

and a former SWAT team leader, Sergeant Starzyk was renowned for his leadership skills among fellow officers. Throughout his career, Sergeant Starzyk demonstrated a passion for law enforcement and commitment to helping others, qualities that enabled him to become a respected and model member of the Martinez Police Department. Sergeant Starzyk's colleagues will always remember him for his professionalism and devotion to serving the public.

Sergeant Starzyk was a loving husband, proud father, and devoted friend. He is survived by his wife Shannon, a Contra Costa County sheriff's deputy, and three young children. Sergeant Starzyk served the city of Martinez with honor and dignity, and his contributions to his community and the many lives that he touched will serve as a shining example of his legacy.

We will always be grateful for Sergeant Starzyk's service and the valor that he displayed while serving and protecting the people of Martinez.●

#### RECOGNIZING THE 938TH ENGINEER DETACHMENT

● Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, it is an honor for me to recognize the remarkable achievement of a group of Idaho citizen soldiers, the 938th Engineer Detachment from Driggs. The 938th was recently awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation, one of the U.S. Army's highest honors. According to BG Alan Gayhart, an Idaho unit has not won this award since the days of World War II, over 60 years ago. The 938th Engineer Battalion participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom from February 2003 to March 2004. The unit operated in the capacity of fire prevention and combat aircraft protection for the 101st Airborne Division in northern Iraq. This was a difficult mission, and one that they executed with professionalism, skill, and excellence. The firefighters worked tirelessly in their protection and prevention efforts in defense of freedom, and I am happy for their safe return to family and friends. I also keep the families and friends of those who made the ultimate sacrifice in prayer as they continue on without their loved ones.

Idaho has a proud history of military service. Her sons and daughters have been serving our Nation in uniform far from home since the days of the Spanish American War in the early 20th century. The Meritorious Unit Commendation which the 938th Engineer Battalion received is awarded to military commands that display exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service, heroic deed or valorous actions. The unit was recommended for the award by the U.S. Army's higher headquarters and was selected by the Pentagon for the commendations.●

#### SONY HAWAII AND SONY ELECTRONICS

● Mr. INOUE. Mr. President, I wish to recognize Sony Hawaii and Sony Electronics (collectively "Sony") for their Electronics Take Back and Recycle Program. Sony Hawaii, part of the larger Sony Electronics Inc., is based in Honolulu and just celebrated its 40th anniversary as a Hawaii-based company. Seventy-five percent of Sony Hawaii's business comes from selling discounted Sony products directly to U.S. military personnel around the world.

Sony has long been an industry leader in the environmentally friendly design of its consumer electronics and information technology products. Last year, Sony announced its Take Back and Recycle Program to encourage consumers to recycle and dispose of electronic devices in an environmentally sound manner. The program provides customers free recycling of their unwanted Sony products, everything from a game console to a mobile phone to a DVD. Under its program, Sony takes full manufacturer responsibility for all products that bear its brand and will recycle those products at no cost to the consumer. Its recycling locations will also accept and recycle non-Sony consumer electronics and information technology products for a small fee.

Sony has partnered with Waste Management Recycle America to utilize 138 drop-off centers throughout the country, with the goal of having 150 permanent locations and at least one recycling location in every State by September 2008. Sony's longer term goal is to have a collection location within 20 miles of 95 percent of the U.S. population at which consumers, retailers, and municipalities can have any product from any consumer electronic manufacturer recycled.

All products which are collected through the program must be recycled using the strictest environmental standards. Waste Management will store, track inventory and dismantle the products into the form of common raw materials that can be bought and sold on the global market. In some cases, it is likely that recycled plastics will be purchased for reforming into a new current model electronics product. Sony seeks at least 95 percent recycling rates, with less than 5 percent of materials going to landfills. In addition, Sony provides full public accountability of how and where the material goes and prohibits the exportation of hazardous waste to developing countries.

In addition to setting up permanent collection centers, Sony is holding numerous, highly publicized electronics recycling events, throughout the United States, including some in the State of Hawaii. Sony also offers consumers credit toward the future purchase of a similar product if they send in their old product for recycling.

Sony has stated that its goal in implementing the Take Back and Recycle

Program is to make recycling as easy for consumers as it is for them to purchase a Sony product. I commend Sony for its electronics recycling efforts.●

#### 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS CATHOLIC CHURCH

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I would like to extend my congratulations to Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Grand Rapids, MI, as they celebrate their 100th anniversary. Since its inaugural mass on September 20, 1908, Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church has been devoted to serving the many diverse needs within the Grand Rapids community, and I am pleased to join in celebrating this important milestone.

In the late 1800s, as the Italian-American population in Grand Rapids continued to grow, there began an earnest search within this immigrant community for a place to worship that would respond to their specific needs. Led by Father Salvatore Cianci and without a formal structure in which to conduct mass, the congregation was established and gathered in the basement of St. Andrew's Cathedral in Grand Rapids in 1908 to celebrate its first mass. With this mass, the congregation of Our Lady of Sorrows began their spiritual journey by seeking to minister to the roughly 75 families that lived in the area at the time.

During the early part of the 20th century, Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church continued to grow and to establish a presence in the community. Throughout both the Great Depression and World War II, they worked diligently to create a permanent residence for their church community. The church initiated fundraising efforts to help support the purchase of a permanent location, as well as to support their many community outreach efforts. After nearly 40 years in temporary locations, their determination and persistence was rewarded with the dedication of the new church structure on April 14, 1957.

Through the many challenges and changes the church and the larger community endured, Our Lady of Sorrows has remained committed to its church family. The Grand Rapids parish is presently home to more than 250 families of diverse backgrounds, including a growing Hispanic population. During their distinguished 100-year history, they established an elementary school; constructed a new convent, rectory, and church; and established a local scholarship for anyone living within the boundaries of the parish. Today, the church serves as an example of an inclusive community and has reached out to people of diverse backgrounds, facilitating an appreciation for different cultures.

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church is truly an important part of the rich history of Grand Rapids. Their influence and service to the community is apparent to the many that have benefited from the church's spiritual and