man who has dedicated much of his life to civil service. Whether fighting fires, serving the city of Burlington, VT, as city assessor, representing his district in the Vermont State Legislature, or maintaining order in the courtroom as a court officer, Mr. Longe has continually served the people and State of Vermont.

A native of New York, Mr. Longe spent most of his childhood years in Vermont. After graduating from Burlington High School in 1958, Mr. Longe worked as a firefighter for the Burlington Fire Department, a profession he continued for 10 years. Mr. Longe went back to school at Champlain College, where he received his associate's degree in accounting in 1979. Before beginning his career as a court officer, Mr. Longe worked as the Burlington City Assessor and served as a state representative for one term in the Vermont Legislature. For the past 20 years, Mr. Longe has ensured the smooth running of the Vermont Superior Court in Burlington as a court officer. His ready smile and easy manners have helped jurors, witnesses and judges alike feel assured in the courtroom. Outside of work, Mr. Longe served as a Justice of the Peace for over 30 years, and in that capacity, he has presided over the marriage of over 2,000 couples.

These professional accomplishments aside, Mr. Longe has touched the lives of many Vermonters. Friends and coworkers have described him as ''one of the best men'' they know. Whether he is leading people in and out of the courthouse, officiating a neighbor's wedding, or merely encouraging those around him with a smile and a laugh, Mr. Longe has proven himself to be the epitome of a true Vermonter. Marcelle and I have known Rosaire and his wife, Irene, for decades, and share Vermonters admiration for him. In light of his character and history as a public servant, Rosaire deserves recognition for a full lifetime of civil service and contribution to his community and State.

TRIBUTE TO DR. HENRY JARECKI

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I want to use this opportunity to recognize the extraordinary contribution of a dear friend of mine, Dr. Henry Jarecki, who is the founding chairman of the Institute of International Education's Scholar Rescue Fund.

This year is the fund's 10th anniversary, and on September 18, 2012, Dr. Jarecki will be honored with the Institute of International Education's Humanitarian Award—along with Scholar Rescue's other founders, Tom Russo, Henry Kaufman and George Soros—for his commitment to protecting endangered scholars around the world.

The Scholar Rescue Fund provides safe havens to scholars whose lives are threatened, often for no other reason than their intellectual pursuits, allowing them to continue their academic work. No other global fund of this kind exists. Since 2002, with congressional support, the Scholar Rescue Fund has enabled 469 threatened scholars from 48 countries to resettle in places where they have safely pursued their professional studies and research, preserving the intellectual capacity of a country during conflict or crisis.

Over 40 percent of these scholars have returned to their home countries. For example, as reports emerged of assassinations of Iraqi scholars, the Scholar Rescue Fund identified those in danger and provided stipends so they could resettle and continue teaching and writing in Jordan and other neighboring countries. Many have since returned to leadership positions at Iraqi universities as that country rebuilds its institutions of higher education.

While many have supported the Scholar Rescue Fund, Dr. Henry Jarecki stands out. Drawing on his own experiences as a child whose family fled Nazi Germany, Dr. Jarecki has generously devoted his energy, resources, and time to the fund. He has been a passionate voice for responding to the dangers confronting scholars in Iraq, Iran, Yemen, and now Syria.

He has guided staff and inspired fellow board members, always striving to do more on behalf of persecuted academics. He has been a source of support and hope to threatened scholars everywhere. Dr. Jarecki's own words explain his motivation best: ''Most of all, I thank and admire our scholars, who have gone through hell to educate us.''

I am proud to have been his friend for decades, and I know his deep commitment. It is with great respect, gratitude, and admiration that, on the occasion of the Scholar Rescue Fund's 10th anniversary, we recognize and commend Dr. Henry Jarecki's work to protect scholars worldwide. Because of his efforts the fund will continue into the future, saving the lives, work, and voices of threatened academics and reminding us all of the importance of intellectual freedom.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

HAZEN, NORTH DAKOTA

• Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased to honor a community in North Dakota that will celebrate its 100th anniversary next year. On July 4 through July 7, 2013, residents of Hazen will be celebrating their community's history and founding.

Hazen has a rich Native American and settler's history, from the Mandan and Hidatsa tribes establishing horticultural villages to Lewis and Clark spending a winter in what is now Mercer County. Settlers began establishing the area after the Lewis and Clark expedition discovered the ''highway to the Northwest'', otherwise known as the Missouri River. Hazen was named for A.D. Hazen, who was Third Assistant Postmaster General in the summer of 1884. General Hazen served at Fort Stevenson, a military post on the north side of the Missouri River.

Located in the Bakken oil formation, Hazen is part of North Dakota's thriving energy industry. The community supports investing and expanding the energy industry and also remains committed to a high quality of life for its residents. The city of Hazen has developed a well-rounded business district and a dedicated parks and recreation department, offering activities such as fishing, camping, and archery. The area offers many opportunities to enjoy North Dakota's natural beauty.

Among the events planned for the centennial are a fireworks display, concerts, dinners, a glow-in-the-dark 5k run, and a fish fry. Hazen's celebration is sure to give attendees an all-around experience that is true to its roots, providing that unique hometown feel for which North Dakota is known.

I ask the United States Senate to join me in congratulating Hazen, ND, and its residents on their 100th anniversary and in wishing them well in the future.•

TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL DONOHOE

• Ms. KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize a fellow Minnesotan, Mr. Michael Donohoe, as he nears the end of his term as the 107th chairman of the nation's largest insurance association, the Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America, IIABA. Mike is principal of the James R. Weir Insurance Agency in Mankato, MN, and was installed as the association's chairman last September.

Mike has contributed to the independent agency system in a variety of ways at the State and national level, including serving as the Minnesota Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers, MIIAB, president and as the organization's representative on the National Board of Directors. He is a former MIIAB Agent of the Year.

In 2005, Mike received the Woodworth Memorial, the highest honor the Big ''I'' awards to an agent which is presented annually to the Big ''I'' member who best demonstrates outstanding service benefiting independent insurance agents and the entire insurance industry. He is the only Minnesotan ever to be awarded the Woodworth Memorial. Amongst his many other accomplishments at the Big ''I,'' he was instrumental to the success of the Big ''I'' Virtual University and served as the chair of the VU Oversight Task Force from 2001 to 2006.

Donohoe grew up in Lake Forest, IL, and is a graduate of St. Mary's College, in Winona, MN. He has been married to his wife Mary for more than 30 years, and they have four children: Katie, Gina, Meghan, and Patrick. I would like to commend Mike's commitment to his profession, his community, and our State of Minnesota, and I wish him and his family all the best in their future endeavors.•