

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO JUDGE ROBERT O.
YOUNG ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. ESTEBAN EDWARD TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 27, 1995

Mr. TORRES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Judge Robert O. Young. Judge Young retired on August 15, 1995, from the Citrus Municipal Court after more than 20 years of judicial service on behalf of the residents of the San Gabriel Valley.

Before beginning his professional career, Judge Young served in the U.S. Army as a member of the German Occupation Force during World War II. Soon after returning to the United States, he married Sylvia, his lovely wife of 46 years. They have two daughters and four grandchildren.

Judge Young received his bachelor of arts degree from Pepperdine College and his master of science degree from University of California at Los Angeles. In 1963, he graduated from the University of Southern California Law Center and was admitted to State Bar of California.

In addition to his contributions on the bench, Judge Young has for many years played an active role in the community, including serving as a councilmember and mayor of the city of West Covina, a trustee of Azusa Pacific University and as an active member and an elder in the Community Presbyterian Church of West Covina. Judge Young is also a past recipient of the Equal Justice Award presented by the NAACP San Gabriel Valley chapter.

Judge Robert Young's career shows that through hard work, determination and dedication one's goals can be achieved. His commitment to community service should be regarded on the highest level.

Mr. Speaker I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting Judge Robert O. Young on his retirement from the Citrus Municipal Court.

THE CONTRACT WITH AMERICA

HON. RON PACKARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 27, 1995

Mr. PACKARD. Mr. Speaker, today marks the 1-year anniversary of perhaps one of the most ambitious contracts ever signed. One year ago today, more than 300 Republican candidates for Congress signed the Contract With America, which indicated their commitment to end business as usual in government and their desire to restore the bonds of trust between the American people and those who represent them in Washington.

One year later, the contract has been an unqualified success. Within the first 100 days of the 104th Congress, House Republicans brought to a vote all 10 of the items contained in the contract and passed all but one.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to commend my Republican colleagues for a job well done. Since the signing of the contract, this Congress has worked harder than any other in recent history. We have done the job the American people sent us here to do—change the way government works and spends.

WILLIE EASON—1995 FLORIDA
FOLK HERITAGE HONOREE

HON. C.W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 27, 1995

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, on Saturday, October 7, the 1995 Florida Folk Heritage Award will be presented to my constituent Willie Eason of St. Petersburg, FL, at a program at the Norwood Baptist Church. This award is presented by the Florida secretary of state to outstanding folk artists and advocates whose contributions have added to Florida's culture and heritage.

Born in Georgia in 1921, Willie Eason began playing his brother's steel guitar at an early age, and quickly distinguished himself as one who makes the guitar talk. Willie Eason used that talent to become not only one of the most influential steel guitarists in the House of God, a Holiness-Pentecostal Church, but also the one person who directly or indirectly influenced most of Florida's gospel steel guitarists.

Willie Eason's career includes recording several records, and he has participated in a countless number of concerts, benefits, and revivals. Although his personal life includes tragedy, personal pain, and sacrifice; Willie Eason is filled with faith, with courage, and above all with love.

While it is hard for Willie Eason to explain the impact his music has on those who sing with him or just claps their hands to the beat of his music, what is readily evident is that it comes from God. Even in retirement, Willie Eason serves as a model, his music an inspiration, and I salute him and the State of Florida for bestowing upon him the 1995 Florida Folk Heritage Award.

CUBAN LIBERTY AND DEMOCRATIC
SOLIDARITY ACT OF 1995

SPEECH OF

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 21, 1995

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 927) to seek international sanctions against the Castro government in Cuba, to plan for support of a transition government leading to a democratically elected government in Cuba, and for other purposes:

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Chairman, I rise to strongly oppose H.R. 927, the Helms-Burton Cuba Embargo Act.

The Helms-Burton bill will tighten an economic noose around the island of Cuba in an attempt to remove Fidel Castro from power. Unfortunately, instead of prompting real democratic reform, this act will simply lead to more misery for innocent Cuban people.

Right now, the Cuban people are struggling under the weight of a United States-imposed embargo which has been in existence for over 30 years.

This embargo has contributed to the widespread human misery in Cuba. Many of the problems facing Cuba today, including malnutrition and lack of modern medical equipment have been made worse by our embargo.

This embargo has also helped to stunt the Cuban economy while alienating the United States from other allies in this hemisphere. Our friends in Latin America want to promote trade with Cuba and bring that nation into the Organization of American States. H.R. 927 flies in the face of all efforts toward inter-American cooperation.

In light of these real concerns, Secretary of State Warren Christopher has warned against passage of this bill. He knows that the Helms-Burton Cuba Embargo Act will have dangerous repercussions for United States foreign policy in Latin America and worldwide. Secretary Christopher has appropriately indicated that he will recommend that President Clinton veto this ill-conceived legislation.

Today I stand with the Cuban people, with Secretary Warren Christopher, and with members of the Marin Interfaith Task Force on Latin America in opposing this bill.

I urge all of my colleagues, don't be persuaded by cold war rhetoric. Don't punish innocent Cuban people. Vote against H.R. 927.

THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

HON. ROBERT T. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 27, 1995

Mr. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce.

On September 27, 1895 the city of Sacramento and State of California incorporated an organization called the Sacramento Chamber of Commerce. As the chamber grew in numbers, reach, area, and issues it subsequently changed its name to the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce to reflect its size as the largest business association in the area and its regionwide influence.

The goal of the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce through the last century has been to enhance the development and growth of the business community in California and the Sacramento region.

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