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 House rollcall vote No. 429. I would have voted no.  
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 House rollcall vote No. 451. I would have voted yes.  
 House rollcall vote No. 452. I would have voted yes.

REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF THE CLASSIFIED ANNEX TO H.R. 2701, THE INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

**HON. SILVESTRE REYES**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 26, 2009*

Mr. REYES. Madam Speaker, I wish to inform my colleagues that the classified annex to H.R. 2701, the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, will be available for review by members during regular Committee business hours, beginning on Monday, July 6th, 2009.

Members will be required to complete the appropriate security paperwork to view any classified information.

Staff are requested to contact the Committee to schedule a viewing appointment for members.

INTRODUCTION OF THE TRIBAL CHARITIES FAIRNESS ACT OF 2009

**HON. XAVIER BECERRA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 26, 2009*

Mr. BECERRA. Madam Speaker, I rise to introduce the "Tribal Charities Fairness Act of 2009" with Representatives DEVIN NUNES, EARL BLUMENAUER, MICHAEL HONDA, DALE KILDEE, BEN RAY LUJÁN, BETTY MCCOLLUM, and JOHN OLVER. This legislation remedies an inequity in our tax code and will enhance the ability of tribal charities to provide essential services such as nutritional, educational and health care assistance for many in Indian country.

The economic and social needs of the Native American community are immense. Native American households are among the most economically disadvantaged in the United States. Over 25 percent live in poverty, with greater proportions of Native American children and seniors living in poverty compared with the general United States population. Health status is lower for Native Americans, who have a life expectancy that is 4.6 years shorter than all races considered together, and mortality rates from diabetes, tuberculosis, and alcoholism that are many times higher than in the general U.S. population. And although 76 percent of Native Americans have a high school diploma, just 13 percent go on to receive a bachelor's degree.

Tribal charities play an essential role in remedying these untenable circumstances by providing assistance to communities across Indian country. Their work and assistance ensure Native American children, working adults, and seniors have access to the same opportunities available to all Americans.

Unfortunately, the tax code currently treats tribes like corporations rather than like state and local governments when they provide support to charities that serve tribal members. This flawed tax treatment has significant implications, affecting tribal charities' ability to access tax-exempt financing, receive grants from private foundations, and operate in the governmental arena without being subject to additional tax rules and regulations.

The "Tribal Charities Fairness Act of 2009" will correct this inequity in the law by treating tribal governments the same as state and local governments when they provide support to charitable organizations. This simple change in our tax code will have far-reaching, positive effects for tribes and charities across the nation by increasing the availability of resources to address the poor economic and social conditions plaguing many in Indian country.

I encourage my colleagues to support this essential legislation that puts tribal charities on an equal playing field with other government-funded charities and increases their ability to carry out their necessary and important work.

TRIBUTE TO POLICE CHIEF WILLIAM "BILLY" WEBBER

**HON. JAMES P. MCGOVERN**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 26, 2009*

Mr. MCGOVERN. Madam Speaker, I proudly rise today to pay tribute to William "Billy" Webber, a revered Chief of Police of the Town of Southborough, Massachusetts, who died too early at the age of 53 on November 11, 2008 after a courageous 18 month battle with pancreatic cancer.

Earlier this week, family members, friends and colleagues held a golf tournament in honor of Chief Webber—"dedicated to his memory, to his kind heart and to the courage he has given all of us to rise above the sorrow." All proceeds from the event went to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute in Boston to support research efforts to fight the dreaded disease that claimed his life.

The son of proud parents, Harry and Claire Webber, Bill Webber grew up in Milford, Massachusetts and joined the Police Department in nearby Southborough in 1980, beginning an impressive and distinguished 28 year career in law enforcement. He received his Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Northeastern University in 1983 and earned a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Clark University in Worcester in 2003. He was also a graduate of the State Police Academy where he was President of his class. In 2004 he was appointed as Southborough's Chief of Police.

Chief Webber's career with the Town of Southborough was characterized by honor, courage and commitment. His professionalism and integrity made him a great role model for his fellow officers and law enforcement colleagues. Town Planner Vera Koliass said "Chief Billy Webber had all of the qualities that you can only hope for in one person: an accomplished, intelligent and caring professional, and a consummate gentleman who displayed integrity and sensitivity at every turn."

With Chief Webber's death, the citizens of Southborough have suffered a tragic loss. The love and respect felt by his neighbors and members of the community is reflected by the Town's dedication of its 2008 Annual Report to him. In presenting copies of the Annual Report to his family at a recent Board of Selectmen meeting, Chairman Bill Boland expressed thanks to them "for sharing Billy with us; he was truly a remarkable person and a great representative of the Town of Southborough."

Chief Webber's Pastor, Reverend James Flynn of St. Matthew's Church in Southborough observed that he was a man of great compassion and said that "We of St. Matthews were awed with the example that Bill left for us, a man of faith who genuinely loved his neighbor."

Sadly, the record of impressive achievements and honorable service throughout Chief Webber's life came to an early end on November 11, 2008. As noted by Vanessa Hale, Assistant Town Administrator of Southborough, "It was providential that he left us on Veterans Day—a proud, patriotic American who loved his family, God and Country to the end."

On behalf of the residents of the Third Massachusetts District, I extend our deep sympathy to his loving wife Kathy (Carmody) Webber, his children Kathleen and Kevin, his