

Lakewood Hospital is not only a vital community resource for treating illnesses and injuries, but it also works to keep individuals healthy through educational wellness programs, public health screenings and other community outreach programs.

Lakewood hospital has introduced "A Century of Touching Lives" as the theme of its year-long centennial anniversary celebration. This theme reflects the tradition of caring and personal patient experiences that have become Lakewood Hospital's legacy.

To recognize the important relationship between the hospital and local schools, Lakewood Hospital plans to sponsor a year-long series of health education programs. It will also celebrate "Nurse's Week" and "Hospital Week" to recognize the contributions of nurses and other employees throughout the hospital's history.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Lakewood Hospital for its 100-year commitment to high quality, community-based health care.

HONORING THE ANN ARBOR  
HANDS-ON MUSEUM ON THE OC-  
CASION OF ITS TWENTY-FIFTH  
ANNIVERSARY

**HON. JOHN D. DINGELL**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, October 22, 2007*

Mr. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of a world-class learning and educational institution: The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum. On October 20, 2007, the Hands-On Museum will be Celebrating 25 Years of Discovery.

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum serves as a focal point for informal science education in the greater Ann Arbor community, occupying 40,000 square feet in an old firehouse. From exhibits that tangibly display the effects of gravity, photography, anatomy, geology, music and many other scientific phenomena, to a live bee colony spread throughout the building; the Hands-On Museum brings learning to life. Special events like the Big Freeze and National Engineering Week are just part of what make the Hands-On Museum such a wonderful place; one which allows children and adults to experience learning first hand, together.

The history of this great institution is filled with instances of well meaning people building it from the ground up. In 1982, a small, but extremely dedicated group of individuals came together to create the Hands-On Museum in the old brick firehouse in downtown Ann Arbor. They did this because they wanted a place for their children and many others to come and learn, while having fun at the same time. These volunteers were able to raise enough money to open the museum and ensure its future funding. These first efforts eventually led to the further expansion of the Hands-On Museum and in 1986 it received a Kresge Foundation Challenge Grant, which allowed it to open up new exhibits on the third and fourth floors of the firehouse. The Hands-On Museum initiated its own \$6.5 million Capital Campaign fund, in 1993, which allowed it to expand by purchasing adjoining buildings and introducing new programs. Ever-evolving,

recent renovations were finished in October 1999 funded with additional gifts and donations. Thanks in large part to the work of many generous donors, the Hands-On Museum has seen over 3.1 million visitors to date.

The Hands-On Museum is a remarkable institution and has been widely recognized, including being named "Best Museum" in 2003 by the Detroit Free Press. It was also named both "Best Museum" and "Best Kids' Activity" by Ann Arbor News readers in 2006. Along with these awards, the Hands-On Museum has also received national recognition by the National Science Foundation, the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Association of Science and Technology Centers.

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum has now served to educate several generations of children. It is truly a treasure for residents of the City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County and the State of Michigan. I applaud the Hands-On Museum for all that it has done; all that it means to the children who walk through its doors; and for all that it will do to educate both current and future generations of children.

HONORING TINA MACKENZIE OF  
HUMBOLDT COUNTY

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, October 22, 2007*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Tina Mackenzie, executive director of Six Rivers Planned Parenthood of Eureka, California, who is being honored for her contribution to one of our nation's most precious rights—participation in the political system. Tina Mackenzie is being recognized for her outstanding contribution to the political process by the Humboldt County Democratic Central Committee as the 2007 Democrat of the Year. Her commitment to the preservation of our political liberty is worthy of appreciation and recognition.

Ms. Mackenzie was born in Philadelphia to a family of seven children. She received a Bachelor of Arts in social work from Ohio State University and a teaching credential from Humboldt State University. She first joined Six Rivers Planned Parenthood's Board of Directors in 1976. She joined the staff in 1978, serving as the agency's Public Affairs Director and Coordinator of Surgical Services.

For the past fifteen years, Ms. Mackenzie has served as the executive director at Six Rivers Planned Parenthood. She has been a tireless champion for reproductive rights and women's health issues. Under her guidance, SRPP has won seven affiliate excellence awards from the Planned Parenthood Federation. The agency operates in three rural counties and serves over 17,000 patients annually. Under Tina's excellent leadership, a new health and education center was completed in 2007, preceded by a very successful \$2.6 million capital campaign.

Tina Mackenzie has been an active, productive and dedicated community leader for over 30 years. She received the North Coast Non-Profit Leader of the Year Award in 2007 and has been recognized by the California Assembly with the Community Builder Award. She is a member of the North Coast Co-Op Commu-

nity Funding Committee, an associate of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America Katrina Task Force and a member of the Planned Parenthood Global Partners Advisory Board.

Madam Speaker, it is appropriate at this time that we recognize Tina Mackenzie for her courage and her determination and for her abiding concern for the health of women and children.

HONORING J. ROY GABRIEL

**HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, October 22, 2007*

Mr. RADANOVICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize J. Roy Gabriel for his years of distinguished service to the California Farm Bureau Federation. Mr. J. Roy Gabriel passed away, unexpectedly, during a Farm Bureau advocacy trip to Washington, DC the week of October 1st.

Roy Gabriel was a native of Fullerton, California. He graduated from California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo with a degree in agricultural business management and received a technical certificate in crop production. Mr. Gabriel worked as Assistant Secretary of the California State Senate prior to beginning his career with the California Farm Bureau in 1973.

In Mr. Gabriel's 35 years with the California Farm Bureau he worked closely with many government officials, farmers and farm laborers to promote agriculture and to provide a more conducive environment for every one involved. As the Director of Labor Affairs, Mr. Gabriel represented the Farm Bureau on a number of issue areas; including labor policies, workplace rules and housing issues. He was passionate and knowledgeable in all issues related to agriculture business and was involved with many agriculture groups outside of the California Farm Bureau.

During the 1980's, Mr. Gabriel, served as the general manager of an organization known as ALFA. This organization assisted immigrant farm workers with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 and successfully assisted over 50,000 people in applying for legal immigration status. Governor Pete Wilson appointed Mr. Gabriel to serve as Chief Deputy Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations in 1998. However, he returned to the California Farm Bureau after Governor Wilson termed out of office in 1999.

Mr. Gabriel was a committed advocate for family farmers and ranchers across the State. He worked both as Director of Labor Affairs for the California Farm Bureau Federation and as Chief Operating Officer of the Farm Employers Labor Service. The Washington, DC trip earlier this month was an advocacy trip in support of Federal immigration reform legislation. He is survived by his wife, Ruth and three adult children; John C. Gabriel, Kristi A. Gabriel and Christopher R. Gabriel.

Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor posthumously J. Roy Gabriel. I invite my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Gabriel for his extraordinary service and dedication to his community.