

give their children automatic citizenship with no processing at all? It just is not rational. It is not fair.

Mr. Speaker, I think that we must also recognize that the Supreme Court has never ruled on the issue of automatic citizenship for the children of illegal aliens. In fact, in the one case that is pointed out so often, the Wong Kim Ark case back in the late 1880's, the court ruled specifically that his parents were legal residents and that legal residents owe allegiance and owe loyalty and must obey the law. And by their legally immigrating, they showed that they were obedient to the Federal Government and the Government of the United States, and that they were "subject to the jurisdiction" by getting permission to enter this country legally.

That definition does not fall on those who have broken our laws and immigrated illegally. In fact, the case that we are referred to again and again is a 1608 case in England, the Calvin case, that says that people who have obligational loyalties get citizenship; those who do not do not get automatic citizenship. In the words of the English, in their flowery way of saying it, they say it is the loyalty and the obedience, not the soil and not the climate that render citizenship.

I think in all fairness we have got to understand that those who are obedient and play by our laws should be rewarded. But, Mr. Speaker, those who have broken our laws, violated our national sovereignty and refused to recognize that they must be "subject to the jurisdiction" of the United States should not today have the right of automatic citizenship.

This Congress should finally tackle this issue, address this issue and send a very clear message, not just to our own citizens, that we believe in fair and equitable treatment but that we will no longer reward illegal immigration with automatic citizenship. I ask everyone to contact their Member of Congress to address this issue and support H.R. 7.

#### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. STRICKLAND] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. STRICKLAND. Mr. Speaker, I stand today to speak about a silent crime that victimizes 1.8 million individuals annually, most often in the place where they should be the most safe and secure, in their homes. This criminal act is multifaceted and non-discriminatory in choosing its victims. It knows no boundaries of age, race, social class, income level or education. Its predominant traits are those of emotional and physical abuse. I am speaking of domestic violence.

In recent years an increasing number of new stories involving public figures both as victims and as perpetrators of domestic violence have raised our awareness of this problem. Through

media coverage we are slowly beginning to realize the massive extent of this crime which is most often committed in secret. Although these stories are difficult to comprehend and painful to hear, we all need to be aware that this tragedy is more prevalent than we think and more horrible than we can even imagine.

Sometimes the evidence of this abuse is obvious. At other times it goes undetected and leaves its victims suffering in silence. Unfortunately, this problem still seems to be very distant to most of us until someone we know becomes a victim.

A few years ago in Hillsboro, Ohio I met a young woman who was in the process of rebuilding her life after the end of a very violent marriage. She returned to school, received her high school diploma and found a combination of jobs to support herself and her young child.

I was impressed that this self-assured woman had shown such incredible strength by removing herself and her child from a dangerous, intolerable situation. But only a few weeks after I met her, I learned that she had been killed by her estranged husband as she approached the Highland County Courthouse. She was on her way to seek legal protection from the man she had married, who on that awful night became her killer.

This incident impressed upon me the heartbreaking circumstances that many victims, usually women and children, are subjected to every day all over this country. Unfortunately, many victims feel that they do not have the resources and the support available to remove themselves from such threatening and dangerous situations, and all too often, even if they can escape the immediate circumstances, they remain potential victims.

Thankfully, domestic violence is being driven from the shadows and exposed for the heinous crime that it is. Many individuals and groups now focus their energies on seeking ways to prevent domestic violence and to reach out to the victims and their families.

In my district a community-wide domestic violence protocol is being developed. This will help outline how agencies can handle the incidents of domestic violence in a cooperative way. Our hope is that we can establish a stronger effort to break this cycle of violence. I am proud of the fact that in one of the counties in my district, Highland County, Ohio, men and women have joined together to help those in need.

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They are committed to reassuring victims of domestic violence that they are not alone and that hope is available.

At the Federal level, the Department of Justice has developed programs that train law enforcement officers, emergency room attendants and family phy-

sicians on how to recognize a domestic violence situation and how to appropriately assist victims who have suffered from this crime. All of these local, State and Federal efforts are working to reach victims like the young mother who recently and unnecessarily lost her life.

Preventing domestic violence is a task to which all of us should be absolutely committed. I applaud all individuals and groups, especially my constituents in Hillsboro, Ohio, who are working to combat this despicable crime.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. SMITH] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. SMITH of Michigan addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to use the time of the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. SMITH] out of order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

#### LEGISLATION REGARDING BREAST CANCER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. Fox] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak on behalf of legislation that is in the House and the Senate which will do much to help the women of the United States affected by the terrible physical tragedy of breast cancer.

I am speaking of legislation that will prevent the drive-through mastectomies, where women who are being treated for breast cancer have been called to leave the hospital before 24 hours, sometimes the same day as the surgery.

Our legislation was put forth through the leadership of the gentlewoman from New York [Mrs. KELLY], the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. FRANK LOBIONDO], Senator FEINSTEIN of California and Senator D'AMATO of New York, and earlier today they held a press conference to announce the importance of this legislation which would require a minimum of 48 hours for a stay in the hospital following a mastectomy.

We also have in that legislation a requirement for a second opinion from a doctor with regard to the length of stay and the treatment. And, finally, the legislation calls for reconstructive surgery for each woman that may be affected by the dreaded disease of breast cancer.

Much has been done and much more needs to be done in the way of treatment, detection and prevention of