

scenario: a foreign boatowner enters U.S. waters, without intending to sell his or her boat. An interested buyer propositions the foreign owner, and informal negotiations ensue. Once the owner of the foreign boat offers the vessel for sale—and this sometimes can be a gray area—if a duty has not been paid on the boat, it can be immediately seized by the Customs Service. While such actions by the Customs Service are rare, this policy has a chilling effect on potential foreign boat sellers interested in entering the country because they are fearful their boats will be seized and impounded even if they casually talk to someone interested in purchasing their boat. To avoid this risk, some of these sellers conclude the sale of the boat offshore, where no duty is paid and no economic benefits are realized for the local economy.

My bill would remedy this problem by deferring payment of the duty on large pleasure boats until after the sale has been consummated. In order to ensure that the duty is paid when the boat is sold, the foreign seller would be mandated to post a bond, the value of which would be twice the amount of the duty. Because the value of the bond would be twice the duty on the boat the Federal Government would be virtually guaranteed of receiving its duty. Moreover, I have narrowly tailored this legislation so it applies only to large pleasure boats that are intended to be sold at domestic boat shows. I am hopeful this provision has the effect of not only promoting America's boat shows—which are among the largest and best in the world—but also ensuring the sale of these boats occur in an orderly setting.

Mr. Speaker, south Florida is the boating capital of the world. My bill helps make our ports and boat shows more attractive to international yacht sellers. Because this type of economic activity is highly beneficial to the economy, I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this legislation.

TRIBUTE TO DR. S. TIMOTHY ROSE

HON. JAY W. JOHNSON

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 29, 1997

Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to pay tribute to a gentleman from Appleton, WI, Dr. S. Timothy Rose.

When the 139th annual session of the American Dental Association ended yesterday in San Francisco, CA, Dr. Rose became the organization's new president.

Dr. Rose has served 27 years in the American Dental Association, and has given his leadership to a host of other member organizations, such as the Wisconsin Dental Association, the Outagamie County Dental Association, the Midwest Society of Periodontics, and the Wisconsin Society of Periodontics. He has also served his Nation as a Major in the U.S. Army Dental Corps.

But Dr. Rose's commitments do not simply begin and end with dentistry. He has given his time to the Board of Directors of the Fox Alley Arts Alliance, the Friends of Hearststone, the Tri Park Development Corp. and the American Cancer Society. In addition, Dr. Rose is an elder in his church, Memorial Presbyterian Church of Appleton.

I know my colleagues will join me today in wishing Dr. Rose, his wife, Ginny, and his children, Cathy, Tom, and Jim our warmest wishes as he takes on this new and challenging responsibility.

THE DISABLED SPORTSMEN'S ACCESS ACT

HON. RANDY 'DUKE' CUNNINGHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 29, 1997

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Disabled Sportsmen's Access Act. This legislation will expand opportunities for sportsmen with disabilities to hunt and fish on Department of Defense facilities. In addition, this legislation allows the Department to work with private organizations to construct facilities and operate programs for sportsmen with disabilities.

This legislation is based on a program run at nearby Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA. This program, run by Lt. Col. Lewis Deal, is one of the Nation's most successful disabled hunting programs. With the help of volunteers and donated materials, Col. Deal has built eight permanent disabled accessible blinds for deer hunting. All eight of these are in use during both gun and bow seasons. These structures are mini decks built on high ground looking down a slope where game walks below. For these decks to be successful, it is important that they are constructed large enough for a wheel chair to turn around on and camouflaged from game. Once cleared pathways from the main access roads make them accessible, these stands make hunting much easier for many sportsmen with disabilities.

In addition, Quantico is in the process of constructing a fishing pier accessible for people with disabilities. This pier, designed by the Paralyzed Veterans of America, will be a model for everyone in America to use. They will construct their pier with lowered railings, providing access for individuals to reach over, and stops on the side of the pier to prevent individuals from falling off the sides.

The Disabled Sportsmen's Access Act builds upon this program by encouraging the Department of Defense in managing its 30 million acres of wildlands to provide improved access for disabled individuals, when appropriate and within the military mission. This bill protects the primary purpose of our Nation's military, the defense of our Nation.

Our military installations offer numerous outdoor recreational programs and opportunities for both civilian and military personnel. However, there has never been a concentrated effort at Department of Defense facilities to provide access and opportunity for persons with disabilities.

While encouraging the Department of Defense to give access to individuals with disabilities, this legislation allows the Department of Defense to accept donations of money, material, and volunteers for the construction of facilities accessible to sportsmen with disabilities. Under this bill, the Department of Defense can use volunteers and organizations that serve people with disabilities to construct facilities and operate programs—at no cost to the Federal Government.

The bipartisan Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus has endorsed this legislation and

many of my colleagues have joined me as co-sponsors. It is also endorsed by the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Disabled American Veterans, Wheeling Sportsmen of America, Safari Club International, Wildlife Management Institute, the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation, and the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage all of my colleagues to support this legislation.

TRIBUTE TO ADEA JUNIOUS AND JESSICA FISHER

HON. NEWT GINGRICH

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 29, 1997

Mr. GINGRICH. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to commend two young ladies from Smyrna, GA, who recently displayed an enormous amount of personal character.

Adea Junious, 13, and Jessica Fisher, 14, found more than \$17,000 in a bag at a local Kmart. With both girls coming from financially struggling families, there was a natural temptation to keep the money for college tuition, a new car, or even a shopping spree.

Adea and Jessica, however, resisted that temptation and did the right thing. They turned the money in to the store's manager, who then called the police.

"We thought someone had lost their life savings," Adea said. "We didn't think anyone would take that much money out of the bank and go shopping at Kmart."

"Maybe they were going to use the money to buy a house or for college," Jessica added.

The police were able to track down the owners of the money, a Hispanic couple who had intended to use that money to meet payroll of their local business.

Each girl was rewarded with a CD boombox, a \$50 gift certificate, and a certificate of appreciation for her good deed by the management of the Kmart on South Cobb Drive where the money was found.

Additionally, the Friends of Smyrna Library has dedicated to each girl a book focusing on African-American characters. Each girl's book is inscribed with her name.

Personal strength, as exhibited by these young ladies, is based on integrity, and it is one of the key pillars upon which American civilization was founded. I am honored to represent such fine upstanding citizens as Adea and Jessica. I hope that they will serve as role models for their peers.

TRIBUTE TO STEPHAN SAEED NOURMAND

HON. JULIAN C. DIXON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 29, 1997

Mr. DIXON. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Mr. Stephan Saeed Nourmand, president of the Beverly Hills/Greater Los Angeles Association of Realtors [BH/GLAAR]. For the past year, Saeed, as he is more affectionately known by his friends and colleagues, has provided exemplary leadership to BH/GLAAR, an