

blindness from unoperated cataract and addressing refractive error by improving efficiency, productivity and revenue-generating services. IEF is now a global leader in sustainability programming for eye care with hospital partners in 15 countries.

In 1999, IEF established its SightReach® Surgical (SRS) program, making available a wide range of ophthalmic products from manufacturers worldwide to eye care providers and international developing organizations. The program has reduced the cost of technology and provided valuable procurement and advisory services to nations that would otherwise have limited access to such resources.

Over the last 50 years, IEF has been instrumental in facilitating the tremendous growth in eye care services throughout the developing world, especially in Asia and Latin America. Cases of blindness due to trachoma, onchocerciasis, cataract, and blinding malnutrition have been reduced while the number of training programs, well-trained ophthalmologists, and modern technology has increased in developing countries. IEF has played a significant role in these achievements and has been supported by USAID, private foundations and the hundreds of thousands of individuals who support its mission.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the International Eye Foundation for its 50 years of extraordinary work and wish it continued success in making a difference in the lives of millions of people throughout the world.

TRIBUTE TO THE HISPANIC ASSOCIATION ON CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY (HACR) ON ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOE BACA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, I stand here today to commemorate a significant milestone and to commend the leadership of the Hispanic Association on Corporate Responsibility (HACR) for its work as one of the most influential advocacy organizations for Hispanic inclusion in Corporate America.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of HACR's founding in 1986, with a mission to advance the inclusion of Hispanics in Corporate America at a level commensurate with Hispanic economic contributions.

Thanks to the profound efforts and devotion of its exceptional and visionary leaders, in 25 years HACR grew from an original 7 coalition members to now representing 16 national Hispanic organizations in the United States and Puerto Rico.

For more than two decades, HACR's innovative work with corporate partners, stakeholders, elected officials, and community leaders has created a partnership that provides the expertise necessary to ensure the inclusion of Hispanics in corporate social responsibility and market reciprocity.

HACR's Commitment to Hispanic inclusion in the areas of corporate responsibility and community reciprocity include a focus on employment, procurement, philanthropy, and governance.

With a pioneering focus to meet unmet needs, HACR's signature programs, including

the Annual HACR Symposium, HACR CEO Roundtable, and HACR Corporate Directors Summit, present a unique opportunity for some of the nation's most forward-thinking companies to share best practices and continue advancing Hispanic inclusion.

Additional signature programs tailored to young Hispanics, including the HACR Corporate Executives Forum and the HACR Young Hispanic Corporate Achievers Program, lay the foundation for generations of Latino corporate leaders to come.

It is with great pride that I recognize HACR on this important anniversary. Since its founding, to its first corporate agreement, to its now extensive work with the nations' most prosperous companies and leaders of all levels, HACR continues to be a passionate and committed organization with a mission to achieve economic parity and reciprocity for the Hispanic community.

HONORING JUNE RUSSELL WRIGHT

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a woman of grace, class, and dignity, Mrs. June Russell Wright.

Mrs. Wright passed away on April 22, 2011. She and her husband, Dr. Robert L. Wright, Jr. have been my friends of longstanding for over 40 years.

June was born on November 7, 1939 in Columbus, Georgia to the late Mrs. Ollie Russell Carter.

She graduated from William H. Spencer High School in 1957 and Grady Hospital School of Nursing in 1960 as a registered nurse. Her nursing career spanned over 40 years, with 34 of those years spent at the Columbus Health Department. She worked in numerous clinics and retired as a nurse supervisor of the Tuberculosis clinic.

George Washington Carver once said that: "How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and strong. Because some day in life you will have been all these." June went far in life because she never forgot this lesson and she always wanted to help other people. Her involvement with her church and social civic organizations dedicated to the betterment of all people is a testament to this fact.

June was an active member of the St. Benedict Catholic Church where she served faithfully and worked with the Liturgy Committee, the Project 2004 Committee and sang in the church choir for over 30 years. She was an active member of the Columbus Chapter of the Links and an honorable Archoussa of Gamma Psi Boule. One of her greatest achievements was her induction as a Life Partner in the Horatio Alger Association of distinguished Americans. June truly believed in the mission of the Association that hard work, honesty and determination can conquer all obstacles. She lived her life this way and gave her all to making the world a better place to live.

But, her greatest role in life was that of dedicated wife and loving mother. She has

supported and served as the greatest cheerleader to her husband through his career as an optometrist, elected official and successful entrepreneur. Moreover, she has supported her children, Kimberly Wright Lavender and Russell T. Wright in all of their endeavors.

June was truly one of a kind who left an indelible mark on the world that will never be forgotten.

I am proud to have known a woman who has dedicated her life to uplifting others and I am proud to honor her life and legacy with this statement. To God be the glory for blessing the world with a woman such as June Russell Wright. We all are better because she travelled this way.

REINTRODUCTION OF THE TANNING BED CANCER CONTROL ACT

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 2, 2011

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, today, in honor of Melanoma Monday, I am reintroducing bipartisan legislation with my colleagues Representative CHARLIE DENT and Rep. JESSE JACKSON, JR.: the Tanning Bed Cancer Control Act. This legislation will empower the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to determine whether the current performance standards and regulations placed on tanning beds accurately reflect their safety and effectiveness.

Despite the known health risks associated with indoor tanning, more than two million people, the vast majority of whom are women and young girls, tan indoors every day. The United States Department of Health and Human Services and the World Health Organization's International Agency for Research on Cancer have classified indoor tanning beds as a known carcinogen (cancer-causing substance), the same category as tobacco smoke, asbestos and uranium. Research shows people who tan indoors are 75 percent more likely to develop melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer, which is now the most common form of cancer among young adults 25–29 years old. We can no longer ignore the startling health effects of indoor tanning.

In spite of the facts, the FDA currently classifies tanning beds in the lowest risk category, Class I. Other examples of Class I devices are Band Aids and tongue depressors, devices that pose no risk to consumers at all. The Tanning Bed Cancer Control Act requires the FDA to examine two sides of tanning bed regulation. First, it requires a study be conducted to determine whether or not tanning beds are appropriately classified in accordance with the risks of their use. The bill also addresses performance standards—factors such as the strength of the UV rays emitted and the recommended amount of time a consumer should remain in the bed. These standards have not been updated since 1985. Finally, the legislation calls on the FDA to carry out its own findings published in a 2008 Report to Congress and to edit the warning label requirements to clearly and more effectively inform consumers of the health risks associated with tanning bed use.

The link between skin cancer and indoor tanning is undeniable and we need to protect