

enough to call her their friend. I rise today to extend my sincere congratulations to Jeanna on her award. She is a remarkable woman as well as a credit and testament to the community that she represents so well.●

REMEMBERING JUSTICE REVIUS ORTIQUE

● Mrs. CLINTON. Mr. President, on June 22, our Nation lost a great judge and lawyer, civil rights champion, and public servant. Justice Revius Ortique, the first African-American justice elected to the Louisiana Supreme Court, has died at 84.

I met Justice Ortique when we served together in the 1970s on the board of the Legal Services Corporation, and much later in his career, Justice Ortique was appointed by my husband to serve as alternate delegate to the United Nations.

Justice Ortique had an illustrious career. In World War II, he served as an officer in the Pacific Theater and after earning his law degree in 1956, set up a legal practice at the vanguard of the civil rights movement. He helped to successfully win equal pay for Black employees in several cases, to integrate State labor unions, and served five terms as president of the Urban League of Greater New Orleans. Justice Ortique not only worked to achieve racial equality but also to achieve racial harmony and served three terms as president of the New Orleans Community Relations Council. He negotiated for the Black community with White civic leaders helping to bring about the peaceful desegregation of lunch counters, bathrooms, and other public facilities in New Orleans before the passage of the landmark Civil Rights Act of 1964 would guarantee these rights.

Justice Ortique was a courtly figure with a mild manner that belied his courage, convictions, and ability to effect change. I am proud to have known him, and my thoughts and prayers are with his wife Miriam, his daughter Rhesa, and all those whose lives were made better because of his leadership.●

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF NEW SALEM, NORTH DAKOTA

● Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased to honor a community in North Dakota that is celebrating its 125th anniversary. On July 18 through 20, the residents of New Salem, ND, will celebrate their community's history and founding.

New Salem began on an April day in 1882 when young John Christiansen hopped off a westbound freight train. The only sign of civilization he saw were the train tracks behind him and the belongings he brought. Soon after his arrival a Colonization Bureau out of Chicago sent settlers to the area and gave the colony its independence for \$600. A church, land office, lumber yard, drugstore, and general store were

soon built, and by the end of 1883, the town was ready for great plains living.

Known nationally as the home of the world's largest Holstein cow, New Salem is a community filled with pride and energy. "Salem Sue" stands 38 feet high, weighs over 6 tons, and was erected by the New Salem Lions Club in 1974 to honor the dairymen of North Dakota. New Salem also has a nine-hole golf course, public swimming pool, and numerous parks to entertain residents and tourists.

To celebrate its 125th anniversary, the community of New Salem is organizing a celebration that will include a parade, demolition derby, mixed golf scramble, pitchfork fondue, and numerous outdoor activities. A street dance down New Salem's Main Street will also be held. It promises to be a wonderful event.

Mr. President, I ask the U.S. Senate to join me in congratulating New Salem, ND, and its residents on their first 125 years and in wishing them well in the future. By honoring New Salem and all the other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as New Salem that have helped to shape this country into what it is today, which is why this fine community is deserving of our recognition.

New Salem has a proud past and a bright future.●

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF RICHARDTON, NORTH DAKOTA

● Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I am pleased today to recognize a community in North Dakota that will be celebrating its 125th anniversary. On July 11 through 13, the residents of Richardton will gather to celebrate their community's history and founding.

Richardton is located in Stark County in the southwest part of the State. Oscar L. Richard named the town in 1882 after his relative, C.B. Richard, who was an agent for the Hamburg-American Steamship Co., which promoted German-Russian settlement in this area. The post office was established a year later by Adolph Norberg. In 1906, the village was incorporated, and Richardton was officially recognized as a city in 1935.

Richardton has a prominent Roman Catholic monastery, which was founded by Bishop Vincent DePaul Wehrle in 1899. Vincent was the first Abbot of the monastery, which was named St. Mary's Priory, from 1903-1910. Under his leadership, the great twin-tower cathedral was built in 1906.

St. Mary's faced significant challenges after its completion in 1910 which eventually led to its closure. Abbot Alcuin Deutsch of St. John's Abbey in Minnesota wanted to revive the Richardton community because it was still struggling financially. In 1926, Abbot Deutsch and other monks around North Dakota helped reopen

the monastery with the name Assumption Abbey. Assumption Abbey remains in operation today.

Richardton's attractions also include a golf course, bed and breakfasts, restaurants, motels and much more. Residents of Richardton take great pride in their community. To celebrate their 125th centennial anniversary, the community will be holding a 5k walk/run, a parade, games, an antique car show, a Rough Rider Rodeo, a dance, and a fireworks show.

Mr. President, I ask the U.S. Senate to join me in congratulating Richardton, ND, and its residents on their first 125 years and in wishing them well in the future. By honoring Richardton and all other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the great pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as Richardton that have helped shape this country into what it is today, which is why this fine community is deserving of our recognition.

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HONORING KENWAY CORPORATION

● Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I wish today to recognize the Kenway Corporation, an outstanding small business from my home State of Maine that recently earned the distinguished recognition of Manufacturer of the Year by the Maine Manufacturing Extension Partnership, or Maine MEP. A fiberglass manufacturer located in Maine's capital city of Augusta, the Kenway Corporation has for over 60 years been known for its high-quality products. The MEP's Manufacturer of the Year award is presented every year to a company that has achieved world-class status and has applied the best manufacturing practices necessary to succeed in the marketplace.

The Kenway Corporation formally began operations as Kenway Boats in 1947 in the rural community of Palermo, ME. Originally focused on building wooden crafts, the firm switched its concentration to composites in the 1960s and has since grown into a tremendously successful manufacturing company. Today, Kenway manufactures corrosion-resistant fiberglass for a variety of industries, including marine, pulp and paper, and power. Notably, in 1991, Kenway moved its venture to Augusta and increased its manufacturing facilities to more than 10,000 square feet. The firm is expanding again this year by doubling its current size while consolidating its operations. Additionally, since 2003, the company has increased its staff more than two-fold, to nearly 80 employees, and Kenway is seeking to provide even more jobs in the near future. Kenway has attracted a loyal customer base ranging from coast to coast and even to Puerto Rico.

The Kenway Corporation's products are highly advanced and heavily sought after by numerous companies. Kenway