# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

## 3% WITHHOLDING REPEAL AND JOB CREATION ACT

SPEECH OF

### HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 27, 2011*

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 674, a bill that repeals the Internal Revenue Code provision requiring federal, state, and local governments to withhold 3 percent on payments made to government contractors.

This is an onerous requirement that I have been working with my bipartisan colleagues to repeal.

I have heard from a number of government contractors who have told me that the problem for them include:

Most construction contracts average less than 3 percent profit.

Tightened cash flow will restrict bonding capacity.

Enforcement of current laws would ensure tax obligations are met.

The law places an undue burden on S Corps and joint ventures.

It is widely believed that this is misguided public policy.

I am pleased that we are working together to repeal this burden and help American businesses during tough economic times.

## TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF RETIREMENT OF MASTER GUNNERY SERGEANT STEPHEN A. GOULD, USMCR

### HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 1, 2011*

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the career of Master Gunnery Sergeant Stephen A. Gould as he retires from the United States Marine Corps Reserves.

Master Gunnery Sergeant Gould retires from the United States Marine Corps Reserves on 1 November 2011, with over 30 years of service. He has served as a Rifleman, a Reconnaissance Man, an Infantry Unit Leader and an Intelligence Analyst. During his career he has served in multiple countries in the Americas, Asia, Europe and the Middle East.

Master Gunnery Sergeant Gould enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on 21 Oct 1981 and attended recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, CA. After completing Infantry Training School at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, CA, and Amphibious Reconnaissance Course at the Naval Amphibious Base Coronado, CA, Private First Class Gould was assigned to Det. Fourth Force Reconnaissance Company, Reno, NV.

In 1989 Sergeant Gould reported for duty as an Assistant Project Non-Commissioned Officer, for unmanned aerial vehicles at the Naval Air Systems Command, where he assisted in the coordination for the initial delivery, testing and fielding of the Pioneer unmanned aerial vehicle.

In 1991 Sergeant Gould was assigned as Assistant Project Non-Commissioned Officer for Combat Diving, at the Marine Corps Systems Command, Quantico, VA. During this assignment he assisted in the procurement of combat diving equipment and raiding craft, and the authoring of the Marine Corps' technical instruction covering the operations of Marine Corps Diving Facilities.

In 1993 Sergeant Gould was assigned to 1st Battalion, 24th Marine Infantry Regiment as the Intelligence Chief.

In 1997 Staff Sergeant Gould received orders to the Defense Intelligence Agency as a student in the Joint Military Intelligence College's Post Graduate Intelligence Program–Reserve. In August 1999 Gunnery Sergeant Gould became the first Marine Corps Non-Commissioned Officer to complete the Post Graduate Intelligence Program–Reserve. Upon graduation Gunnery Sergeant Gould was assigned to the National Military Joint Intelligence Center, J2, Joint Staff, as an Asia Pacific Desk Officer. During this assignment he provided notable support to the recovery plan of a U.S. Navy EP–3 reconnaissance airplane after a collision with a Chinese fighter and forced emergency landing at the Chinese island of Hainan.

On September 12, 2001, Gunnery Sergeant Gould reported for duty to support the J2, Joint Staff following the September 11th attacks. He was then ordered back to the Pentagon to serve on the Central Asia Crisis Team (subsequently Noble Eagle Task Force).

In October 2003 Gunnery Sergeant Gould was detached from the J2, Joint Staff and ordered to Iraq to serve with the Iraq Survey Group in the billets of Tactical Human Intelligence Officer, Human Intelligence Operations Officer and Collection Manager. During this tour he was awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal.

Upon his return from Iraq in late-2004, Gunnery Sergeant Gould was assigned to the Naval and Marine Corps Intelligence Training Center, Virginia Beach, VA, where he taught in both the Counter Intelligence/Human Intelligence and mid-career Marine Officer's Intelligence Course.

In March of 2006, Master Sergeant Gould was transferred to Intelligence Department, Headquarters, United States Marine Corps. During this assignment he performed duties of a senior Pacific Command and European Command analyst. He contributed to numerous analytical products on regional issues for senior Marine Corps and Navy leadership.

In March of 2010, Master Gunnery Sergeant Gould was assigned to the faculty of the National Intelligence University, Defense Intelligence Agency, teaching in the Masters of Science in Strategic Intelligence—Reserve program. His assignment at the National Intelligence University ends upon his retirement.

## RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING SERVICE OF MAJOR GENERAL ANTHONY L. JACKSON ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

### HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 1, 2011*

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the military service of Major General Anthony L. Jackson on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Marine Corps. I commend Major General Jackson's career and offer my sincerest thanks for his 36 years of dedicated service in protecting our nation.

Beginning his military career in 1975, Major General Jackson enlisted in Officer Candidate School and graduated in June of 1976, where he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 5th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, CA. This was the start to a long and admirable career in the United States Marine Corps.

Major General Jackson retires from his post as the Commanding General of Marine Corps Installations West (MCIWEST), located aboard Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton. As Commanding General, Major General Jackson oversees seven bases with stations occupying over 160,000 acres throughout California, Nevada, and Arizona. Entrusted with a command of nearly 10,000 Marines, Sailors and civilians, Major General Jackson utilized the Corps resources to provide continuous, uninterrupted service support, in a time of war, to over 60,000 Marines and Sailors belonging to the First Marine Expeditionary Force (I MEF). Additionally, he oversaw tenant organizations and commands belonging to Logistics Command and the Training and Education Command.

Major General Jackson artfully led his Headquarters Staff and utilized limited resources to address the most meaningful challenges confronting the operating forces, tenant commands and their dependants. His actions provided added value in the overall strategic war on terror, while simultaneously preserving land and air boundaries; confronting encroachment initiatives; enhancing training capability; and building a generous rapport with local, county and statewide officials.

His personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit Medal (w/two gold stars for second and third award), the Bronze Star Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (w/two gold stars), the Navy Commendation Medal (w/one gold star), the Navy Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal (w/bronze star) Iraqi Campaign Medal (w/two bronze stars), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment

Ribbon (w/silver and bronze star), Navy and Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbon (w/bronze star), and the Marine Corps Drill Instructor Ribbon.

These recognitions are a true testament, among other things, of Major General Jackson's great dedication, leadership and commitment to our country.

I offer Major General Jackson my warmest congratulations and hope he enjoys a rich and rewarding retirement with his wife Susan and his two children, Brian and Blaine.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues please join me in recognizing the distinguished career of Major General Anthony L. Jackson.

## IN RECOGNITION OF RICHARD HAWTHORNE

### HON. DENNIS A. CARDOZA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 1, 2011*

Mr. CARDOZA. Mr. Speaker, it is with the greatest respect that I rise today to recognize my good friend, Richard Hawthorne, in the event of his retirement as Police Chief for the City of Atwater.

Richard was raised in the community of Atwater. He graduated from Atwater High School and received his Associates of Arts degree from Merced College. Richard earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Fresno Pacific University. However disregarding his education achievements, he always says that his most important accomplishments are his marriage to his beautiful wife Debbie for 33 years and the welcoming of his two beautiful daughters into the world, Lyndsay and Amanda.

Richard began his law enforcement career in 1976 as Deputy Sheriff for Merced County. He remained with the Merced County Sheriff Department until 1979 when he was hired on as a Police Officer with the City of Atwater. He worked his way through the ranks until he was promoted to Chief of Police in 2003. He served selflessly until his retirement on October 1, 2011. Richard is a man that loved his job and the men and women that worked for him. A great example of his dedication to his officers is the reasoning behind his retirement. He is retiring early so that there is additional money in the budget to keep more patrol officers in their jobs during this difficult economic time. This is just one example how Richard is always putting others in front of him.

Richard takes an active role in his local community in addition to his commitments as Police Chief. Richard is also dedicated to future members of law enforcement, as he is also a part-time Criminal Justice Instructor at Merced College. He is a member and Past President of the Atwater Rotary Club, Board Member of the Atwater Police Activities League, Chairman of the Drug and Alcohol Committee of Merced County, President of ACAUSE (Atwater Community Advocates United for a Safe Environment), Member of the Atwater Police Officers Association, California Chiefs of Police Association, Merced Area Crime Stoppers, National Chief's Police Association and the Nationwide ''Invest in Kids'' Coalition.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring my good friend, Mr. Richard Hawthorne, for his leadership, dedication, and outstanding service to our community and the Atwater Police Department.

## HONORING SEATTLE 826

### HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 1, 2011*

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Seattle 826, a recipient of the 2011 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award.

Seattle 826 is a nonprofit writing and tutoring center dedicated to helping youth improve their creative and expository writing skills and to helping teachers inspire their students to write. Through after-school and in-school programs, writing workshops, and field trips, Seattle 826 and 300 volunteers have reached over 2,000 students in the past year. The organization has even helped some students publish their writing, giving them invaluable experience and confidence for the future.

I am proud that Seattle 826 is located in my District, the Seventh Congressional District of Washington. Since Teri Hein first started the organization in 2004, its contribution to the community has been essential, and the benefit to youth has been tremendous.

The National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award is the Nation's highest honor for out-of-school arts and humanities programs that celebrate the creativity of America's young people, particularly those from underserved communities. I am pleased that Seattle 826's work has been recognized by the President and First Lady with this prestigious award.

## HONORING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF VFW POST 1308 IN ALTON, ILLINOIS

### HON. JERRY F. COSTELLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 1, 2011*

Mr. COSTELLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the 75th anniversary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1308 in Alton, Illinois.

VFW Post 1308 was founded during the Great Depression, at a time when our nation's economic situation only served to aggravate the needs of veterans, many of whom had served with honor during the First World War. Veterans who sustained injuries while on active duty were at a greater disadvantage as medical bills continued and their ability to find work was compromised.

From its founding, 75 years ago, Post 1308 has continually grown until it now lists 1,263 members, making it the largest VFW post in the State of Illinois. In addition to serving and advocating for our area's veterans, Post 1308 has also shown concern for the needs of their community, especially for its young people. Their democracy and patriot pens programs are examples of the educational programs Post 1308 conducts to foster patriotic and civic awareness among area students. They have also shown tremendous support to area organizations, ranging from Special Olympics to the March of Dimes.

Through the years, Post 1308 has developed a number of programs to meet the many and diverse needs of veterans. They visit veterans in hospitals and nursing homes, conduct annual clothing drives to benefit homeless veterans, provide financial assistance to veterans in times of economic hardship and provide no-cost military funeral rites (over 100 per year) for honorably discharged veterans.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the members of VFW Post 1308, both past and present, on 75 years of serving veterans and the people of the Alton, Illinois, area and to wish them many continued years of service in the future.

## IN RECOGNITION OF THE HONORABLE JONATHAN BING

### HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 1, 2011*

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the Honorable Jonathan Bing, an outstanding public servant and my good friend. The Special Deputy Superintendent of the New York State Department of Financial Services and a revered and respected former Member of the New York State Assembly who represented Manhattan's East Side for nearly a decade, Mr. Bing is being honored this month at a special dinner hosted by Manhattan Community Board 6 and its officers and members.

Jonathan Bing was appointed to the executive branch of New York State government by Governor Andrew Cuomo earlier this year. The Governor's elevation of Mr. Bing is an apt reflection of Mr. Bing's distinguished record as a remarkably effective State legislator representing New York's 73rd Assembly District. As an elected official, Mr. Bing distinguished himself as a dynamic and forceful leader and advocate for New York City. A resident of Manhattan's East Side for over two decades, Mr. Bing has devoted himself in service to others throughout his career.

During his service in the New York State Assembly, Mr. Bing was a prolific and accomplished legislator, authoring and securing passage of 36 bills that were signed into law. Among his signal legislative achievements are: New York State's no-fault divorce law; a law extending the statute of limitations for workers' compensation claims made by 9/11 rescue and recovery workers, allowing countless American heroes to receive the benefits that they deserve; a law enhancing criminal and civil penalties against those who would falsify construction records or illegally assist people with government licensing examinations, a measure he introduced following the East Side crane collapse in 2008; and the 2010 adoption of the UPMIFA statute providing cultural and higher education institutions more flexibility in managing their endowments and assets.

Earlier this year, Mr. Bing accepted a gubernatorial appointment to serve as the Special Deputy Superintendent of the New York Department of Financial Services' Liquidation Bureau, serving as that agency's chief executive officer. In that capacity, he oversees the Bureau's effort to safeguard the interests of customers holding policies issued by insurance companies that became insolvent. Though his