

Cox Communications, whose civic and professional contributions to Southern Nevada have motivated the Clark County School Board of Trustees to name a new elementary school in his honor. Steven has been a vital part of our community since he and wife, Holly, moved to Las Vegas with their two sons, David and Darrin, in 1977.

Mr. Schorr's remarkable civic involvement has earned him much deserved recognition. He has been named Public Citizen of the Year in Nevada and was cited as "One of the Most Influential Men in Southern Nevada." Mr. Schorr has also received the Glenn Smith Humanitarian Award from Opportunity Village and was named to the "National Erase the Hate" honor roll. He was presented the Nevada Points of Light A ward by former Governor Kenny Guinn and the Nevada Commission for National and Community Service for his dedication and commitment to serve our community. In acknowledgement of his contributions to the community, Mr. Schorr was recently inducted as an honorary board member and executive board member of the 100 Black Men of Southern Nevada, which is an organization geared towards mentoring children. Mr. Schorr serves on several boards such as the National Urban League, Nevada Ballet Theater, and Sunrise Hospital and Medical Center.

As Vice President of Public and Government Affairs for Cox Communications for the past 19 years, Mr. Schorr is the liaison to local, state and national elected officials and government bodies. Prior to his work with Cox Communications, Mr. Schorr was a television news journalist, during which time he received wide recognition for his outstanding work. For his efforts as a news anchor, Mr. Schorr was awarded two Emmys, two National Freedom Foundation Awards, a Headliner Award, and an Armstrong Award for Broadcasting. In addition to these awards, Mr. Schorr's achievements in television journalism were recognized when he was inducted into the Nevada Broadcasters Association's Hall of Fame. Mr. Schorr has also served as an adjunct professor at the University of Nevada Las Vegas, Greenspun School of Communications.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor my friend Mr. Schorr and his many achievements and congratulate him on being recognized with the dedication of a school in his name. His dedication to the community is remarkable and I wish Mr. Schorr continued success in his future endeavors.

INTRODUCTION OF THE SIMON WIESENTHAL HOLOCAUST EDUCATION ASSISTANCE ACT

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 15, 2007

Mrs. MALONEY of New York. Madam Speaker, today I am reintroducing the Simon Wiesenthal Holocaust Education Assistance Act. Through grants to qualifying education organizations, I hope to promote awareness of the Holocaust and the devastating effects of hate crimes. As the generations who survived the Holocaust pass away, we need to make sure that new generations know the horrors of that terrible time. We need to make sure that those who would deny the existence of the

Holocaust do not have the ability to rewrite history.

This bill, named after the honored Holocaust survivor who spent his life's work devoted to seeking justice for the six million Jews who were murdered by the Nazis, seeks to provide competitive grants for educational organizations working to teach today's youth the lessons of the Holocaust. Through grants from the Department of Education, Holocaust organization programs that are designed to specifically improve the awareness of the Holocaust through such means as classes, seminars, conferences, educational materials, and teacher training, can apply for federal funds to assist in carrying out these initiatives.

Several states now require that the Holocaust be taught in public school curriculums. Though there are resources such as the Holocaust Memorial Museum here in Washington, DC, and similar museums in a few other cities, many teachers are still left with the challenge of teaching a complicated subject without the expertise. Many Holocaust educational organizations have risen to meet this demand, but their resources are limited, hindering their outreach. This bill will provide more resources to these organizations, who have the expertise and knowledge of the tragic events during the Nazi era, to teach more students, teachers and communities the dangers of inter-group conflict and the importance of tolerance in our society.

HONORING MICHAEL B. SCHAD FOR 35 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES

HON. PATRICK J. MURPHY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 15, 2007

Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to rise before you to honor Michael B. Schad, of Langhorne, Pennsylvania, for his many years of dedicated service to the U.S. Army National Guard. For Mr. Schad, this marks the end of a 35 year career with the National Guard during which his willingness to go above and beyond the call of duty exemplified the true spirit of our armed forces.

Mr. Schad first served four years with the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War. Upon returning home, Mr. Schad joined the National Guard and worked tirelessly, many times volunteering for extra duty. When there was a call for help to guard a nuclear facility in New Jersey, Mr. Schad stepped up. When Hurricane Katrina ravaged the Gulf Coast, Mr. Schad joined the relief effort without hesitation. Mr. Schad filled in at supply commands at Fort Dix, McGuire Air Force Base and in Germany. Yet through all of this, Mr. Schad maintained a full-time job and raised a family, a tremendous feat given his level of commitment to the National Guard.

Madam Speaker, the eagerness with which Mr. Schad served his country is the very trait that serves as the backbone of the National Guard. His willingness to stand at his country's guard, while at the same time undertaking the rest of life's responsibilities, deserves special appreciation and respect. I would like to take this opportunity to recognize Mr. Schad for what at many times may have

seemed like a thankless task. Mr. Schad was not seeking praise or reward, but only the unique feeling of satisfaction that comes with serving your country and making it safer for others.

Mr. Schad has passed these principles on to his son, U.S. Army Sgt. Brian Schad, who will soon be deployed to Afghanistan after serving in Djibouti, Africa. We all owe a debt of gratitude to families such as the Schads, who have taken up their country's call. Madam Speaker, I am proud to express the gratitude and affection of myself and my constituents to Mr. Schad and his entire family.

TRIBUTE TO COLORADO STATE SENATOR JOHN EVANS

HON. MARILYN N. MUSGRAVE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 15, 2007

Mrs. MUSGRAVE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor former Colorado State Senator John Evans.

A fifth generation Coloradoan, Mr. Evans's contributions to the State of Colorado are innumerable.

After graduating from Lakewood High School, Mr. Evans earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Denver. He later completed his Masters of Education and Ph. D. at Georgia State University, in Atlanta. In 1986, Mr. Evans graduated from Valparaiso University School of Law.

For over twenty-three years Mr. Evans devoted his talents to serving in both the public and higher education arenas. Drawing on this experience, he served as an at-large member of the State Board of Education for four years. During his tenure Mr. Evans was a leader in making Colorado a national leader in school reform.

Mr. Evans continued his work as a champion of Colorado school children in the state Senate. In addition to his work on education issues, he also served as Assistant Majority Leader, Chair of the Legal Services Committee, and Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee.

Madam Speaker, Mr. Evans's service to the people—especially the students—of Colorado will not soon be forgotten. I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. John Evans.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO ROSSI RALENKOTTER

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 15, 2007

Mr. PORTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor my friend Rossi Ralenkotter for his commitment and dedication to the Las Vegas community.

Rossi Ralenkotter has been a resident of Las Vegas for over 54 years. During this time, Rossi earned his bachelor of science in marketing from Arizona State University and his master of business administration from University of Nevada Las Vegas. He has worked with the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors