

tenant protections or making any effort to preserve affordable housing. Last year we made significant reforms to the multifamily property disposition program with an overwhelmingly bipartisan vote of 413 to 9. The reforms balanced the need to preserve affordable rental housing, protect low-income tenants from displacement and outlandish rent increases, accelerate the property disposition process and save the Federal Government as much as \$475 million. Nothing has changed since then. The committee's contribution to reconciliation saves more than enough money without including the virtual repeal of the Multifamily Property Disposition Reform Act and without harming low-income families who will surely be displaced with no assistance and no place to go.

Finally, the bill requires section 502 single family rural housing borrowers to repay Federal subsidies at the time a home is refinanced. While I concur with the requirement that borrowers repay Federal assistance at the time of sale, I believe that the provision in the committee recommendations provides the best evidence yet that we are engaging in policy by the numbers. Simply to raise \$39 million from low-income families, this bill would discourage families from graduating from a federal loan program. A low-income family which has scrimped and saved to purchase a home in our rural communities may be forced to pay not only the principal and interest on a refinanced first mortgage, but would have to pay at least interest on the interest credit subsidy that would now be recaptured upon refinancing.

Like so much else about this bill, much of what is in the banking title makes no sense and is indefensible from any reasonable point of view.

Thanks to Cecil G. Christian, Jr., for
Your 42 Years of Service

HON. BENJAMIN L. CARDIN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Cecil G. Christian, Jr., Assistant Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service [INS] Office of Records. Mr. Christian retired from the INS after 15 years overseeing and managing the INS' records activities. He left his position as the Records Officer on September 29, 1995. In 1990, he received the Commissioner's Award for Promoting Equal Employment Opportunity.

Before joining the INS, Cecil Christian was employed at the National Archives and Records Administration. There, he worked in the Office of Records as Management Analyst and Branch Analyst.

Prior to his time at the National Archives and Records Administration, Mr. Christian served his country with distinction for 20 years as an Army aviator, staff officer and commander. He served in Europe, the Middle East, and Vietnam earning the Legion of Merit, Bronze star, Air Medals, Meritorious Service Medal and Army Commendation Medal.

Cecil G. Christian, Jr. has given 42 years of honorable service to our country. It is with pride and pleasure that I commend him for the good work he performed and his sustained commitment.

BEST OF LUCK TO BOB
SCHUFREIDER

HON. MARTIN T. MEEHAN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding newsman in my district. Bob Schufreider, news director for WCCM-AM in Lawrence, MA, is leaving the station after 8½ years of dedicated service to the listeners of the Merrimack Valley and southern New Hampshire. His talents will sorely be missed.

Bob came to the station from Chicago in 1987. He worked his way up from a part-time on-air personality, to covering fires, storms, and city council meetings full-time. He has hosted numerous public affairs shows, sharing important information on topics of interest to his listeners. In addition, he has broadcast countless high school football and basketball games in communities throughout my district. He will be remembered by his listeners for his smooth play-by-play and uncanny command of statistics and sports trivia.

His is a special craft, Mr. Speaker. In this era of media mergers and superstitions, what Bob, and others like him in small and medium-size markets do, is vitally important to stitching together the fabric of a diverse community. It takes a sharp eye, and a good ear, to stay rooted and connected to the community one serves. Bob has demonstrated those abilities time and time again.

He does not depart greater Lawrence with only the memories of persons interviewed and stories filed. He leaves with his wife, Kathleen McEvoy, a native of North Andover, MA, and their daughter Hannah.

On behalf of the many listeners of WCCM-AM, I wish Bob, Kathleen, and Hannah well in their new endeavors, and look forward to their return visits to his many fans in the greater Lawrence area.

TRIBUTE TO JULIA C. HESTER
HOUSE

HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Ms. JACKSON-LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the outstanding community service rendered by the Julia C. Hester House in my hometown of Houston, TX.

Hester House, a multiservice agency, was chartered by the State of Texas as a nonprofit corporation in June 1943. It was named for Julia C. Hester, a distinguished public servant, who lived and worked in Houston's fifth ward during the early decades of this century. Ms. Hester, a teacher by profession, welcomed neighborhood children into her home and provided a safe location for organized social activities for children of the Houston community. She was also the State leader of a fraternal organization known as Heroines of Jericho.

Unfortunately, Ms. Hester did not live to see her deeds for young people of Houston gain the wide recognition that they deserved and eventually received. In 1943, when the Houston Community Chest, now the United Way,

supported the first community center in an African American neighborhood, the fifth ward was chosen, in part, due to the contributions of Ms. Hester.

Today, I am extremely pleased to state that Hester House faithfully carries on the work of its namesake. It has a board of directors composed of 24 members and is affiliated with the United Way of Texas Gulf Coast. On an annual basis, Hester House serves over 10,000 participants, many of which have no other place to turn for assistance.

I salute Hester House for fulfilling their mission, which is "to provide social services that enhance the quality of life for the residents of the fifth ward and surrounding communities."

In a period in which so many families are in transition, I especially commend Hester House for providing services that are extremely vital to families. Hester House offers child care services, before and after school programs for older children, and a 10 week summer day camp.

One outstanding program, the Hester House's kid's way enrichment program, provides guest speakers, educational tours and trips and self-esteem training.

Their successful program for teens provides social and career development, tutorial services, athletics, recreation, alcohol and drug abuse prevention, juvenile delinquency and teenage pregnancy prevention programs during those most influential and impressionable teenage years.

The agency's reach has extended significantly beyond just offering services for children. For seniors, they offer health screening activities, nutritional meals, community service projects, exercise classes, and several other activities.

Hester House also provides emergency food and clothing distribution, student internship placement, volunteer opportunities and emergency rental assistance.

I congratulate the board of directors, the advisory board, and the staff of Julia Hester House for their outstanding and dedicated service to the House community and wish them continued success.

TRIBUTE TO JESUS "CHUEY"
GARCIA

HON. BOB FILNER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I rise today to honor a community leader who passed away this week—Jesus "Chuey" Garcia.

Chuey's life was woven together by his efforts to improve the lives of those around him, especially in the San Diego community of Barrio Logan.

The center of this activity was his Chuey's Numero Uno Restaurant, which became a focal point for friends and family and a site for charitable fundraisers and community meetings. Chuey often offered his restaurant to local community groups, and every Christmas would prepare in his kitchen a holiday meal for orphans in Tijuana.

Chuey Garcia first came to the United States in 1927 from his home in Central Mexico—and he never let circumstances stop him

from achieving his dreams. A true reflection of the American dream, he worked as a field worker, cook, and chef's assistant. By 1950, he was head chef, and after running a kitchen for 3 years, he became an entrepreneur and opened the restaurant we all came to know and love.

He made a real difference in the lives of many in the Latino community, and served as a role model for all of us who know that one citizen can make a difference.

In our lifetime, we all come across a small number for special people—those who touch our minds, hearts, and souls with their optimism and dedication to making everyone's life richer. Mr. Garcia was one of those select few.

My thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends. I know how people looked to Chuey Garcia for guidance and inspiration—and I know how many people share my grief at the loss of this amazing man.

LAPD OFFICERS DONALD LINT
AND HONG KIM—TOP COPS

HON. JANE HARMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Ms. HARMON. Mr. Speaker, what makes the news these days often is very different than what really takes place day after day on the streets of a big city.

This is perhaps no truer than in the coverage the news gives police departments and the men and women who comprise their ranks.

We all know from our personal experiences that the vast majority of police men and women are ordinary individuals doing extraordinary jobs. The news sometimes suggests otherwise. But, fortunately, there are occasions, like the one last night, where we can correct the record and the false impressions the news programs often leave.

Last night, here in Washington, two patrol officers from the Los Angeles Police Department were among 14 men and women honored as the Nation's Top Cops by the National Association of Police Organizations. I am proud to join the Vice President and my fellow Angelenos in extending congratulations to all 14 distinguished public servants, and especially to 2 of LAPD's finest.

Officer Hong Kim and his partner Donald Lint were honored for their selfless bravery in rescuing several individuals hurt and trapped following the 1993 Northridge earthquake. In one instance, they fought through a 150-foot wall of flames to rescue a motorist trapped in a burning truck. Then they rescued an elderly man from a flame-engulfed house.

For them, it may have all been in a day's work. For us, their actions are nonetheless the source of great inspiration.

We place profound responsibilities on our Nation's police officers, asking them to combat crime, uphold the law, and defend our lives and property by risking their own.

At minimum, these courageous and skilled individuals deserve our support and the resources necessary to make their jobs easier, and our safety more certain. In my 3 years of service in Congress, I have supported tough changes strengthening our criminal laws. I have supported removing assault weapons

from the streets and making handgun possession more difficult. And I have supported increased funds to assure that our police have the best technological resources available for catching criminals.

But my actions pale in comparison with the contributions Hong Kim, Donald Lint, and all LAPD and South Bay police officers make each day. To all of them, I offer my deep appreciation and heartfelt gratitude.

TRIBUTE TO YOUNG PEER
MEDIATORS

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate an extraordinary group of young people from my district. On Saturday, October 28, 1995, the Hispanic Youth Advisory Board of Camden County, NJ, will honor 30 students from Camden City and Pennsauken by appointing them to the Peer Mediator Program. Peer mediators are chosen to serve as positive role models to their fellow students; they provide academic tutoring, as well as personal counseling, to adolescents who are struggling with pressures at home and school, and in their neighborhoods. The project is staffed by volunteers whose participation represents a profound commitment to their peers and their communities.

The names of the peer mediators are: Michelle Rivera, Neridan Garcia, Evelinda Martinez, Carmen Delia Santos, Angel L. Nieves, Yariana Nater, Henry Martinez, Carlos Parrales, Ivelisse Cruz, Carolyn Dona, Omar Senabria, Noel Caban, Lourdes Caban, David Rivera, Carlos Aponte, Antonella Pagan, Angel Pacheco, Marvin Ruiz, Julio Inostroza, Carlos Martinez, Jr., Willie Rodriguez, Maribel Mendez, Melinda Martinez, Zuejei Quinones, and Evelinda Martinez of Camden; and Madelyn Lopez, Reinaldo Lopez, Melissa Lopez, Ricardo Lopez, and Marisol Reyes of Pennsauken.

As these distinguished young people complete their 4-month training and prepare to enter the Peer Mediator Program, it gives me great pleasure to salute their accomplishments and wish them well in their endeavors.

HONORING THE DEFENSE
REUTILIZATION AND MARKETING
SERVICE

HON. NICK SMITH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, on May 31, the Michigan Legislature adopted a resolution commending the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service [DRMS] for its exceptional success fulfilling its mission of selling and reusing surplus property from our armed services. DRMS has instituted reforms over the last several years which have vastly improved the agency's efficiency and have allowed it to attain an operating profit. I join the Michigan Legislature in its praise of DRMS and ask that the text of the resolution be printed in the RECORD as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 109

A concurrent resolution to recognize the success and innovations of the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service and to memorialize Congress to encourage continued reform efforts throughout the Department of Defense and all of the federal government.

Whereas, In response to the call of officials and citizens alike, the United States Department of Defense, through the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service, has achieved remarkable success as a pilot project committed to bringing sound business practices to a worldwide governmental operation. This initiative, which has been made more important by the reorganization of military facilities and base closures around the world, has been nominated for major recognition through the Innovations in American Government program coordinated by the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government; and

Whereas, The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service is charged with the mission of selling Department of Defense assets, reutilizing resources, transferring property and materials, and encouraging the recovery of metals. With the ever-increasing speed of change in technology and the unique demands of military preparedness in our volatile world, the task facing the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service is a substantial one, representing enormous sums of capital. Fittingly, the Defense Logistics Agency of the Department of Defense selected the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service as a pilot project under the Government Performance Results Act of 1993. Since that time, this operation has constituted a wonderful example of reinventing policies and attitudes in government; and

Whereas, Michigan has been the recipient of numerous benefits through the efforts of the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service. Products from around the world have gone to Michigan schools, youth groups, universities, museums, local units of government, and police departments. Several million dollars worth of materials, ranging from camping equipment to heavy machinery, have been put to good use; and

Whereas, The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service responded to its challenge with true business strategies of putting customers first, improving processes and the use of technologies, empowering employees to get results, and meeting customer requirements at a reduced cost. With emphasis on maximizing return to the taxpayer, the service has achieved remarkable success in increasing total assets by nearly 200 percent and attaining self-sufficiency with an operating profit of \$17 million. These impressive figures represent a wonderful beginning. Most importantly, the success of this effort has generated a rethinking of all levels, with employees adopting attitudes consistent with those found in a sound and productive business. We hope all governmental agencies will follow this lead; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That we recognize the achievements of the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service in being recognized nationally for representing the reinvention potential that exists within the federal government; and be it further

Resolved, That we memorialize the Congress of the United States to continue to encourage the progress of the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service and similar programs in all governmental units; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to officials of the National Performance Review, the Department of Defense, the Defense Logistics Agency, and the