

made. There will be a strong, cooperative program between the new Department and state and local governments and the private sector to enhance such protection, without micro-management of security from Washington, D.C., or new regulatory mandates that will serve only to foster distrust and delay.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this bill, and once again thank the President, Governor Ridge, and Majority Leader ARMEY for their tremendous efforts in bringing this matter to a favorable resolution for the American people.

IN MEMORY OF JUSTIN ULRICH

HON. PETER T. KING

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 14, 2002

Mr. KING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Justin Ulrich who passed away suddenly on November 10th. Justin, a twenty-three year-old senior at New York University's Tisch School of the Arts, embodied the spirit of young people who participate in the political arena while serving causes greater than their own. This past summer, Justin completed an internship in my congressional office in Washington, DC where I was able to see first-hand the energy, dedication, and initiative he possessed.

Justin carried a passionate appetite for politics as chair of the External Affairs Committee of the University Committee on Student Life and as a senator on the Tisch Undergraduate Student Council. Most recently, he worked for congressional candidate Jim Farrin's campaign and attended volunteer events promoting political candidates in Washington, DC. In addition, Justin was an active member of the College Republicans at NYU and served as its publicity director.

Mr. Speaker, no one will forget Justin's passion and cheerful smile. I join with his friends and schoolmates in offering my condolences to his family.

HONORING REPRESENTATIVE
STEVE HORN

HON. DAVID DREIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 14, 2002

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I am grateful for this opportunity to speak about a good friend and respected colleague, Congressman STEVE HORN, who is retiring from this body after 10 years of unwavering integrity in service. And though we wish our friend nothing but the absolute best as he leaves Washington, we will miss STEVE immensely, and are sad to see the parting of this true Californian.

Congressman HORN has served with diligence on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee on behalf of his constituents in Southern California. His Congressional District benefitted greatly from his leadership, especially in the areas of environmental stewardship and infrastructure investment. He consistently championed projects critical to the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, preserving local wetlands, and supported the need for

new technologies to advance ocean water desalination.

Congressman HORN has been an unsung hero on federal government accountability for which I thank and commend him. Chairing the Government Reform Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Relations, Congressman HORN dedicated his committee's jurisdiction to making federal agencies more accountable to the taxpayer, ensuring that our government was open and accessible to the public, and demanding that red-tape and other bureaucratic excesses were eliminated.

Many of us can only look with awe at Congressman HORN's distinguished and vast public service career. He served in the Eisenhower Administration under Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell, and then got his legislative feet wet while working for California Senator Thomas Kuchel on historic legislation including the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965. In addition, Congressman HORN dedicated 18 years to the California State University, Long Beach, where he was recognized as one of the most effective college presidents in the country.

There is no doubt that Congressman HORN has accomplished a great deal. However, I believe his greatest accomplishment lies in not just what he has been able to do, but in the person that he is. He is a man of character who never allowed partisan politics to triumph over personal integrity, who sought real answers to real problems for the benefit of strangers, and whose watchful gaze held us all to the same higher standard he set for himself.

I will miss seeing him in the halls of the Capitol, but will look forward to seeing him and his lovely wife, Nini, at home in California.

MARTHA THOMAS: A POINT-OF-LIGHT FOR ALL AMERICANS

HON. MAJOR R. OWENS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 14, 2002

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, recently Dr. John C. LaRosa, President of SUNY Downstate Medical Center announced the appointment of noted community leader and writer, Martha Thomas as Assistant Vice President for Community and Government Relations.

It is no secret in Brooklyn that Martha is a very skilled professional who, in her previous positions at SUNY Downstate Medical Center served as the Director of Community Relations in the Office of Institutional Advancement as well as Director of Media Relations. Since joining the staff in 1977, Martha has been instrumental in educating elected officials about the needs of the medical community as well as serving as a liaison to the community and its leadership.

I have known Martha for a number of years, and I know personally the level of her commitment to insuring that all people have access to quality health care. In her new position, she will continue to serve as the government relations manager in addition to advising the institution on legislative issues ranging from health care to education.

Prior to joining SUNY Downstate, Ms. Thomas was a Michelle Clarke Fellow at Co-

lumbia University and a television reporter at Two Florida stations: WCTV in Tallahassee and WJXT in Jacksonville. She is also a playwright whose work has been produced on Manhattan's Theater Row and in Brooklyn, Harlem, Phoenix, Arizona and Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

Martha is the mother of two. Her son Eric is a teacher in Trenton, New Jersey, and her daughter, Dr. Cheryl Thomas is a graduate of Downstate's College of Medicine who practices in New Jersey.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Central Brooklyn's Martha Thomas as a Point-of-Light for all Americans.

CORRECTION TO DISSENTING
VIEWS TO COMMITTEE REPORT
TO H.R. 4689

HON. ROBERT C. SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 14, 2002

Mr. SCOTT. Mr. Speaker, I signed the "Dissenting Views" to the Committee Report to H.R. 4689, the "Fairness in Sentencing Act of 2002," along with three other members of the Committee. The views included the following statements: "If enacted, the bill would prevent individuals who perform low-level drug trafficking functions from qualifying for a mitigating role adjustment under the United States Sentencing Guidelines." and "The bill prevents low-level, first-offense drug offenders from receiving a mitigating role adjustment under the sentencing guidelines."

These statements do not precisely reflect their point. The bill would overturn a new U.S. Sentencing Commission guideline which establishes a 10-year cap on how much drug quantity can impact the guidelines. Without such a cap, the impact of drug quantity alone can result in a sentence that is in great proportion to the relative role of the offender in a drug enterprise. Accordingly, although the statements may not be precise, the point remains that, under the bill, certain low-level offenders will be prevented from receiving any meaningful benefit from a mitigating role adjustment, so long as the quantity alone can require such a disproportionate sentence under the guidelines.

HOMELAND SECURITY ACT OF 2002

SPEECH OF

HON. RICHARD K. ARMEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 13, 2002

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of Subtitle G of the Homeland Security bill, which is the Support Anti-terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies Act of 2002—otherwise known as the "SAFETY Act." Briefly, the SAFETY Act ensures that U.S. companies will be able to develop and provide vital anti-terrorism technologies to help prevent or respond to terrorist attacks—without the threat of crippling lawsuits.

Many technologies already exist that could be used to provide the American public with greater protection against a range of terrorist