

The Sumgait massacres led to wider reprisals against Azerbaijan's ethnic minority, resulting in the virtual disappearance of Azerbaijan's 450,000-strong Armenian community, and culminating in the war launched against the people of Nagorno Karabakh. That war resulted in almost 30,000 dead on both sides and created more than one million refugees in both Armenia and Azerbaijan.

A cease-fire agreement was brokered in 1994 and remains in place. However, Azerbaijan's ongoing war-mongering, recent cease-fire violations, and dramatic escalation of its military budget threaten to destabilize the Nagorno Karabakh peace talks. It is my hope that a just and peaceful resolution can be found that takes into account Nagorno Karabakh's right to self determination.

Mr. Speaker, just as we cannot allow the first genocide of the twentieth century to fade into history, the memory of the victims of Sumgait must not be forgotten either.

IN HONOR OF SISTER MARY ANN
FLANNERY

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Sister Mary Ann Flannery to acknowledge her receipt of the Walks of Life award from the Irish American Archives Society. Sister Flannery has always been a valuable asset to her community and her devotion to serving others is praiseworthy.

Sister Flannery grew up on the East side of Cleveland and graduated from Hoban-Dominican High School. After college she began teaching at Lumen Cordium High School and Notre Dame College. Following her time as a teacher she became an active member in local organizations that focused on social justice issues for the community. She became director of Parma's Jesuit Retreat House, making her the first female director of the oldest retreat center in the nation. In addition to her community involvement, she is also a consistent freelance writer. Her work appears in the Cleveland Plain Dealer and several other publications.

Prior to receiving this award, Sister Flannery also received an award from the Siena Heights University Alumni Association for her relentless efforts to improve her community, her successful tenure as a teacher and her concern for social issues around the globe.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring the accomplishments of Sister Flannery. She is a valuable asset to the Cleveland community, and has shown that she possesses a gift for assisting others, no matter what their circumstances.

TRIBUTE TO MS. DOROTHY
DESUZIA

HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2011

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, in honor of Black History Month 2011, I rise today to pay

tribute to a woman who for forty years has made the well-being of her surrounding community her personal responsibility, Ms. Dorothy DeSuzia.

Dorothy was born and raised in New York City and attended public schools as a child. Her father was a native New Yorker and her mother migrated to the U.S. from the West Indies. In 1965 Dorothy moved into a newly constructed, 1,852 unit apartment complex in the Bronx known as Concourse Village. Dorothy was among the first tenants to move in, and describes the development during those years as a "beautiful" space with a great diversity of residents.

Today, Concourse Village is a model of urban homeownership in New York City; but we must not forget that the earliest residents of Concourse Village, including Dorothy, actually fought and won the right to become shareholders. Dorothy helped lead the campaign to have stock certificates awarded to residents of Concourse Village back in the late 1970s; prior to this, no one living in Concourse Village owned their home. Then in 1981, after a prolonged effort led by Dorothy and a dedicated group of residents, stock certificates were finally awarded and the first shareholder Board of Directors was formed. Dorothy served on the first board and three years later, in 1984, she was elected President of the Board of Directors at Concourse Village; a position she held until 1990. She rejoined the Board of Directors six years later in 1996 and remains a board member to this day.

Dorothy has held every position of leadership at Concourse Village, from floor captain to Board President. Her record of transparency and fair dealing has earned her, above all, the trust of her fellow shareholders; and it is safe to say that she has been involved in nearly every major capital and quality of life improvement at the development for the past four decades; including the creation of "Special Adults," Concourse Village's senior citizen program which plans trips and creates a place for seniors to congregate and feel welcome. All of this, however, comes on top of a 38 year career with the former New York Telephone Company, NYTel, now Bell Atlantic/Verizon, from which Dorothy retired in 1992.

Mr. Speaker, if one considers the number of individuals and families who have lived in Concourse Village or have close ties there; and of that number, how many enjoyed a safe, nurturing place to grow up or knew the joy of homeownership since 1981, one can begin to grasp just how impactful Dorothy DeSuzia has been in this community. Her commitment has made the lives of thousands of Bronx residents more enjoyable and more secure. I ask that my colleagues join me in paying tribute to a kind and decent and brave woman whose contributions will not soon be forgotten, Ms. Dorothy DeSuzia.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MRS.
DORIS BOWEN ELLICK

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2011

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Doris Bowen Ellick, who died on February 16, 2011 at the age of

78. Mrs. Ellick was a dedicated public servant and a pillar in Palm Beach County. Mrs. Ellick stands apart as an exemplary citizen and living testimony to compassion, dedication, and selfless generosity.

Mrs. Ellick was born on May 23, 1932 to the late Elder Sam and Janie Ross Bowens in Wacissa, Florida. She was formally educated in the public schools of Jefferson County Florida. In 1948, the Bowens family relocated to Belle Glade, Florida. Mrs. Ellick later graduated from Everglades Vocational High School.

For 23 years, Mrs. Ellick worked in the Palm Beach County School System as a teacher's assistant. While there, she was effectively a mentor, godmother, grandmother, encourager, and comforter to many. After retiring from Palm Beach County School System, Mrs. Ellick continued her passion for public service as a foster mother. In this capacity, she opened her home for the community and homeless.

While working as an educator, she met the love of her life, Alford Ellick. The couple wedded on April 7, 1951. From this union was born 8 children: Bernard, Alfred, Charles, Terris, Gerald, Reginald, Christopher, and Kenneth. She was irrefutably a devoted wife and mother.

Mrs. Ellick was also an active member of the Inspirational Church of God where she served on the Board of Directors and Board of Trustees for a number of years, and was officially ordained as one of the Mothers of the church.

In addition to working enthusiastically in her church, Mrs. Ellick devoted a majority of her time to her family. Invariably, she could be found with her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and extended family.

For her commitment to her family, her community, and her nation, it is with great privilege that I honor the life of Mrs. Ellick and extend my deepest condolences to her friends and family.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SUE WILKINS MYRICK

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2011

Mrs. MYRICK. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to participate in the following vote. If I had been present, I would have voted as follows: Roll-call vote 142, on agreeing to the Carney of Delaware Amendment, No. 241—H.R. 1: Making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes, I would have voted "no."

IN HONOR OF CHRIS COBURN

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Chris Coburn to acknowledge his receipt of the Walks of Life Award from the Irish American Archive Society. Chris has been a

tremendous asset to the Cleveland community. In fact, the Cleveland Plain Dealer recently hailed Chris as “a pioneer in tech-based economic development, rugby lover and fifth-generation Clevelander.”

Chris served as the executive director of Cleveland Clinic Innovations, leading a team whose main goal is commercial viability for inventions developed by the scientists and doctors of the Cleveland Clinic. These inventions have the potential to create products that may extend lives and mend genes. His work at the Clinic has boosted economic development and growth for Northeast Ohio.

In honor of his Irish roots, he also ensured that 20 percent of Ireland’s cardiologists received the world renowned training at the Cleveland Clinic. Other accomplishments of Chris’ include being the former Vice President and General Manager of Battelle Memorial Institution and Director of the U.S. Enrichment Corp.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, Chris Coburn is truly a valuable asset to Northeast Ohio. Through various innovations and achievements, he has proven himself to be one of Cleveland’s most valuable citizens.

HONORING MAYOR RAY JENKINS

HON. HENRY C. “HANK” JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2011

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following:

Whereas, we are saddened by the untimely death of Mayor Ray Jenkins because our lives have been touched by the life of this one man . . . who gave of himself in order for others to stand; and

Whereas, Mayor Ray Jenkins’ work is present in Doraville, Georgia for all to see, being one of Doraville’s favorite sons; and

Whereas, this highly effective public servant was elected as Mayor of the city of Doraville in 2003 and again in 2007; and

Whereas, he gave of himself, his time, his talent and his life as he served our nation in the U.S. Navy, with two tours during the Korean Conflict and served in the U.S. Postal Service until his retirement in 1986; and

Whereas, Mayor Jenkins was a husband, a father, a grandfather, a friend and a man of great integrity who remained true to the uplifting of our community; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to bestow a special recognition on Mayor Ray Jenkins for his leadership, friendship and service to all of the citizens of Georgia and throughout the Nation as a citizen of great worth and so noted distinction;

Now Therefore, I, Henry C. “Hank” Johnson, Jr. do hereby attest to the 112th Congress of the United States that Mayor Ray Jenkins of Doraville, DeKalb County, Georgia is deemed worthy and deserving of this “Congressional Recognition” by declaring; Mayor Ray Jenkins, U.S. Citizen of Distinction, in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 7th day of February, 2011.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2011

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, today our national debt is \$14,137,541,098,872.71.

On January 6th, 2009, the start of the 111th Congress, the national debt was \$10,638,425,746,293.80.

This means the national debt has increased by \$3,501,115,352,578.90 since then.

This debt and its interest payments we are passing to our children and all future Americans.

IN HONOR OF AIDA McCAMMON

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2011

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Aida McCammon for her dedicated service to the Latino community in Indiana.

As Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer for the Indiana Latino Institute, Aida McCammon has worked tirelessly on behalf of new immigrants in Indiana to expand their access to higher education and health care services. Her passion for improving the lives of immigrants pays tribute to this great nation’s long-held tradition of embracing people from all parts of the world. I applaud Ms. McCammon for her bold leadership over the past twenty five years.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Aida McCammon for her distinguished efforts in the 7th Congressional District of Indiana. Her dedication serves as an example to all Americans.

IN HONOR OF PATRICIA ANN GAUGHAN

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of Patricia Anne Gaughan to acknowledge her receipt of the Walks of Life award from the Irish American Archives Society. Patricia’s focus on civic duty and national allegiance is admirable.

Patricia graduated from Notre Dame Law School in 1978 and soon began her career in law. Initially, she worked as an assistant Cuyahoga County prosecutor. In 1983 she began to handle high profile cases as the first female in the Major Trial Division. In 1986 she secured the position of Cuyahoga County Common Pleas judge, and in 1994, Senator John Glenn nominated her for the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio. By 2007, U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts selected her for appointment to the Judicial Conference Committee on Federal-State Jurisdiction.

Within the community, Patricia serves as a Director of Magnificat Catholic High School and the St. John Medical Center Community Board. She is also on the Ursuline College Legal Studies Advisory Board. Patricia is a loving mother who lives with her husband Roger, and her son and daughter in Rocky River, Ohio.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Patricia Gaughan, who has devoted her life to the rule of law and service to her country. Her life has been marked by accomplishment after accomplishment. It is an honor to recognize her as an invaluable asset to the Cleveland community.

TRIBUTE TO MR. LEROY RICHARD ARCHIBLE

HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2011

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, in honor of Black History Month 2011, I rise today to offer praise and thanks to a man I have known for more than forty years; a man who first learned about service during the Korean War as a United States Marine; and then spent the next half century in service to his community in the Bronx. I speak of a man of action as well as conscience, but most of all, a trusted friend, Mr. Leroy Richard Archible.

Mr. Archible, better known as “Arch,” was born in Memphis, Tennessee in July 1931. He attended high school in Louisville, Kentucky, before enlisting in the United States Marines. Arch served in the Marines for 10 years, from 1950–1960; and in Korea from 1951–1953. A decorated soldier, Arch was awarded the Korean Service Medal with 4 Bronze Stars, the National Defense Service Medal, a Korean President Unit Citation, a United Nations Service Medal, and a Good Conduct Medal with 2 Bronze Stars.

After his discharge, Arch migrated to the Bronx, New York. His community involvement began as a Youth Employment Counselor and Sports Director at the Morrisania Youth and Community Services Center. He joined Community Board 3 and was appointed 1st Vice Chairperson, in addition to Chairperson of the Parks & Recreation and Historical Research Committees. Arch has worked for the Mayor’s Office of Veterans Affairs under the Honorable Abe Beame; and served on the Institutional Review Board of Bronx Lebanon Hospital Center. Most recently, Arch was appointed by the Governor of New York to serve on the statewide Veterans Affairs Commission.

In addition, for the better part of three decades, Arch has acted as a local historian of African American history in the Bronx. He has traveled across the borough archiving stories and historical documents which help to illustrate the African American experience in the Bronx, beginning from the early 20th century. This preservation work has always been carried out at Arch’s own expense, to insure this important legacy is not lost.

It is Arch’s work with the community of veterans, however, for which he is most well known. Three years ago, Arch helped to lead an effort to have the remains of a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient from the Bronx