

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF JOHN HENRY WALBRIDGE UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

HON. LARRY COMBEST

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 6, 1995

Mr. COMBEST. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to John Henry Walbridge. After a distinguished career with the U.S. Government he is retiring from the Central Intelligence Agency's Clandestine Services.

Mr. Walbridge is an exceptional American who has dedicated his life to service to his country. Mr. Walbridge began his career in Government service as a cadet at the Citadel, graduating in 1969. Thereafter, he entered service in the United States Army as a commissioned officer serving in Vietnam with distinction with the Green Berets. Following Vietnam, Mr. Walbridge joined the Foreign Service working there for 5 years when he concluded that he wanted to seek higher education and spend several years in Africa working on an advanced degree.

His broad experience in the military, independence, and tenaciousness came to the attention of the Central Intelligence Agency as they were looking for bright young officers who could accept the challenging task of recruiting and handling human intelligence sources around the world. In 1982, Mr. Walbridge began a successful career at the Central Intelligence Agency serving in Africa, Europe, and Latin America.

I wish to highlight that Mr. Walbridge served with great distinction in Central America making an important and lasting contribution to the establishment of democratic governments in the region. This contribution directly reflected his many talents, his steadfast loyalty, and his willingness to go to extra measures to ensure that this Nation's interests were well served. His performance was of such high caliber that he has been strongly recommended for the CIA's Career Intelligence Medal in recognition for a lifetime of achievement.

As chairman of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, I am proud to know that Americans like Mr. Walbridge are serving in our intelligence community. They are our first line of defense in a world that continues to be fraught with dangers. Please join me in wishing John Walbridge a happy and prosperous retirement.

TRIBUTE TO DON HOLLIFIELD

HON. DAVID E. BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 6, 1995

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Don Hollifield who was honored this past Wednesday by the Clinton Township

Democratic Club. Don was recognized at the group's biannual awards dinner at Paradiso Elegant Banquets in Clinton Township.

After 2 years in the U.S. Navy and nearly 3 years with the Detroit Police Department as a uniformed patrolman, Don Hollifield began his present career with the State of Michigan as an investigator. For 10 years he served as a drug investigator where he received several citations from the Michigan State Police. In 1983, Don's expertise as an investigator became an asset to the charitable gaming division. His experience has helped ensure that numerous charitable organizations operate successfully and in compliance with the law.

In his various professional positions, Don Hollifield has been a servant of the people of Michigan, Detroit, and the United States. The people of the State of Michigan have been especially fortunate because they have been able to depend on Don Hollifield for 22 years. During these years he has devoted much of his spare time to many other organizations, including the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 154, the American Legion Post 225, and the Chippewa Valley High School Band. I commend him for his years of dedicated involvement.

I also commend the Clinton Township Democratic Club for recognizing Don. He is committed to making the world a better place and his recognition at tonight's dinner is well deserved. His time, talents, and energy are appreciated by all of us and we are grateful for his efforts.

On behalf of the Clinton Township Democratic Club I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting Don Hollifield. He has provided outstanding leadership in our community and I know he is proud to be honored by the club.

HONORING SHADOWFAX CORPORATION

HON. WILLIAM F. GOODLING

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 6, 1995

Mr. GOODLING. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to honor the immense achievements of the Shadowfax Corp. on their 10th anniversary. Shadowfax is a nonprofit organization that provides residential and vocational services to hundreds of people with disabilities in York County.

Founded by David B. Bryant in 1985, Shadowfax provides services based upon a personalized program emphasizing self reliance, living skills, community, and self confidence. Shadowfax operates under the philosophy that every individual deserves a quality life.

The accomplishments of the Shadowfax are best illustrated by the individual success stories of their clients. Shadowfax has seen a young woman move from their vocational program to a job in a York company and a man who could not feed himself care for his own

personal hygiene. These successes and the multitude of other successes are a true testimony to the dedicated professionals at Shadowfax.

As chairman of the House Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, I am proud that this high quality program exists in my congressional district. On behalf of the residents of Pennsylvania's 19th District, thank you for 10 years of service to our community and congratulations on a job well done.

TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE NORMAN Y. MINETA

SPEECH OF

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 27, 1995

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my colleague, my neighbor Congressman, and my friend, NORMAN MINETA.

His departure from Congress is not only a tremendous loss to his district and the great State of California, but also to this Nation. Many people have served in the U.S. Congress. NORM's election was history. He was the first and only native-born Japanese-American forced into an internment camp to be elected to the United States Congress.

During his youth in the Santa Clara Valley, he was surrounded by orchards and vineyards. San Jose has since grown to be the third largest city in California. His lifetime experienced the switch from an agricultural center to a center of Silicon Valley; from his Boy Scout troop days to the days of a major league hockey team, the San Jose Sharks.

Perhaps history will show that no other Member of Congress did more to help those who were wronged by our Government. From being interned to authoring the 1988 Japanese-American redress bill, which officially apologized for the internment and provided a \$20,000 payment to each surviving member of the camps, NORM always tried to help those less fortunate than him.

NORM's love for aviation not only found him in the jump seat of most flights to the west coast, but also led him to marrying a flight attendant, his lovely wife, Danealia. He became chair of the House Committee on Public Works and Transportation and was able to achieve major policy changes in transportation planning and policy, including the historical passage of the Surface Transportation Act of 1991 which for the first time shifted the decisionmaking power for proposed projects to local governments.

I will miss NORM not only for the leadership he has provided in the House and for the role model he is to Asian-Americans but most of all for his passion for justice and compassion for people. NORM brings every young child he meets to the floor; instills them with a sense of belonging to the House of the people, and tells them that they, too, may someday serve here.

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NORM has wit and humor. Our staffs have been playing softball in a joint team for the past 2 years. Our team is called, Farr from the Norm. My predecessor, Leon Panetta and NORM had a softball team called, The Sign of the Rising Pizza.

NORM has never forgotten how to give back to his community from being mayor of San Jose, serving on the board of regents at Santa Clara University, and being a member of the board of directors of Smart Valley, Inc. In Washington, he has been chair of the visitors committee for the Freer Gallery, an active member of the board of regents of the Smithsonian Institution and a member of the board of directors of the Kennedy Center.

NORM's energy, enthusiasm, wit, and compassion will be missed. His ability to explain every detail about cross country jet travel, his knowledge of the transportation industry, and his ability to know the name of everyone and introduce them is remarkable. The northern California teammates GEORGE MILLER, ANNA ESHOO, PETER STARK, TOM LANTOS, NANCY PELOSI, ZOE LOFGREN, and me will carry on in your tradition, but Congress will never be the same without you.

Good luck and goodnight but never goodbye. You have left your mark. God bless you. Thank you, NORM, for making this country a better place in which to raise our children.

TRIBUTE TO JOE SLABBINCK

HON. DAVID E. BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 6, 1995

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to my good friend Joe Slabbinck who was honored this past Wednesday by the Clinton Township Democratic Club. Joe was recognized at the club's biannual awards dinner at Paradiso Elegant Banquets in Clinton Township.

Joe and his wife, Brenda, have dedicated much of their lives to improving our community. After 30 years of work at Chrysler Corp., his success at helping build world class quality cars is only surpassed by his success in building organizations dedicated to meeting people's needs.

Joe is currently a board member of the Clinton Township Goodfellows. In the past he has served as president, vice president, and secretary of the group. The Interfaith Center for Racial Justice and the Volunteer Services Committee of the United Community Service have also benefited from Joe's commitment to civic involvement.

I have known Joe for many years and have had the fortunate opportunity to work with him on numerous occasions. Joe always makes sure that projects stay on track. He is the first to take responsibility and the last to take credit. His strong work ethic and sense of humility mean that everyone enjoys working with him.

I commend the Clinton Township Democratic Club for recognizing Joe. He is committed to making the world a better place and his recognition at tonight's dinner is well-deserved. His time, talents, and energy are appreciated by all of us and we are grateful for his efforts.

On behalf of the Clinton Township Democratic Club I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting Joe Slabbinck. He has provided outstanding leadership in our community and I know he is proud to be honored by the club.