led Mrs. Adams to explore another area of teaching and in 1987 she took over the Richland School District One Writing Lab at Eau Claire High School. For 5 years, she enjoyed sharing her love of writing with students; however, the tug of young children soon pulled her back to her roots in the Headstart program.

In 1992, Mrs. Adams became the center coordinator/teacher at the Lexington Headstart Center. She remained in that capacity until earlier this month when she officially retired after an amazing career in education.

Throughout her career, Doretha Adams has enjoyed the support of her family, husband George N. Adams and their three children. Today she has four grandsons and a great grandson.

She has also been guided through life by her faith. Mrs. Adams has been a member of First Nazareth Baptist Church for more than 50 years and serves on the Senior Missionary Society. She is also a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and the Ladies Auxiliary Club at the VFW Post 4262.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in congratulating Mrs. Doretha Adams for her dedication to and love for education. She has been a wonderful role model and good influence on countless young lives, and I offer her best wishes and God speed upon her retirement.

IN HONOR OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE TOWN OF MONMOUTH BEACH

**HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 25, 2006*

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the 100th anniversary of the founding of the town of Monmouth Beach.

Monmouth Beach is a town in my district that lies between the Atlantic Ocean and the Shrewsbury River. Monmouth Beach was originally part of Shrewsbury Township, which was formed in October 1693. The borough became part of Ocean Township in 1849. While the town remains mostly residential, it has a tourism industry that dates back as early as 1842.

One of the oldest and most unique buildings in town, the Church of Precious Blood, is a unique Monmouth Beach landmark. This 110-year-old structure was built by local shipbuilders to resemble an upside-down ship.

The town once included the flourishing Galilee fishing community. Fishermen in the community sold most of their catches to merchants at New York City's historic Fulton Fish Market. At one time, this community and the surrounding area housed the largest pound boat fishing industry along the U.S. coast.

This beautiful shore community was incorporated on March 9, 1906, when it seceded from Ocean Township. Monmouth Beach is a small town, encompassing only one square mile, but it offers beautiful white sand beaches and friendly year round residents as part of its charm. The town's beaches offer some of the best fishing opportunities in the country.

Monmouth Beach began its centennial celebration on May 19, 2006 and residents will continue to celebrate this special event throughout the year. The celebration includes an exhibit of historical artifacts from the town of Monmouth Beach and original artwork from the many talented artists who reside in Monmouth Beach. On May 21, 2006, the Monmouth Beach Police Department also celebrated its 100th birthday. I commend this fine institution for its service to the community of Monmouth Beach.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to represent the citizens of Monmouth Beach and join with them in celebrating the centennial. Therefore, I rise today to honor the 100th anniversary of the founding of Monmouth Beach.

HONORING CAPTAIN BRIAN D. KELLY

**HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 25, 2006*

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to honor Captain Brian D. Kelly, chief of the Office of Command and Control in the Operations Directorate at U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters. Over the years, Captain Kelly has served his country to the best of his ability and deserves recognition for his leadership.

Captain Kelly started his career with a solid foundation. He attended two fine institutions, which provided him with the proper education, training, and skills he would later need to succeed in the United States Coast Guard. With a B.S. in government, he graduated in 1982 from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. Several years later, he attended the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School where he earned an M.S. in management. The formal training he received certainly played an integral role in Captain Kelly's success.

In his current role in the Office of Command and Control, Captain Kelly was charged with the task of running the Coast Guard's Command Center, as well as the National Response Center. His contributions to this department have been exceptional. Everyday he works with his team to protect and serve the citizens of the United States.

The post 9-11 world we live in has changed the way our servicemen and women work to protect America. A top priority has been to ensure our Coast Guard has the proper training they need to protect this great Nation. In 2002-2003 Captain Kelly served as a Federal Executive Fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies. Through this program, Captain Kelly worked on a number of initiatives which included Iraqi post-conflict reconstruction; national security simulation exercises; Smart Border North; and the CSIS Military Strategy. The knowledge he gained through these programs greatly impacted the way he executed future directives.

The Coast Guard is an extremely well run and managed Federal agency. These are the people who ensure our ports and waterways are secure. They also spearhead any water emergency efforts. In addition, the Coast Guard was instrumental in the Katrina relief effort; lives were saved because of their professionalism, perseverance and courage. It is such a great agency because of leaders like CPT Brian D. Kelly.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join with me today to honor CPT Brian D. Kelly. He is a remarkable leader and has served his country well. I look forward to working with him in the future. Welcome to Sector Baltimore, Captain.

TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL M. ADLER,  
PRESIDENT OF THE GREATER  
MIAMI JEWISH FEDERATION

**HON. KENDRICK B. MEEK**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 25, 2006*

Mr. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Michael M. Adler, who today concludes his two-year term as President of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation, marking 30 years of dedicated service to the Federation and the community.

Michael Adler's connection to Miami is strong, and for him, community involvement is a family affair. He has the distinction of being Federation's only second-generation president, following in the footsteps of his father, the late Samuel I. Adler, who held the position from 1984 to 1986. For two years prior to being elected President of Federation, Michael served as the General Campaign Chair for the Federation/United Jewish Appeal Campaign, which raises more than \$22 million annually for much-needed services in Miami, Israel and in almost 60 countries around the world.

Michael has also served on and chaired numerous committees as part of his service to Federation. Along with his wife, Judy, he was a founding member of the Young Adults Division, chairing it from 1975 to 1977, and was later Chairman of the National Young Leadership Cabinet. In addition to his Federation activities, he has also served as President of Temple Emanu-el on Miami Beach from 1995 to 1998. Over the years Michael has received many awards and honors for his involvement, including the UJA's Herbert H. Lehman Award for Distinguished Service, and the Federation's prestigious Stanley C. Myers Presidents' Leadership Award.

His successes extend far beyond his activities in the Jewish community. He is Chairman and CEO of the Adler Group, one of South Florida's largest and most successful real estate companies, and he has been involved with several successful business ventures in Israel, working closely with Prime Minister Ariel Sharon when Sharon served as Israel's Housing Minister, to oversee the construction of new homes for immigrant families.

Michael is also active in the political community, founding NACPAC, a local pro-Israel action committee. He now serves as Chair of the Jewish Democratic Council's Political Action Committee, and is very active in the Democratic Party.

Our entire community owes a tremendous debt of gratitude to Michael Adler for all that

he has contributed to so many people over his years of caring and service. I know I speak for all my colleagues in extending to him a heartfelt "thank you" and our best wishes to Michael, his wife, Judy, and their children Matthew, David and Rachel.

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM "BILL"  
ALLEN

**HON. VERNON J. EHLERS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 25, 2006*

Mr. EHLERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to William "Bill" Allen. Bill is leaving the House of Representatives after nearly 4 years of distinguished service to this institution as an attorney with the Office of House Employment Counsel. As an Associate Counsel in the Office of House Employment Counsel, Bill has provided legal advice and counsel on employment issues to at least 124 current Members of Congress, 18 House Committees, the House Officers, and the United States Capitol Police Board. Bill's clients can attest to his tremendous intelligence, legal prowess, creativity, and wit. In addition to his many other contributions, in November 2005, Bill presented oral arguments on the scope of the Speech or Debate Clause before a rare en banc panel of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

A Connecticut native and son of Frederick E. Allen and the late Evelyn M. Allen, Bill was raised in Ridgefield, Connecticut. Following his junior year of high school, Bill spent a week as part of a fellowship program sponsored by the Connecticut Congressional delegation. As a true New Englander, Bill grew to be a diehard Boston Red Sox fan and his faith was finally rewarded in October 2004 when the Red Sox won their first World Series in 86 years.

A rare "Triple Hoo", Bill earned his Bachelor of Science, Masters in Business Administration, and Juris Doctor from the University of Virginia. While at the University of Virginia, Bill represented the Engineering School, the Darden School, and the Law School on the University's renowned student-run Honor Committee. Bill also served as an officer in the Raven Society and the Virginia Alpha Chapter of Tau Beta Pi, the national engineering honor society.

Bill is returning to private practice as a Senior Counsel at the law firm of Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, L.L.P., where he worked from 1996 to 2002 on various class actions involving Title VII and the Fair Labor Standards Act. In private practice, Bill intends to resume his pro bono activity in the field of immigration law. While at the firm, Bill averaged over 100 hours of pro bono work per year and, in 2001, was named Akin Gump's Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year for the firm's D.C. office. Bill's pro bono representations included obtaining political asylum for a Sudanese national who had been repeatedly kidnapped and tortured by the Sudanese government and obtaining United States citizenship for an Ethiopian national.

The U.S. House of Representatives would like to express its deepest gratitude to Bill Allen for his invaluable service to this institution. Bill has worked tirelessly to provide House Employing offices with excellent legal

advice and support. We wish Bill tremendous success in all of his future endeavors.

IN SUPPORT OF THE STEM CELL  
RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT ACT

**HON. BETTY McCOLLUM**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 25, 2006*

Ms. McCOLLUM of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of expanding critical stem cell research and to urge the Senate to take action on the Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act (S. 471).

One year ago, on May 24, 2005, the House of Representatives passed the Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act (H.R. 810) by a vote of 238-194. I voted for this legislation because it increases funding for stem cell research, offering hope and the possibility of a cure for millions of Americans suffering from chronic and terminal illness. H.R. 810 also provides for the implementation of ethical guidelines to govern this research.

H.R. 810 would help to make significant advances toward finding a cure for currently incurable diseases such as juvenile diabetes, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, and spinal cord injuries. Furthermore, expanding this research would increase our understanding of the abnormal cell growth that occurs in cancer and birth defects, which would help create a safer and more efficient way of developing effective drugs.

For millions of individuals and their families, stem cell research provides hope for a life without the stress and suffering that accompany these serious health-related conditions. Expanding funding for this science is an effective way to cultivate the remarkable potential of a technology which could increase our understanding of causes, improve the effectiveness of treatments, and advance our ability to find cures for a wide range of debilitating diseases and other conditions.

Unfortunately, despite widespread, bipartisan support for this legislation, including over 200 patient groups, universities, scientific societies, more than 75 national and local newspapers, and 80 Nobel Laureates, the Senate has yet to bring it to the Floor for a vote. It is time for the Senate to act to expand stem cell research.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me today in recognizing the importance of continuing efforts to improve the quality of life for all Americans by implementing legislation to expand stem cell research.

RECOGNIZING THE HISTORY OF  
THE BLACK HERITAGE STAMP  
SERIES AND HONORING CLARENCE  
IRVING

**HON. GREGORY W. MEEKS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 25, 2006*

Mr. MEEKS of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, during the week of the World Philatelic Exhibition being held at the Washington Convention Center, to recognize the history of the Black Heritage Stamp Series and to honor

my former constituent, Chairman and Founder of the Black American Heritage Foundation, Mr. Clarence Irving.

In 1976, Mr. Irving conceived the idea of commemorating Black American Women on U.S. Postage Stamps. His proposal was that either of two women, Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune or Mary Church Terrell be so commemorated. This proposal was presented to the Honorable Joseph P. Addabbo who represented my district at the time and the initiative became part of the activities surrounding the bicentennial celebration of the United States.

Two years later, the U.S. Postal Service created a completely new series commemorating Black Americans, with Harriet Tubman chosen as the first historical figure to start the "Black Heritage USA Series". Each year another stamp appears in this commemorative series honoring a prominent African American figure.

Today, at 82, Clarence Irving still heads the Black American Heritage Foundation, organizing or supporting African American art initiatives throughout the country. I am grateful for his determination in realizing his vision and acknowledge him as the "Father of the Black Heritage Stamp Series".

IN APPRECIATION OF MS. AMY  
WOOLF

**HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 25, 2006*

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today in appreciation of an outstanding leader in the education field. I am pleased to acknowledge the dedication of Ms. Amy Woolf, an educator at Edgewood High School in Harford County.

Ms. Woolf attended SUNY Geneseo where she earned her degree in Biology and Secondary Education Certification in Biology and General Science. She went on to further her education at Towson University earning a Master's Degree in Health in 1998 and an Administrative Certificate in 2003.

She has been very active in Edgewood High School. She is the advisor to the Honor Society; a tennis coach; a member of the School Improvement Team; a member of both the Honors and Eligibility Committees; a student teacher supervisor; a presenter at staff developments; and a member of the Faculty Advisory Council.

Ms. Woolf wears many hats while teaching at Edgewood High School. She plays a vital role in the education her students receive by her involvement in the General Curriculum Committee, the Forensic Science Curriculum and the Curriculum Committee for Math-Science Magnet. She is also a Biology Curriculum writer.

James Garfield said, "Next in importance to freedom and justice is popular education, without which neither freedom nor justice can be permanently maintained." I believe that education is the key to success in life. We need teachers who love their jobs and encourage their students to thrive in a competitive environment. Ms. Woolf is one of those teachers.

The best thing teachers can do is give their students something to think about outside of