contributions to the U.S. House of Representatives. We wish Bernice many wonderful years in fulfilling her retirement dreams.

Mr. Speaker, Bernice will be very hard to replace. She has tirelessly served this institution and the American people, and we will miss her dearly.

# HONORING THE LUMEN CHRISTI TITANS

#### HON. NICK SMITH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, December 6, 2004

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, football is a great American tradition. In Michigan, this tradition is personified by the Lumen Christi Titans, who on November 27, 2004, won their 7th State Championship Title at the Pontiac Silverdome in Pontiac, Michigan.

I rise today to honor the 2004 Lumen Christi Titans: Tyler Aldridge, Josh Badall, Alex Belfey, Eddie Bellers, Michael Berkemeier, Andrew Biskupski, Mike Blair, Blake Brannick, Patrick Brogan, Corey Burris, Mike Calderone, B.J. Carter, Conor Coffman, Daniel Coolbaugh, Blake Davis, Trevor Elinski, Eric Ewing, Andy Flippo, Ken Gallant, Golden Gibson, Ben Gier, John Gurriero, Evan Hagan, Andy Horning, Luke Jarzynka, Corey Johnson, Kyle Johnstone, Doug Karasek, Guy Kennedy, Brent Kuntz, Stephen Kutyna, Ryan LaMarre, Mark Lathers, Marty Lozier, Nick Lefere, Dan Lusty, Nick Maes, Joe Marcantel, Trevor Markovich; Sean Miller, Tyler Moran, Josh McCormick, Ben Neville, Tony Panici, Michael Patchak, Brad Polnasek, Ken Powers, Marc Powers, Ryan Powers, Joe Putra, John Riley, Phil Riley, Kent Richardson, Sean Richardson, Michael Risner, Jon Ryan, Jeremy Sauter, Brent Schaefer, Corey Skinner, Abram Soper, Alex Soper, Kyle Strong, Kelly Thompson, Sean Thompson, Brandon Vinson, Derek Walker, Mark Warfield, Chris Weeks, Matt Weeks, Terrell Willis, Terrence Willis, Jeff Wojtusik; Managers Coley Crowley and Christopher Gaddy, Trainer Todd Sparks and Assistant Trainer Sarah Duffey.

These fine young men were coached by Head Coach Herb Brogan, and Assistant Coaches Mike Armeli, Sean Brogan, Ken Dilon, Ted Cole, Dick Corser, Dan Crowley, Jason Idziak, Pete Lefere, Joff Marcantel, Matt Reesor, Frank Slaby, Tim Sullivan, Jerry Sykes, Mike Tash, and Joe Williams.

Led by Team Captains Doug Karasek, Luke Jarzynka, and B.J. Carter, these 72 young men worked diligently throughout the season to achieve this laudable goal. Despite a difficult start to the season, the Titans continued to work as a team and won 9 consecutive games to win the title. The Titans have been Division V State champs four of the last five years, and have won three of those titles with no points scored against them. The Titans are the only team in Michigan that has won more than six State titles without losing a single State championship title game.

This honor is also a testament to the parents, students, and community who have supported and influenced this team and this program throughout the years. I am proud to join with their many admirers, friends and fans in extending my highest praise and congratulations to the 2004 Lumen Christi Titans for their outstanding football season.

IN RECOGNITION OF PAT PAUL

## HON. DENNIS A. CARDOZA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, December 6, 2004

Mr. CARDOZA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Stanislaus County Supervisor Pat Paul, as she will be retiring on January 1, 2005, as Supervisor of District 1 of the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors.

Pat Paul was born and raised in Washington, DC. In 1965 she obtained her bachelor of science degree from East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina, and began teaching at John F. Kennedy High School in Rockville, Maryland. She continued her education at Adelphi University, Long Island, New York, earning her masters degree in 1972. Just 4 years later she obtained her administration credential from California State University, Stanislaus. In 1975 Pat arrived in Stanislaus County, California and in the years following she taught at Oakdale High School, Modesto Univer College and Bever High School.

Supervisor Pat Paul began her career in public service as a member of the Oakdale City Council in 1980 and served as vice-mayor for the city in 1982. Then in 1989, Pat Paul became the first woman ever to be elected to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors. She served as chair of the board in 1992, 1996 and 2001.

Supervisor Paul's exceptional leadership and commitment to the community has been recognized on many occasions throughout her career, as she has received numerous awards for her outstanding service. Over the years Pat has been honored with the Department of Defense Teacher of the Year Award, the Outstanding Woman of Stanislaus County Award, the Soroptimist International Women Helping Women Award and many others. In addition, Pat has also served on various commissions and boards including the Stanislaus County's Children and Families First Commission, the California State Workforce Investment Board, and the San Joaquin Valley Water Coalition and Executive Board.

It is my honor and privilege to join the community in recognizing Supervisor Pat Paul for her extensive dedicated service to the citizens of Stanislaus County. Throughout her career, she has distinguished herself as a leader, educator, and member of the community. I am delighted to congratulate Supervisor Pat Paul upon her retirement and thank her for her outstanding service to Stanislaus County.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{HONORING JEFF AND RACHEL} \\ \text{LANCE} \end{array}$ 

# HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 6, 2004

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause today to recognize two outstanding constituents of Missouri's Sixth Congressional District: Jeff and Rachel Lance. Jeff and Rachel will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on December 1, 2004.

Jeff and Rachel first met in the spring of 1979, when Rachel was working in a grocery

store bakery that Jeff frequented. They soon fell in love, and were married December 1, 1979. On May 11, 1983 the Lance family grew as Jeff and Rachel welcomed their son Joshua into the family. Their daughter Kristen followed to complete the family on July 28, 1989. Today, Joshua is a senior at the University of Missouri-Kansas City and will graduate with a business degree next year and Kristen is a sophomore at Liberty High School. The Lance family has regularly attended Pleasant Valley Baptist Church since the early 1990s, and I know Joshua and Kristen feel fortunate to be raised in a Christian home by such fine parents

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me in commending Jeff and Rachel Lance on their 25th wedding anniversary. Jeff and Rachel truly exemplify the qualities of commitment and dedication, and I am honored to call them my constituents and represent them in the United States House of Representatives.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE VALOR OF CLAY R. KING

### HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, December 6, 2004

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to stand before you today and recognize Clay R. King for his dedicated service as a Transportation Security Screener at Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport located in my district. As a frequent traveler, I am thankful for the bravery and sacrifice provided by individuals like Mr. King.

This year, Clay King was named the Transportation Security Administration's DFW "Screener of the Year" for his extraordinary performance while serving as both a Transportation Security Screener and as a Lead Transportation Security Screener.

Clay King's valor, professionalism and dedication to the TSA mission was recognized by his subordinates, his peers, TSA/DFW staff and myself. Mr. King's commitment to security is not just part of his job but a part of his life as evidenced by a recent event where his knowledge and skills in emergencies was needed.

While driving to work on March 7, 2004, he noticed an automobile that was engulfed in flames. Without hesitation, he pulled over to render aid. As he approached the burning car, he saw a man, unconscious and trapped, on the driver's side of the car. Lacking regard for his own safety, Clay King opened the door and wrestled the driver out of the burning wreck. By doing so, he singed his right hand in the rescue for the flames had already reached the interior of the car and the passenger's pant legs were on fire. Due to Clay King's heroic actions, this person is alive today. From the accident scene, Clay King had the wherewithal to call into his supervisor and notify him that he would be late. After arriving at work, he asked if he could return home to shower and change uniforms as he felt he didn't look professional. Although he was granted the rest of the day off, he declined stating he wanted to complete his shift. Those that have had the opportunity to speak with Clay King about the incident convey that he is extremely humble about his courageous