

to visit and have lunch with them at school and check on their progress.

Reverend Goff's accomplishments in the area of civil rights, business, community and religious affairs have earned him numerous awards, including the Annual Friends of Education Award from the Rochester City School District and the Winn Newman Pay Equity Award from the National Committee on Pay Equity.

Reverend Goff is truly a modern-day crusader for justice, and I am grateful for his valuable work in our community. I am pleased that the House of Representatives could have him lead us in such a powerful prayer.

#### CONGRATULATING J.R. UNITED INDUSTRIES AND COMPANY PRESIDENT SALO GROSFELD

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate J.R. United Industries and company president Salo Grosfeld for their involvement in an extraordinary back-to-school project.

Afghan Minister for Women's Affairs, Dr. Sima Samar, asked for help to send girls back to school in Afghanistan, for, you see, school uniforms are considered a luxury that few Afghan families can afford. But J.R. United, located in my congressional district, helped by providing sewing machines and fabrics through their commercial partners in Pakistan.

Salo Grosfeld and his company are giving children thousands of miles away something greater than just uniforms. They are giving them hope for a brighter future and a better life.

Please join me in congratulating Salo Grosfeld and J.R. United for their generosity to the children of Afghanistan. Thank you, Salo.

#### SPEAKING AGAINST CUT IN PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES PROGRAM

(Mr. UDALL of New Mexico asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak out against the administration's 21 percent cut of the Payments in Lieu of Taxes Program.

Many of our western States have substantial Federal land within their borders. On the one hand, these lands provide many opportunities for all Americans. But for local counties who are financially strapped, Federal lands mean the loss of a tax base.

To deal with this issue fairly and so that the Federal Government is a good neighbor, we pay a portion of the lost tax revenue. This is called Payments in Lieu of Taxes. It is a good program that should be fully funded, although it never has been. By cutting this valu-

able program, the administration is turning its back on many western counties.

I urge my colleagues to reject this unwise and unsound cutback.

#### MAKE CHILD PORNOGRAPHY ILLEGAL

(Mr. FOLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, the United States Supreme Court ruling Tuesday on the Child Pornography Prevention Act drew strong reaction, mostly negative, regarding the High Court. However, the ruling did receive some support from some in the adult movie industry.

"We are extremely disappointed with this decision," said the American Center for Law and Justice. The Supreme Court clears the way for pornographers to use the first amendment as a shield and gives them a green light to engage in this kind of Internet activity."

I say whether in movies or photographs, it does not make a difference whether or not the person engaged in sex is actually a child. If it looks like a child, is said to be a child, pedophiles have found their fix and their search for true child pornography will only be enhanced.

Attorney General Ashcroft said the ruling makes prosecution of child pornographers immeasurably more difficult. He offered to work with Congress on new legislation that could withstand the Court's scrutiny.

Mr. Ashcroft, I join you today in hoping we can craft a bill that meets the fitness test of the Supreme Court so we can rule this to be an illegal activity.

#### RESTORE FOOD STAMPS FOR LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS

(Mr. RODRIGUEZ asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RODRIGUEZ. Mr. Speaker, despite the calls from President Bush for efforts to provide legal permanent residents access to Federal nutrition programs, the House conferees on the farm bill have refused to budge. Now we hear today that the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. TANCREDO) has an amendment to instruct on the farm bill on this particular item.

There are too many cases of legal immigrant children suffering from hunger right here in our own backyards. These are legal residents. Their parents work hard, they pay taxes, they serve our country, they play by the rules; but they are unable to qualify for food stamps if they find themselves in that situation.

The reality is, and I will appeal to the Republicans, that we have over 62,560 military people right now that are legal immigrants; and as we well know, we have a lot of people in the

military that also qualify for food stamps. This amendment would disqualify them from being able to have access to food stamps.

So I make the appeal and ask that we look at what the administration has been saying, that we ought to be providing for those services.

#### CELEBRATING THE PRODUCTION OF NEVADA'S 50 MILLIONTH OUNCE OF GOLD

(Mr. GIBBONS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, Nevada's nickname may be the Silver State, but our State is diverse and has a wealth of many minerals, including many precious metals like gold, silver and platinum. In fact, only two countries in the world are ahead of Nevada in total gold production, South Africa and Australia; and only those two locations have ever achieved the same milestone which Nevada celebrated this week, the production of the 50 millionth ounce of gold.

Let me put this achievement in perspective. If 50 million troy ounces of gold were viewed as cube, it would be approximately 14 feet 2 inches square and weigh about 1,714 tons.

This achievement was produced by the Carlin Trend, located about 10 miles south of Carlin, Nevada, which produces nearly 4 million ounces of gold annually, contributing \$1.8 billion to America's economy every year.

Congratulations to the hard-working men and women of the Carlin Trend on this accomplishment, and thank you to the mining industry for producing the minerals which allow us to live in and enjoy the 21st century.

#### DEFENDING LEGAL IMMIGRANTS

(Ms. SOLIS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I also rise in disappointment at the action that will take place today on the floor, and that is to instruct conferees on the farm bill to remove the provision of food stamps for legal immigrants.

We talk about legal immigrants. Let us really put a face to it. Let us look at who these people are. They serve in our wars; they are serving in the military. Many of them are grandparents, many are children. They are here legally. They are playing by the rules. Their families pay into the tax base.

The President has said he wants to honor them and give them food stamps; but his own party, the Republican Party, wants to take that away. We are sending mixed messages here, and I would hope we could unite around this whole concept of compassionate giving to people who earn their way here in the country.

I would ask that the conferees and everyone please take hold of this situation, address it, and help to feed the