

task, he marshaled these scarce resources into the Marine Corps' and one of the Department of Defense' finest Research and Development Programs.

Col. Robertson has provided unfailing leadership in implementing new Department of Defense acquisition reforms and Integrated Product and Process Development Teams. These new and innovative business practices have been the vanguard for Defense Reform. Under his steadfast stewardship, the program earned high distinction and accolades such as the Packard Award for Excellence in Acquisition, the Defense Superior Management Award, Government Technology Leadership Award and numerous environmental awards.

Now as Colonel Robertson retires from his beloved Corps, I ask the House to join me in wishing him "fair-winds" and "following-seas" as he pursues life's next challenges.

RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT OF CAPTAIN KEITH JACKSON OF THE FREMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2001

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, Captain Keith D. Jackson is retiring from the Fremont Police Department on July 19, 2001 after a 25-year career with the Fremont Police Department. Captain Jackson has been a vital member of the Department, has worked his way through the ranks and made significant contributions at every level.

Captain Jackson started at the Department September 1, 1975 as a patrol officer. He attended the 84th recruit academy at the Oakland Police Department prior to taking on patrol officer duties in Fremont. He worked as a patrol officer and a Field Training Officer for new recruits until June of 1980. At that time, he was transferred to the Investigative Section as a Detective. Captain Jackson distinguished himself as a Detective and was promoted to Sergeant in March of 1982. He returned to patrol and in October 1983 he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. As a Lieutenant he worked as a patrol Watch Commander, Investigative Section Commander, Services Section Commander and returned to patrol as a second tour as Watch Commander between 1983 and 1988.

Some of his most significant contributions as Captain have been in the area of Special Projects. Captain Jackson was responsible for the architectural design of the new \$7 million Police Facility that the Department members and the public enjoy today. Additionally, he has been the lead on the planning and construction of the new jail facilities.

Prior to being hired at the Fremont Police Department, Captain Jackson had an exemplary career with the United States Marine Corps from 1969 to 1975 on active duty and as a reserve until 1979. Captain Jackson graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice Administration in the ROTC undergraduate program at San Jose State University and upon graduation was commissioned as an officer in the Corps. He served in the areas of Air Division, Intelligence, Legal Officer and Security Officer. During his career

with the Marine Corps, he was rated as an expert with a pistol and rifle and was the winner of the prestigious National Leatherneck Award for marksmanship.

As previously mentioned, Captain Jackson has a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice Administration from San Jose State University. In addition, he has earned a Masters of Science degree from Cal-Polytechnic University Pomona, and a Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, Supervisory and Management Certificate from the Commission of Police Officer Standards of Training from the State of California.

I join Captain Jackson's friends and colleagues in thanking him for his past contributions to the City of Fremont and wishing him well in his retirement years.

HONORING DR. JACK R. ANDERSON

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2001

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor and remember Dr. Jack R. Anderson, our nationally honored superintendent of schools in East Ramapo, New York, who recently passed away.

Hailed by his peers as "The last of the giants in public education," Dr. Anderson served the children and community of East Ramapo for more than 20 years with dignity and dedication.

Dr. Jack Anderson arrived in East Ramapo in 1977 and breathed new life into a troubled school system. During his tenure, he restored sound fiscal footing to our school district, promoted the importance of technology as a central focus of our students' education, and played a key role in the passage of a \$22 million bond, which enabled East Ramapo to move forward with plans to maintain the schools' infrastructure and upgrade the educational program.

Superintendent Anderson led a districtwide grade reorganization, reinvigorated our teachers and staff through his support for educational innovation, and, due to his fiscal fortitude, the school district received the highest credit ratings from financial agencies.

Our 1994 "New York State Superintendent of the Year." Dr. Jack Anderson brought national recognition and attention to East Ramapo and our school district. His "Vision for the Future" Program in the area of computer education became the model for schools around the country and he established one of the first federally-funded teachers' centers in New York.

Dr. Anderson also served as chairman of the American Association of School Administrators' Federal Policy and Legislation Committee, as president of the Mid- and Lower-Hudson School Study Councils and Rockland Superintendents Association.

The vision, leadership, and caring spirit of Jack Anderson will be sorely missed not only by our East Ramapo community, but by thousands of students and parents throughout Rockland County.

Author Horace Mann once wrote, "The common school, improved and energized as it can easily be, may become the most effective and benignant of all the forces of civilization."

Thanks to Jack Anderson, our East Ramapo schools are improved and energized, and it is our children, the future of our Nation, who have benefited.

CONGRATULATING LIONEL D. BROWN WINNER OF CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2001

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, after weeks of deliberation, I am pleased to announce Lionel D. Brown, of Bolivar County, Mississippi, as the winner of "Artistic Discovery 2001". This annual art competition is a real opportunity for our students all over Mississippi's Second Congressional District, which encompasses twenty-four counties, to showcase their talents. I was not surprised to see that we have a lot of young talented artist in the district. Lionel's magnificent block print painting, titled "A Long Journey Ahead" edged out the stiff competition to win this years contest. This year we had seventy-four entries from worthy participants. I am sure the judges had a tough job choosing just one. I am proud of Lionel and I will take great pleasure in displaying his artwork in the Capitol subway for all to see.

Lionel spent several months in preparation and effort in order to complete his piece. He is to be commended, not only on his winning piece, but on his success in life to date. Lionel is a recent graduate of East Side High School and plans to attend a college somewhere in the State next year. I urge him to apply and hopefully attend my alma mater Tougaloo College in Central Mississippi. He would be a welcomed addition.

Lionel is not only a talented artist, he is also a superb baseball player. He plans to pursue both of these endeavors in the future, where ever he goes. I wish Lionel the best and I am confident that he will do well in his "Long Journey Ahead".

HONORING THE NATIONAL ACADEMIC TEAM OF THOMPSON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

HON. KEN BENTSEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 19, 2001

Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the Thompson Intermediate School National Academic Team, on the occasion of recent victory in the National Academic League Finals.

The National Academic League is a nationwide contest between middle school academic teams that is set up like an athletic game. Each competition is broken into four quarters, and students answer questions about math, science, social studies, and language arts. The competition is a fun and educational way to develop fundamental skills.

Thompson Intermediate School's victory marks their third championship and fifth trip to the National finals. The victorious 7th and 8th graders included Tiffany Lily, Vishal Patel,