

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN REMEMBRANCE OF KENNETH E.
ZAREMBA

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 14, 2009

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in remembrance of Kenneth E. Zaremba and in recognition of his dedication to his family, community and to the field of space exploration through his work at NASA.

Kenneth Zaremba had a distinguished thirty year career at NASA, most recently serving as Chief Protocol Officer. Earlier this year, he was recognized by his peers for his leadership, innovation and implementation of NASA's Future Forums—forums held around the country to educate diverse communities about NASA's vital work in the fields of science, space exploration and education. Through his connections to the local community and the expertise he accumulated during his career at NASA, Kenneth shared NASA's vision with non-traditional communities around the country—including school groups, state governors and teachers. As a leader for this agency-wide team, he and his colleagues inspired audiences throughout the country, highlighting NASA's vital work for our nation and communities. Kenneth is survived by his wife and best friend, Elizabeth and his three children: Zachariah, Alexander and Cassandra.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in remembrance of Kenneth E. Zaremba and in celebration of a life dedicated to his family, community and country. Despite his absence, his work at NASA will continue to inspire the work of his colleagues and all those who were touched by his leadership in NASA's Future Forums project.

TRIBUTE TO AMANDA ZIMMERMAN

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Amanda Zimmerman on her exemplary basketball career and congratulate her on being named Iowa's 2009 Miss Basketball.

Amanda is a senior at Ballard High School and will be attending Iowa State University to continue her illustrious basketball career. Amanda has been recognized with a variety of accomplishments including being named to the Class 3A All-State team four consecutive times, four straight state tournament appearances with her Ballard teammates, and helped lead her team to become the Iowa High School Class 3A State Champions this year.

Amanda is a shining example of Iowa's talented youth and the rewards that come with hard work and determination. It is an honor to represent Amanda Zimmerman and her teammates in the United States Congress and I

know my colleagues join me in wishing her the best in furthering her education and athletic career.

COMMEMORATING MADISON'S
BICENTENNIAL

HON. BARON P. HILL

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 14, 2009

Mr. HILL. Madam Speaker, Saturday, June 6, 2009, marks the official kick-off of Madison, Indiana's Bicentennial Celebration. And, what a storied history this wonderful town in my congressional district has amassed. Reflecting on the town's 200-year history takes time. So, it is only fitting that Madison residents and visitors will celebrate for 200 hours straight.

Madison is one of the most beautiful small towns in my congressional district. It was founded in 1809 and thrived on the commerce that the river provided. In its earliest years, Madison blossomed quickly and many stately mansions were built to accommodate its wealth. As rail became the prominent mode of transportation and commerce began to move away from the river, Madison's progress changed, and it became home to small, quaint businesses. At that time, it was yet to be told that what seemed to be the recession of the City would someday become the very thing that would bring it back to vibrancy.

Today, Madison has been recognized by the National Trust for Historic Preservation as one of a dozen distinguished destinations in America and is home to the largest National Historic Landmark District in the state. This year, as the residents of Madison celebrate their 200th birthday, I'd like to congratulate them on the success of their community and offer them continued prosperity in the next 200 years. I hope to attend some of the bicentennial festivities. If not, I will certainly be there in spirit.

Congratulations on your bicentennial Madison, Indiana.

HONORING ANDREW HOXSEY OF
NAPA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Andrew Hoxsey, who is being honored this evening by the Napa Valley Grapegrowers as their Grower of the Year. Mr. Hoxsey is being recognized for his outstanding contributions to the wine grape industry and the larger community of the Napa Valley.

Each year, the Napa Valley Grapegrowers bestows their most prestigious award to a Napa grower who has demonstrated a strong commitment to sustainable practices; recog-

nized leadership in the agricultural preservation; dedicated community focus, contributing to the Napa Valley community through their time, resources, and personal commitments; and someone who actively promotes Napa's reputation for the highest quality vineyards. Grapegrowers in the Napa Valley are continuously at the forefront of organic and sustainable agricultural practices, and Mr. Hoxsey is no exception. He is one of the preeminent organic farmers in the entire Napa Valley.

Mr. Hoxsey is a fourth generation Napa Valley farmer who received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Economics and Business Management at the University of California at Davis. He went on to serve as an officer in the United States Air Force Reserve from 1983 to 1993. He is currently President of Yount Mill Vineyards in Yountville and Managing Partner of the Napa Wine Company.

Mr. Hoxsey's position as Managing Partner of one of Napa's premier wine companies is only the beginning of his extensive industry and community involvement. Andrew has served as Chairman of the California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance and President of the Yountville Appellation Association. He has also held memberships on the Napa Valley and California Grapegrowers Boards of Directors, as well as Napa Valley Vintners Association, Oakville Winegrowers Association, American Vineyard Foundation and Napa Valley Farm Bureau.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, it is appropriate at this time that we thank Mr. Andrew Hoxsey for the incredible work he has done on behalf of the Napa Valley. As a respected grape grower he has advanced the reputation of Napa Valley grapes and wine, and has been a model citizen and superb steward of the land. I join his wife, Nancy and two daughters in wishing him continued success and fulfillment.

DEDICATION OF NEBRASKA LAW
ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL

HON. ADRIAN SMITH

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 14, 2009

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Madam Speaker, nestled in a quiet corner of Washington D.C. a memorial stands in remembrance of some of our bravest citizens. The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial was dedicated in 1991 to honor America's federal, state, and local law enforcement personnel. Its walls bear the names of more than 18,000 officers killed in the line of duty, dating back to the first known death in 1792.

Every May, the nation honors the men and women who paid the ultimate price. It is a time to recognize the contributions of more than 900,000 federal, state, and local law enforcement officers who serve this nation and the thousands who have lost their lives.

Earlier this week, hundreds of Nebraskans from across our state gathered to pay tribute

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