

will bring more to the state than RGGI, in order to promote the same types of energy efficiency and renewable energy programs.

The legislation also requires that 20 percent of energy produced by electric utilities come from renewable resources and energy savings by 2020, still below Delaware's own standard. A robust renewable electricity standard is the most important policy tool we have to make sure new energy projects utilize American-made components manufactured by American workers, and I believe we should strive to strengthen the national standard.

The coal resource of the U.S. is abundant and the bill creates new programs designed to promote carbon capture and sequestration, and sets new emissions standards for coal-fired power plants. This bill also supports modernizing of electricity infrastructure, including smart grid technologies. And, to aid the U.S. auto manufacturers, the bill aims to assist in the development of improved battery technology and plug-in electric vehicles.

Major technological advancements and tax incentives are already positively influencing the advancement of the wind, solar, fuel cell, and biomass industries right here in Delaware. Green jobs, which could be those involved with electricity generated by wind, those that produce energy-efficient goods and services like mass transit, or those that install energy-conserving products like retrofitting buildings with thermal-pane windows, fuel cells, and solar—are key to the success of a new energy economy. Much work has been done voluntarily over the last several years to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and I was glad to see that the bill takes steps to recognize these early, voluntary actions by industry leaders.

In speaking with Governor Marken, we agree that this legislation will strengthen our domestic economy through innovative and sustainable job creation. I have also heard from leading Delaware businesses who believe in the opportunity of transforming to a clean energy economy. Ion Power said: this bill "will make a real difference for America, and my business." Eclipse Solar has said: ". . . we also know that clean energy is a great way to make money; supporting solar energy and other renewables will boost our economy and help create more jobs." Delaware Technical and Community College offered: ". . . the College is developing an Applied Energy Education Center that will connect Delawareans to new "green" jobs by developing Delaware's green workforce and enabling citizens and businesses to reduce their energy costs through increased energy efficiency, conservation, integration, and management." Bluewater Wind wrote: "By taking bold, concrete steps to address climate change and creating a new national Renewable Electricity Standard (RES), passage of the Waxman-Markey bill will spur hundreds of thousands of new jobs in America's growing renewable energy industry."

The agriculture sector plays a vital role in Delaware's economy. I was pleased to support U.S. House Agriculture Chairman PETERSON's work to ensure that the interests of the agriculture community were represented in the legislation, including that the U.S. Department of Agriculture will be in charge of working with farmers on the portion of the offset program that involves generating offset credits from U.S. farms and forests.

Complex and detailed proposals must always be weighed thoughtfully and carefully.

Ultimately, challenging economic times demand that we look to the future, not cling to the past. Leading experts differ on the economic impact that this legislation will have on each of us and I will remain closely engaged in efforts to reduce any cost increase passed through utility bills. This may not be a silver bullet for turning our economy around overnight. However, I am confident that we must drive innovation, research and market-based strategies to strengthen our immediate economic outlook and instill optimism for tomorrow.

CONGRATULATING THE LADY
FIGHTING IRISH OF HACKETT
CATHOLIC CENTRAL HIGH
SCHOOL

HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. UPTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Lady Fighting Irish of Hackett Catholic Central High School in Kalamazoo, Michigan on being named the 2009 Division 4 State Soccer Champions. This team of young ladies, lead by Coach Tim Halloran and assisted by Coaches Erin Moore, Alyssa Chludzinski and Trainer Cailee Servais, has put in endless hours of hard work and dedication to bring home the their third state championship trophy since 2002.

Winning a state championship is a memory that will last a lifetime. It is a remarkable achievement that few teams ever experience, and it is a legacy that will live with the 2009 Lady Fighting Irish forever. This young team, lead by captains Maddie Brennan, Julie Ross and Stephanie Johnson, played a close game against the Madison Heights Bishop Foley Ventures and came out victorious beating the Ventures 1-0.

It is an honor to pay tribute to the entire Lady Fighting Irish team: Rebecca Farrer, Kalani Bates, Sara Howard, Maria Escamillia, Megan Putnam, Johanna Hamilton, Stephanie Walley, Christina Pinon, Aleks Svikis, Maddie Brennan, Ana Villalobos, Emma Forster, Neil Locke, Claire Sorek, Stephanie Johnson, Casey Lamp, Erin May, Mallory Busso, Maggie Wenzel, Ashleigh Reisterer and Julie Ross. We are so proud of all of you.

On behalf of all the residents of southwest Michigan, congratulations again to the Lady Fighting Irish, Coach Halloran and the entire greater Kalamazoo community—you are an inspiration to us all. It is Hackett Catholic Central pride at its finest. Go Fighting Irish!

HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY, MR.
ALBERT MCCALL, SR.

HON. MARSHA BLACKBURN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the 80th birthday of one of Tennessee's finest citizens, Mr. Albert McCall, Sr., of Carthage, Tennessee.

Born and raised in Smith County, Tennessee, Mr. McCall earned two degrees—a

bachelor's at Tennessee Polytechnic Institute and a master's at the University of Missouri—before serving as an Army Artillery Officer and in the dangerous position of a forward observer during the Korean war.

After returning home from the war, he married Miss Virginia Olive Doran in 1955 and began working in the family business, DT McCall and Sons, founded by his father and still a vital business and significant employer in Tennessee some 100 years later.

Mr. McCall has two fine children, Albert McCall II and Menda Elizabeth McCall Holmes, and four grandchildren: Alex, Kate, Monica and Derek. He is a member of the First Baptist Church in Carthage and has been active in civic affairs for many years across Tennessee. His leadership has been crucial to the success of our State, and I am humbly grateful to him for the many years of hard work and sacrifice he has provided.

Madam Speaker, I congratulate Albert on a life well-lived and ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating his past, present, and future accomplishments.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. AARON SCHOCK

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. SCHOCK. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the Republican adopted standards on earmarks, I submit the below detailed explanation of the Illinois: Lincoln Capital Airport Relocate Base Entrance.

Bill Number: H.R. 3082—Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010.

Provisions/Account: Department of Justice, COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: The entity to receive funding for this project is Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport (ANG), Illinois Capital Airport, Springfield, IL 62704.

Description of Request: The funding would be used to relocate the base entrance to include realignment of existing four lane airport entrance, two lane base entry road and reconfigure intersection with state highway to ensure the facility meets DoD security requirements.

HONORING MR. THOMAS
TRADEWELL

HON. F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR.

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge one of my constituents, Mr. Thomas Tradewell, who is slated to become the newly elected National Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

Mr. Tradewell will soon begin working in this prestigious position of leadership. His honorable service to our country, along with his numerous awards recognizing his service exemplifies his outstanding commitment to ensuring America's freedom. I join many other Americans in expressing my deep appreciation for