

day to bestow a special recognition on Mr. Robert Lee Smith for his leadership, friendship and service to all as a citizen of great worth and so noted distinction;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby attest to the 112th Congress of the United States that Mr. Robert Lee Smith of Decatur, DeKalb County, Georgia is deemed worthy and deserving of this "Congressional Recognition" by declaring Mr. Robert Lee Smith U.S. Citizen of Distinction in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 15th day of April, 2012.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPRO-
PRIATIONS ACT, 2013

SPEECH OF

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2012

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5326) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes:

Mr. LATHAM. Mr. Chair, because of limited funding resources, the Subcommittee was not able to provide funding, as requested by the Office of Juvenile Justice, for a needed evidence-based competitive juvenile justice demonstration grant program. This type of a program would allow for new, innovative practices that may well lead to comprehensive change which, in turn, would likely produce better outcomes in treating at-risk juveniles.

A number of Members requested that the Subcommittee consider amending the Administration request to provide, within existing levels of funding in this bill, competitive grant program funding for qualified non-profit, private youth and family service organizations that can provide an Integrated Continuum of treatment services and programs for at-risk youth and their families.

We believe this approach is still important because it is estimated that 70 percent of youth in the juvenile justice system suffer from mental health issues, substance abuse, and/or learning disabilities. Most of these juveniles require an integrated, comprehensive treatment in order to allow them to succeed within their peer groups and families, in school, on jobs, or in their communities. Just as important, the families of most at-risk juveniles also require services and treatment programs to ensure that a juvenile's home environment is addressed.

There is a wide range of existing national, regional and state-wide, nonprofit qualified youth and family serving organizations that can provide evidenced-based, integrated continuum treatment services and programs for at-risk juveniles and their families. However most, if not all, of the existing program funding opportunities only provide funding for limited services and treatments for at-risk juveniles. They do not allow, where necessary, services and treatment programs for the families of juveniles.

Using an integrated continuum is critical to providing programs and services (including

mental health and drug treatment), for both juveniles and their families, that will result in juveniles being permanently returned to improved home environments and becoming productive citizens. Early evidence suggests that an integrated approach is preferable to isolated and limited programs, because the integrated approach shows more promising potential for keeping youth out of the juvenile justice system and avoiding further arrest and recidivism.

Mr. Chair, I hope we can work with you, through the process, as your bill moves forward, to see if we can find a way to dedicate some resources to this integrated continuum of comprehensive services and treatment programs for both at-risk juveniles and their families.

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REP-
RESENTATIVES PROCLAMATION

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 11, 2012

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker,

Whereas, White's Chapel United Methodist Church has been and continues to be a beacon of light to our county for the past one hundred forty-two years; and

Whereas, Pastor Harold Cobb and the members of the White's Chapel United Methodist Church family today continues to uplift and inspire those in our county; and

Whereas, the White's Chapel United Methodist Church family has been and continues to be a place where citizens are touched spiritually, mentally and physically through outreach ministries and community partnership to aid in building up our District; and

Whereas, this remarkable and tenacious Church of God has given hope to the hopeless, fed the needy and empowered our community for the past one hundred forty two (142) years, being organized in 1870 after Captain White donated two acres of land to a small group of former slaves in order for them to continue to worship together as a congregation; and

Whereas, White's Chapel has produced many spiritual warriors, people of compassion, people of great courage, fearless leaders and servants to all, but most of all visionaries who have shared not only with their Church, but with Rockdale County their passion to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize the White's Chapel United Methodist Church family for their leadership and service to our District on this the 142nd Anniversary of their founding;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby proclaim March 25, 2012 as White's Chapel United Methodist Church Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 25th day of March, 2012.

NEW HOPE: IN HONOR OF AN
AMERICAN HERO, CORPORAL
MARK LITYNSKI, 3-5 LIMA COM-
PANY, MARINE CORPS

HON. TIMOTHY J. WALZ

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 11, 2012

Mr. WALZ of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following for the RECORD:

NEW HOPE

From out of that darkness of most evil war!
From out of that pain and such heartache
that one must endure!

From out of that death and destruction,
and oh such suffering of all the more!
As from out of this most dreadful of gores!
Come, all of those and their loved ones . . .
whose daily lives are but filled with such an-
guish for sure!

And from out of all of this,
must now all somehow, somehow so endure!
To find the strength and the courage, to re-
build with not much more!

Then Hope to insure!
As comes their most swollen of tears so for
sure!

That which their Mothers and Fathers,
their so Sisters and Brothers,
and their Husbands and Wives,
and all of their most precious of all Children
whose eyes must now pour!

And just when all so seems lost!
All out of this darkness of war, with its most
tragic of all costs!

With but nothing so left,
but to so cling to Hope to so bless!
To so give us the strength to take just one
more most courageous of steps!

But, comes only our very best of the best!
Our most brightest of all lights, as are you
Mark so yes!

So shining above all of the rest!
Such brilliance, to all of our souls to caress!
That with all of your courage Mark,
our Nation you have so blessed!
Bringing Hope, from out of your most mag-
nificent heart's breath!

So splendid and pure, so very special for
sure!

Giving us Hope!
With something which so reaches so deep
down inside all of our souls!

To have and to hold, which so helped you to
so somehow endure!

While, against all the odds Mark . . . your
victory it now so insured!

With that kind of Hope, that which so let's
one so march off to war!

And come back home from a battlefields of
honor so injured,
and still somehow to give more!

With Such New Hope!
All In Your Profiles In Courage!
All in what you so bore!

Teaching us all, what Heaven is for!
And Heather, your most magnificent wife!
all in her devotion and love, and so selfless
sacrifice!

Standing by her Man!
Bringing tears to even our Lord eyes!
Yes Mark, with all of your Hope and fine
faith . . .

You have, to all of us so shown us the way!
Because, no matter the cost . . .
your fine heart would never so wave!

As we've so watched you Mark,
so heroically moving onward day after day!
To So Teach Us!

To So Reach Us!
To So Beseech Us!
All in what your fine heart has all to say!

All in your Most Splendid Shades of Green
. . .