

Brown is the mother of seven children by birth and four adopted children. A member of the Liberty Baptist Church, Dr. Brown has previously received the Foster Parent Award.

Over the forty-one years of their marriage, Irene and Earcy Christmon, Jr. have stood as a shining example of family unity. Their deep commitment to God, to each other, to their children, and their community, has touched numerous lives. Their extensive list of community activities includes, but is not limited to, the Urban League, the Credit Union Board, the Missionary Society, the Usher Board, the Food Committee and The Church of God Executive Board.

Their six children are a living testament to Irene and Earcy's love. They have endowed their children with the same strength and dedication that have been the cornerstones of their own lives. All of the children have assumed leadership roles in their chosen professions. Two of the sons have been entrusted by God to be spiritual leaders.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me today to congratulate Dr. Dorothy Brown and Irene and Earcy Christmon, Jr. individuals being honored by the Lambda Rho Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. They richly deserve the accolades being bestowed upon them.

#### TRIBUTE TO BRUCE HUOT

#### HON. JERRY WELLER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 3, 1998*

Mr. WELLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the work and dedication of Bruce Huot who retired after 34 years of service in Kankakee County Government on June 1, 1998. Bruce was first elected to the Kankakee County Board in 1964. He most recently served as Kankakee County Board Chairman.

Bruce says his most significant accomplishments during his service as Board Chairman include the plans for a non-taxing mass transit district, the establishment of a county hearing officer and county Public Safety Committee, the revision of the procedure for revolving loan funds, the comprehensive mobile home parks study, and the establishment of a new Kankakee County Housing Authority board of commissioners. He also believes the strong teamwork displayed among county municipalities has played an important role in many projects.

Bruce and his wife, Patricia, are the proud parents of three children and the proud grandparents of 7 children. Bruce is the son of Beatrice Huot and the late Marvin Huot. He is a graduate of St. Patrick's High School in Kankakee, Illinois and the University of Notre Dame.

Even while maintaining a busy career, Bruce always gave of himself to many community activities which include the Heart Association, the United Way, the Kiwanis, the Elks, St. Martin of Tours Parish Council, and the University of Notre Dame Alumni Senate. He has also served the county in the capacity of the Charter President of Kankakee County Board of Health, of the Past Chair Kankakee Regional Planning Commission, of the Kankakee County Economic Development Council, Past President of Bishop McNamara High

School Board, and the City of Kankakee Planning Commission.

Bruce Huot's commitment and impact on his community is not only deserving of congressional recognition, but should serve as a model for others to follow.

At a time when our nation's leaders are asking the people of this country to make serving their community a core value of citizenship, honoring Bruce Huot is both timely and appropriate.

I urge this body to identify and recognize others in their congressional districts whose actions have so greatly benefited and enlightened America's communities.

#### 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF M.V. PANGILINAN ENTERPRISES, INC.

#### HON. ROBERT A. UNDERWOOD

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 3, 1998*

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Mr. Speaker, fifty years ago a \$5,000 bank loan was employed to finance a tailor shop. This small business venture gave rise to one of the most diversified groups of companies on the island of Guam.

For the last fifty years, M.V. Pangilinan Enterprises has been at the forefront in providing goods and services to the people of Guam and the man behind MVP Enterprises and its success is Marciano "Mark" Vega Pangilinan. Born in the town of Mexico in the Philippine province of Pampanga, Mark first established business contacts on the island of Guam immediately after World War II. Serving as a radioman in a Merchant Marine ship bringing troops back to the U.S. mainland, he got well acquainted with the island's business leaders.

In 1948, he opened a tailor shop which was expanded in 1949 and came to be known as the Agana Men's Apparel Shop. Mark went on to open a restaurant and a furniture shop before his ventures in construction, insurance, retailing, sporting goods, publishing, hardware and car dealerships. Several island businesses distinctly bear his name. Mark's Motors, Mark's Sporting Goods and Mark's insurance together with Ben Franklin Department Store, Ace Hardware and Guam Office Supply are companies that have become landmarks on Guam.

November 9, 1991 was proclaimed by Former Governor Joseph Ada as "Mark V. Pangilinan Day" for all his accomplishments as a pioneering entrepreneur. Prior to this, he had been named "Most Outstanding Filipino in Business" by the Philippine government in 1974 and Guam Business News' "Executive of the Year" in 1987. For his strength keenness of vision, and great achievements in business leadership, he was elected to the Guam Business Hall of Fame on April 30, 1994.

Taking time out of his business ventures, Mark Pangilinan has also devoted vast amounts of personal time and resources to civic activities. He was instrumental in the establishment of the University of Guam and the Guam Memorial Hospital. On different instances, he chaired University of Guam Board of Regents and the Guam Power Authority. He was also the campaign chairman of the Guam Chapter of the American Red Cross, a member of the COMNAVIMAR Civilian Advisory Board and the Guam Chamber of Commerce.

Aside from being a leader and spokesman for the Guam Filipino community, his humanitarian work have gone a long way in relieving his countrymen in Philippines from the devastations of volcanic eruptions and typhoons.

For his civic works and charitable efforts, he had twice been awarded the Ancient Order of the Chamorro, the highest award the Government of Guam can bestow. He had also been conferred an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree from the University of Guam. His Holiness Pope John Paul II awarded him the Pro Ecclesia Pontificae for services rendered to the Catholic Church.

For fifty years now, Guam's business and commercial activities have reaped great benefits from the goods and services provided by M.V. Pangilinan Enterprises and most especially from the entrepreneurial spirit of its founder Marciano "Mark" Vega Pangilinan and MVP Enterprises has provided Guam, the island's business community and its people. Congratulations, Mark. I hope that the next fifty years would bring continued success to MVP Enterprises.

#### TRIBUTE TO DR. DONALD D. WARNER ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER 23 YEARS AS SUPERINTENDENT OF RED BANK REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 3, 1998*

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, on Wednesday, May 27, 1998, Dr. Donald Warner was honored on the occasion of his retirement as Superintendent of the Red Bank, NJ, Regional High School District, after 23 years of service. Dr. Warner's many friends and well-wishers, joined to show their gratitude and admiration at a reception at the Shore Casino in Atlantic Highlands, NJ.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Warner began his long and distinguished career in education 40 years ago, starting out as a classroom teacher. He earned his Bachelor's Degree at Temple University and his Doctor of Education Degree at the Pennsylvania State University. Over the years, he has received school and community awards too numerous to mention. In his nearly a quarter-century in the Red Bank area, he has taken on significant community and professional responsibilities, serving on various boards of trustees, foundations and task forces in Monmouth County and throughout the State of New Jersey.

A native of Pennsylvania, Dr. Warner now lives in Tinton Falls, NJ, with his wife Mercedes, a teacher in the Tinton Falls District. The Warners' three children have all achieved impressive success—not surprising, given the commitment to hard work and excellence instilled in them by both of their parents.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Warner's retirement will leave a tremendous void for the Red Bank Regional High School District. But Dr. Warner's tremendous legacy will be felt for years to come, through the admirable example he set for other administrators and teachers, and through the thousands of students who have been inspired by his devotion to education. A scholarship being established in Dr. Warner's honor will further that legacy by providing opportunities for students to expand their educational opportunities for years to come. I wish

Dr. Warner \* \* \* on his retirement, and hope that he will continue to contribute his energy, enthusiasm and experience to our community.

**A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO RYAN D. GALLAGHER ON HIS APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY AT WEST POINT, NEW YORK**

**HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 3, 1998*

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to a truly outstanding young man from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District, Ryan D. Gallagher. Ryan recently accepted his offer of appointment to attend the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York, and will be joining the Cadet Class of 2002.

Ryan, who is from Sandusky, Ohio, will soon be graduating from Perkins High School, and will begin preparing for one of the most challenging, inspiring, and educational opportunities of his life, his four-year commitment to West Point.

During his time at Perkins High School, Ryan has demonstrated a strong commitment to academics. Ryan has excelled very well in the classroom by attaining a 3.54 grade point average. He is a member of the National Honor Society and attended the Carnegie Mellon University Pre-College Program. Ryan is a National Merit Scholar Semi-Finalist, has been placed in the Who's Who Among American High School Students, and attended the USMA Invitational Academic Workshop.

In addition to his outstanding academic achievements, Ryan has distinguished himself as a fine student-athlete. On the fields of competition, Ryan has competed on the Varsity Cross Country Team and is a four-year letter winner. In addition, Ryan has been a member of the Varsity Track Team, the Varsity "P" Club, and the Perkins High School Marching Band and Pep Band.

Mr. Speaker, one of the most important responsibilities of Members of Congress is to nominate young men and women for appointment to the nation's military academies. I am pleased that Ryan was among those nominated for the West Point Class of 2002. He is an outstanding student and a fine young man. I would urge my colleagues to stand and join me in paying tribute to Ryan Gallagher, and in wishing him well at West Point and in the future.

**COMMENDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL EFFORTS OF THE YOUTH OF THE CATHOLIC WORKER HOUSE**

**HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 3, 1998*

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to call your attention to a group of young people from East Chicago, Indiana, who have become environmental activists in recent months organizing and demonstrating to keep North-

west Indiana safe and clean. Pablo Villarreal, Daniel Bustos, Monica Bustos, Jennifer Ruiz, San Juan Guajarvo, Samuel Guajarvo, Franky Gonzalez, Alfredo Alsedo Flores, Michael Jimenez, Diana Dela Rosa, Ester Ramirez, Victoria Ramirez, Sandra Wojak, Evelyn Gamez, Josephine Gamez, Jennie Montantes, Jackie Montantes, Olivia Perez, Alex Perez, Nicole Garcia, Moises Cordon, Erik Cordon, Veronica Bustos, Jose Gonzalez, Vito McCormick, Yara Sota, Tiatsin J'shua, Sindy Santos, Santos Santiago, Olivia Bustos, and Roxanne Bustos have taken it upon themselves to become citizens in the best sense of the word. Unlike the negative stereotype of teenagers that pervades our culture, these real teenagers have been active in helping their community, and helping themselves.

They came together through the Catholic Worker House, where they hold regular meetings each week and engage in different projects—photography, poetry, drama—while establishing relationships with one another and the Bustoses, who supervise their activities. They choose to come to the Catholic Worker House instead of participating in gangs, and, in an area with a high drop-out rate, these young people choose to stay in school. But these young adults aren't just the recipients of community volunteerism. They are volunteers themselves. After hearing from a local environmentalist at the Catholic Worker House, these teens decided to get involved. They have garnered attention from local news agencies and helped to make all of the adults in their community become more aware of their environmental concerns.

The late Mother Teresa aptly described the volunteer spirit, when she said: "There is a tremendous strength that is growing in the world through . . . sharing together, praying together, suffering together, and working together." These young people worked together in the spirit of community, to bring attention to their cause and take on the role of active citizens. As young as they are, these students not only care what happens in their community, they accept the responsibility that goes along with that concern. These students are helping themselves, educating themselves, and using the power they get from these activities to help those around them. Mr. Speaker, these fine young men and women have demonstrated that they are clearly on the path to becoming mature, responsible adults, and I commend them to you.

**GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM TREANOR OF PONTIAC, MICHIGAN**

**HON. DALE E. KILDEE**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 3, 1998*

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise today to commemorate a very special anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. William Treanor, of Pontiac, Michigan, will mark their Golden Wedding Anniversary on June 19, 1998. The joyous occasion will be celebrated by family and friends on June 28, 1998 with a mass at St. Perpetua Catholic Church followed by a reception at Indianwood Country Club in Lake Orion, Michigan.

William Lawrence Treanor was born in Lansing, Michigan, served in World War II and graduated from Michigan State University in 1948. Rosella Caroline McIntyre was born in Charlotte, Michigan and graduated from St. Lawrence School of Nursing in 1945. Bill and Rosie were married on June 19, 1948 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Lansing, Michigan. They moved to the Pontiac area in 1949, where Bill worked for Interstate Motor Freight and Yellow Transport and Rosie worked at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac.

In 1950, they started their family which grew to include six children: Kenneth, Donald, Richard, Nancy, Janet and Susan. In 1965, Bill took ownership and operated a franchise of North American Van Lines until 1989 when he retired. Treanor North American Van Lines has continued to be a family business. Bill was an active member of the Jaycee's, Elks and Kiwanis clubs as well as involved with St. Benedict Catholic Church Parish, Boy Scouts and various fundraising activities. Rosie worked part time for pediatricians, Dr. James and Dr. Dinger. She was an active Boy Scout and Girl Scout leader throughout the children's elementary years.

Bill and Rosie have been blessed with ten beautiful grandchildren with whom they are very active. Bill and Rosie have lived in their present home for 39 years. They belong to St. Perpetua Church in Waterford, Michigan and are members of the Waterford Elks Club.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Treanor many more years of health and happiness. Their dedication to their family and community serves as a shining example to us all.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO MICHELLE NGUYEN**

**HON. JERRY WELLER**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 3, 1998*

Mr. WELLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Miss Michelle Nguyen from Bourbonnais, Illinois. Miss Nguyen is a senior at Bradley-Bourbonnais Community High School and has recently won Second Place in the Veterans of Foreign Wars "Voice of Democracy" broadcast script writing contest.

Michelle was one of 93,000 secondary school students from around the United States who were competing for 56 scholarships which were distributed among 54 national winners. The contest theme for this year was "My Voice in Democracy". Michelle's speech about her family's quest for the American Dream is inspiring and a perfect reminder of how precious our democracy and freedom are.

Mr. Speaker, Michelle will be attending the University of Illinois at Champaign/Urbana next fall. She plans on pursuing a degree in Medicine with the hope of one day becoming a doctor. With her long list of achievements in high school, including Class President, I am sure that Michelle will reach her future goals.

I know I speak for the entire House Mr. Speaker, when I say Congratulations Michelle on winning this award, and good luck with your studies in college.

Mr. Speaker, I insert Michelle's speech for the RECORD so that the whole House can enjoy her inspirational words.