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THE LATE WALTER DUFEK

Mr. Ed Harper (Simcoe Centre): Mr. Speaker, on May 15 of this year Walter Dufek, a resident of Etobicoke, Ontario, passed away after a valiant fight with cancer. Mr. Dufek was a fighter in every sense of the word, having fought against the Nazis in World War II and after the war against communist control of Czechoslovakia.

His efforts were recognized in many ways. He received the Polish Gold Cross of Merit; a letter of special award from the Unity of Canada; and he was recognized by Friends of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre for Holocaust Studies.

In his final months he was deeply concerned that the freedom we enjoy in Canada, the country he immigrated to in 1951, must be guarded and not taken for granted.

Mr. Dufek said we must be alert, even in a democracy, of coercive governments that use the tyranny of taxation and the liberalization of the criminal justice system to give too many rights to criminals while ignoring the victims.

In memory of Colonel Walter Dufek, a true patriot, an outstanding Canadian.

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IGLOOLIK ISUMA PRODUCTIONS

Mr. Jack Iyerak Anawak (Nunatsiak): Mr. Speaker, in 1990 Zacharias Kunuk, Paul Qulitak and Norman Cohn founded Igloolik Isuma Productions, Canada's first Inuit owned independent video production company.

Only four years old, the company won this year's Bell Canada award for outstanding achievement in video art. It won this award for its Nunavut series, 13 programs depicting Inuit life in Igloolik in 1945.

The actors are local people, real people doing real things in real life. The series shows Inuit history and culture as told and lived by Inuit, and therein lies its power.

I was in Igloolik last summer for part of the filming and spent some time talking to Zacharias. He is a young man of extraordinary vision and talent. His professionalism and dedication are something to be admired.

I congratulate Igloolik Isuma on its tremendous achievement and wish it continued success.

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Mr. Rex Crawford (Kent): Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Liberal delegates at the Ottawa convention earlier this month who approved all resolutions boosting ethanol production. It is

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great to see grassroots Liberals showing this leadership, but it should come as no surprise.

In 1991 the leader of the opposition and now our Prime Minister called on the Conservative government to introduce legislation supporting ethanol.

The historic ethanol plant announced for southern Ontario, the eighth largest in North America, will add \$2.7 billion to Ontario's economy over 12 years. Even the city of Sarnia bid on the plant.

The U.S. is already planning 49 new ethanol plants.

Tens of thousands of area residents have signed petitions and written letters to our Prime Minister urging federal involvement in the Ontario plant.

Grassroot Canadians and Liberal delegates alike know we have a government for the people, not for the bureaucrats. The people are for ethanol.

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MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Ms. Shaughnessy Cohen (Windsor—St. Clair): Mr. Speaker, today is the last day of Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month.

An estimated 50,000 Canadians suffer from MS. It is the most common disease of the central nervous system affecting young adults in their prime. Twice as many women as men suffer from MS. It is usually progressive and leads to numbness, loss of balance, tremors and even paralysis.

The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada was founded in 1948 to help those affected by the disease. Today it has a Canada-wide membership of approximately 26,000. The society promotes and supports MS research and services for people with MS as well as their families. This is accomplished through charitable donations to the society and fund raising events such as the Carnation Campaign which took place this past month.

I wish to congratulate the volunteers and staff of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada for a successful month and to encourage all Canadians to lend support to Multiple Sclerosis Month and to the Carnation Campaign.

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TRIBUTE TO AQEPA

Mr. Maurice Bernier (Mégantic—Compton—Stanstead): Mr. Speaker, as part of National Access Awareness Week, today we wish to draw the attention of the House to the twenty-fifth anniversary of AQEPA, the Association du Québec pour enfants avec problèmes auditifs.