

our students and our communities. I urge my colleagues to pass this resolution.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself as much time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of House Resolution 769, a resolution recognizing the benefits of service-learning as a strategy to effectively engage youth in the classroom and community and expressing support for the goals of the Learn and Serve Challenge.

The National Learn and Serve Challenge is an annual event that takes place from October 5 to 11 and highlights the importance of engaging young people in community service. Through service-learning, students conduct community service projects which teachers then use to teach academic lessons in the classroom.

The challenge encourages young people to participate in special events and community outreach projects. It also encourages young people to develop and launch their own service-learning activities. These projects also help students see the real-life relevance of what they are learning in the classroom and apply their new knowledge in a practical manner.

I recognize the value of engaging youth in service in the community, and I honor the goals of the National Learn and Serve Challenge. I urge my colleagues to support this resolution, and also, Mr. Speaker, I think that young people learn to give back to their community and leave their community a little bit better than they found it through this project.

I yield the balance of my time.

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the remainder of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 769.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE STATE NEWS AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 487) recognizing the 100th anniversary of the State News at Michigan State University.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

#### H. RES. 487

Whereas, on March 10, 1909, the first edition of the Holcad was printed at Michigan Agricultural College;

Whereas the Holcad was founded to defend the student body of Michigan Agricultural College against criticism;

Whereas the Holcad eventually changed its name to the State News, and Michigan Agricultural College became Michigan State University;

Whereas in 1971, the State News became a 501(c)3 organization, independent from Michigan State University;

Whereas the State News employs hundreds of students and trains them in reporting, photography, design, web programming, and advertising;

Whereas for 100 years, the State News has connected students to each other and other members of the East Lansing community;

Whereas the State News provides an avenue for students and members of the East Lansing community to voice their opinions and report news; and

Whereas the State News has upheld a commitment to journalism and has created a more informed and unified citizen body: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recognizes the 100th anniversary of the State News.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) and the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. ROE) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from California.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I request 5 legislative days during which Members may revise and extend and insert extraneous material on H. Res. 487 into the RECORD.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from California?

There was no objection.

Ms. CHU. I yield myself as much time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H. Res. 487, which recognizes the 100th anniversary of the campus newspaper at Michigan State University, The State News.

The State News started in 1909 with the creation of the college's first newspaper, the Holcad News, named after an ancient Greek ship. In 1925, the Holcad changed its name to The State News, educating students, faculty, and alumni about local and national news.

Originally, The State News was created to defend Michigan State University students from the harsh criticism they were receiving from the local newspapers. Although it began with weekly editions, State News eventually progressed into a daily newspaper. With a circulation of 28,500 to approximately 280 locations on and off campus, The State News is now one of the Nation's largest student daily newspapers.

Today, continuing a tradition of serving the Michigan State University community, The State News collects distinguished honors, including several designations as the best college newspaper in the country, and sends their student employees to top national news organizations, such as The New York Times, the Associated Press and The Washington Post.

The accolades received by The State News are also a reflection of MSU's

academic accomplishments. Michigan State University possesses a pre-eminent educational record. Today, MSU enrolls over 46,000 students and offers a wide range of courses. With over 100 undergraduate majors, 17 different colleges, and 29 online degree programs, MSU boasts a strong academic profile. In fact, MSU has produced more Rhodes Scholars than any other Big Ten school over the past 25 years. Both The State News and the MSU community have brought national acclaim to East Lansing, Michigan.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Mr. ROGERS for bringing this resolution forward. I urge my colleagues to support this measure.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself as much time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of House Resolution 487, a resolution to recognize the 100th anniversary of The State News, the campus newspaper at Michigan State University.

The State News was actually founded as the Holcad in 1909 when Michigan State University was still Michigan Agricultural College. It became the Michigan State News in 1925 when the college was renamed Michigan State University. In 1971, the paper separated from the university to become an independent, nonprofit organization.

Since that time, the paper has received many awards. It has won the Associated Collegiate Press Pacemaker award, an award that is considered the Pulitzer Prize of college journalism, 16 times. It has been ranked as one of the Nation's best daily college newspapers by the Society of Professional Journalists and the Associated College Press. And it was ranked number 11 on a list of the best college newspapers in the country by the Princeton Review in 2008.

The paper has a number of noted alumni, including Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Jim Mitzelfeld and Jerry ter Horst, President Gerald Ford's press secretary.

I would like to commend The State News on the occasion of its 100th anniversary and congratulate all of the students and former students that have dedicated their time to making this paper great.

I urge my colleagues to support this resolution.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the remainder of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 487.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

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#### SUPPORTING NATIONAL CAMPUS SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 90) supporting the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Awareness Month.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

#### H. RES. 90

Whereas college and university campuses are not immune from the crime problems that face the rest of society in the United States;

Whereas a total of 37 homicides, 8,112 forcible-sex offenses, 8,923 aggravated assaults, and 3,071 cases of arson were reported on college and university campuses from 2004 to 2006, in accordance with the reporting requirements under the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (20 U.S.C. 1092(f); Public Law 89-329);

Whereas criminal experts estimate that between  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of female students become the victim of a completed or attempted rape, usually by someone they know, during their college careers, but fewer than 5 percent report the assault to law enforcement;

Whereas each year, 13 percent of female students enrolled in an undergraduate program at a college or university will be victims of stalking;

Whereas 1,700 college and university students between the ages of 18 and 24 die each year from unintentional alcohol-related injuries, including motor vehicle accidents;

Whereas Security On Campus, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "SOC"), a national nonprofit group dedicated to promoting safety and security on college and university campuses, has designated September as National Campus Safety Awareness Month;

Whereas each September since 2005, SOC has partnered with colleges and universities across the United States to offer National Campus Safety Awareness Month educational programming on sexual assault, alcohol and other drug abuse, hazing, stalking, and other critical campus safety issues; and

Whereas National Campus Safety Awareness Month provides an opportunity for entire campus communities to become engaged in efforts to improve campus safety: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

(1) supports the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Awareness Month; and

(2) encourages colleges and universities throughout the United States to provide campus safety and other crime awareness and prevention programs to all students throughout the year.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) and the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. ROE) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from California.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I request 5 legislative days during which Members

may revise and extend and insert extraneous material on House Resolution 90 into the RECORD.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from California?

There was no objection.

Ms. CHU. I yield myself as much time as I may consume. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of House Resolution 90, which recognizes the importance of safety on college campuses and promotes the idea of National Campus Safety.

As a community college professor for 20 years and the author of a California bill, the Campus Sexual Assault Safety Act, I understand firsthand how vital campus safety is to enhancing the learning experiences of its students, but more importantly, how raising awareness can serve to prevent campus violence.

We have witnessed this in several tragic cases, for instance, in the case of the death of Jeanne Clery in the late 1980s, who was a freshman at Lehigh University. On April 5, 1986, Jeanne was beaten, raped and murdered in her dormitory room. Jeanne's case brought college campus safety to the forefront when it exposed flaws in the reporting of crime information related to violence on colleges campuses.

At that time, both violent and non-violent incidents were reported to campus authorities, but administrators had no legal obligation to disclose violent college crimes to the public. In the aftermath of Jeanne's murder, her parents, Connie and Howard Clery, founded Security on Campus, Inc., to end violence on all college campuses.

It is a nonprofit, grass-roots organization dedicated to making campuses safe. Partnering with over 150 colleges from 42 States, Security on Campus, Inc., offers educational programs on sexual assault, alcohol and drugs. Over the past few years, we have seen how important it is to pay attention to our students' safety on campus. It is unfortunate that it takes tragic events like those occurring at Virginia Tech and Northern Illinois for us to remember that crimes take place on college campuses all over the country.

More recently, Annie Le, a Yale University graduate student was allegedly murdered and found dead on campus the day she planned to marry her college sweetheart. The reauthorization of the Higher Education Act last year took new action to improve campus safety. It required each educational institution to clearly articulate a method to disseminate emergency notifications to the entire campus body in the case of an emergency. The law also includes measures to ensure that campus preparedness employees coordinate with local law enforcement and emergency management authorities to improve responses to campus emergencies.

Campus safety is relevant, important and necessary. Anyone can become a victim of a campus crime, and it is im-

perative that students are taught how to avoid dangerous situations. Congress must continue to encourage institutions to update their campus security plans and ensure systems are in place to deal with all types of emergencies. As we commemorate National Campus Safety Awareness Month in September, let us focus our efforts on educating our students about campus safety. Students need to be reminded every year about practical precautions to increase their safety.

Mr. Speaker, once again, I express my support for National Campus Safety Awareness Month and thank Representative SESTAK for bringing this resolution forward. I urge my colleagues to support this resolution.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself as much time as I may consume.

I rise in support of House Resolution 90, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Month. I would like to thank my colleague, Representative SESTAK, for introducing this important resolution recognizing the importance of safety on college campuses and the efforts of outside organizations to dedicate September to promoting greater public awareness of campus safety issues.

Unfortunately, over the past few years, we have seen how important it is to pay attention to our students' safety on campus. Sadly, college campuses are faced with the same crimes that plague many of our country's cities. Whether it be situations involving one individual, like the tragic murder of Annie Le at Yale University, or situations that involve the whole campus, like what occurred several years ago at Virginia Tech, colleges should continue to take steps to make sure the campus community is aware of activities on campus. A more informed population is often a safer population.

To that end, Congress took several steps in the Higher Education Opportunity Act last year to encourage institutions to update their campus security plans and ensure that they have steps in place to deal with all different types of emergencies.

Mr. Speaker, this resolution is especially timely this week as millions of students have left their homes and begun their fall semesters at colleges around the country. And I am pleased to support this resolution and urge my colleagues to do the same. And just as a sidebar—this didn't occur on a college campus—but one of the most distressing things that I have seen in my recent memory was the death of this young honor student in Chicago. And I think this just goes to safety on all campuses. I pray for that family and for that city with this terrible tragedy.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize the gentleman from Pennsylvania, the sponsor of this resolution, Mr. SESTAK, for 4 minutes.

Mr. SESTAK. Mr. Speaker, this month students will return to their