

Hollywood, the City of Los Angeles and the entire Nation mourned his death in January of last year. H.R. 2760 is a modest but fitting tribute to Hollywood's favorite son, and I think he would appreciate seeing his name live on in the community he loved and called home for over fifty years.

HONORING THE LIFE, SERVICE,
AND SACRIFICE OF NORTH
SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA POLICE
OFFICER RICHARD CRITTENDEN

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 14, 2009

Ms. McCOLLUM. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life and public service of North Saint Paul Police Officer Richard Crittenden who will be laid to rest tomorrow.

On Monday morning, Officer Crittenden was sent to respond to a domestic dispute call. He was killed protecting a woman from a man who had repeatedly abused her.

North Saint Paul is a wonderful community of 11,000 people where I raised my children and served on the city council. To lose an officer in the line of duty is a tragedy for every resident.

On behalf of my constituents and all Minnesotans, I extend our prayers and deepest sympathies to Officer Crittenden's wife, Christine, his children, and grand-children. Their loss is tremendous.

To North Saint Paul officials and residents, especially the members of the police depart-

ment, I extend my condolences at this time of great pain and loss.

Officer Crittenden gave the ultimate sacrifice—his life—in the line of duty. His service as a peace officer was always respected, but his courage and sacrifice makes him a hero who shall always be remembered and honored.

Madam Speaker, at this time I also want to recognize Maplewood Officer Julie Olson who was injured in the line of duty in the incident that claimed Officer Crittenden's life. I commend Officer Olson for her courageous service and wish her a full recovery.

SALUTING ED FOX FOR WINNING
THE DORIS BERRY CRIME
WATCH CHAIRPERSON OF THE
YEAR 2009 AWARD

HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 14, 2009

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate Ed Fox for winning the Doris Berry Crime Watch Chairperson of the Year Award for 2009. According to his peers, Ed has served as the chairperson for the Prestonwood Estates Neighborhood Association West (PENA West) Crime Watch since its inception in October 1999. He has also served as chairperson for their Volunteers in Patrol (VIP) program for seven years. Ed is also currently serving a third term as the North Central Patrol Division's Crime Watch Execu-

tive Board (CWEB) representative and was recently elected president of CWEB.

In addition to the time required to fulfill his duties as CWEB president and PENA West CW chairperson, Ed spends countless hours attending crime watch and VIP start up meetings to assist new groups in getting started. Based on his reputation in the North Central Division, many citizens request to have Ed speak at their crime watch meetings. Being a retired salesman, Ed uses his skills to sell the VIP concept to various homeowner groups. Not only does he help them organize a neighborhood meeting, but he also speaks at the meeting himself to promote the CW and VIP programs. In the past year alone, Ed has attended over 120 CW and VIP meetings and also spoken at the majority of them.

Ed is always trying to think of ways to expand the CW/VIP programs in North Dallas. Last year he contacted the North Dallas Chamber of Commerce to inquire about using their organization to spread the word about neighborhood crime prevention programs. Ed has proposed the idea to them to consider establishing a permanent crime prevention committee to provide advice and information for their members.

For his tireless work ethic, enthusiasm and dedication to the Crime Watch and VIP programs in the North Central Division, it is my honor to recognize Mr. Ed Fox for winning the 2009 Doris Berry Crime Watch Chairperson of the Year Award.

God bless you and I salute you.