EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO JOHN F. BRADY— NAVY MAN, MERCHANT MARI-NER, RECIPIENT OF THE PURPLE HEART

HON. NICK J. RAHALL II

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, on August 11, 1998, John F. Brady passed away. He was 69 years old, a father, a husband, grandfather much beloved by his family, as well as by his many friends.

John Brady went to sea at the tender age of 16 with the U.S. Army Transport Service, now the Military Sealift Command, for two years. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in Seattle, WA, in December 1947, serving with distinction in China and Japan.

John Brady was decorated for service with the USMC in the Korean War, and was a member of the 'Chosen Few'. Wounded in action, he was awarded the Purple Heart for Service and Sacrifice to his country.

Upon his discharge from the service, he served for five years with the Merchant Marine, as a second engineer. He came ashore in order to serve as a representative for his union, then the Brotherhood of Marine Engineers, later becoming the American Maritime Officers. He held every union office (except as president) for the next 40 years.

John is survived by his loving wife Kitty, daughters Catherine and Cynthia, and sons Phillip, John F. II, and Scott, who is also with the Merchant Marine, and by six grandchildren and two sisters.

John's deep and abiding commitment to the happiness of his family is well known, and he was devoted to their well-being throughout his remarkable life.

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John Brady's enormous personal and professional dedication to his fellow maritime officers was also well-known, and he seemed to think of them as members of his extended family. It was well understood by all who knew him that he took his responsibility as the Maritime Officers' Union Representative, very seriously, and he worked tirelessly to help assure their success and well-being for nearly four decades.

Mr. Speaker, John Brady will be sorely missed by his loving family, his fellow officers, and his community, but his memory will live on in their hearts and minds forever.

EDGAR C. CAMPBELL, SR., POST OFFICE BUILDING

SPEECH OF

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 9, 1998

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 3939, which will

designate the United States Postal Service building located at 658 63rd Street, Philadelphia as the "Edgar C. Campbell, Sr., Post Office Building." I echo the eloquent words of my colleague and friend CHAKA FATTAH, when he described the greatness of this pioneering statesman.

But, Mr. Speaker, Edgar Campbell was more than a great Philadelphian. He was more than a great leader. Edgar Campbell was a great man. He was a devoted family man and neighbor. He was active in his church and in the greater community. The measure of his success as a leader is that he was elected city wild at a time when it was difficult for an African American. The measure of his success as a politician is that he held key leadership positions in the Democratic Party and won those positions because of the respect his fellow leaders had for him. But most importantly, the measure of his success as a father is that his children entered his profession and continue to fulfill his legacy.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to say that Edgar C. Campbell was my friend. Edgar's daughter, the great Carol Ann Campbell, is my friend too. And for all Edgar did and for all Carol Ann continues to do, I am proud to join my colleagues in supporting this bill.

A TRIBUTE HONORING RUTH HOBBS WOODS ON HER 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. WILLIAM O. LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to a remarkable woman who has recently celebrated her 100th birthday, on August 27, 1998.

Ruth Hobbs Woods, a resident of my district, married Mountford Woods on May 18, 1918 and was married for forty-two years. They took pride in parenting four children. Ruth has 11 grandchildren, 23 great-children, and one great-great grandchild.

Ruth Hobbs Woods resided in Chicago Ridge, Illinois for fifty-five years. During those years, Ruth Hobbs Woods was an active member of the community. Ruth Hobbs Woods was very involved in State, County, Township and Village politics and is a past member of the Worth Township Democratic Organization. Ruth Hobbs Woods was also an active member of the Chicago Ridge Homeowners Association and is currently a member of the Senior Citizens Friendship Club.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Ruth Hobbs Woods on reaching this milestone and commend her for her many contributions to her community. I extend Ruth Hobbs Woods my best wishes for many more birthdays to come.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR DOBSON

HON. MICHAEL PAPPAS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to extend my thanks and congratulations to Command Sergeant Major M.M. Dobson, who is retiring after thirty years of service to his fellow countrymen. Since July of 1996, he has served as the Command Sergeant Major for the Communications-Electronics Command at Forth Monmouth, New Jersey. Together with his wife, Judy, he has raised three daughters: Jennie, Melissa, and Crystal.

Sergeant Major Dobson enlisted in June of 1968 as an avionics radio repairman. His first assignment was as a tropospheric scatter team chief with the 3rd Battalion, 84th Field Artillery. He has since served five tours of duty in Germany. Other assignments have included troposcatter team chief at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he was also a senior instructor and course noncommissioned officer in charge, as well as duty at Fort Benning, Georgia, as an instructor at the Noncommissioned Officer School of Infantry and First Sergeant of Company B, 34th Signal Battalion, Ludwigsburg, Germany. In 1985, Command Sergeant Major Dobson became the First Sergeant of the 209th Signal Company at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. By 1987, he was promoted to his current rank of Command Sergeant Major and served another tour in Germany with the 52nd Signal Battalion. After this tour, he returned to Fort Huachuca to serve as the U.S. Army Garrison Command Sergeant Major there. In 1990, Command Sergeant Major Dobson was chosen to serve as the 11th Signal Brigade CSM and was deployed to Saudi Arabia for Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, followed closely by an assignment to the 1st Signal Brigade in Korea.

Among Sergeant Majors many awards and decorations are: the Legion of Merit; first Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal; fifth Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Achievement Medal; first Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Army Commendation Medal, as well as numerous other achievements.

I would again like to express my deep gratitude for the many years of service which Command Sergeant Major Dobson has given to his country.

CALLING FOR AN END TO RECENT CONFLICT BETWEEN ERITREA AND ETHIOPIA

HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, September 10, 1998

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H. Con. Res. 292, a concurrent resolution calling for an end to the recent conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia. I support this bill for several reasons. First, I am concerned that this conflict shows signs of worsening, ravaging a civilian population that has experienced severe hardship during the last half century. The threat to the civilian populations of Eritrea and Ethiopia is real, as both countries are among the largest recipients of international aid.

Thus, far hundreds of soldiers and civilians have died on both sides. Towns and villages have suffered aerial bombardment. Just one example of the horrors of this war, occurred as an Eritrean fighter plane strafed a schoolyard killing dozens of children. Both sides have begun gathering citizens of the other country for deportation which raises the specter of genocide.

Second, this conflict threatens to undermine United States efforts to increase investment and trade in the region. During the President's recent trip to the African continent, the President indicated a willingness to increase America's economic ties in the region. This conflict represents a major obstacle to America's efforts to continue to develop and foster an economic partnership on the continent.

Finally, the strategic importance of this region has long been viewed as vital to United States interests. The Horn of Africa has long been viewed as a strategic area of the globe because of its proximity to the sea lands linking the oil rich Persian Gulf region with the Red Sea, the Gulf of Aden and the Indian Ocean.

This Congress should pass House Concurrent Resolution 292 and support all efforts which will mediate an immediate end to the conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia.

NINETIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY TRANS-FIGURATION

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mrs. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay a respectful tribute to the Russian Orthodox Cathedral of the Holy Transfiguration on the 90th anniversary of its founding. Throughout its history, the Cathedral of the Holy Transfiguration had dedicated itself to providing spiritual guidance to the growing immigrant population of Greenpoint, Brooklyn.

The Cathedral was founded in 1908, with construction beginning on the cathedral in 1916. In 1921 Archbishop Platon consecrated the church. This large, beautiful house of worship was listed in the National Registry of Historic Places in 1980.

The Cathedral of the Holy Transfiguration would not have grown and prospered without

its dedicated parishioners and priests. The first Divine Liturgy was celebrated by Rev. Alexander Hotovitzky. The first assigned pastor was Rev. Theofan Buketoff. Since that time a number of distinguished theologians have had the privilege of serving the Greenpoint community through the Cathedral of the Holy Transfiguration.

The Cathedral has met the challenge presented by the diverse and growing immigrant population of the community by offering a variety of religious and spiritual services. Among these are Devine Liturgies, Vigil, panikhida and Vespers. The church encourages the active participation of its parishioners in its liturgical life.

Additionally, the church provides myriad services for the community via various clubs and associations. These church sponsored organizations also provide a sense of community and belonging for their members. These organizations include the Brotherhood of the Holy Trinity, the Transfiguration Russian Orthodox Club, the Church School, the Parents Association and a special organization for new immigrants. These groups provide services ranging from church maintenance to youth educational programs.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues rise with me in this tribute to the Russian Orthodox Cathedral of the Holy Transfiguration as it celebrates its 90th anniversary. I am honored to have such a distinguished and important parish in my district continuing in a long tradition of spiritual and community service.

DAVID P. RICHARDSON, JR., POST OFFICE BUILDING

SPEECH OF

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 9, 1998

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 3999, which will designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5209 Greene Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "David P. Richardson, Jr., Post Office Building."

Mr. Speaker, Dave Richardson was a man like few others. I heard the many kind things my colleagues said about Ron Dellums today. I didn't serve with Mr. Dellums, but I worked for many years with Dave. And based on what I've heard about Ron, he and Dave were cut from the same cloth.

Dave Richardson was a fighter for justice. He never stopped working on behalf of the poor and working people of this country, especially those in his beloved Germantown. Mr. Speaker I am proud to share the representation of Dave's old district with this bill's sponsor, Mr. FATTAH. And every day, I can see the results of Dave's tireless work. Dave earned and kept the respect of everyone who knew him in Philadelphia, in the State House in Harrisburg and across this great nation through is work with other African American legislators. He was a leader. He was a warrior. And happily, Dave Richardson was my friend. I am proud to join my colleagues in supporting this bill.

A TRIBUTE TO HELEN FANNING ON HER 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. WILLIAM. O. LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I would like to pay tribute to a woman who has seen a century, Mrs. Helen Fanning, on the event of her 100th birthday, September 21, 1998.

I am pleased to remark that the Village of Justice, Illinois, is proclaiming the week of September 20 through 26, 1998 "Helen Fanning Week" in honor of Mrs. Helen Fanning's 100th birthday. The family and friends of Mrs. Helen Fanning will be celebrating with a birthday party, where the proclamation will be presented.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Mrs. Helen Fanning on achieving this great milestone and extend to her my best wishes for many more birthdays to come.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF GENERAL GERARD BROHM

HON. MICHAEL PAPPAS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 10, 1998

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend my heartfelt congratulations and thanks to Major General Gerard P. Brohm, who is retiring after thirty two years of dedicated service to his country in the United States Army. Born in New York City, General Brohm first enlisted in the Army in 1966, taking basic and advanced training as an infantryman. He and his wife, Ines, have four children: Maria Elena, Kathy, Jerry, and Michael.

In July of 1967, General Brohm received the commission of Second Lieutenant and then served in Vietnam as a platoon leader. During his career, he has served as commander of two companies at Fort Bragg, S–3 and Executive Officer for the 41st Signal Battalion in Korea, and as Battalion Commander for the 143rd Signal Battalion, 3rd Armored Division. He has also served as the Brigade Commander for the 93rd Signal Brigade, VII Corps, as well as Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon, Georgia.

General Brohm has also been a distinguished staff officer, whose assignments have included Executive Officer for the Deputy Chief of Staff of Operations and Plans for the U.S. Army Communications Command in Fort Huachuca, Arizona, Director of Combat Developments and Communications at Fort Gordon, Georgia, and finally as Chief of the Communications Systems Section, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, Belgium.

Since January 10, 1995, Major General Brohm has served as Commanding General, U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command (CECOM) and Fort Monmouth. He has overseen the expansion of the mission of CECOM and the consolidation of functions onto Fort Monmouth from other installations. He also has been an active advocate for the Army as it plans to digitize the battlefield. His tireless commitment to modernizing Army communications will serve this nation well for many decades to come.