

Palic and the other men and women who went missing in the genocide committed against the Bosnian people. To be sure, we must continue to look for Ratko Mladic and other criminals and genocideurs, but we must not forget their victims and their need for closure.

TRIBUTE TO OLLIE JOHNSON

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a former member of the United States armed services, a civic leader, avid golfer, and devoted husband, father and grandfather, and one of my best friends. Mr. Ollie Johnson of Columbia, South Carolina passed away on Thursday, July 16, 2009 at the age of 73, after an extended battle with cancer. He has left a tremendous legacy, and his contributions deserve recognition.

Ollie was born on July 3, 1936, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Mack and Emma Johnson. He attended area Catholic schools and graduated from St. Peters Academy in Dallas, Texas. At an early age he was baptized and entered into a lifetime affiliation with the Catholic Church. He entered the Air Force in 1954 and served honorably for 21 years. His active duty military service included assignments in England and the Philippines. He served stateside in Arizona, Nebraska and Texas, and was honorably discharged while serving in Charleston, South Carolina.

While on active duty, he matriculated at Thomas Edison College and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Occupational Education. After his separation from active duty, Ollie continued his education earning a Master of Education degree from Southern Illinois University.

In October 1957, he married Barbara Jackson and they became the proud parents of three children: two sons and one daughter, and were subsequently blessed with four grandchildren.

Ollie and his family moved to Columbia, South Carolina where he began 25 years of service in state government. During his tenure, he was employed at the Commission on Aging and became one of our state's most diligent advocates for aged and served as a delegate to a White House conference on aging.

Ollie believed strongly in civic responsibility, community service, and charitable works. He demonstrated these beliefs daily with his active participation in various civic groups while serving in different capacities: South Carolina Federal Credit Union, Supervisory Committee; Credit Union League, Fort Jackson Golf Club's Advisory Council. He served as President of the State Sertoma Club, and Carolina Sunshine, and was a member of the Board of Directors of Senior Catering and the Elder Care Trust Fund.

Ollie and I were frequent golf partners, and we joined with other golfing buddies to turn our passion for golf into support for various causes. One of them was a tournament known originally as the Palmetto Institute Classic to raise college scholarships for deserving students.

When one of our founding buddies died suddenly of a ruptured aorta at the age of 56,

we renamed the tournament the Rudolph Canzater Memorial Classic in his honor. The Canzater Classic has contributed more than \$600,000 to college students since its inception. This year's Canzater Classic will be held for the 19th time on August 8–9, and Ollie's presence will be sorely missed. A few years ago we started holding a Health Fair in conjunction with the tournament and when it is held next week, we will rename the Health Fair in Ollie Johnson's honor.

Madam Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in celebrating the life of Ollie Johnson for his service to his country and his community. I will forever feel indebted to him and thank Ollie's family for allowing him to share his talents and his gifts with us. Our country and community are better for his service.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ADAM H. PUTNAM

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. PUTNAM. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3326—the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010:

Requesting Member: Rep. ADAM PUTNAM (FL–12)

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: Operations and Maintenance (Army)

Project Funding Amount: \$3,000,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of South Florida

Address of Requesting Entity: 3702 Spectrum Blvd Suite 175, Tampa, Florida 33612–9444

Description of Request: The Center for the Study of International Languages and Cultures (CSILC) is a resource within the University of South Florida that promotes global understanding through integrated programs of language and culture studies in critical world regions. In its first two years of existence, it has garnered \$1.5 million in support of its programs above and beyond previous appropriations.

Current military doctrine provides for preparation of personnel with language competency together with knowledge of the relevant culture and expertise in the given region. At CSILC, USF has been creating a wide variety of integrated language and culture-based lessons designed to fulfill our urgent need to better understand critical world regions.

In 2007, our military commanders in the Gulf region requested that military personnel engaged in sensitive diplomatic work on behalf of the United States be afforded a much higher degree of language training in mid-east language dialects, S.E. Asian languages as well as Chinese and Korean. In an effort to meet this demand, Congress funded a unique project in the State of Florida, headquartered at the University of South Florida, to work in tandem with the Defense Language Institute (DLI) in Monterey, California. This project, now in its third year, has grown to include not only continuing distance learning education and training for military personnel who leave DLI

after short intensive training in languages such as Arabic, Farsi (Persian), Dari and Pashto (from Afghanistan), and Urdu (from Pakistan). These programs will allow potential military and civilian personnel to better prepare themselves for assignments in these world regions.

HONORING HARLEY DREW ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 50TH ANNIVERSARY IN RADIO

HON. PAUL C. BROUN

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. BROUN of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 50th anniversary of a remarkable radio personality in my district: Mr. Harley Drew. After serving 50 years in radio, "Handsome Harley Drew" has established himself as a broadcasting icon in Georgia radio, having distinguished himself in every area of radio broadcasting.

At an early age, Harley displayed an aptitude for radio. He was only nine years old when he began to explore electronics and, as a young teen, received his first part-time radio job at WBRO in Waynesboro, Georgia. It was July 1959 when young Harley got his broadcast license; he had been bit by the radio bug.

In 1962, he helped put WFNL on the air in Augusta. Two years later, he landed a job at WBBQ as its program director and stayed with the station for the 25 years. Harley has worn many hats over the years—operations director and later vice president at WBBQ, national program director for the Arrow Communications Group, and general manager at Sunny 105.

For the last 16 years, Harley has been with Beasley Broadcast Group, one of Augusta's largest radio broadcasters, where he is currently program director and host of "Augusta Morning News." Thousands wake up each weekday morning in the Central Savannah River Area to the beloved, baritone voice of "Handsome Harley Drew." For three hours in the mornings, he and his co-host, "The Lovely and Vivacious Mary Liz Nolan", deliver news of current events to their loyal listeners, culminating in "The Morning News Coffee Break." This 30 minute program touches the lives of thousands of people each morning with an uplifting and informative program to start their day.

In May of this year, Harley inspired countless listeners to go to their doctors and undergo tests for heart disease after Harley spent seven weeks recovering from triple-bypass surgery. Harley became aware of his own heart condition when a physician guest on his morning show suggested Harley have a Cardiac Calcium Score. When Harley returned to the airwaves, he did not try to hide his medical history, but instead used the opportunity to bring awareness to this vital issue.

Harley Drew is known far and wide for his honesty and integrity in broadcasting. He is a founding board member of The Georgia Radio Hall Of Fame and also serves on the board of the Georgia Association of Broadcasters. He has received numerous awards and is well-respected and loved for the positive impact he has made on the lives of the people in Augusta and beyond.

Madam Speaker, I applaud the great work of Harley Drew and congratulate him on celebrating 50 years of broadcasting excellence.