

from AIPAC for her long history of efforts on its behalf. Nettie has proven countless times over the years that she is, indeed, a great friend of Israel. AIPAC is lucky to have her talents and energy.

So are many other organizations, associations, committees, and commissions. Nettie is one of those special people who makes a point of being active and involved with the community. She is a member of the executive committee of the Anti-Defamation League; a member of the California Women's Political Summit; a board member of the Odyssey Theatre in Los Angeles; a board member of the Jewish National Fund and a Governor Wilson appointee to the Seismic Safety Commission.

Nettie's accomplishments have not gone unnoticed. The Los Angeles County Commission for Women honored her in 1993 for dedicated service to the community, while in 1990 she was given the first Women of Achievement Award from State of Israel Bonds.

Through it all Nettie has managed to run a business, Nettie Becker Escrow, Inc., of Beverly Hills. Since its founding in 1979, it has become one of the most successful escrow companies in California. The Los Angeles Business Journal named Nettie Becker Escrow as 1 of its top 100 woman owned businesses since 1989.

Mr. Speaker, we ask our colleagues to join us today in saluting Nettie Becker, whose selflessness, dedication, and work ethic is an inspiration to us all.

TRIBUTE TO TRUMAN F.
MARSHALL

HON. CHARLES WILSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 28, 1995

Mr. WILSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise before my colleagues today to pay a special tribute to Mr. Truman F. Marshall, a dedicated public servant who will soon retire from the U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, after 40 years of distinguished service. I ask that the House join with me to thank Mr. Marshall for his contributions to the Corps of Engineers, his local community, and our country.

Truman Marshall began his Federal service with the U.S. Air Force on October 6, 1955. Since that time, Mr. Marshall has distinguished himself as a man of dedication, innovation, and personal accomplishment. In 1963, he transferred to the Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, and took a position as an engineer draftsman. Over the next 32 years, Truman Marshall moved his way up the ladder. At the time of his retirement, Truman Marshall served as program analyst in the Programs and Project Management Division. During his career, Truman Marshall received numerous awards and letters of appreciation. Among these awards, Mr. Marshall has received the Commanders Award and the Southwestern Division Award for Programmer of the Year. Mr. Marshall serves his community well and is a member of the Vestry for St. Johns Episcopal Church. He is an assistant Scout Master for the Boy Scouts of America and has served in this capacity for the past 23 years; receiving the District Award of Merit from the Boy Scouts. He is a former member of the Board

of Directors for the Fort Worth District, Corps of Engineers Employees Federal Credit Union. Mr. Marshall has made numerous monetary contributions to the Mexico earthquake; Oklahoma City bombing; and numerous local charities and has donated leave to fellow workers through the Leave Share Program.

Mr. Speaker, Truman Marshall is a remarkable individual whose 40 years of personal competence, unwavering commitment, and selfless sacrifice is a model for public servants. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating him for his service in the U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers, the Southwestern Division, and the Fort Worth District.

As he begins his retirement, may he and his family fully enjoy all the best in the years ahead.

TRIBUTE TO LOUIS GALINSKY

HON. CHARLES E. SCHUMER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 28, 1995

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an outstanding citizen whose contributions to the educational advancement of New York City school children go unsurpassed. It is a special privilege to pay tribute to Mr. Louis Galinsky; a teacher, leader, and mentor to thousands of students attending New York public schools. His teaching skills coupled with a keen understanding of his student's emotional and academic needs, earned the highest respect and trust among his pupils, parents, colleagues, and fellow academics. This outstanding member of our community deserves recognition of his achievements.

Mr. Galinsky began his successful career as a social studies teacher at Junior High School No. 3 in Manhattan. After working there for over 7 years, he became a guidance counselor at Junior High School No. 71. Galinsky's commitment to his students became clear as he remained at this post for 8 years. He then worked for the Committee on the Handicapped for 2 years and soon after became the assistant principal at P.S. 99. Galinsky was later promoted to head principal of this school and fulfilled that role until his retirement. His hard work and dedication solidified his superior reputation as one of the top educational leaders in New York.

The people of our city owe a moment of thanks to Mr. Galinsky for his tireless hard work and countless contributions to the success of New York's students. I am honored to salute him upon his retirement and wish him well in his future plans.

TRIBUTE TO BISHOP ODIS A.
FLOYD

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 28, 1995

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to urge my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in paying tribute to Bishop Odis A. Floyd of New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church on his 26th pastoral anniversary.

During the 26 years of service, Bishop Floyd has presided over a growth in membership from 450 to the current membership of 3,000. Bishop Floyd, although not born in Flint, came to our community in 1948. He entered the U.S. Army in 1958. Bishop Floyd has attended Monterey College, Pensacola Junior College, Mott Community College, Toledo Bible College, and the United Theological Seminary from which he received his DD degree in 1990. In 1964 he accepted a call to ministry; which all of us in the Flint community are forever grateful for. In 1965 he began assisting his grandfather, the Rev. L.W. Owens in the organization of the New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church. Bishop Floyd was ordained in 1969, and became pastor later in 1969 when his grandfather retired. In 1991 the church's name was changed to the New Jerusalem Full Gospel Baptist Church. In 1993 he was consecrated to the office of Bishop by Paul S. Morton, Presiding Bishop of the Full Gospel Baptist Fellowship.

Our community is truly enriched by the teaching and leadership of the Bishop Floyd. Although he has received many recognitions and awards over the years, and served the community through membership on many boards; it's the missionary work that he carries out on behalf of New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church and in particular his involvement at Community Alliance, Resource, Environment [CARE] Drug Rehabilitation and Prevention Center that makes him a giant in our community.

BILL TO REDUCE MINIMUM NUMBER OF AMERICAN UNIVERSITY TRUSTEES

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 28, 1995

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce legislation which would reduce the minimum number of Board of Trustees of American University from forty (as defined in the University's Act of Incorporation) to twenty-five. American University President Benjamin Ladner and the Board of Trustees have asked me to introduce this corrective measure.

American University was incorporated by Act of Congress on February 24, 1893. Its charter contains a provision setting the minimum number of the Board of Trustees at forty. On May 5, 1995, the Board of Trustees of the University passed a resolution authorizing the Board Officers and the President of the University to obtain the necessary approval from the General Board of Higher Education, the United Methodist Church and the U.S. Congress to reduce the number of trustees to twenty-five. Both the General Board of Higher Education and the United Methodist Church have approved this change. Only approval from the Congress remains.

The Board of Trustees believes that a board minimum size of twenty-five will permit the University to fully engage in its fiduciary responsibilities and grant greater flexibility to hold meetings and conduct business as a fully constituted board. It has simply become too cumbersome for the University to conduct its business while retaining forty trustees on the Board.

I urge my colleagues to support this corrective measure.

THE FUTURE OF MEDICARE AND MEDICAID

HON. JOHN P. MURTHA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 28, 1995

Mr. MURTHA. Mr. Speaker, as we continue to debate the future of the Medicare and Medicaid programs, I'd like to ask my colleagues to consider the views of Ms. Carolyn Scanlan, president and chief operating officer of the Hospital Association of Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania's hospitals would be particularly hard hit by the Medicare and Medicaid provisions we are considering because of the high percentage of senior citizens who live in Pennsylvania, but her concerns reflect those of hospitals all across the Nation. We will not improve the Medicare and Medicaid programs by forcing hospitals, particularly hospitals in rural areas, to close. Downsizing may look good to accountants and bookkeepers, but it's not an encouraging concept for senior citizens when it means closing hospitals. We've got to work to improve availability, access, and affordability in Medicare and Medicaid, and we can do it without forcing seniors to accept care that is anything but the best.

The text of Ms. Scanlan's letter follows:

THE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION
OF PENNSYLVANIA,

Harrisburg, PA, November 16, 1995.

Hon. JOHN P. MURTHA,
House of Representatives, Rayburn House Office
Building, Washington, DC.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN MURTHA: I have reviewed the U.S. House/Senate Conference Report and am deeply disappointed that the proposal does not sufficiently address the issues of health care restructuring, patient access and beneficiary choice. I must therefore ask that you oppose the conference report when it comes before you for a vote.

For the past several months we have communicated to you, and House and Senate leadership, the message driving our efforts to help Congress achieve a balanced budget while preserving Medicare and Medicaid and improving health care delivery:

Inclusion of House provider sponsored network provision.

Inclusion of the lower House Medicare spending reductions.

Reduced and capped House Medicare "failsafe" provision.

Guaranteed Medicaid coverage for children, pregnant women and the disabled.

Inclusion of House language on medical malpractice, antitrust, fraud and abuse and self-referral provisions.

Inclusion of House trust fund for Graduate Medical Education (GME) and Indirect Medical Education (IME) and lower IME reductions.

Inclusion of Senate carve out for medical education and Disproportionate Share (DSH) and lower DSH reductions.

The conference report falls far short of meeting these goals, which are essential to ensure that the more than 250 hospitals and health systems in Pennsylvania can better address community health needs and offer beneficiaries health care coverage with a local focus.

As the process moves forward, the hospital community remains available to work with you to craft a budget reconciliation bill that

includes these critical elements. Your "no vote" will provide us with an opportunity to work together toward a better bill that will ensure our ability to continue to provide appropriate and necessary services to our senior citizens, the disabled, children and low-income families.

HONORING HOSPICE CARE

HON. JAY KIM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 28, 1995

Mr. KIM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize hospice care, which is considered one of the more humane traditions of health service delivery in the United States; providing palliative medical care and supportive social, emotional, and spiritual services to the terminally ill, as well as support for the family.

Hospice care involves a team of professionals, including physicians, nurses, therapists, home care aides, social workers, counselors, and volunteers who help terminally ill patients and their families, primarily at home, share the final days in peace, comfort, and dignity. Hospice offers an effective alternative to hospitals and nursing homes employing more than 33,500 full-time professionals and approximately 11,000 volunteers who together served more than 280,000 individuals last year alone. These hospice caregiving teams help patients, as well as their family members with one of the toughest transitions in life. They are able to do so by eliminating the physical pain associated with an illness, as well as supplying necessary psychological, spiritual, and emotional support in a program primarily based in the home that treats the person, not the disease; focusing on the family, not the individual; and emphasizing the quality of life, helping patients and their families the opportunity to reclaim the spirit of life.

It is an honor to pay tribute to these dedicated professionals who demonstrating their caring, compassion, and charity on a daily basis.

A SPECIAL TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF THE MEMORY OF EDWARD A. SMITH

HON. KAREN MCCARTHY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 28, 1995

Ms. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute and to honor the memory of one of Kansas City's outstanding business and civic leaders, Edward A. Smith. Mr. Smith died tragically November 20, the victim of a hit and run accident.

Ed Smith leaves a legacy of outstanding achievements and selfless contributions to the community he called home, Kansas City, MO. He worked tirelessly within both the business and civic communities, quietly direct many high level philanthropic efforts and helping to shape important businesses and foundations. Ed Smith gave a lifetime commitment to making Kansas City a better community for all of us.

In his eulogy to the more than one-thousand mourners who gathered to say farewell last

week, Rabbi Alan Cohen said of Ed Smith, "He was a mentor to a great many people. He was a visionary. He truly left his mark." I join with his many friends and family members in describing Ed Smith as an "uncommon person." Rabbi Cohen added that although Mr. Smith loved the law, his fiercest loyalty was to his family. "His loyalty extended to everything he did" according to Rabbi Cohen. "He was always ready to give back to people and places that had been a part of him."

Henry Bloch of H & R Bloch has said that Ed Smith is largely responsible for the success of H & R Bloch, where Smith was a long time director. According to Henry Bloch, "Whenever we had a problem, we said, 'let's call Ed.' He was a man of superior intellect, but not ego."

Close friends have described Ed Smith as someone who worked tirelessly and was passionate about philanthropy. Many have noted that he was one of Kansas City's most effective behind-the-scenes leaders, never seeking recognition for his work, but focusing instead on getting things accomplished.

In the late 1970's Mr. Smith attended a dinner party with several other civic leaders. They agreed to form a community foundation, passing the hat and amassing just over two-hundred-dollars that night. That group has since become the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation and Affiliated Trusts which now manages assets of \$270-million in 450 charitable funds. It also owns the Kansas City Royals baseball team.

Among the many awards Edward Smith received: the University of Missouri, Kansas City, Chancellors Medallion in 1991; the Charles Evans Whittaker Award in 1992 given by the Lawyers Association of Kansas City; the National Conference of Christians and Jews Citation award in 1993; Ingram's Magazine named Edward Smith one of their "Local Heroes" and "Hall of Famers" in 1994-1995.

Ed Smith was very active in the Jewish community. He was a member of the Beth Shalom congregation and a past director of the Jewish community Center. He also held a directorship with the Beth Shalom Foundation. In 1986, Mr. Smith received the Civic Service award from the Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy.

Edward Smith was born January 20, 1918 in Worcester, MA. He attended Clark University in Worcester where he graduated with honors in Economics in 1939. He went on to Harvard Law School where he graduated in 1942. A founder of one of Kansas City's most prominent law firms, Smith, Gill, Fisher and Butts, Ed Smith was instrumental in building its success and in facilitating its recent merger with the Bryan Cave law firm.

Edward Smith leaves his wife, Beth K. Smith, with whom he has celebrated 50 years of marriage, and four children: Sarah S. Malino, Judith E. Smith, Deborah M. Smith and James D. Smith. He also leaves eight grandchildren. Beth Smith shared her husband's commitment to civic, cultural, and social causes, and her leadership is revered in the community.

Today Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join with me and with the people of Kansas City, who keenly feel the loss of Edward Smith. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this sorrowful time. Edward Smith was an outstanding individual who took a special interest in helping young people develop their abilities and leadership skills. The