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TRIBUTE TO DR. RONALD M.
DAVIS

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Dr. Ronald M. Davis, who sadly passed away on November 6 after a courageous battle against pancreatic cancer. A resident of Michigan's Eighth District in East Lansing, Dr. Davis will be sorely missed. Yet his legacy of service and compassion will never be forgotten.

First and foremost, Dr. Davis was a committed father and loving husband. He will also be remembered as a distinguished public health advocate throughout his entire career, most notably during his time as president of the American Medical Association. During his tenure at the American Medical Association, he worked tirelessly to promote public awareness of healthy lifestyles, encourage health insurance reform, and push doctors to reduce medical errors and improve patient care.

Even while suffering from a terminal illness, Dr. Davis fought to advance critical public health initiatives. A staunch opponent of smoking, Dr. Davis worked every day to save lives by promoting tobacco control. Over the years, Dr. Davis served the tobacco control community in numerous ways, including as Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Office on Smoking and Health and as chief medical officer of the Michigan Department of Public Health. He was an expert witness in litigation against the tobacco industry and a National Cancer Institute-funded researcher. Dr. Davis was also the founding editor of the world's very first scientific journal dedicated to the field of tobacco control.

Through his cancer treatment, Dr. Davis continued to work diligently as a leader in the health care community. His remarks to the American Medical Association last year were particularly memorable and moving as he discussed his terminal illness, even joking about the baldness caused by his chemotherapy. In spite of the odds against someone with a diagnosis that included such a slim chance of long-term survival, Dr. Davis told his fellow physicians to "never take away someone's hope." They agreed and cheered his courage.

As a cancer survivor myself, I understand the challenges Dr. Davis faced every day, and I deeply admire his indomitable spirit throughout such a difficult battle. He will be remembered as a remarkable leader and a determined public servant. My thoughts and prayers are with his wife Nadine, their sons and entire family during this difficult time.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Dr. Ronald M. Davis.

He is truly deserving of our respect and admiration for his tremendous contributions to our Nation.

TRIBUTE TO REND LAKE WARRIORS MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding group of young men attending Rend Lake College in Ina, Illinois. On November 8, 2008, Rend Lake Warriors Men's Cross Country Team placed fourth in the National Junior College Men's Cross Country Championship. After an impressive fourth place finish in 2007, the Warrior's trained hard during the 2008 season to maintain their spot in the top five cross country teams in the Nation.

The Warriors had an outstanding freshman on their team this year. Kenyan native Stephen Sambu, also an All-American, was the National Champion, or "cross country king" and helped lead the team to fourth place.

My congratulations go out to Coach Brent McLain on this great achievement. Most of all, I want to congratulate the members of the 2008 Men's Cross Country team: Dey Tuach, Bailey Bunyan, Scott Speare, James Noonan, James Gramtham, Stephen Sambu, and Clay Locke.

I congratulate them on their achievement, and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

IN HONOR OF ENID SALES

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. FARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mrs. Enid Sales, a unique woman and a fierce fighter for historic preservation, who passed away at the age of 86. Born in Salt Lake City, Utah, on June 3, 1922, she moved to Carmel, California with her family when she was 10. She attended Reed College in Oregon and was married for awhile to jazz critic Grover Sales.

Enid operated a vineyard in Calistoga for 10 years. In 1962, she became the first woman in California to hold a state general contractor's license. In the mid-1970's she served as the head of the rehabilitation department of the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. One of her most memorable accomplishments was organizing and moving 12 Victorian homes in a single night. She shut down the transit system and traffic lights and completed the entire job in time for the next morning's commute.

Enid moved back to Carmel in 1986. She was the first chairwoman of the city's Historic Resources Board and founded her own Carmel Preservation Foundation. She was also on the board of the Alliance of Monterey Area Preservationists. Her "roll up her sleeves and take no prisoners" approach is credited with saving Carmel's Sunset Center and the George Marsh Building in Monterey, as well

as many of the original cottages that define Carmel's charm.

Enid's legacy is to be seen in the recent upswing of interest in "heritage tourism." It was her vision that preserving our historic buildings would make good economic sense, and not be done just for esthetic or sentimental reasons. Enid was a giant in the world of historic preservation. Few people can maintain such fierce tenacity to fight through to the end against all odds. Enid Sales had that fighting spirit, and she will be greatly missed.

Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Enid Sales for her dedication to preserving history. She is survived by her daughter Rachel Lopez, her grandchildren Esther and Valley, her sister-in-law Barbara Thompson, and her nephews Peter, Matthew, and John Thompson. We will all miss her dearly.

IN MEMORY OF DOROTHY GREEN

HON. JANE HARMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Ms. HARMAN. Madam Speaker, every so often we encounter an individual who, wittingly or not, becomes a transformative figure—one who leaves a profound and permanent impact on countless lives and their community.

Dorothy Green, founder of Heal the Bay and one of the most influential environmental leaders in California in the last generation, was such a person.

An unlikely activist, Dorothy was a housewife and mother in the early 1970s when her brother was splattered with untreated sewage from an open drain at Ballona Creek, which runs directly into the Santa Monica Bay. Outraged, she convened a group of friends and activists in her living room to form what grew into the 15,000-member strong Heal the Bay. Under Dorothy's leadership, the organization has tackled everything from the health of marine life to oil spills to ocean water quality.

But Dorothy's vision was much broader than the view from her living room window. She also founded the Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers Watershed Council and the California Water Impact Network to educate Californians on water policy and to redefine how we use and think of water as a precious and limited resource.

I cannot remember when I first met Dorothy Green. But I do remember being told that if I wanted to run for Congress she was the lode star on water issues. And she was! No issue was too big or too small for her, as long as it has something to do with water. From storm drains to the Peripheral Canal, she knew about it all and inspired thousands to join and support her efforts to fix dysfunctional policies.

On October 13, 2008, Dorothy lost her battle with cancer. Yet her legacy will continue to motivate many. She fought for what she believed until the end. Five days before her death, she penned an op-ed piece from her hospice bed calling for sensible plans to preserve and treat the natural resource she spent her adult life defending.

I am proud to have known Dorothy Green as a friend and colleague. She always focused on getting things done and never accepted the status quo. A brilliant grassroots organizer, her friends—and adversaries—will all tell you of

her relentless spirit, and modesty. She would probably tell me get to work rather than offer this tribute, but she deserves every bit of praise. The people of California and our price-less environment have lost a dear friend. I assure you, Dorothy, we will fight on.

GEORGE A. BEACH, PHILADELPHIA'S PIONEERING CREATIVE COMMUNICATOR

HON. CHAKA FATTAH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. FATTAH. Madam Speaker, I invite my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in saluting George A. Beach, a pioneering African-American businessman in Philadelphia, who is being honored for a half-century of achievement in the fields of design, advertising, graphics and public relations.

George Beach is founder and chairman of Beach Creative Communications, the nation's first and oldest African-American owned advertising agency—a firm whose name and motto summarize the Beach “brand” for creativity and communication: “A full service agency providing creative solutions for today's diverse marketplace.”

George Beach has won numerous awards and commissions for his design and artistic flair, his business skills and his broad and generous reach into civic and charitable activities. Now he adds a new honor, as the African-American Chamber of Commerce in Philadelphia presents “A Golden Tribute to George Beach,” celebrating his 50 years in business, on Friday, November 21, 2008.

George Albert Beach was born in Harlem, New York City, on August 14, 1936. By the age of 10 he had moved with his family to Philadelphia, his adopted home town. His educational background stretches from Gratz High School and the University of the Arts in Philadelphia to Paris, where he studied at the L'Academie de la Grande Chaumiere and L'Alliance Francaise.

Already an artist and designer, George Beach became a young man of business in 1958 when, fresh from college, he founded the Creative Art and Design Studio as a groundbreaking minority enterprise. In another pioneering step, he was the first African American elected president of the Artist Guild of Delaware Valley, a position he held from 1964 to 1967. In 1970, he and two colleagues launched the fully illustrated African American Historical Calendar, which is marking publication of its 40th annual edition.

The Studio evolved into Beach Advertising in 1974, assuming its present name in 2001. The Beach roster of clients and accounts has included Pfizer U.S. Pharmaceuticals, Wyeth Pharmaceuticals, the University of Pennsylvania, McDonald's, plus health firms, governmental agencies and public utilities.

George Beach's personal artistic work was impacted by the onset of rheumatoid arthritis. Pain and joint destruction forced him to set aside painting for a quarter century. But as with everything else in his achieving life, this became a challenge and an opportunity. Today, painting once again, Mr. Beach brings his special expertise to the Advisory Council of the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculo-

skeletal and Skin Diseases (NAIMS), where he serves under appointment by the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services.

And his career as an artist flourishes. He has completed a new series of oil on canvas paintings that include “Indivisible,” a haunting skeleton of the World Trade Center Towers embracing an American flag under a full moon, which has been exhibited at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts.

Now, as his varied, productive career continues beyond the half-century mark, with wife Mary and sons Timothy and Matthew, George Albert Beach carries forward with his varied, productive career—always communicating, ever creative. He has earned the gratitude and admiration of Philadelphians and many beyond our city. Thank you, George.

EARMARK DISCLOSURE

HON. THOMAS G. TANCREDO

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. TANCREDO. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2638.

Defense Division of H.R. 2638—OM, ARNG—Non-foam, Special Polymer Twin Hemisphere Pad Sets for Personnel Armor System for Ground Troops Helmet Retrofit Kits—\$1,280,000.

Defense Division of H.R. 2638—OM, N—Personnel Armor System for Ground Troops Helmet Retrofit Kits to Sustain Navy IPE Pool—\$1,120,000.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: SKYDEX Technologies, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 12503 E. Euclid Drive, Suite 60, Centennial, Colorado 80111.

Description of Request: Both earmarks will address an unfunded requirement of the Army National Guard and the Navy to improve shock-absorption padding to retrofit helmets. The replacement material is a durable and protective polymer. This funding would build on roughly \$2 million that has been allocated for this purpose over the last two years.

HONORING HARRY OVITT

HON. KEVIN MCCARTHY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. MCCARTHY of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Harry Ovitt, a resident and community leader from San Miguel, California, for his outstanding and exemplary service and leadership to the residents of San Luis Obispo County during his tenure as County Supervisor from 1989 through 2008.

Harry has been a longtime leader in local government who has established and participated in a extensive list of civic organizations, all in the pursuit of improving the community he represents. During his 19-year tenure on

the Board of Supervisors, he served as Chairman in 1993, 1999, and 2004, and Vice-Chairman in 1992, 1998, and 2003. He also was active on various local boards, including the Children-At-Risk Task Force, the Mental Health Advisory Board, the Economic Vitality Committee, and the Resource Conservation District.

During his time on the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors, Harry devoted himself to many issues to improve the lives of the residents within the County. He worked to secure funds to help construct both the Heritage Ranch Fire Station and the Meridian Fire Station. He established the North County Government Center in Templeton, which has a Sheriff's Substation and a County Agricultural Office. He was also instrumental in bringing a new courthouse to Paso Robles.

Harry understood the importance of having adequate transportation infrastructure, and worked tirelessly to ensure residents had sufficient and safe roads as the County continued to grow. To that end, he has been a passionate advocate of making State Highway 46 safer for drivers through a widening project of this 2-lane highway as well as developing the North County Shuttle. He also worked to obtain mobile healthcare units, which visit communities around the County to provide basic medical services to residents so they do not have to incur the cost of traveling long distances to obtain medical services. Harry also worked to improve water quality and accessibility in the County. He formed the North County Water Forum, which examines the impacts of residential and agricultural development on the Paso Robles Water Basin, chaired the Lake Nacimiento Commission that has worked on the Nacimiento Water Pipeline Project, and is chairman of the North County Water Task Force.

Prior to serving on the County Board of Supervisors, Harry was a Paso Robles City Councilman, a member of the Paso Robles Airport Planning Commission, and a past chairman of the Paso Robles Planning Commission. In addition to the public offices he has held, Harry always remained active in the local community. He was the Elks Club Citizen of the Year in the late 1980s and an Outstanding Jaycee of the Year. He was also a member of the Paso Robles Historical Society, the Santa Lucia Boy Scouts Executive Council, the Paso Robles Trail Riders, and a past chairman of the United Way North County Campaign. He is also a founder of the Clark-Ovitt Foundation, a nonprofit organization that has served the County since 1992.

A true mark of leadership is the generosity of time and talents that one gives on behalf of his neighbors and community. Harry Ovitt exemplifies this time-honored tradition. I commend Harry for his service and leadership in San Luis Obispo County, and wish him well.

HONORING WILLIAM NEUFELD

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today, along with Congressmen RADANOVICH, to congratulate William Neufeld upon his induction into the Fresno Athletic Hall of Fame. Mr.