EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN CELEBRATION OF MISS SADIE THOMAS' 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. DAVID SCOTT

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I am happy to stand before you today to celebrate the 100th birthday of one of my constituents, Miss Sadie Thomas.

Sadie Thomas was born on July 27, 1911 in Jeffersonville, Georgia. Aunt Sadie to her family, Sadie spent most of her life on her family farm with her brother John. Sadie and John began their lives as sharecroppers, eventually moving on to their own plot of land. As a small farmer, she worked hard all her life, picking cotton and growing tomatoes, corn, squash and other crops.

From the very beginning, Sadie has remained a deeply religious woman, devoted to her family. When her sister passed away, leaving two children behind, Sadie helped raise both children on her farm with her mother.

To this day she remains a lifelong member of the Lizzie Harrell Baptist Church in Jeffersonville. She now resides near her family in a nursing home in my district.

As her friends and family celebrate her 100th birthday, we are all thankful that she is of sound mind and body. Mr. Speaker, my fellow colleagues, I hope you will join me today in wishing Miss Sadie Thomas a very happy birthday. May God continue to bless her with a long life.

IN HONOR OF CHURCHILL GRIMES

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of Churchill "Church" Bragaw Grimes, who on August 31 retires as the Fisheries Ecology Division Director of the Southwest Fisheries Science Center in Santa Cruz, California. The Fisheries Ecology Division of the Southwest Fisheries Science Center provides research focused on Pacific Coast groundfish and Pacific Salmon. Results of their research help to manage fisheries as well as threatened and endangered species in the area. Churchill has made very important contributions to resource conservation and management as the Director of the Fisheries Ecology Division.

Church has been active in the field of fishery science and management for over 40 years. He received both his B.S. and M.S. in biology from the East Carolina University at Greenville, North Carolina and his Ph.D. in Marine Sciences from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In 1977 he became the Assistant Professor of Marine Fisheries at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey and was promoted to Associate Professor in 1983. The following year he joined the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) as a Fishery Ecologist in Panama City, Florida. He has since been with the NMFS serving as Chief (acting) Resource Survey Division in Pascagoula, Mississippi; Leader, Fishery Ecology Investigations and Laboratory Director in Panama City; and Laboratory Director and Fisheries Ecology Division Director in Santa Cruz.

Some of Church's many contributions to the field of fishery science and management are his countless publications from his many years of "hands on" research in the lab and at sea. He has received numerous honors and awards including the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Bronze Medal in 1996 and again in 2006.

Mr. Speaker, I know I speak for the whole House as I commend Churchill "Church" Bragaw Grimes for all he has done and all he will undoubtedly continue to do. I extend my most sincere thanks and warmest wishes for his success and much happiness in his retirement.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2012

SPEECH OF

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2584) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes:

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Chair, I want to speak in favor of Mr. BASS' amendment to restore funds to the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

More than 40 years ago, Congress made a commitment to the American public—a commitment to use a small portion of revenues from offshore drilling toward natural resource conservation and outdoor recreation programs—a commitment to partially offset the depletion of limited natural resources that belong to us all.

Diverting these funds goes against the promise that Congress made to the American public back in 1965 and the American public doesn't support it.

A new bipartisan poll released today by the LWCF Coalition shows that 85 percent of Americans support full funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

The nation's primary tool to conserve land for parks, wildlife refuges, forests, rivers, trails, historic and cultural sites.

Cuts to the LWCF undermine the economic asset that our Federal, State, and local public lands represent in this country.

And rob the American public of the opportunity to enjoy and recreate in these special places.

According to the Outdoor Industry Foundation, outdoor recreation activities, including hunting, fishing, camping, and other activities contribute a total of $730 billion annually to the economy.

Supporting 1 of every 20 jobs in the U.S. and stimulating 8 percent of all consumer spending.

Support jobs, support our natural treasures, and keep our commitment to the American public.

Vote "yes" on the Bass Amendment to restore funds to the LWCF.

HONORING MONSIGNOR GABRIEL GHANOUM

HON. MARIO DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Monsignor Gabriel Ghanoum for his dedicated service to the Miami area. Monsignor Ghanoum has been a fixture in the community since 1994, and currently serves as pastor of the St. Nicholas Melkite Greek Catholic Church in Delray Beach, Florida.

In 1999 Monsignor Ghanoum started the Spanish Ministry at St. Jude's Melkite Catholic Church, and served as its pastor until 2010. He still celebrates mass with St. Jude's, often given to a standing room only crowd consisting of people from all over the state of Florida, and all over the world. He also provides mass for the homeless community of Miami, the JFK Medical Center and his current parish, St. Nicholas'. It is through his homilies that Monsignor Ghanoum gives his parishioners strength, motivation and insight into the power of prayer and devotion to God.

Throughout his time in Miami, Monsignor Ghanoum has established diverse programs for the needy and homeless, assisted at Miami Children's Hospital, and has served as a Victim's Assistance Coordinator for Child Abuse, among various other programs and services. Currently, he assists the sisters of the Missionaries of Charity of Mother Teresa in the archdiocese of Miami. Along with his work in Miami, he has been a stalwart supporter of the Mexican Association of Aid to Children with Cancer. It is through programs such as these that Monsignor Ghanoum truly shines, and impacts the lives of countless human beings.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to Monsignor Gabriel Ghanoum for his continued service to the Miami community. As a true servant of the Lord, he has dedicated himself to his faith and his community. He has gone beyond the call of duty, and has consistently demonstrated the high values of priesthood. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing this outstanding individual, and I wish him continued success and happiness in the future.

HONORING THE WORK OF NANCY MERCER AND JILL EGLE

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Nancy Mercer and Jill Egle, co-executive directors of The Arc of Northern Virginia, for their tremendous work on behalf of the disabled in our community.

As my colleagues know, The Arc is a leading advocacy and service organization for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, serving more than 7,000 families in Northern Virginia alone. I am sad to share that after 5 years of collaboration, Nancy and Jill have decided to move on, but they have left The Arc stronger than ever.

Under Nancy and Jill's leadership, the local Arc staff, volunteers and community partners have been successful in promoting and protecting the rights of people of all abilities to live comfortably in the community. One of The Arc's primary missions is to provide full inclusion for intellectually and developmentally disabled individuals in all aspects of the community.

Through their combined efforts, The Arc has been expanded its advocacy efforts to become one of the strongest grassroots organizations in the Commonwealth. They spearheaded the formation of the Virginia Ability Alliance, creating a more unified voice for people with disabilities. Thanks to the compelling public awareness campaign, ''A Life Like Yours . . . Take a Walk in Our Shoes,'' Nancy and Jill helped hammer home the message that community support is essential for The Arc to succeed. With the resulting increase in community and financial support, The Arc has been able to help more people with disabilities live comfortably within our community.

Their voice also is being heard by state and national policy makers. The Arc of Northern Virginia helped lead a statewide campaign to eradicate use of the degrading ''R'' word in Virginia's State Code. They worked with community partners to launch a successful Get Out the Vote campaign that buoyed the participation rate of disabled voters in the 2008 Presidential election, and they recently have used their influence in the international arena to educate representatives from Russia, China, and Korea on the necessity of improving the rights of the disabled globally.

It has been my pleasure to work with both Nancy and Jill, and I have a personal relationship with each of them. As Chairman of the Fairfax Board of Supervisors, I always looked forward to Jill's expert testimony. She successfully raised the level of public discourse on the struggles of the developmentally disabled in Northern Virginia. Nancy's desire to better the lives of those affected by intellectual disability also has been inspiring. She will continue her mission this August as the President and CEO of the PHILLIPS program, an organization dedicated to furthering the lives of the developmentally disabled throughout the National Capital Region.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the invaluable work of Nancy Mercer and Jill Egle to improve the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and wishing them continued success in their future pursuits. While their presence will be missed at The Arc, we are glad to know their influence will continue to be felt in our community.

RECOGNIZING SUZANNE STEWART POHLMAN, FOUNDER OF INTERFAITH COMMUNITY SERVICES

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the distinguished tenure of a constituent in my district, Ms. Suzanne Stewart Pohlman, on the occasion of her retirement as the founder and executive director of Interfaith Community Services located in Escondido, California.

As the creator, Ms. Pohlman has transformed Interfaith Community Services from a small food pantry into North San Diego County's most comprehensive social service agency and a nationally recognized model organization. Assisting over 35,000 individuals last year alone, Interfaith Services has been dedicated to serving and empowering the low-income, homeless, and underserved in North San Diego County for nearly 30 years.

Ms. Pohlman has established unique collaborations between faith centers, businesses, government and other not-for-profits to successfully achieve Interfaith's mission of providing resources to help persons in need attain self-sufficiency. Additionally, she has pioneered many housing programs, creating emergency, transitional, permanent supportive and permanent affordable housing stock for the North County community. Under Ms. Polhman's innovative management, Interfaith's programs have received multiple awards and now serves as a not-for-profit incubator to help emerging organizations develop the capacity to grow and succeed.

Time and again, Ms. Polhman has demonstrated her passion for helping people realize their own potential. I commend Ms. Polhman for her commitment to educating the community on ways—big and small—that we all can work to make a difference. Her hard work and dedication is seen through the lives she has touched.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing Ms. Pohlman's nearly three decades of service and leadership to the San Diego community as she retires as the Executive Director of Interfaith Community Services.

A TRIBUTE TO ORLA O'HANRAHAN ON HER RETIREMENT

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask my colleagues here in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in honoring Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy of Ireland, Orla O'Hanrahan, for her outstanding service here in Washington, DC.

Building on her years of experience in the Irish Foreign Service, Orla has brought to her position here tremendous skill, knowledge, diplomacy and enthusiasm.

Her past accomplishments include serving as a popular Consul General in Boston and Joint Director General of the International Fund for Ireland. She held the position of Press Officer for the Irish Embassy in Paris, and also was stationed in London during a time of great conflict and violence between Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Having visited Northern Ireland myself during that period, and as a member of the Congressional Friends of Ireland Caucus, I appreciate the important role that diplomats like Orla played during that difficult time which culminated in the successful Good Friday Accord.

Orla is a wonderful public servant and I know my colleagues join me in wishing her continued success and happiness as she returns to Ireland with her family.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2012

SPEECH OF

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 25, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2584) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, Environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes:

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Chair, I rise in opposition to the FY 2012 Interior Appropriations. At a time when Congress should be preventing a default crisis and working on job creation, the Majority has chosen to endanger our environment and public health by threatening the air we breathe, the water we drink, the national parks we play in, the wildlife we treasure, and the museums we explore. We cannot ignore the jobs that would be lost as a result of the cuts to the agencies this bill funds.

This bill would overturn 40 years of bipartisan environmental and public health protections. Gutting rules and regulations such as those in the Clean Air Act and the Clean Water Act would harm our Nation's health just as cities and towns across the country are struck by a record breaking heat wave. Instead of trying to reduce emissions and improve air quality, the House Majority wants to give a carve out to some of the biggest contaminators contributing to global warming.

It is shocking that in the aftermath of several disastrous oil spills, instead of fully funding oversight and enforcement for oil and gas extraction, my colleagues on the other side of the aisle have reduced that funding while increasing the budget for the oil and gas extraction programs that benefit big oil. Instead of punishing the flagrant polluters, the Majority chooses to reward them. In addition to reducing oversight capabilities, this legislation cuts important programs that promote clean and efficient energy solutions that would help America reduce its dependence on foreign oil.

If enacted, this bill would result in very steep cuts to programs that are important to keeping New York happy and healthy. These include

across the board cuts to programs such as the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative to combat invasive species and the Long Island Sound Restoration. The bill includes a provision on ballast water rules that is a direct attack on New York's strong rules to protect state waters from aquatic invasive species. Our guidelines are more stringent than federal and some international guidelines, which under this bill would actually prevent New York from receiving any related EPA funds.

Every state in the union depends on the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds to help manage wastewater and protect our drinking water. This bill drastically cuts funding to these programs by 55 percent and 14 percent as compared to last year. The Land and Water Conservation Fund that helps states and communities preserve public parks is cut by 78 percent. With more than three dozen anti-environment policy riders attached to the bill including those to remove the Endangered Species Act protections and to prohibit EPA cross-state air pollution standards, my colleagues on the other side of the aisle are using this Appropriations bill to push their own agenda and ideology at the expense of our health and that of our land, water and wildlife. This bill hurts those most vulnerable to contaminants such as our children suffering from asthma, and removes important protections for all creatures great and small.

I urge a "no" vote on this dangerous bill that jeopardizes the health of our country and our future.

HONORING FLORIDA CHIEF JUSTICE, LEANDER J. SHAW, JR.

HON. CORRINE BROWN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize former Florida Chief Justice, Leander J. Shaw Jr. Shaw was born in Salem, Virginia, on September 6, 1930. His parents were Leander J. Shaw, retired Dean of the Florida A&M University Graduate School in Tallahassee, and Margaret Shaw, a retired teacher. He attended public schools in Virginia and received his bachelor's degree in 1952 from West Virginia State College. After serving in the Korean conflict as an artillery officer, he entered law school and earned his juris doctorate degree in 1957 from Howard University.

Shaw came to Tallahassee in 1957 and followed in the footsteps of his father as an assistant professor of law at Florida A&M University. In 1960 he was admitted to the Florida Bar and went into private practice in Jacksonville, where he also served as assistant public defender. Shaw's hiring marked the beginning of an era that revamped the Florida judicial system. Prior to his hiring no African Americans were working for Duval County. Shaw later joined the State Attorney's staff in 1969, where he served as head of the Capital Crimes Division.

In 1974 Governor Reubin Askew appointed him to the Florida Industrial Relations Commission, where he served until Governor Bob Graham appointed him to the First District Court of Appeals. He served there until January 1983 when Governor Graham appointed him to the Supreme Court. Justice Shaw served as Chief Justice from 1990 to 1992. Following a prestigious career serving the public of Florida, Shaw returned to private practice.

Shaw serves on a number of advisory boards and is a member of various professional and community associations, including the American Bar Association, the National Center for State Courts, and Florida's Human Relations Council and Police Advisory Committee. He has been granted honorary degrees from West Virginia State, Florida International University, Nova University, Washington and Lee University and has been the recipient of such prestigious awards as the Florida Humanist of the Year and the Ben Franklin Award.

Justice Shaw is the father of five children and lives on Lake Iamonia in Leon County.

I submit an article by Tom Cornelison, entitled "Profiles in Courage."

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PROFILES IN COURAGE

(By Tom Cornelison)

Historians debate the merits of his presidency and it is certain his private life did not live up to his public image, but there is little argument that John F. Kennedy was an inspirational leader. When his life was cut short by an assassin in Dallas on November 22, 1963, Kennedy left behind the memories of history that he made and a slender volume of history that he wrote.

It was called Profiles in Courage, a collection of stories about political rather than physical courage in which public officials risked their careers by bucking popular opinion. Just such an episode quietly took place in Jacksonville the week before Kennedy died.

In those days of strict racial segregation throughout the South, Duval County Solicitor Edward M. Booth Sr. and Public Defender T. Edward Austin—a future Jacksonville mayor—each appointed an African-American to their staff. On November 15, 1963, Booth announced the hiring of Alfred R. Taylor while Austin did the same for Leander J. Shaw, who would later serve as chief justice of the Florida Supreme Court. The state's court system was revamped in 1967, but in 1963 the county solicitor functioned as a prosecuting district attorney for non-capital cases. The public defender's office was newly created and supplied legal representation for indigent defendants who could not afford attorneys.

On the second floor of the Duval County Courthouse, near Courtroom No. 8, two men's rooms stand side-by-side. What looks like poor planning today also gives silent testimony to the era in which Taylor and Shaw were appointed. In 1963, one of the men's rooms was labeled "white," the other "colored." Taylor and Shaw could only use the latter because that was the way things were. If they couldn't go in the same men's room as the vilest of white defendants, well, those defendants couldn't use theirs either. It all seemed normal.

"Separate but equal" seems comical when applied to bathrooms and water fountains, but it was grimly serious for society, where services and opportunities were clearly unequal. No black people had served in public or appointive office in Duval County since the enforced integration of the post-Civil War Reconstruction era almost a century before.

"Until Nat Glover was elected sheriff in 1995, we didn't even have a black elected to countywide office after Reconstruction," says Edward Booth Jr., a Jacksonville lawyer and historian who is the son of the 1963 county solicitor. "And the appointments by my father and Mr. Austin took place 32 years before. They were in an era of separate conditions, but it was really an era of separate exclusions.

"The thing is, they didn't have to do it. It was just the right thing to do."

Few controversial decisions are implemented with an in-your-face contempt for the conventional. This was not a movie with inspirational background music. Booth Sr. and Austin presented sound, practical arguments for their action. These centered on the landmark 1963 U.S. Supreme Court ruling on the Gideon vs. Wainwright case. Prior to this ruling, accused Florida lawbreakers in non-capital cases were not entitled to an attorney if they could not afford one. Clarence Earl Gideon. a convicted burglar from Panama City, argued this violated his Constitutional rights and won his case with the help of attorney Abe Fortas, later a U.S. Supreme Court Justice. The story was later dramatized in Gideon's Trumpet, a made-for-TV movie starring Henry Fonda and José Ferrer.

"It was an exciting time in the legal profession. Tremendous changes were taking place," recalls Austin, who is 81 and served as Jacksonville's mayor from 1991–95. "It was also a very busy time. The Gideon decision made a public defender's office necessary because it immediately threw 580 convicted inmates from Jacksonville back into the court system to be retried. We had been sending people without lawyers to prison regularly for years. Very many of these were minorities. It was obvious minorities should be involved In the process. It was just true. There was a great mistrust of the legal system in the black community and we earned that mistrust because the system abused them for decades."

In making his 1963 announcement—timed on a Friday, perhaps to give any resulting anger a weekend to simmer down—Booth Sr. also cited the number of cases involving racial minorities as a reason for the appointment, saying Taylor's experience as a lawyer and, earlier, as a school principal, would be "of immeasurable value . . . in dealing with young Negro defendants."

The term "Negro" was not considered a slur at the time. The Florida Times-Union and Jacksonville Journal both used it in headlines about the appointments. So did the Florida Star, an African-American newspaper that heralded the event as a "Florida breakthrough" and added "Duval County set a statewide precedent."

The Times-Union reported that "Booth said the services of a qualified Negro attorney would greatly assist in the prosecution of cases involving Negro defendants, who represent the majority of persons coming before the court." Booth also favorably cited "work done by Negro assistants employed by" the Sheriff's Office and Juvenile Court.

Besides the logic of black lawyers dealing with black criminal cases, the joint announcement meant Booth and Austin had each side covered—prosecution and defense. Austin insists this was a coincidence.

"Eddie and I were friendly but I don't remember that we ever discussed it at all," Austin says. "Of course, you're talking about a half-century ago, but I don't think we ever talked. I'm just real glad he did it. Spread some of the risk around."

That risk turned out to be non-existent.

At Taylor's funeral in June 1988, Booth said the only criticism he received was from an angry woman who called him at home the next day. He said she called him back an hour later and apologized.

Austin said his only opposition came before his decision to hire the young lawyer.

"A group of 20 or 25 public officials met with me who really didn't want me to make

the appointment,'' he recalls. ''They were not the least bit enamored with my decision and tried to talk me out of it. I said it wouldn't hurt them and it wouldn't hurt me and if it did hurt me, then I'd just go on and do something else for a living.''

''Maybe it's because Judge Shaw's credentials were so impressive, but there was never any negative feedback. You pick a winner, you'll be all right. Still, it surprised me, considering the reaction I had gotten before the announcement. It was not the deal-breaker in the community that they thought. Just a sense of calm. I can remember a few members of the Bar Association raised minor objections when Judge Shaw would cross-examine witnesses in rape cases, but that didn't amount to much.''

Booth's son believes Kennedy's assassination in Dallas one week later overshadowed the appointments. There is no doubt it ate up all the news space and air time, as anyone who can remember that day knows.

''I'm not sure I want to go there,'' Austin says. ''I think if there was going to be any serious criticism I'd have gotten it the first or second day.''

Perhaps the explanation is that racial tension in Jacksonville did not seriously heat up until later in the 1960s.

The younger Booth recalls his house was put under police guard and a slur was spray-painted on the family car when his father successfully prosecuted four Ku Klux Klansmen for brutally attacking an elderly black minister. The September 1965 verdict was the second conviction the elder Booth obtained in a white-on-black crime case with an all-white jury. The defense attorney, incidentally, was J.B. Stoner, the flamboyant white supremacist who later ran for governor of Georgia.

''A lot of people have taken a lot of credit for a lot of things in the advancement of civil rights,'' says the junior Booth. ''There's nothing wrong with that. It's fine that they do. But my dad and Mr. Austin took it in stride.''

''All in a day's work,'' says Austin,

Taylor and Shaw took it in stride, too. An example is a meeting of Austin's staff in which one of the lawyers said, ''Look, we can do what we want. We're free, white and 21.'' All eyes turned to Shaw. Looking perplexed, he dead-panned, ''You want to run that by me again?''

Austin later switched to prosecution and, as state attorney, employed both Taylor and Shaw. Taylor retired in 1977 and died 11 years later. Shaw prosecuted 42 cases and lost only one. In 1979, Gov. Bob Graham appointed Shaw to the state supreme court where he was elevated to chief justice in 1990. He is now 77, retired, and lives in Leon County.

Despite admitted political differences, Austin and Shaw remain close friends. It was Shaw who swore in Austin as Jacksonville's mayor in 1991.

Booth Sr. died in 2006, like Taylor, at age 78.

All but lost to history is a quiet act of political courage that occured in Northeast Florida some 45 years ago, but it lives on as the memory of a job well done by a man in his eighties and in the pride of a son for his father.

RECOGNIZING BRENDAN MOORE FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE FIFTH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Brendan Moore for his outstanding work on behalf of the people of the Fifth District of Illinois. For the past two years, Brendan has served as my Legislative Counsel, advising my staff and me on legal issues and doing Judiciary Committee work.

A true Chicagoan and graduate of Loyola University Chicago School of Law, Brendan represented my alma mater with aplomb in his work on various legislative initiatives, including bills to close the gun show loophole and to ensure honest services from our elected officials. Furthermore, his great attitude and hearty sense of humor made working with him a true pleasure.

Perhaps most importantly, as a Notre Dame graduate Brendan gave me someone with whom I could talk ND football—even if the news was usually bad.

Whether it was Honest Services, Judiciary Committee briefings, or football under the Golden Dome, Brendan's thoughtful and professional contributions have been a great boon to our office and we thank him.

As he leaves to pursue public service opportunities back in Chicago, I am confident that his expertise, integrity, and good humor will continue to serve the people of Illinois well. I thank Brendan again for his hard work and wish him the best of luck in the future.

CONGRATULATING REAR ADMIRAL MICHAEL McMAHON

HON. NORMAN D. DICKS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. DICKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Rear Admiral Michael McMahon, United States Navy, a resident of my home state of Washington, on his upcoming retirement August 11 after 4 years as Program Executive Officer for Aircraft Carriers and 32 years service to his country.

Rear Admiral Michael E. McMahon was commissioned in 1979 from the University of Colorado where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering. He has also earned a Master of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1986 from the Naval Postgraduate School and a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Mechanical Engineering/Materials Science from the Naval Postgraduate School in 1996.

Rear Admiral McMahon's sea assignments included engineering tours onboard USS *Richard S. Edwards* (DD 950), USS *John F. Kennedy* (CV 67), USS *Ranger* (CV 61), and USS *Carl Vinson* (CVN 70) as Chief Engineer. Rear Admiral McMahon's shore assignments included Ship Design Manager, Future Aircraft Carriers Program (CITNX), Naval Sea Systems Command, PMS–378, and Program Director, Future Aircraft Carrier Program (CVNX), Naval Sea Systems Command, PMS–378. He has served as Engineering and Planning Officer and Business Officer at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and IMF. Rear Admiral McMahon has also served as Executive Secretary to the Naval Research Advisory Committee and Government Advisor to the Defense Science Board. In August 2004, he reported as Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Conversion and Repair, USN, Newport News, Virginia responsible for the U.S. Navy's Aircraft Carrier and Submarine Ship Construction, refueling and repair programs at Northrop Grumman Newport News. On 3 December 2007, Rear Admiral McMahon assumed command as the fifth Program Executive Officer for Aircraft Carriers.

Rear Admiral McMahon distinguished himself in every aspect of his demanding and complex assignment as the Program Executive Officer for Aircraft Carriers. During his tour he led the effort to begin construction of the Navy's first aircraft carrier design in 40 years, the *Gerald R. Ford* Class, and achieved the major milestone of laying the keel of the first ship of the class, CVN 78, in 2009. He also oversaw the beginning of advanced construction of the second aircraft carrier in the class, *John F. Kennedy* (CVN 79), in 2011.

Rear Admiral McMahon provided capable leadership for in-service aircraft carrier programs at PEO Aircraft Carriers. He organized the Naval Sea System Command's support for the time-critical fire restoration of USS *George Washington* (CVN 73). His leadership was key in driving successful delivery of CVN 73 back to the Fleet to support critical Forward Deployed Naval Forces missions. He also oversaw the successful commissioning and delivery of USS *George H.W. Bush* (CVN 77) the last *Nimitz* class aircraft carrier, which transitioned from delivery to deployment in only 24 months. During his tenure the Refueling and Complex Overhaul (RCOH) of USS *Carl Vinson* (CVN 70) was completed under budget and the RCOH of USS *Theordore Roosevelt* was begun. He also oversaw the last drydocking of the Nation's oldest aircraft carrier USS *Enterprise* (CVN 65) and worked to begin the planning for the first nuclear powered aircraft carrier inactivation.

Rear Admiral McMahon's decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), Navy Achievement Medal, Liberation of Kuwait Medals (Kuwait and Saudi Arabia), Southwest Asia Service Medal, Navy Expeditionary Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, National Defense Medal, and Sea Service Deployment Ribbon.

For his many years of service to our Nation, I join my colleagues in extending our best wishes upon his retirement and wish him ongoing success in all future endeavors.

HONORING PETTY OFFICER AMILCAR RODRIGUEZ

HON. CHRISTOPHER S. MURPHY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary bravery of Petty Officer Amilcar Rodriguez, who was awarded the Silver Star for his valor in combat. The remarkable courage he demonstrated while aiding fellow soldiers at great personal risk represents the highest caliber of service to his country.

A 1998 graduate of Avon High School, Petty Officer Rodriguez was serving as a Navy corpsman, or medic, on November 6, 2009, in Bala Murghab in Afghanistan when a Marine and two Afghan soldiers in his team were shot and wounded by an enemy sniper. Under extreme duress, Rodriguez returned fire, killing

two enemy combatants. He then exposed himself to enemy fire and was shot three times while dragging the wounded Marine to safety. As other Marines rescued Rodriguez and his colleague, he told them how to treat his wounded colleague. Later, while still seriously injured, Rodriguez assisted other medics in treating the wounded.

The Silver Star is the third-highest military decoration members of the armed forces can receive, and is only given to soldiers who perform "with marked distinction" and demonstrate gallantry in the face of considerable military adversity. The bravery Petty Officer Rodriguez displayed shows his exceptional dedication to the armed forces and to his fellow soldiers.

In reflection of the Silver Star he was recently awarded, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing and honoring the incredible actions, courage and selflessness of Connecticut native, Petty Officer Amilcar Rodriguez.

CIVIL RIGHTS ABUSES IN CYPRUS

HON. JESSE L. JACKSON, JR.

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in remembrance of the lives lost to date on Cyprus, and in recognition of the continuing conflict and civil rights abuses taking place on the island.

On July 20, 1974, Turkey invaded Cyprus in response to a Greek led coup, bringing to life a conflict that had long remained dormant. On that day, Turkish armed forces took control of the Northern portion of the island, and continue to occupy nearly 37 percent of Cyprus' territory today.

The continuing occupation has resulted in segregation and division of Greek and Turkish Cypriots, preventing the diverse and peaceful communities that once existed from returning, and inhibiting any communication or peaceful solution to the current crisis.

To date, more than 160,000 Turkish mainland settlers have emigrated to Cyrpus, creating an imbalance in the population. In addition to that figure, the continued presence of 43,000 Turkish troops in Cyprus has contributed to tension between either ethnicity.

During the course of this conflict, more than 200,000 Greek Cypriots have been forced from their homes; 520 Greek Orthodox churches have been vandalized; 15,000 ecclesiastical items have been lost or stolen; nearly 60,000 Cypriot artifacts have been illegally transferred to other nations; and the property of displaced Greek-Cypriots, including homes and business, has been commandeered by mainland Turkish immigrants. These human rights violations, historical defacements, and cultural destruction of the Cypriot legacy must be stopped.

Mr. Speaker, this House and the United Nations have consistently passed resolutions calling for protection of the Cypriot people, restoration of property rights, and the return of stolen historic and religious artifacts. It is critical that a peaceful solution to this standoff is reached, so that all Cypriot people can return to their homes, and rebuild the vibrant, diverse and accepting communities that once existed there.

I urge all parties involved to join in negotiating a settlement that will prevent further devastation and restore peace and security to the island of Cyprus.

TRIBUTE TO THE WOUNDED WARRIORS AT WALTER REED ARMY MEDICAL CENTER

HON. STEVE AUSTRIA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. AUSTRIA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer a tribute poem to the brave men and women who were wounded while serving our country—our Wounded Warriors at Walter Reed Army Medical Center:

100 Years . . .
Throughout all that heartache . . .
And all those most swollen tears . . .
And all of that most courageous courage, so seen here . . .
From battlefields of honor bright!
From far across those distant shores, those fights . . .
From deep blue oceans of yore . . .
And all of those heroes, up in those air wars . . .
Who on land, air and sea . . .
Army, Navy, The Air Force, Coast Guard and the United States Marine Corps . . .
Have all brought their Brothers and Sisters In Arms, to Walter Reed . . .
To Heal!
To rebuild where none lies left!
With but only their fine hearts to bless . . .
As it was all here, that they so received . . .
But The Very Best, at Walter Reed!
Doctors and Nurses and Therapists, Soldiers and Social Workers on this great list . . .
Who have but faced the worst, who have but passed that test!
Cheating death, with but only their most courageous quests . . .
With years of training and devoting, to complete their most noble of notions!
But to heal only our very best!
With only their skills and most courageous hearts, no less . . .
Against All Odds, they would not rest . . .
This Battle, Their Valiant Quest, to win that night so yes!
Day In and Day Out . . .
As their fine hearts to them, so shout . . .
Not to give up, nor give in . . .
For this is how miracles all begin!
All out here on the cutting edge . . .
As their fine hearts are but all so pledged . . .
So pledged, but to heal!
To an oath so true, so real!
To Men and Women without arms and legs . . .
Who without eyes and faces, as to them so pray . . .
And yet, with the stress of each new day . . .
How stoically, all of them have made their ways . . .
But, a thank you is all they ask . . .
As they've seen all of those Mothers crying . . .
Out in the halls, with all that pain and heartache . . . asking why then?
Surely, there is no denying . . .
Holding a young man's hand, until he lays dying . . .
As their fine hearts and souls, so trying . . .
And yet, they go to work each day . . .
Asking not much more, then to win those battles great . . .
To save our most precious heroes, all in their light!
With the Gift of Life, they ask but for one more night!
As each and all, are but quiet heroes in God's eyes . . .
As it's in private that they now so cry!
As they go out all about their jobs each day . . .
Attention, to themselves, they'll not pay . . .
As it's to save precious life, for which they pray!
And when that light once again begins to shine . . .
They must now draw a new battle line!
To rebuild . . . to somehow instill . . .
With Hope, the very will . . . all in a fine hero's heart to live!
And somehow to start all over again!
To ready them to rejoin that fight, or to try to start a brand new life . . .
As it's clear, that they've done as much to help win all those wars!
At Walter Reed, have come . . .
Such magnificent men and women, our daughters and sons . . .
Who to death will not heed!
All because they so believe!
All those lives, and all those stories . . .
And all of those children who'll now know the glory . . .
That glory of having a Mom and Dad, and who one day may grow up to be . . .
An Angel, saving lives at Walter Reed!

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, today our national debt is $14,342,830,116,551.28.

On January 6, 2009, the start of the 111th Congress, the national debt was $10,638,425,746,293.80.

This means the national debt has increased by $3,704,404,370,257.48 since then.

This debt and its interest payments we are passing to our children and all future Americans.

HONORING THE BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Madison, located in Morris County, New Jersey as they celebrate their 165th Anniversary.

Bethel was the first African-American Church in the Borough of Madison, New Jersey. Its beginnings date back to 1846 when informal gatherings first took place. After being deeded property in 1850, Bethel emerged 35 years later in 1885. Bethel Madison is a testimony of growth and constancy, thriving throughout the many decades. It has been witness to over a century and a half of American history. The church has seen its fair share of hardships, but it has managed to survive and thrive.

Today, Bethel's unassuming, traditional structure remains, but what takes place inside

reflects the church's modernity. Led by Reverend Teresa Rynn Rushdan, the congregation is alive and vibrant as sermons and music professing God's love echo throughout the church each week. Bethel serves the community through numerous programs aimed at feeding and clothing the needy. The church also hosts a variety of community events that allows their followers to connect with each other and the rest of the Madison community.

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church is a place where anyone is welcome to find God. It is a church that welcomes new followers with open arms, regardless of race. Though they are distinguished by the name African, they are a multicultural church. Bethel is truly an embracing ministry devoted to its followers and the community.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church as they celebrate their 165th Anniversary.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF USPS LETTER CARRIER ED PYRZYNSKI

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the long and distinguished career of Ed Pyrzynski. For over 40 years, he has served as a letter carrier for the United States Postal Service (USPS), and has tirelessly worked to represent and protect the interests of his fellow USPS employees.

The son of Ed and Mary Pyrzynski, Mr. Pyrzynski began his career as a letter carrier for the USPS in 1970. His work was driven by his strong belief that the great service offered by the USPS should be brought to every home and business. Mr. Pyrzynski was also dedicated in ensuring that the most important issues faced by USPS employees were well-represented and considered. In the early 1980s, he became involved with the National Association of Letter Carriers, and was elected as a union steward for the Kedzie Grace Station. Through his work, he helped to promote cooperation between local employees and management by forming committees, organizing station and community events, and identifying various issues for joint resolution.

In the 1990s, Mr. Pyrzynski attended Wright College and Northeastern Illinois University, and graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in training and development. He also began his work with the Illinois Letter Carrier Association, and later became the legislative liaison for the Illinois 5th Congressional District. In this capacity, he worked closely with my district office and traveled to Washington, D.C. in presenting the most salient issues faced by USPS letter carriers and other working Americans.

Today, Mr. Pyrzynski continues his work for the National Association of Letter Carriers by reconciling employee grievances. He was previously involved in the NALC's Dispute Resolution, a joint effort by USPS employees and management to promote accord in reducing the number of cases that go through costly arbitration resolutions. As he retires from his long and illustrious career, I am certain that Ed looks forward to moving to Arizona with his wife Laura, and spending more time with his family including his sons Jason, Seth, Travis, and Jeremy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Ed Pyrzynski and his commitment to the many businesses and residents in the Chicagoland area, and to the interests of its employees. His tireless service and dedication will be missed, and I wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO JOE SNEDEKER

HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor and acknowledge a local television personality and educator who has parlayed his regional fame and physical endurance into a community-wide fundraising effort for severely mentally and physically handicapped children in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Joe Snedeker was born at St. Joseph's Hospital in Carbondale, Pennsylvania, on February 19, 1966. At an early age, Joe showed an aptitude for science. After graduating from Millersville University, Joe got a teaching job at Carbondale Area High School. Between teaching; marrying his wife, Dawn; and raising three children, Joseph, Luke, and Aleah, Joe worked at a local television station on weekends. As a sign of his lifelong commitment to education and learning, Joe recently finished his master's degree in Biology/Environmental Science from East Stroudsburg University.

In 1999, Joe was hired full-time at WNEP–TV. Over the last several years, hundreds of thousands of residents in Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania have tuned in to Joe to find out what the daily weather forecast would be. Joe not only provides the weather forecast, but he also seeks to educate viewers about basic scientific principles.

Fourteen years ago, Joe, an avid cyclist, initiated an annual charity bike ride. For several days each summer, Joe pedals from location to location, raising money for severely mentally and physically handicapped children at St. Joseph's Center in Dunmore, Pennsylvania. Over the years, Joe has started his ride as far away from Northeastern Pennsylvania as Atlantic City, New Jersey; Plymouth Rock, Massachusetts; Cleveland, Ohio; and Kitty Hawk, North Carolina.

Thousands of miles pedaled adds up to well over a million dollars raised—money that supports the outstanding work of the dedicated staff, administration, and volunteers at St. Joseph's Center, an independent Catholic agency sponsored by the Congregation of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary that strives to provide individuals and families who have special needs the opportunity to develop their abilities and potential to the fullest extent possible.

Mr. Speaker, I commend Joe Snedeker for his charitable work on behalf of the mentally and physically handicapped children at St. Joseph's Center in Dunmore, Pennsylvania. Thousands of people—from the families of those children, to the staff and administration of the center, to Joe's devoted viewing audience—join me in congratulating him and wishing him many years of happy pedaling.

H.R. 1938, THE NORTH AMERICAN-MADE ENERGY SECURITY ACT

HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. UPTON. Madam Chair, I submit the following exchange of letters.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE,
Washington, DC, July 8, 2011.

Hon. DOC HASTINGS,
Chairman, Committee on Natural Resources, Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN HASTINGS: Thank you for your letter regarding H.R. 1938, the North American-Made Energy Security Act. The Committee on Energy and Commerce recognizes that the Committee on Natural Resources has jurisdiction over H.R. 1938, and I appreciate your effort to waive the Committee's right to take action on it.

I concur with you that foregoing action on H.R. 1938 does not in any way prejudice the Committee on Natural Resources with respect to its jurisdictional prerogatives on this bill or similar legislation in the future, and I would support your effort to seek appointment of an appropriate number of conferees to any House-Senate conference involving this or related legislation.

I appreciate your cooperation regarding this legislation and I will include our letters on H.R. 1938 in the Congressional Record during House floor consideration of the bill.

Sincerely,

FRED UPTON,
Chairman.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE,
Washington, DC, July 24, 2011.

Hon. FRED UPTON,
Chairman, Committee on Energy and Commerce, Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN UPTON: I write concerning H.R. 1938, the North American-Made Energy Security Act, which is expected to be scheduled for floor consideration the week of July 25, 2011.

As you know, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure was listed as the Committee of primary jurisdiction when H.R. 1938 was introduced on May 23, 2011. I recognize and appreciate your desire to bring this legislation before the House of Representatives in an expeditious manner, and accordingly, the Committee will forgo action on the bill.

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure takes this action with our mutual understanding that by foregoing consideration of H.R. 1938 at this time, we do not waive any jurisdiction over subject matter contained in this or similar legislation. Further, I request your support in the appointment of conferees from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure during any House-Senate conference convened on this legislation.

As you are aware, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure is the Committee of primary jurisdiction on any legislation to reauthorize federal pipeline safety programs. As such, our agreement to forego consideration of H.R. 1938 is also conditional on our mutual understanding that the Committee on Energy and Commerce will not take any Full Committee action on legislation related to the reauthorizing of the federal pipeline safety programs until

the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure has acted on such legislation.

I would appreciate your response to this letter, confirming this understanding, and would ask that a copy of our exchange of letters on this matter be included in the Congressional Record during Floor consideration.

Sincerely,

JOHN L. MICA,
Chairman.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE,
Washington, DC, June 18, 2011.

Hon. JOHN L. MICA,
Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN MICA: Thank you for your letter regarding H.R. 1938, the North American-Made Energy Security Act. The Committee on Energy and Commerce recognizes that the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure has primary jurisdiction over H.R. 1938, and I appreciate your effort to facilitate consideration of this bill.

I concur with you that foregoing action on H.R. 1938 does not in any way prejudice the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with respect to its jurisdictional prerogatives on this bill or similar legislation in the future, and I will support your effort to seek appointment of an appropriate number of conferees to any House-Senate conference involving this or related legislation.

I also concur with you that the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure is the Committee of primary jurisdiction on legislation to reauthorize the federal pipeline safety programs and agree to not take action before September 20, 2011 at full committee on such legislation, allowing the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure to take action on such legislation.

I appreciate your cooperation regarding this legislation and I will include our letters on H.R. 1938 in the Congressional Record during House floor consideration of the bill.

Sincerely,

FRED UPTON,
Chairman.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES,
Washington, DC, July 8, 2011.

Hon. FRED UPTON,
Chairman, Committee on Energy and Commerce, Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN UPTON: I write concerning H.R. 1938, the North American-Made Energy Security Act.

As you know, the Committee on Natural Resources received an original referral of H.R. 1938 when it was introduced on May 23, 2011. I recognize and appreciate your desire to bring this legislation before the House of Representatives in an expeditious manner, and accordingly, the Committee will forego action on the bill.

The Committee on Natural Resources takes this action with our mutual understanding that by foregoing consideration of H.R. 1938 at this time, we do not waive any jurisdiction over the subject matter contained in this or similar legislation. Further, I request your support for the appointment of conferees from the Committee on Natural Resources during any House-Senate conference convened on this or related legislation.

I would appreciate your response to this letter, confirming this understanding, and would ask that a copy of our exchange of letters on this matter be included in the Congressional Record during floor consideration.

Sincerely,

DOC HASTINGS,
Chairman.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GARY L. ACKERMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday, July 26, 2011, I inadvertently voted "aye" on rollcall No. 650. I intended to vote "no."

FAA JOBS LOST AND STOP WORK ORDERS

HON. CORRINE BROWN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following information regarding loss of FAA Jobs:

FAA NON-EXCEPTED EMPLOYEES BY CITY

[As of 7-29, 10AM]

APPN Desc					
State	City	AIP	F&E PCB & T	RE&D	Grand Total
ALASKA	ANCHORAGE	17	62		79
ALASKA Total		17	62	79	1
ARIZONA	PHOENIX		1		1
ARIZONA Total			1		1
CALIFORNIA	BURLINGGAME	17			17
	FULLERTON		2		2
	HAWTHORNE	32	136		168
	LOS ANGELES		2		2
	MOFFETT FIELD			1	1
	OAKLAND		4		4
	PALMDALE		3		3
	SACRAMENTO		5		5
	SAN DIEGO		2		2
	SAN FRANCISCO	1			1
	UPLAND		1		1
CALIFORNIA Total		50	155	1	206
COLORADO	COLORADO SPGS		1		1
	DENVER	1	3		4
	LONGMONT		6		6
	WATKINS	13	3		16
COLORADO Total		14	13		27
CONNECTICUT	WINDSOR LOCKS		1		1
CONNECTICUT Total			1		1
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	WASHINGTON	95	860	61	1016
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Total		95	860	61	1016
FLORIDA	HILLIARD		1		1
	MELBOURNE		4		4
	MIAMI		3		3
	ORLANDO	19			19
FLORIDA Total		19	8		27
GEORGIA	ATLANTA	2	4	1	7
	COLLEGE PARK	27	10		37
	EAST POINT		287		287
	FULTON COUNTY		1		1
	HAMPTON		4		4
GEORGIA Total		29	306	1	336
HAWAII	HONOLULU	5			5

FAA NON-EXCEPTED EMPLOYEES BY CITY—Continued

[As of 7-29, 10AM]

State	City	APPN Desc			
		AIP	F&E PCB & T	RE&D	Grand Total
HAWAII Total		5		5	
IDAHO	BOISE		1		1
	TWIN FALLS		1		1
IDAHO Total			2		2
ILLINOIS	AURORA		5		5
	CHICAGO		3		3
	DES PLAINES	30	103		133
	ELK GROVE VILLAGE		4		4
ILLINOIS Total		30	115		145
INDIANA	FORT WAYNE		1		1
	INDIANAPOLIS		6		6
INDIANA Total			7		7
KANSAS	OLATHE		14		14
	SHAWNEE		1		1
KANSAS Total			15		15
MARYLAND	BALTIMORE		1		1
	GAITHERSBURG		2		2
	HAGERSTOWN		1		1
	ROCKVILLE		2		2
	SALISBURY		1		1
MARYLAND Total			7		7
MASSACHUSETTS	BOSTON		2		2
	BURLINGTON	18	34		52
	CAMBRIDGE		1		1
MASSACHUSETTS Total		18	37		55
MICHIGAN	BATTLE CREEK		4		4
	DETROIT	1			1
	ROMULUS	3	1		4
	SAGINAW		1		1
	WATERFORD		2		2
	WAYNE COUNTY	10			10
MICHIGAN Total		14	8		22
MINNESOTA	FARMINGTON		3		3
	MINNEAPOLIS	13	2		15
MINNESOTA Total		13	5		18
MISSISSIPPI	JACKSON	10			10
MISSISSIPPI Total		10			10
MISSOURI	INDEPENDENCE		11		11
	KANSAS CITY	24	45		69
MISSOURI Total		24	56		80
MONTANA	HELENA	3			3
MONTANA Total		3			3
NEVADA	LAS VEGAS		1		1
NEDAVA Total			1		1
NEW HAMPSHIRE	NASHUA		42		42
NEW HAMPSHIRE Total			42		42
NEW JERSEY	ATLANTIC CITY	24	497	118	639
	MORRISTOWN		1		1
	NEWARK		5		5
	NEWTONVILLE		1		1
	POMONA		1		1
	TRENTON		4		4
NEW JERSEY Total		24	509	118	651
NEW MEXICO	ALBUQUERQUE		4		4
NEW MEXICO Total			4		4
NEW YORK	GARDEN CITY	16			16
	ISLIP		6		6
	ITHACA		1		1
	NEW YORK		1		1
	NEW YORK-QUEENS	13	80		93
	QUEENS COUNTY	2	6		8
	ROME		1		1
	SYRACUSE		1		1
NEW YORK Total		31	96		127
NORTH DAKOTA	BISMARK	6			6
	GRAND FORKS		1		1
NORTH DAKOTA Total		6	1		7
OHIO	COLUMBUS		1		1
	OBERLIN		4		4
OHIO Total			5		5
OKLAHOMA	OKLAHOMA CITY	3	46	84	133

FAA NON-EXCEPTED EMPLOYEES BY CITY—Continued

[As of 7-29, 10AM]

State	City	APPN Desc			
		AIP	F&E PCB & T	RE&D	Grand Total
OKLAHOMA Total		3	46	84	133
PENNSYLVANIA	ALLENTOWN		1		1
	ALTOONA		1		1
	AVOCA		2		2
	CAMP HILL	8			8
	CORAOPOLIS		6		6
	DU BOIS		1		1
	LESTER		1		1
	NEW CUMBERLAND	1			1
	SCRANTON		4		4
PENNSYLVANIA Total		9	16		25
PUERTO RICO	SAN JUAN		3		3
PUERTO RICO Total			3		3
SOUTH DAKOTA	HURON		1		1
	SIOUX FALLS		1		1
SOUTH DAKOTA Total			2		2
TENNESSEE	MEMPHIS	9	4		13
TENNESSEE Total		9	4		13
TEXAS	DALLAS		1		1
	EULESS		1		1
	FORT WORTH	42	216		258
	HOUSTON		7		7
TEXAS Total		42	225		267
UTAH	SALT LAKE CITY		5		5
UTAH Total			5		5
VIRGINIA	CHANTILLY		1		1
	DULLES AIRPORT	9			9
	HAMPTON		1	1	2
	HERNDON		6		6
	LEESBURG		6		6
	LOUDOUN COUNTY		1		1
	NORFOLK		2		2
	VIRGINIA BEACH		2		2
VIRGINIA Total		9	19	1	29
WASHINGTON	AUBURN		3		3
	NEAH BAY		1		1
	RENTON	29	177		206
	SEATTLE		5		5
WASHINGTON Total		29	186		215
WEST VIRGINIA	BEAVER	2			2
	BECKLEY	1			1
WEST VIRGINIA Total		3			3
Grand Total		506	2822	266	3594

HOUSE REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP JEOPARDIZES MORE THAN 90,000 AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION AND FAA EMPLOYEE JOBS

	Airport Construction Funding Lost	Airport Construction Jobs Lost	FAA Employee Jobs Lost	Total Jobs Lost
Alabama	$32,400,000	1,127		1,127
Alaska	69,700,000	2,424	79	2,503
Arizona	35,100,000	1,221	1	1,221
Arkansas	25,900,000	901		901
California	131,500,000	4,573	206	4,779
Colorado	34,200,000	1,189	27	1,216
Connecticut	4,700,000	163	1	164
Delaware	800,000	28		28
District of Columbia	300,000	10	1,016	1,026
Florida	88,000,000	3,061	27	3,088
Georgia	67,100,000	2,334	336	2,670
Hawaii	21,300,000	741	5	746
Idaho	17,500,000	609	2	611
Illinois	90,300,000	3,141	145	3,286
Indiana	19,400,000	675	7	682
Iowa	41,100,000	1,429		1,429
Kansas	41,900,000	1,457	15	1,472
Kentucky	18,700,000	650		650
Louisiana	33,500,000	1,165		1,165
Maine	12,700,000	442		442
Maryland	9,100,000	316	7	323
Massachusetts	17,900,000	623	55	678
Michigan	36,400,000	1,266	22	1,288
Minnesota	36,200,000	1,259	18	1,277
Mississippi	34,600,000	1,203	10	1,213
Missouri	24,600,000	856	80	936
Montana	18,700,000	650	3	653
Nebraska	21,900,000	762		762
Nevada	36,000,000	1,252	1	1,253
New Hampshire	3,700,000	129	42	171
New Jersey	44,700,000	1,555	651	2,206
New Mexico	25,400,000	883	4	887
New York	62,600,000	2,177	127	2,304
North Carolina	45,600,000	1,586		1,586
North Dakota	22,800,000	793	7	800
Ohio	38,900,000	1,353	5	1,358
Oklahoma	54,800,000	1,906	133	2,039
Oregon	16,500,000	574		574
Pennsylvania	28,300,000	984	25	1,009

HOUSE REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP JEOPARDIZES MORE THAN 90,000 AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION AND FAA EMPLOYEE JOBS—Continued

	Airport Construction Funding Lost	Airport Construction Jobs Lost	FAA Employee Jobs Lost	Total Jobs Lost
Rhode Island	1,100,000	38		38
South Carolina	30,700,000	1,068		1,068
South Dakota	25,700,000	894	2	896
Tennessee	34,700,000	1,207	13	1,220
Texas	72,100,000	2,508	267	2,775
Utah	10,100,000	351	5	356
Vermont	4,800,000	167		167
Virginia	40,500,000	1,409	29	1,438
Washington	37,900,000	1,318	215	1,533
West Virginia	10,800,000	376	3	379
Wisconsin	25,300,000	880		880
Wyoming	15,900,000	553		553
Puerto Rico	15,900,000	553	3	556
Other Territories	9,900,000	344		344
Discretionary Grants	800,000,000	27,823		27,823
TOTAL	$2,500,200,000	86,954	3,594	90,548

Note: This table was prepared by Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Democratic Staff based on technical assistance from the Federal Aviation Administration. The Airport Construction Jobs Lost column is based on the 2007 Federal-aid Highway Administration model on the correlation between infrastructure investment and employment: $1 billion of Federal-aid Highway investment creates or sustains 34,779 jobs over a seven-year period.

FAA STOP-WORK ORDERS THAT HAVE BEEN ISSUED

Name of the contractor	Project location(s)	Type of work	Value of the contract
Jacobs Engineering	California, Oregon, Texas, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, D.C., Florida, Minnesota, Illinois, Virginia.	Architect & engineering, construction for en route centers and combined en route and approach facilities.	$370,000,000
Reliant Contractors	Greenville, MS	Construction of remote communications air-ground facility	97,500
Flintco, Inc	Gulf Port, MS	Tower construction	11,845,620
Daniel J. Keating Co	Wilkes Barre, PA	Tower construction	14,721,356
Paul J. Scariano Inc	New York	Demolition of LGA tower	6,324,387
Sheckler Contracting, Inc	Leesburg, VA	Roof replacement at en route center	363,000
Nationwide Construction Group	PA, NY	Construction, physical security	718,000
M&M Enterprises	Dulles, VA	Fence construction	56,000
Jones Morgan Inc	Rochester, NY	Construction	346,000
Boykin Contracting Inc	Greenwood, MS	Construction	56,000
KOBO Utility & Electric	Hyannis, MA	Construction of Precision Approach Path Indicator lights	37,000
Flintco, Inc	Memphis, TN	Tower construction	55,953,326
Patriot Electric Inc	Providence, RI	Fire alarm, construction	237,000
Standard Builders Inc	Memphis, TN	Painting	18,000
Corinthian	Warrenton, VA	Construction of new Command Center	24,338,718
6K Systems Inc	Burlington, MA	Computer services	234,000
Chappy Corp	Baltimore, MD	Site preparation for installation of BWI ASDE–X	2,279,576
AKAL Security Inc	Baltimore, MD	BWI ASDE–X	91,500
Limbach Co. Inc	Oakdale, PA	Boiler, construction	205,000
Construction and Service Solutions	Rochester, NY	Roof construction	316,000
Peachtree Mechanical Inc	VA	Construction at Washington en route center	631,000
Sheckler Contracting Inc	NY	Construction at JFK tower	155,000
S&E Services, Inc	Garden City, NY	Construct a catwalk in NY TRACON	1,781,000
Limbach Company LLC	Pittsburgh, PA	Plumbing, construction	175,000
CUSA Consulting Corp	Erie, PA	Fire life safety, construction	112,000
Postier & Jaeckle Inc	Rochester, NY	Construction	27,000
Petersen-Dean Inc	Jacksonville, FL	Construction at Jacksonville en route center	55,000
Marathon Electric Inc	Memphis, TN	Construction at Memphis en route center	88,500
Moulison North Corp	Portland, ME	Electrical project	9,000
Cornerstone Construction Services	Lawrence, MA	Roof construction	47,000
Pine Tree Elevator	Portland, ME	Elevator project	163,000
CGMC Building Corp	Poughkeepsie, NY & Danbury, CT	Seismic upgrade	488,000
ProwaC™ess Construction Corp	Lawrence, MA	Facility modernization Construction	123,700
Atlantic Defense Contractor	Portland, ME	Seismic upgrade	935,000
Synthesis Inc	Ronkonkoma, NY	Drain project	10,000
McKercher Corp	Miami, FL	Electric project, construction	133,900
Synthesis Inc	Ronkonkoma, NY	Construction upgrade	256,700
CMGC Building Corp	Nashua, NH	Mechanical room construction	88,500
LVI Services Security	New York, NY	Construction	1,100,000
Construction Services	Nashua, NH	Construction, attic rehab.	4,670,000
Peachtree Specialty Group	Atlanta, GA	Construction at Atlanta en route center	133,900
Louis Berger & Associates	New York	Asbestos removal, construction	168,500
TJB Air Conditioning and Heating	19 Terminal Doppler Weather Radar facilities	HVAC renovations	1,030,000
Swinterton Builders	Palm Springs, CA	Construction of tower	14,229,775
Devon Construction, Inc	Oakland, CA	Construction of tower	31,000,304
Cobalt Construct	Palmdale, CA	Construction (86% complete), modernization of 2d floor of automation wing and control floor, attic.	12,146,449
Bara Infoware	Sacramento, CA	Replace roof and visitor entrance wall panels at Tracon	759,567
E Corp	Auburn, WA	2d floor automation wing	2,294,220
Ahtna Engineering Services LLC	Bethel, AK	Airport Approach and Runway Entrance Lights installation	843,816
Archer Western Contractors	Las Vegas, NV	Construction of new tower	43,429,116
Archer Western Contractors	Abilene, TX	Construction of new tower	15,722,800
Archer Western Contractors	Traverse City, MI	Construction of new tower	11,062,093
Archer Western Contractors	Kansas City, KS	2nd floor modernization construction, attic at en route center	2,399,970
Archer Western Contractors	Albuquerque, NM	Construction build out at en route center	1,984,002
Imperial Construction Weatherford TX	Houston, TX	Construction of replacement TRACON	25,085,257
Imperial Construction Weatherford TX	Chicago, IL	Parking lot replacement at en route center	1,500,000
Skanska	Kalamazoo, MI	Construct new tower	14,422,975
Skanska	GFK	Install new radio transmitter receiver	848,500
Skanska	Walnut Ridge, AR	Install new Medium-Intensity Approach Lighting for runway	587,000
Concept Solutions, LLC	Reston, VA	Business Management Support for Joint Planning and Development Office	1,447,999
Allied Technology Group	Rockville, MD	Program Management Technical Support Services for ATO Finance	1,174,421
CGH Technologies, Inc	Washington, DC	Various projects per Work Order. Support for Aeronautical Information Management (AIM) Obstruction Evaluation.	129,184,768.00
CGH Technologies, Inc	Washington, DC	Various projects per Work Order. Support for Aeronautical Information Management (AIM) Obstruction Evaluation.	54,075,701.00
CGH Technologies, Inc	Washington, DC	Various projects per Work Order. Current WO for development support for airports Geographic Information System.	54,075,701.00
Network Designs Inc. (NDI)	Vienna, VA	Security Engineering Support for FAA's Alaska Flight Service Modernization (AFSM) Program.	914,961.54
Lockheed Martin	Washington, DC	Program Management Support for ATO Technical Operations	233,000
AST Eng	Multiple locations	ERAM support services will be halted at all locations except Seattle and Salt Lake City	3.5M
Science Applications International	Las Vegas, Minneapolis, Dulles, Charlotte, Chicago, O'Hare, Ft. Lauderdale, Newark, LaGuardia, Phoenix, Houston, Seattle, Los Angeles.	Engineering support for runway status lights	37M
Sensis Corp	Las Vegas, Minneapolis, Dulles, Charlotte, Chicago, O'Hare, Ft. Lauderdale, Newark, LaGuardia, Phoenix, Houston, Seattle, Los Angeles.	Runway Status Lights	214M
JVN	Multiple locations	Flight Information Regions	2.3M
Sensis	Multiple locations	ASDE–X	390M
SAIC	Multiple locations	ASDE–X Program Management Office (PMO) Support	104M
Arcon Corporation	Multiple locations	Terminal Automation IV&V	14.1M
Regulus Corp**	Multiple locations	Terminal Surveillance Special Technical	31.8M
Boeing	Multiple locations	Future Air Navigation System Interoperability Team (FIT) Program	200k
Lockheed Martin**	Multiple locations	En Route Communications Gateway	151M
Lockheed Martin**	Multiple locations	HOST Sustainment	619M

FAA STOP-WORK ORDERS THAT HAVE BEEN ISSUED—Continued

Name of the contractor	Project location(s)	Type of work	Value of the contract
L3 Communications**	Multiple locations	Oceanic Integrated Services (OIS) Contract	57.5M
TASC**	Multiple locations	TAQ_2	384M
Apptis**	Multiple locations	ATO-Terminal Support Services	20.6M
MCR**	Multiple locations	ATO-T Support Services	25M
TASC/NG**	Multiple locations	ATO-T Support Services	21.8M
SAIC**	Multiple locations	ATO-T Support Services	21.1M
ITT**	Multiple locations	ATO-T Support Services	34.3M
Technology Service Corp**	Multiple locations	Radar Support System	1.7M
A3**	Multiple locations	ATO-T Support Services	3.7M
Enterprise**	Multiple locations	ATO-T Support Services	2M
S&K**	Multiple locations	ATO-T Support Services	2.9M
JMA Group	Washington, DC	Support to Aeronautical Information Management (AIM) Office	3M
CSC Corporation	Rockville, MD	Traffic Flow Management Software System	593M
CNA Group	Alexandria, VA	Analysis, Systems Engineering and Operations Research for the AIM Office	6.2M
Jacobs Facilities Group, Inc.	ZOA Modernize	Curtain Wall Replacement and Mod. 4 Renovation	5,838,000
Jacobs Facilities Group, Inc.	ZHU Admin Wing	Administration Wing Renovation	6,960,000
Jacobs Facilities Group, Inc	San Juan CERAP	Seismic Upgrade	11,500,000
Jacobs Facilities Group, Inc	ZJX Curtain Wall	Curtain Wall Replacement	1,770,000
Jacobs Facilities Group, Inc	ZDC Curtain Wall	Curtain Wall Replacement	2,530,000
Jacobs Facilities Group, Inc	ZAU Curtain Wall	Curtain Wall Replacement	2,200,000
Jacobs Facilities Group, Inc	ZMP Major Mechanical	Major Mechanical Upgrade	6,230,000
Jacobs Project Mgmt Co	LiHue ATCT, HI	Seismic Modernization Upgrade	3,700,000
Jacobs Project Mgmt Co	Livermore ATCT, CA	Seismic Modernization	505,000
Jacobs Project Mgmt Co	Palo Alto ATCT, CA	Seismic Modernization	479,000
Jacobs Project Mgmt Co	Santa Maria ATCT, CA	Seismic Modernization	497,000
Jacobs Project Mgmt Co	Anchorage, ATCT, AK	Seismic Modernization	563,000
Jacobs Project Mgmt Co	Salem ATCT, OR	Seismic Modernization	340,000
Jacobs Project Mgmt Co	Hillsboro ATCT, OR	Seismic Modernization	140,000
Jacobs Engineering Group	BACNet Upgrade	BACNet Upgrade	900,000
The Matthews Group	ARTCC Miami	Major Mechanical & Seismic Upgrade	4,200,000
Belfour Beatty Jacobs	ARTCC Jacksonville	Major Mechanical & Seismic Upgrade	8,800,000
Engineering Group	NextGen	NextGen Facilities Design and Prototype	9,800,000
RW Armstrong	San Juan CERAP	Major Mechanical	4,200,000
Burton Construction	ARTCC Denver	Piping Upgrade	250,000
Burton Construction	Guam CERAP	FY12 Consolidated Projects	700,000
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Abilene, TX	Work Release 156—ABI LOC	386,000
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Abilene, TX	Work Release160—NEXCOM Radio Replacement	1,007,032
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Abilene, TX	Work Release 164—ABQ FAA Telecommunications Infrastructure (1,11)/Microwave Links	235,600
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Abilene, TX	Work Release 179—Abilene ATCT	430,000
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Abilene, TX	Work Release 194—NEXCOM Abilene RTR Relocation	210,000
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Dallas Fort Worth	Work Release 167—NEXCOM Radio Replacement	1,096,066
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Hobby Field	Work Release 176?C" Hobby Remote Transmitter/Receiver (RTR)	268,987
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Houston, TX	Work Release 178 I90 TRACON	1,000,000
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Alamogordo, TX	Work Release 185—NEXCOM	325,927
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Alamorgordo, TX	Work Release 187—Fiber Optics Transmission System (FOTS) Engineering	400,018
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	San Antonio, TX	Work Release 188—Relocation of San Antonio (SAT) Backup Emergency Communications Systems to Stinson Field (SSF) RTR.	124,914
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	San Antonio, TX	Work Release 193—NEXCOM	103,127
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Beaumont, TX	Work Release 199—NEXCOM Beaumont RTR	68,664
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Woodford, CT	Work Release CT–11–0128 HVAC Modifications F Mills	1,003,784
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Woodford, CT	Work Release Relese CT–11–0137 Reconfiguration F Merly	78,121
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Palm Springs, CA	Work Release 348, ARRA Palm Springs, ATCT	545,000
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Oakland, CA	Work Release 353, ARRA Oakland ATCT	985,300
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Northern, AZ	Work Release 361, Northern AZ Airspace Project	91,998
Parsons Infrastructure & Technology Group	Chicago, IL	Work Release 196, EIT Chicago	38,645
L3 Communications	Atlantic City, NJ	All the ongoing System Engineering (SE) and Information System Security (ISS) technical activities for System Wide Information Management (SWIM), DataComm, Aeronautical Message Handling System (AMHS), Enroute Radar Intelligent Tool (ERIT), and NextGen Network Enabled Weather (NNEW) would cease. All major milestones for these programs will be impacted and may not be met.	19.6M
General Dynamics	Fairfax, VA	2012-2012 —"Nextgen Integration and Evaluation Capability (NIEC); Conflict Probe Assessment Team (CPAT); Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Simulations, UAS Certificate Of Authorization (COA) Support and support for the JPDO office.	17M
Engility Corp	Atlantic City, NJ	Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast Ground	5.7M
Basic Commerce & Industries, Inc.	Atlantic City, NJ	AWOTES—" Reduce Weather Impact (RWI), NextGen Network Enabled Weather (NNEW), NextGen Weather Processor (NWP), legacy fielded weather systems support, technical support for Program Office and weather technology in the cockpit.	14.5M
Engility Corp	Atlantic City NJ	Local Area Augmentation System—" Technical Support for Ground-Based Augmentation System SIAM and Surface Trajectory Based Operations (STBO).	1.1M
Engility Corp	Atlantic City, NJ	DADSB—" Broadcast Airborne	1.5M
General Dynamics	Fairfax, VA	Nextgen Lab Support	18M
Digital Ibiz	Atlantic City, NJ	Engineering & Maintenance Oceanic Integration and Interoperability Facility lab	1M
Engility Corp	Atlantic City, NJ	Engineering & Programming Support—" Research Development and Human Factors Lab (RDHFL).	7.9M
Four Winds Services, Inc.	Atlantic City, NJ	Aircraft Maintenance	5.4M
HiaSun	Atlantic City, NJ	FASTER pavement test facility/AVGAS	3.6M
JDS Management Services	Atlantic City, NJ	Airway Faci9lities Tower Integration Lab	5.3M
SRA	Atlantic City, NJ	Airport Test Machine	57M
Hi-Tec Systems	Atlantic City, NJ	Safety Assessment of NSA and Unmanned Aircraft Systems	2M
Cherokee, CRC	Atlantic City, NJ	Terminal Area Safety Support	5M
Lumark	Atlantic City, NJ	Safety assessment of National Airspace System	5.1M
Lumark	Atlantic City, NJ	Technical Editing	9.2M
Embry Riddle Aeronautical Univ.	Daytona Beach, FL	General Aviation Research	20M
TAMI	Atlantic City, NJ	Fire Safety Testing	9.4M
A3 Technology, Inc.	Atlantic City, NJ	Laboratory Technical Services	7.9M
C-FAR Services, LLC	Atlantic City, NJ	Laboratory Technical Services	700K
Engility Corp.	Atlantic City, NJ	Navigation Services	600K
JDS Management Services	Atlantic City, NJ	ATC Voice Communications	4.5M
ESG	Atlantic City, NJ	Communications	9.7M
Basic Commerce & Industries, Inc.	Atlantic City, NJ	Surface surveillance	5.4M
Basic Commerce & Industries, Inc.	Atlantic City, NJ	Aeronautical Telecommunication Network (ATN) Software Development and Engineering Support.	7.5M
Honeywell	Conn rapids, MN	Local Area Augmentation System (LAAS)—Modification of Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) landing system Test Bed.	5.3M
Honeywell	Memphis, TN and Houston, TX	Ground Based Augmentation System relocation from Memphis to Houston	650K
Smithers Quality	Atlantic City, NJ	ISO Certification Services for Technical Center Labs	95K
CSSI	Atlantic City, NJ	Simulation & Modeling	4.9M
Boeing Aerospace Systems**	Washington, DC	Research, concept development, and prototyping of NextGen technologies	1.7B
ITT**	Washington, DC	Research, concept development, and prototyping of NextGen technologies	1.4B
Metron Aviation**	Washington, DC	Research, concept development, and prototyping of NextGen technologies	1.14B
Booz Allen Hamilton	Washington, DC	Task Order Request Package (TORP) 1073—Systems Tool Application Support	250K
Booz Allen Hamilton	Washington, DC	TORP 1184—Enterprise Architecture and Engineering Support	1M
Booz Allen Hamilton	Washington, DC	Systems Engineering for the National Airspace System	650K
General Dynamics**	Washington, DC	Research, concept development, and prototyping of NextGen technologies	1.18B
NCI INC	Washington, DC and remote from FL	Contract Support work for the National Airspace Implementation Support Contract (NISC) office.	6.1M
Topologe, LLC	Washington, DC	Contract Support for Power Services	680K
Oceus Networks, Inc	Multiple Continental US locations	Installation and support contract	11.4M

*Note: This list reflects projects in various stages of construction. The FAA will continue to update the list as more stop work orders are issued and more information becomes available.
NOTE (**)—Partial Stop-Work Order Issued.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2012

SPEECH OF

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 21, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2551) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes:

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Chair, I rise today to urge all of my colleagues to support the Bishop amendment to H.R. 2551, the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2012. This amendment would restore $1 million in funding to the Capitol Police to provide support for security upgrades to Congressional District offices as recommended by the House Sergeant of Arms earlier this year.

Most members, particularly members from rural districts with more than one district office, will undertake a variety of ''security'' upgrades and improvements to their local offices as a result of the tragic shooting of Rep. GABRIELLE GIFFORDS and related security threats.

Coupled with the costs of these new upgrades are reductions in the Members' Representational Allowance MRA for the second year in a row. This includes the 5 percent reduction in MRA in place for Fiscal Year 2011 and the proposed 6.4 percent reduction in MRA proposed in the Fiscal Year 2012 Legislative Branch Appropriations bill, which will be considered on the floor this week. The Fiscal Year 2012 proposed reduction in MRA will result in an average hit of approximately $95,000 per office, which will likely pose a severe strain on Member budgets. Additionally, you should know that security upgrades and improvements to Senate District offices will not be paid through MRA's.

My amendment would simply provide an additional $1 million in funding via the Capitol Police for security improvements for those offices impacted by new House security policy. The proposed offset comes from the ''Transition Activities'' account, which essentially provides funding for furniture and related equipment for Freshman members, which of course, should be minimal in Fiscal Year 2012.

Mr. Chair, it would be our intent, that if this amendment is accepted by this House, that the Sergeant at Arms, Capitol Police, members of our Legislative Branch Appropriations Subcommittee and other pertinent House personnel, would work together to devise an effective plan and strategy for the use, approval and disbursement of these funds for district office security purposes.

The pressure and demands which we already have in managing our MRA's are great, and will be more difficult in the coming year. So it is vitally important that we provide Members of this body some financial relief for the costs of district office security improvements.

While the Legislative Branch Appropriations Subcommittee has the smallest budget of the thirteen Appropriations Subcommittees, and some would say that it is the least glamorous, its work is of vital importance to the entire nation.

As most of you know, the Subcommittee is responsible for the protection and preservation of the treasures in the U.S. Capitol and the Library of Congress, the publishing and dissemination of government information by the Government Printing Office, the objective analysis of our budget and economic decisions by the Congressional Budget Office, and the resources with which we provide representation to our constituents.

However, our collective effectiveness in representing our constituents is potentially at risk given the proposed reductions in our MRA's.

And I would like to remind my colleagues on both sides of the aisle, that after the tragic shootings in Tucson, Members were ''strongly encouraged'' to provide additional security for themselves, their staff and their constituents in the district—to be paid out of Members' accounts, with possibly some help from the Sergeant at Arms.

With this bill's cut of 6.4 percent in Members' Representational Allowance, combined with the 10 percent in the Sergeant at Arms budget, these improvements in security will be difficult.

Finally, if the Capitol Police are going to assess more threats against Members and take a more active role in district security, then their budget should also reflect these increased demands instead of being frozen.

Mr. Chair, I would also like to enter into the RECORD, a copy of an article that ran in Roll Call, highlighting the need for enhanced safety advancements for Members of Congress, their staffs, and constituencies.

I would ask that you support this important amendment. Thank you for your consideration.

[From Roll Call, July 21, 2011]

CUTS TO SERGEANT-AT-ARMS RAISE CONCERNS FOR SOME

(By Daniel Newhauser)

After the shooting of Rep. Gabrielle Giffords (D–Ariz.) in January, Members began looking into ways to secure their district offices. Now, some Democrats are questioning whether House leaders will give them enough money to do so.

Members' Representational Allowances and the House Sergeant-at-Arms office face budget cuts, while House appropriators have proposed flat funding for the Capitol Police.

At a Rules Committee hearing Wednesday to set parameters for this week's floor debate on the legislative branch spending bill, Rep. Jared Polis—who said he received threats as recently as last week—singled out those cuts as his main concern.

''Security is hardly a luxury,'' the Colorado Democrat said. ''How can you justify cutting the Sergeant-at-Arms by 10 percent?''

Although the Sergeant-at-Arms' budget appears larger than it was last Congress, the increase actually comes because it was combined with the Office of Emergency Management, which was created after 9/11 to assist in emergency planning. That office was flat-funded, while the Sergeant-at-Arms received an $890,000 cut.

Rep. Ander Crenshaw, chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch, assured Polis that the reduction would not affect security. In an interview before the hearing, the Florida Republican said administrative employees and equipment purchases would most likely take the hit.

''We made sure that none of the cuts to this office were going to affect any kind of safety issues,'' he said.

After the Giffords shooting, the Sergeant-at-Arms offered Members free ADT Security assessments in the district offices. The House Administration Committee also authorized Members to use their MRAs to pay for suggested security enhancements.

But between the 5 percent MRA cut of last fiscal year and the 6.4 percent cut proposed for fiscal 2012—a reduction that would average about $80,000 per office—Members might be put in a situation where they have to choose to fire one employee in order to afford to protect the rest, some Democrats argued.

''We are told that we need to secure our district offices more—for our safety, the safety of our staff and, most importantly, the safety of our constituents,'' said Rep. Mike Honda (D-Calif.), the subcommittee's ranking member, in a statement. ''How are we supposed to pay for that?''

Rep. G.K. Butterfield said he had planned to install bulletproof glass and a digital combination keypad lock at his North Carolina district office, but now he's not so sure.

''That was the plan. Now that we've got this dramatic cut, I don't know what we're going to do,'' the Democrat said.

Rep. Sanford Bishop said he's skeptical Members will be left with enough money in their MRAs to pay for the upgrades. He was advised to improve lighting and create a barrier between his Georgia offices' public and work areas.

''The security assessments that the Sergeant-at-Arms paid for for all of our offices were very, very telling. But to implement the recommendations for the safety of our constituents and Members and staffs, it's going to cost some funds,'' the Democrat said. ''The MRA is not sufficient.''

Bishop has proposed an amendment to the legislative branch bill that would reassign $1 million from a fund used to assist freshmen in procuring furniture to create a fund within the Capitol Police to assist in paying for district security upgrades.

Sergeant-at-Arms spokeswoman Kern Hanley said that no matter where the budget ends up, the agency would ''be able to fully execute our security mission'' and that they will help Members efficiently spend their money.

''We will coordinate the provision of professional security assistance to Members by conducting surveys and reviewing office selection options, security systems and policies to aid them in achieving the best value for their security dollars spent,'' Hanley said in an email.

Republicans said that is the real lesson of the budget cut: Do more with less.

Rep. Michael Grimm, a former FBI agent, said Members can mitigate the security impact of the cuts by raising their awareness when they are at home.

''We have to be a little more efficient but also a little more diligent so the Capitol Police has less work,'' the New York Republican said. ''None of that costs money.''

CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF EDWARD LEITNER ON HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great joy and honor that I rise to wish Edward Leitner a very happy birthday as he turns 100 years old today. Edward, a resident of Westbrook, Connecticut, is a veteran of World War II and a shining example of this country's Greatest Generation. I had the opportunity to meet Edward last month at a barbeque culminating Wounded Warriors week—an important,

seven-day event honoring the sacrifice of heroes like Edward—sponsored by the Connecticut and Westbrook Elks.

Edward was born in New York City on July 27, 1911. In 1920, he and his family moved to the Pond Meadow region of Westbrook where Edward's father had bought a farm. After graduating from the Pond Meadow School—a one-room schoolhouse still standing today—Edward left home at a young age. He went on to work at a variety of different jobs. He worked in a candy factory, held a construction job on the Merit Parkway, and worked for the railroad.

An automotive mechanic by occupation, Edward was inducted into the Army on November 30, 1942. He served as a member of the 100th Infantry Division, 398th Regiment, which put him in the thick of operations across Central Europe, including Germany. The 398th led the way at Heilbronn, Vosges Mountains, and the Battle of the Bulge. To this day, his family proudly recalls hearing about Mr. Leitner's central role in some of the war's most historic and epic battles. Edward, who earned several decorations and positive citations in the Army, was honorably discharged in March of 1946.

Edward's family describes him as their hero. They say he is a guy who can fix anything and do anything—and he has. Edward, for his brave and historic service to this great Nation, is my hero too. Mr. Leitner, despite his extraordinary story and experiences is an unassuming, down to earth gentleman who is a pleasure to meet and an example to us all. I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in wishing Edward Leitner a happy 100th birthday and thanking him for his great service.

SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM EXTENSION AND REFORM ACT OF 2011

SPEECH OF

HON. GARY C. PETERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2011

Mr. PETERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my support for reauthorizing the Small Business Administration, which helps countless entrepreneurs receive the training and access the capital they need to start and expand small businesses and create jobs. While I support the reauthorization of these vital programs, I am concerned with provisions in the underlying bill that would prevent some entrepreneurs from obtaining vital assistance.

Specifically, H.R. 2608 singles out the e200 Emerging Leaders program for elimination, which targets entrepreneurs in underserved communities across the country like metro Detroit that have been severely impacted in these tough economic times. This program targets businesses in inner cities and economically hard-hit areas that show a high potential for growth, providing them with the network, know-how and resources they need to build a sustainable, growing business that promotes economic development within their communities. This program has a proven track record. Small businesses that complete the program increase their revenues and create jobs where they are needed most.

In addition to eliminating this vital program, this bill prevents the Small Business Administration from carrying out any succeeding program with similar goals. While I support the underlying reauthorization of the Small Business Administration, I strongly disagree with the elimination of the e200 Emerging Leaders program, and the prohibition of future initiatives that help small businesses thrive in some of the areas hardest hit by the recession.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2012

SPEECH OF

HON. MAXINE WATERS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 26, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2684) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes:

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Chair, I rise to oppose the underlying bill and the numerous extreme, anti-environmental riders included therein.

I rise to oppose the underlying bill and the numerous extreme, anti-environmental riders included therein.

Mr. Chair, this bill is full of anti-environmental riders. These riders are legislative provisions that were attached to an appropriations bill because they are far too extreme to pass Congress on their own merits. Together, these riders undermine decades of progress protecting our nation's environmental heritage. They threaten the air we breath and the water we drink.

One of the riders in this bill stops the Environmental Protection Agency, EPA, from giving Clean Water Act protection to critical headwaters and streams that supply drinking water to about 117 million Americans.

Another rider prevents the EPA from updating its stormwater discharge regulations to manage polluted stormwater runoff, which contaminates water supplies and contributes to beach closures. Last year was the second highest year on record for beach closings and advisories.

Yet another rider changes current law to eliminate requirements for chemical companies to obtain permits for pesticides entering rivers and streams. This will mean even more of these toxic poisons in our lakes, rivers, fishing places, and drinking water supplies.

The Cross-State Air Pollution rider prohibits EPA from implementing a rule to protect communities from pollution caused by power plants upwind of them. EPA estimates that this rule will prevent up to 34,000 premature deaths, 15,000 heart attacks, 400,000 cases of aggravated asthma, and 1.8 million sick days a year beginning in 2014.

The Mercury and Air Toxics rider blocks EPA from finalizing a rule reducing emissions of mercury and other toxics from power plants. EPA estimates that this rule could deliver as much as $140 billion in health benefits and prevent 17,000 premature deaths each year.

The Cement Kilns rider prohibits EPA from enforcing limits on emissions of mercury, particulate matter, and hydrochloric acid from cement kilns. These limits would reduce mercury pollution and fine particulate matter from cement kilns by 92 percent, preventing up to 2,500 premature deaths and avoiding 17,000 cases of aggravated asthma each year.

Finally, the Offshore Drilling rider allows oil companies to pollute more by exempting support vessels involved in offshore oil drilling from regulation. This provision undermines the ability of the EPA to ensure that oil drilling on the Outer Continental Shelf proceeds safely, responsibly, and with opportunities for stakeholder input. We've already seen from the BP oil spill how dangerous offshore oil drilling can be.

On top of all of these dangerous riders, this bill slashes funding for the EPA by 18 percent below the 2011 level, in addition to the 16 percent cut that was inflicted on the agency when compared to the 2010 level. These cuts would leave the Environmental Protection Agency unable to effectively regulate pollution or protect public health, even when it is not prevented from doing so by an anti-environmental rider.

This entire bill is a threat to our public lands and our public health, and I urge my colleagues to vote against it.

TRIBUTE TO JAMES T. MALLOY

HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a dedicated public servant James T. Malloy who served as the last Doorkeeper of the House of Representatives, a man I'm proud to have called a a mentor and friend.

Americans knew him as the bellowing voice we'd be waiting for at the start of the annual State of the Union address; the voice that would yell over the hundreds assembled in the House chamber, "Mr. Speaker, the President of the United States." That first introduction came for President Gerald Ford in 1975 only a few weeks after his appointment.

I was privileged to know the man behind the voice, the man who mentored hundreds of members of Congress and staffers who passed through his doorway and the man who was beloved by everyone in this chamber.

Jimmy was incredibly helpful to me when I first came to Congress 24 years ago. He provided a good listening ear and sage advice. Put simply he was an extraordinary human being and he had no bigger fans than those of us from Western New York.

As the proud son of a South Buffalo firefighter, he put Buffalo on the map on a daily basis.

One of Buffalo's other proud sons, Tim Russert, described Jimmy as "a good man, who knew everybody and was always proud of taking care of his own."

"I'll accept that, I like that," Jimmy responded when he heard the description with the humility that personified his rustbelt roots.

In 1994, Jim's last duty was to introduce the new Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich. Since then, there's been no Doorkeeper of the House. I believe no one could possibly follow him. He has been missed in this House and will certainly be remembered fondly by everyone that knew him. He made Buffalo proud and the lives he touched richer. For that, we are all thankful.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, July 28, 2011 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

AUGUST 2

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine housing finance reform, focusing on national mortgage servicing standards.

SD–538

Environment and Public Works

Clean Air and Nuclear Safety Subcommittee

To hold joint hearings to examine a review of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) near-term task force recommendations for enhancing reactor safety in the 21st century.

SD–406

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine health reform and health insurance premiums, focusing on empowering states to serve consumers.

SD–430

2 p.m.

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To receive a briefing on Russian-United States cooperation in the fight against alcoholism, focusing on prospects for sharing experience, strength, and hope on treating alcoholism.

2360, Rayburn Building

2:30 p.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Francis Joseph Ricciardone, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey, and Norman L. Eisen, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic, both of the Department of State.

SD–419

Armed Services

Strategic Forces Subcommittee

To receive a closed briefing on cyber issues.

SVC–217

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH–219

AUGUST 3

9:30 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Securities, Insurance and Investment Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the housing finance system, focusing on the to-be-announced market.

SD–538

10 a.m.

Finance

To hold hearings to examine dually-eligible beneficiaries, focusing on improving care while lowering costs.

SD–215

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Wendy Ruth Sherman, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Political Affairs, and Robert Stephen Ford, of Vermont, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic, both of the Department of State.

SD–419

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider S. 958, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program of payments to children's hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs, S. 1094, to reauthorize the Combating Autism Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–416), and any pending nominations.

SD–106

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SD–342

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine cybercrime, focusing on updating the ''Computer Fraud and Abuse Act'' to protect cyberspace and combat emerging threats.

SD–226

2 p.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine debt financing in the domestic financial sector.

SD–538

2:30 p.m.

Environment and Public Works

Children's Health and Environmental Responsibility Subcommittee

To hold an oversight hearing to examine Federal actions to clean up contamination from uranium mining and milling operations.

SD–406

Energy and Natural Resources

Public Lands and Forests Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine S. 1024, to designate the Organ Mountains and other public land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System and the National Landscape Conservation System in the State of New Mexico, S. 1090, to designate as wilderness certain public land in the Cherokee National Forest in the State of Tennessee, S. 1144, to amend the Soda Ash Royalty Reduction Act of 2006 to extend the reduced royalty rate for soda ash, S. 1149, to expand geothermal production, and S. 1344, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to take immediate action to recover ecologically and economically from a catastrophic wildfire in the State of Arizona.

SD–366

AUGUST 4

2:30 p.m.

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH–219