

HONORING XI GAMMA OMEGA
CHAPTER OF ALPHA KAPPA
ALPHA SORORITY

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2002

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Xi Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. as it celebrates its 20th Anniversary of community service in the greater Oakland/East Bay Area.

Xi Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. was chartered on May 1, 1982, by a group of 28 dynamic women who recognized a need for greater community service. The 28 original members of Xi Gamma Omega pledged themselves to community development, sisterhood, and the ideals which are embodied in Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

The members of Xi Gamma Omega saw a need for increased participation on the part of community groups in the development of the city of Oakland. They wanted to ensure that Oakland had support services available to the city's African American community, particularly its youth.

For 20 years, Xi Gamma Omega Chapter has carried out the mission and goals set down by its charter members. It has accomplished these goals through a host of services including tutoring and mentoring programs for elementary and secondary school students, visiting the elderly, adopting families in need, providing financial scholarships to deserving college-bound high school seniors, and making contributions to charitable organizations, such as the United Negro College Fund.

In its early years, Xi Gamma Omega held a Healthy Summer program, based at recreation centers, schools, and the Boys and Girls Club, that provided medical and dental screenings to uninsured young people. Doctors, podiatrists, optometrists, and dentists donated their services to this worthy project. In addition, the chapter members taught poison prevention measures to families in their homes.

During the early 1990's, Xi Gamma Omega Chapter proudly participated in many of the Sorority's International program targets. One of the major targets was Partners In Math and Science (PIMS). Xi Gamma Omega held workshops, titled "Turning African American Students on to Mathematics and Science." These workshops focused on alerting students to the need for math and science skills in all professions, as well as everyday life.

In its own right, Xi Gamma Omega has developed an extraordinary reputation in the Far Western Region as a chapter that exemplifies visionary leadership and premier service programs. Over the years this recognition of Xi Gamma Omega's leadership and community service activities has resulted in the receipt of numerous awards at a number of Alpha Kappa Alpha Regional Conferences.

Today, Xi Gamma Omega Chapter continues its rich tradition of community service through ON TRACK, a student nurturing and mentoring program at Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School, providing scholarships to talented middle school students to attend summer art camps, participating in and raising funds for the AIDS Walk-A-Thon, as well as the UNCF Walk and Tele-A-Thons; collecting

and shipping educational items for young children to countries in Africa; providing food and personal hygiene items to the residents of the Beth Eden Senior Center; as well as continuing its financial scholarships to college-bound high school seniors.

It is with great distinction that Xi Gamma Omega Chapter has proudly continued the 94 year-old tradition of Alpha Kappa Alpha, the first sorority founded by and for African American college women at Howard University in 1908. This legacy of Service to All Mankind has established Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., as a premier service organization both in the United States and abroad in West and South Africa, Europe, and the Caribbean.

I would like to commend the commitment and diligence of my former Senior Staff Assistant and friend Julie Hadnot, who is the President of the Xi Gamma Omega chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority. Julie is a strong advocate and leader in Oakland as well as throughout the East Bay.

In the next 20 years and beyond, Xi Gamma Omega has pledged to remain committed to this high standard of service. Xi Gamma Omega Chapter will continue to blaze new trails and provide visionary leadership in the area of community service and programming throughout the city of Oakland and its environs.

BOB STUMP NATIONAL DEFENSE
AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2003

SPEECH OF

HON. CAROLYN C. KILPATRICK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 9, 2002

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration of the bill (H.R. 4546) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes:

Ms. KILPATRICK. Mr. Chairman, while I support the highest standards of equipment and pay for our troops, and acknowledge that the most important function of our national government is to ensure the safety of our citizens, I could not support H.R. 4546, the FY 2003 Defense Authorization Act. The measure over militarizes American goals and policies at our economic and political expense.

Our nation is great. There is no other that can compete with it—particularly on the battlefield. This is true today, it was true yesterday and I will work to ensure that it is true tomorrow and into the future. Yet, the \$383.3 billion that we authorized for Defense (which I might add, does not include the \$10 billion authorization the President has requested for a terrorism contingency fund) is more than the combined defense budgets of the next closest 25 nations. Surely, we can afford other national priorities.

The bill includes \$7.8 billion for a National Missile Defense System that may or may not materialize. After spending more than \$100 billion since its inception during the Reagan Administration, National Missile Defense tests have had little success and system require-

ments continue to be downgraded. Even if successful, a National Missile Defense System would have done nothing to prevent the events of 9-11. Furthermore, the Bush Administration's insistence on this system continues our move away from strategic international laws that have helped maintain nuclear stability since the Second World War.

The \$7.8 billion spent on a National Missile Defense System, alone, would shore up our homeland security and provide 21st century classrooms to our nation's children. For these reasons,

Mr. Speaker, I opposed this measure and voted against it on final passage.

MS. LILLIAN SILBERSTEIN HONORED FOR 30 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA

OF CALIFORNIA

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2002

Mr. HONDA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the achievements of Lillian Silberstein, the Executive Director of the National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ) Silicon Valley Region. I would like to recognize Ms. Silberstein's extraordinary and tireless service to the people of Santa Clara County and thank her for her 30 years as the NCCJ's Executive Director. She will be honored with the Community Service for Exemplary Leadership Award on Friday, May 17, 2002.

NCCJ was known as the National Conference of Christians and Jews when Lil first started in a small office at a tiny desk by herself. The growth of the NCCJ Silicon Valley as one of the largest and most innovative chapters in the nation has been due to her tireless efforts and passionate dedication.

"Lil", as she is affectionately known to all, has succeeded in her mission: to break down barriers, ending the silence of intolerance, and building common understanding between diverse groups of people in the community. She has successfully organized programs across Silicon Valley to open communications concerning the most difficult issues of race, religion, gender, socio-economic issues, ability and disability with the goal of building bridges between people.

She has eased communications between prisoners and their jailers, given at-risk teens a safe place to express their painful struggles and confront their own barriers, and organized countless efforts, large and small, to help people get along more successfully together.

In Silicon Valley, where diversity is the norm, Lillian Silberstein's work has been critical.

As a result of her hard work and unwavering dedication to tolerance and justice, Lillian Silberstein has compiled an impressive record of community achievements, which have earned her the deep respect and admiration from all corners of this complex community. Her vision of justice has been a guiding force throughout the Silicon Valley and an example to many other growing and diverse communities around the country.

Somewhere in the annals of the United States of America we must find a way to register the deeds of those humble architects of our communities whom fame does not reach, because they reach into our hearts and our futures in the most important ways. Lillian Silberstein is among that special group of citizens. We thank her for making a better tomorrow for us all.

IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL
POLICE WEEK

HON. JIM MATHESON

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2002

Mr. MATHESON. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today in recognition of National Police Week to thank those men and women serving our country as police officers. These dedicated Americans, our "First Responders," risk their lives every day to keep the streets and neighborhoods in our nation safe.

Preliminary data shows that during 2001, 233 policemen and women died in the line of duty in the United States. That makes last year the most deadly year for law enforcement in over 25 years. This year, three Utahans' names will be added to the over 16,000 men and women memorialized for being slain while on duty: Roosevelt Police Chief Cecil Gurr, Lehi Officer Joseph Dan Adams, and Salt Lake City Police Department Sergeant James E. Faraone. Both Chief Gurr and Officer Adams were shot and killed, while Sergeant Faraone was assisting victims of a traffic accident when a car hit him from behind. These men served their communities, and lost their lives while performing that service.

While officers from throughout the United States descended upon Washington, DC this week, I think of the great sacrifice of the 71 men and women in New York City who died while trying to help those in need on September 11, 2001. The events of that day, both in New York and Washington, have forever sealed our resolve to fight against terrorism around the world and on the home front. That is why we sent troops to Afghanistan, but it is also why Americans must depend upon their local law enforcement and support police officers now more than ever.

The efforts of police departments throughout the State of Utah were especially seen during the 2002 Salt Lake Winter Games. Utah officers worked 16-hour shifts, six days a week without complaint, knowing that their jobs were more important than ever. I commend the efforts of each and every one of the policemen and women who helped keep the greatest Olympic Games safe from terrorism.

Mr. Speaker, though there were few incidents at the Olympics, since 1853, 106 Utah officers have been slain in the line of duty. As a tribute to all those officers from Utah that have lost their lives serving the public, a memorial has been placed in the rotunda of Utah's State Capitol. I would ask permission to name each of them at this time, to honor them and salute the sacrifice that they and their families made for their fellow citizens.

Salt Lake City PD Sgt. James E. Faraone—September 18, 2001, Lehi Officer Joseph Dan Adams—August 4, 2001, Roosevelt PD Chief

Cecil Gurr—July 6, 2001, Salt Lake City Officer Michael Dunman—July 17, 2000, UHP Lt. Thomas S. Rettberg—Feb 11, 2000, Nephi PD Officer Tracy Davidson—July 25, 1998, Navajo Div. of Public Safety Officer Esther Todecheene—June 8, 1998, Spanish Fork PD Officer Larry Penrod—Feb 5, 1997, Provo PD Detective Norman Ken Nisson—Jan 11, 1995.

UHP Trooper Randy K. Ingram—Oct 5, 1994, UHP Sgt. Doyle R. Thorne—July 30, 1994, UHP Trooper Charles D. "Chuck" Warren—May 16, 1994, Salt Lake CO SO Deputy Michael S. Welcker—Feb 24, 1994, UHP Trooper Dennis L. "Dee" Lund—June 16, 1993, UHP Trooper Joseph S. "Joey" Brumett III—Dec 11, 1992, Wasatch CO SO Deputy Blake V. Wright—Sept 26, 1990, Utah Dept of Corrections Lt Fred F. House—Jan 28, 1988, Navajo Div. of Public Safety Officer Andy Begay—December 5, 1987, and Navajo Div. of Public Safety Officer Roy Lee Stanley—December 5, 1987.

Murray PD Officer Jackson D. Elmer—Nov 14, 1987, Emery CO SO Deputy Wade A. Hansen—Sept 24, 1987, Duchesne CO SO Deputy Gerry Ivie—July 2, 1987, West Jordan PD Officer Thomas M. Rees—Feb 23, 1986, Park City PD Officer Rodney W. Schreurs—July 4, 1984, Cache CO SO Deputy Charles R. Dickey, Jr.—March 18, 1984, UHP Trooper Daniel W. Harris—Aug 28, 1982, Salt Lake PD Officer Ronald L. Heaps—Jan 13, 1982, Beaver CO SO Sheriff Dale E. Nelson—Sept 8, 1980, and Salt Lake PD Officer David W. Olson—March 22, 1980.

UHP Trooper Ray Lynn Pierson—Nov 7, 1978, Utah DPS Officer Robert B Hutchings—July 20, 1976, Tooele CO SO Sgt. Lauren E. Dow—Aug 26, 1975, UHP Trooper William J. Antoniewicz—Dec 8, 1974, Cache CO SO Lt. James R. Merrill—Jan 5, 1974, Salt Lake CO SO Deputy Melvin C. Colebrook—March 10, 1973, Salt Lake PD Officer Percy Lindsay Clark—Jan 11, 1973, UHP Trooper John R. Winn—Sept 22, 1971, Davis CO SO Deputy Donald Perry Jensen—May 14, 1971, and Utah Dept of Corrections Officer Donald Wagstaff—Dec 12, 1970.

Utah DWR Officer Charles Gilbert "Gil" Porter—May 2, 1970, Ute Tribal PD Officer Adolph F. Bush—Aug 19, 1967, Ogden PD Officer Marshall "Doc" N. White—Oct 13, 1963, Moab PD Officer Lloyd Larsen—Jan 5, 1961, San Juan CO SO Deputy Seth F. Wright—Oct 14, 1960, UHP Trooper George D. Rees—July 2, 1960, UHP Trooper Armond A. "Monty" Luke—Dec 3, 1959, Cache CO SO Deputy Alma P. Sorenson—Aug 27, 1959, Logan PD Officer Edwin L. "Ted" Edwards—Aug 27, 1959, Salt Lake CO SO Deputy MacKay C. Jewkes—June 28, 1959, Utah Dept of Corrections Officer Edwin Fisher—June 1, 1955, Salt Lake PD Officer Harold A. Peterson, Jr.—Oct 27, 1954, Salt Lake PD Officer Owen T. Farley—May 23, 1951, Salt Lake PD Sgt. Thomas W. Stroud—Jan 5, 1951, Mt Pleasant PD Officer Alonzo "Lon" T. Larsen—Oct 15, 1949, Ogden PD Officer Clarence M Bean—May 1, 1945, Carbon CO SO Sheriff S. Marion Bliss—April 23, 1945, Ogden PD Officer Hoyt L. Gates—Feb 11, 1941, Emery CO SO Deputy William Levi Black—Aug 22, 1936, and Salt Lake PD Officer Blaine L. Baxter—Sept 4, 1935.

Ogden PD Officer Joseph H. Quigley—July 12, 1935, UHP Trooper George "Ed" Vanwagenen—May 1, 1931, Grand Co SO Deputy Richard D. Westwood—Sept 5, 1929,

Logan PD Officer Willard R. Dahle—May 4, 1929, Salt Lake PD Officer Carl J. Carlson—March 9, 1929, Salt Lake CO SO Deputy Oscar Fuller—Aug 26, 1928, Castle Gate PD Marshal J. Milton Burns—June 15, 1935, Salt Lake PD Officer Gustave J. "Gus" Lund—Aug 25, 1924, Salt Lake PD Officer Brigham H. Honey—Feb 16, 1924, and Salt Lake PD Officer Nolan W. Huntsman—Feb 15, 1924.

Salt Lake PD Officer David H. Crowther—Oct 12, 1923, Salt Lake PD Officer Nephi P. Pierce—March 26, 1923, Salt Lake CO SO Deputy Gordon Stuart—April 15, 1922, Ogden PD Officer Charles Manzel—May 9, 1921, Salt Lake PD Officer Green B. Hamby—Feb 8, 1921, Ogden PD Officer Albert G. Smalley—April 7, 1920, Nat'l Forest Service Officer Rudolph E. Mellenthin—Aug 23, 1918, Eureka PD Officer Alex J. Robertson—Dec 5, 1915, Salt Lake CO SO Deputy Thomas Manderich—Nov 29, 1913, and Salt Lake CO SO Deputy J. Douglas Hulsey—Nov 29, 1913.

Salt Lake CO SO Deputy Otto Witbeck—Nov 21, 1913, Salt Lake CO SO Deputy Nephi S. Jensen—Nov 21, 1913, Bingham PD Officer J. W. Grant—Nov 21, 1913, Salt Lake PD Officer Thomas F. Griffiths—June 25, 1913, Midvale PD Officer Frank Colclough—Aug 7, 1912, Salt Lake PD Officer John H. Johnston—July 15, 1911, Salt Lake PD Officer Charles C. Riley—Oct 5, 1909, Weber CO SO Deputy Seymour Clark—Nov 27, 1908, Park City Officer Albert Holindrake—Jan 12, 1908, and Salt Lake PD Officer Charles S. Ford—Dec 14, 1907.

Provo PD Officer Frank Tucker—June 16, 1900, Grand CO SO Deputy Jesse Tyler—May 26, 1900, Grand CO SO Deputy Samuel Jenkins—May 26, 1900, Provo PD Officer William Strong—June 27, 1899, Ogden PD Officer William A. Brown—April 30, 1899, Springville City Marshal Silas E. Clark—Nov 18, 1897, Uinta CO SO (WY) Deputy Edward N. Dawes—July 30, 1895, Echo PD Officer Thomas A. Stagg—July 30, 1895, Bingham PD Officer L. C. Morrissey—July 6, 1895, and Spring PD Officer James C. Burns—Sept 26, 1894.

Salt Lake PD Sgt. Alonzo Mispah Wilson—April 12, 1894, Salt Lake PD Officer Andrew H. Burt—Aug 25, 1883, Utah State Prison Warden M.D. Burgher—March 16, 1875, Provo PD Officer Albert H. Bowen—Oct 16, 1873, Deputy U.S. Marshal William R. Storey—May 2, 1870, Salt Lake PD Officer William Cooke—Oct 18, 1858, and Salt Lake CO SO Deputy Rodney Badger—April 29, 1853.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House to join me in thanking these men and women from Utah, and all those from around the country, that have made the ultimate sacrifice and given their lives as police officers.

TRIBUTE TO RUTH NAGLER

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 15, 2002

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Ruth Nagler for her public service on the occasion of her 80th birthday on May 21, 2002. In addition to being a mother and grandmother, Mrs. Nagler has devoted much of her long and full life in service to her community.