

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### ANNOUNCING THE DAVIDSON MANAGEMENT HONORS PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

#### HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 21, 2011*

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to announce before the United States House of Representatives the formation of The Davidson Management Honors Program at The University of Texas at Dallas (UT Dallas).

The Davidson Management Honors Program is named for distinguished UT Dallas alumni and philanthropists Charles (Chuck) and Nancy Davidson. The Davidsons graduated from the School of Management in 1980 and have generously given back to UT Dallas ever since.

Mr. Davidson sits on the university's Development Board, and a gift from the couple helped to finance the construction of the current School of Management facility. The Davidsons are also responsible for establishing four endowed faculty research positions at UT Dallas.

Without a doubt, The Davidson Management Honors Program will draw first-rate students from across the globe to the Naveen Jindal School of Management.

Therefore, as a representative of UT Dallas in the United States Congress, it is my honor and privilege to publicly recognize Chuck and Nancy Davidson for their generous and vital contributions to the North Texas community, and specifically, the Naveen Jindal School of Management at the University of Texas at Dallas.

### IN RECOGNITION OF THE ASSYRIAN AMERICAN CIVIC CLUB OF TURLOCK

#### HON. DENNIS A. CARDOZA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 21, 2011*

Mr. CARDOZA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Assyrian American Civic Club of Turlock, as they celebrate their 65th anniversary and commemorate the Centennial of Assyrians settling in Turlock.

Dr. Isaac Adams, an Assyrian medical missionary, established the Turlock Assyrian colony in 1910 with 45 people who were members of his own family and relatives from Canada, plus some settlers he had recruited from Chicago and points East. Beginning in 1920, refugees from the holocaust of World War 2 began to arrive in Turlock. Poor as they were, the Turlock Assyrians sent money to bring over family members who survived the war. By 1930, twenty percent of Turlock's population was Assyrian. Most Assyrians con-

centrated, for the most part, on living in peace and making an honest living.

The civic club today has over 1,200 family members and is involved in many Assyrian civic and national activities. They participate in the Assyrian Martyr Day, on August 7th, in commemoration of the Assyrians massacred during the 20th century, and the Assyrian New year at the start of the Spring season. The club also has a beautiful national choir and orchestra which promotes the Assyrian culture and heritage through concerts conducted throughout the United States. The Assyrian American Civic Club of Turlock has worked diligently to assist not only their own community but the surrounding area as well and is a tremendous source of pride to all of us.

For the past sixty-five years, the Assyrian American Civic Club of Turlock has been focused on serving the interests of the large and ever-increasing Assyrian population while also being actively involved in the valley communities. Their main objective is to promote unity, education, good citizenship and peace for all. The Assyrians are excellent members of the community and fine examples to our youth of individuals who display civic pride and dedication. I am proud to say that many members of the Assyrian American Civic Club of Turlock have become close personal friends of mine.

Please join me in congratulating the Assyrian American Civic Club of Turlock on their 65th Anniversary and commemorating the Centennial of Assyrians settling in Turlock.

### RETIREMENT OF MAJOR GENERAL YVES J. FONTAINE

#### HON. ROBERT T. SCHILLING

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 21, 2011*

Mr. SCHILLING. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to speak on the floor of the House of Representatives about an incredible member of our Armed Forces.

Major General Yves J. Fontaine has served as Commanding General of the U.S. Army Sustainment Command (ASC), since September 2, 2009. As Commanding General of ASC, Major General Fontaine leads a global organization responsible for providing front-line logistics support to combat units. This important Command manages Army pre-positioned stocks located in strategic sites around the world; maintains weapons and equipment at bases in forward areas; and oversees the Logistics Civil Augmentation Program (LOGCAP), which provides contractor support in theaters of operation. Major General Fontaine has diligently worked to bring together the Rock Island Arsenal community, both on and off the island. He has been a great asset to the Quad Cities community and his service as Commanding General of ASC will be greatly missed.

I would like to take this opportunity to share his incredible history with the American people. Major General Fontaine was born in La

Louviere, Belgium and became a naturalized United States citizen in 1971. Major General Fontaine was commissioned as an Army officer in 1976 following his graduation from University of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he was named as Distinguished Military Graduate. Along with the Bachelor of Science degree in Management which he earned from LaSalle, Major General Fontaine also holds master's degrees in business administration from Webster University in St. Louis, Missouri, and advanced military studies from the Army's Command and General Staff College. He also completed the Training with Industry program at the Defense Contract Agency in Indianapolis, Indiana. His military education includes the Ordnance Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the School for Advanced Military Studies, and the U.S. Army War College.

Major General Fontaine has diligently and admirably served the Army and his country through previous assignments. Major General Fontaine came to ASC from Kaiserslautern, Germany, where he served as Commanding General of the 21st Theater Sustainment Command (TSC). Prior to that assignment, he served as the G4 (Logistics) for U.S. Army-Europe, 7th U.S. Army, in Heidelberg, Germany. Major General Fontaine also served as the G4 for the 82nd Airborne Division and the G4 and Chief of Staff for the U.S. Special Operations Command, both at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. During Operation Desert Shield, Major General Fontaine deployed to Southwest Asia with the 24th Infantry Division. When Operation Desert Storm began, Major General Fontaine acted as liaison officer with France's 6th Light Armored Division. He then became Support Operations Officer for the 24th Infantry Division's 24th Support Battalion at Fort Stewart, Georgia. After assuming command of the 1st Corps Support Command, Major General Fontaine deployed from Fort Bragg to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Other key assignments held by Major General Fontaine during his career include commander of the 82nd Forward Support Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division; maintenance officer for the Bradley Fighting Vehicle System Materiel Fielding Team, and materiel operations officer for the 19th Maintenance Battalion, 3rd Corps Support Command, in Vilseck, Germany; company commander and battalion maintenance officer with the 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized) at Fort Carson, Colorado; and platoon leader, shop officer and battalion maintenance officer with the 8th Infantry Division in Germany. His entire service record is a credit to his training in the Army, his focus on education and the support of his wife and four daughters.

Major General Fontaine's awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal; the Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters; the Bronze Star Medal; the Defense Superior Service Medal; the Meritorious Combat Action Badge; and the Master Parachutist Badge.

I appreciate the great service he has provided to Rock Island Arsenal and our nation

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