

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF ARNOLD MANN

HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 4, 2011

Mr. GERLACH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Arnold Mann of Collegeville, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania for receiving the Collegeville Rotary Club's Citizen of the Year award.

A Collegeville resident since 1968, Arnold Mann has been a member of Collegeville Borough Council since 1992, serving as its President from 1994–1996, 1998–2000, and 2010 to present day. Currently, Arnold serves on the Finance Committee and as Chairman of the Streets and Roads Committee. Additionally, he is a member of the Planning Commission, the Collegeville-Trappe Sewer Authority and serves as Joint-Chair of the Collegeville-Trappe Public Works Committee.

Further, Arnold Mann is a U.S. Navy veteran and a graduate of Drexel University. Arnold is an active member of Trinity Reformed Church of Christ and, during his tenure on church council, served as President and Building Committee Chairman. Arnold and his wife Marty organized a youth group at Trinity and served as youth ministers for seven years.

Mr. Speaker, in light of his years of outstanding service to the community and litany of exemplary accomplishments, I ask that my colleagues join me today in recognizing Arnold Mann on the occasion of being awarded the Citizen of the Year Award by the Collegeville Rotary Club.

DR. PAMELA S. SHOCKLEY- ZALABAK TRIBUTE

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Pamela S. Shockley-Zalabak, Chancellor of the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs. Since 2001, Dr. Shockley-Zalabak has worked to improve the educational system in the State of Colorado in an attempt to enhance student success and graduation rates.

In the years ahead, jobs in the United States will be pursuing specialized workers who are educationally qualified and focused in a particular area of expertise. The University of Colorado, under Dr. Shockley-Zalabak's leadership, has concentrated its efforts on improving the retention and graduation of ethnic minority students. UCCS has also worked to implement programs to advance interest in more specialized careers, including areas such as science, technology, engineering and math.

Last week, Dr. Shockley-Zalabak participated in a roundtable at the White House that

discussed the impact of community colleges throughout the nation. This roundtable was a part of the White House's highlights of "Champions of Change" who are making a notable impression in their communities.

The White House also recognized Dr. Shockley-Zalabak and UCCS for the implementation of the Southern Colorado Educational Consortium. This program allows UCCS to work with other two- and four-year colleges in the area to foster educational opportunities and degree programs. This rural part of Colorado has historically seen low educational achievement in years past. However, under the leadership of Dr. Shockley-Zalabak and the new programs she has helped create, I am confident the newfound success experienced by UCCS will continue to grow.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Dr. Pamela Shockley-Zalabak for her incredible accomplishments and steadfast dedication to the Colorado Educational System. She is truly making a difference in equipping America's youth with the tools, resources and education necessary to pursue a sustainable career and to determine their own destiny.

HONORING CLAYTON M. DRENNER

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Clayton M. Drenner. Clayton is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 332, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Clayton has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Clayton has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Clayton has earned the rank of Patrol Leader for his troop and has become a Member of the Order of the Arrow. Clayton has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Clayton planned and constructed three picnic tables and two fire rings for Lakeside Nature Center's Camp Lake of the Woods at Swope Park in Kansas City, Missouri.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Clayton M. Drenner for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

MOTION TO CONCUR IN THE SENATE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2608 "SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM EXTENSION AND REFORM ACT"

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 4, 2011

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the motion to concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2608, "The Small Business Program Extension and Reform Act of 2011" which provides for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958. This amendment has rectified a job killing flaw that was present in the previous version of this bill. Finally, we have a relatively clean continuing resolution that does not contain any of the job killing riders that I alongside my Democratic colleagues fought so hard against.

Mr. Speaker the bill before us today is an attempt to reach a much needed compromise in the nick of time. By passing this bill today we will enable the government to remain open and continuing to serve the needs of the American people. At a time when the central issue before our country should be jobs and the creation of jobs to advance our economy. We keep retuning to measures that result in inaction and today we have done what the American people expect, found common ground. However, we lost a lot of precious time that should have been focused on jobs. Instead, we spent weeks on portions of this measure that were not going to garner support.

The current Continuing Resolution would extend the FY 2011 discretionary funding level at approximately 98.5 percent for agencies and programs through November 18 of this year. This approximate 1.5 percent cut seeks to bring the level of funding in line with the Budget Control Act, which capped FY 2012 discretionary spending at \$1.043 trillion. It also contains various anomalies, including: keeping the postal service solvent through Nov. 18; extending flood insurance through Nov. 18; cutting funding for Overseas Contingency Operations (Pakistan, Afghanistan); giving DC access to its local funds; authorizing DHS to work on national special security events; and renewing import restrictions against Burma.

I have consistently implored my colleagues to come to the aid of Americans as they have always done during times of natural disaster. This measure now provides \$2.65 billion, a number which OMB Director Jack Lew has said should be sufficient through Nov. 18. Additionally, it requires the Homeland Security Department to provide a full accounting of disaster relief funding requirements for FY 2012 no later than 15 days after the date of enactment, and to provide an account of their requirements to meet the department's needs in FY 2013 in the President's budget request next year. It also extends, through Nov. 18,

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