

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO DR. SHAFFDEEN AMUWO, Ph.D. MPH ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT AND ALUMNI AFFAIRS, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

### HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 16, 2004*

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I take this opportunity to commend and congratulate Dr. Shaffdeen Amuwo on a very meaningful and successful career as he approaches retirement. Teaching to me has always been one of the noblest and most rewarding of all the professions. I take this position because to me, when you teach you give a part of yourself to others who are attempting to move from one level of being to another.

Dr. Shaffdeen Amuwo migrated to this country from his native Nigeria to attend school in an effort to improve his own life and to be in a position to make life better for others. Never one to shirk responsibility or to miss opportunities, he worked at a number of odd jobs while attending school and eventually earned both Ph.D. and MPH degrees.

Dr. Amuwo understood that education requires more than just activity with the classroom. He took his knowledge and skills out into the community sharing with common and ordinary people. He became a prolific proposal writer and raised substantial sums of money for programs and instructional activities. Through his efforts and as a result of his serious understanding of what public health should really do, Dr. Amuwo helped to open up new vistas of understanding and was indeed a bridge builder between the school and the community as well as between his native African brothers and sisters and the traditional African American community of Chicago.

Although you are retiring in a formal way, we expect to see you at all of the meetings and will continue to make use of your vast knowledge, skill, and commitment. And as you go, in the words of an Irish Proverb, "May the Road rise up to meet you, may the wind always be at your back, may the Sun shine warmly upon your face and until we meet again, may the good Lord hold you in the hollow of his hand."

CONGRATULATIONS CENTRAL CABARRUS HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL TEAM

### HON. ROBIN HAYES

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 16, 2004*

Mr. HAYES. Mr. Speaker it is my honor to rise today to congratulate the Central Cabarrus High School Softball team on their victory at the 4A NCHSAA Softball Tour-

namment on June 6th. This is Cabarrus High School's fourth state championship win. The sensational Lady Vikings captured the state championship title in 1993, 2000, 2001 as 3A members and now in 2004 as 4A members.

Coached by Monte Sherrill, the team had an astounding season with an overall record of 32-1. The Lady Vikings claimed their title by beating Cape Fear with a final score of 1-0. The team is now ranked 7th nationally by USA Today and the National Fast-Pitch Coaches Association. Gina Allen was declared the Most Valuable Player in the tournament due to her outstanding job on the pitcher's mound. Allen tossed a five-hit shutout against Cape Fear to lead the team to the title.

The Lady Vikings have reached this level of success by extreme hard work and dedication. Most of the players stay in shape by continuing to play year-round on competitive traveling teams. Cabarrus County has done an excellent job of creating recreational opportunities beyond the high school seasons.

Participating in individual and team sports can offer tremendous social advantages while challenging a young person physically and fostering honest competition. There is also evidence that sports can increase a student's self-esteem and academic performance. Sports allow teenagers to take on leadership roles, handle adversity, and improve their time management skills.

The Lady Vikings of Cabarrus County have succeeded in pushing themselves to be outstanding athletes and have stood up to the challenges placed in front of them. They have come together as a team and shown their peers that commitment and self-sacrifice can lead to success. I congratulate them and wish them continued success next year. We are all proud of their accomplishments.

### TRIBUTE TO RICHARD LEWIS

### HON. JAMES P. MCGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 16, 2004*

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to one of Central Massachusetts' most devoted athletic directors and community members, Richard Lewis, who is retiring from his position as Athletic Director of Wachusetts Regional High School.

After graduating from the University of Massachusetts in 1966, Mr. Lewis went on to receive his Masters in Education from Worcester State College. He began his career in Western Massachusetts, followed by 10 years at the Marlboro Public Schools, before he graced Wachusetts High School with his services in 1978.

Throughout his years at WMS, Mr. Lewis has left an outstanding legacy, not only as the MIAA District E Athletic Chair, but also assisting on several committees such as the MIAA Baseball Committee. Furthermore, he served as the director of both the Softball Tournament

in Central Massachusetts as well as MIAA State Softball.

Along with the many committees Mr. Lewis has devoted his time to, his contributions to both the Massachusetts Secondary School Athletic Directors Association as well as the community of Central Massachusetts have earned him well deserved recognition. He has received the National Interscholastic Award of Merit both statewide and nationally, as well as two John E. Young Awards.

Today I, along with the rest of my colleagues would like to pay tribute to this strong community leader and outstanding Athletic Director, Richard Lewis and we wish him and his family all the best in the years to come.

### ADJUSTMENT IN NUMBER OF FREE ROAMING HORSES PERMITTED IN CAPE LOOKOUT NATIONAL SEASHORE

SPEECH OF

### HON. WALTER B. JONES

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 14, 2004*

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank the House Leadership for scheduling H.R. 205 for floor consideration. This bill would adjust the number of free roaming horses permitted on Shackleford Banks in the Cape Lookout National Seashore. Shackleford Banks is a barrier island off the coast of North Carolina that has been home to a herd of wild horses for over three centuries. In fact, experts believe the herd descended from Spanish stallions that were shipwrecked on the island during colonial times.

Over the years, the Shackleford horses have become an integral part of the natural and cultural fabric of Eastern North Carolina. They are treasured by the local community and adored by the many visitors who come from across the country to see them.

To protect these beautiful creatures, in 1997 I introduced the Shackleford Banks Wild Horses Protection Act which the President later signed into law. The Act directed the Department of the Interior to enter an agreement with a non-profit group—the Foundation for Shackleford Horses—to manage the herd. It also required the Department to allow a herd of 100 free-roaming horses in the Seashore, and it set out terms under which horses could be removed, including a prohibition on removal "unless the number of horses . . . exceeds 110."

As the National Park Service and the Foundation began to implement the Act, disagreement erupted over the law's requirements on the size of the herd. The Park Service interpreted the Act to mean that the herd's population should be kept between 100 and 110. However, as the author of the legislation, I can tell you this interpretation was inconsistent with Congressional intent—which was to allow the herd to hover above 110.

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