

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CYBER INTELLIGENCE SHARING AND PROTECTION ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 17, 2013

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 624) to provide for the sharing of certain cyber threat intelligence and cyber threat information between the intelligence community and cybersecurity entities, and for other purposes.

Ms. LEE of California. Madam Chair, I am voting “no” against the Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act (CISPA). H.R. 624 endangers privacy and allows personal information to be shared by private companies without adequate safeguards to protect sensitive and highly personal information. While it is important that we build up our nation’s defenses against the modern dangers of cyberattacks, we cannot abandon our central values of freedom and independence in the course of doing so. I am prepared to consider an alternate version of CISPA wherein civil liberties are robustly protected. This bill provides no real solutions that adequately uphold an American’s right to privacy, and that is why I am voting against it.

A TRIBUTE TO ROSE GARJIAN

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 24, 2013

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a resident of Los Angeles, California, and a 105-year-old survivor of the Armenian Genocide—Rose Garjian.

Rose Garjian, then Rose Dedeian, was born on May 1, 1908, in the city of Kilis, located in south-central Turkey. Her father, Zakar Dedeian, worked as a shoemaker and cobbler, and her mother, Maritsa Dedeian, worked as a teacher. When the government of the Ottoman Empire launched a campaign of fear, destruction and death in the Spring of 1915, Ms. Garjian was only six-years-old. Her father hurriedly took his family to a small neighboring village to go into hiding from the Turks.

Ms. Garjian remembered the episode last year in an interview recalling that her father did not tell them why they had to go, only that they should hurry. “We left our home, and went to the desert,” said Garjian. “My father took us to hide, he tried to take us away from the Turks.”

While the Dedeian family was in hiding, the Ottoman government committed genocide against the Armenian people through wholesale massacre, forced marches through blistering deserts across the villages and cities of eastern Anatolia.

When the killings ended eight years later, more than a million and a half Armenian men,

women and children were dead, and the world’s oldest Christian nation had been shattered—with its survivors scattered around the world.

The Dedeian family moved to Lebanon, where Ms. Garjian attended Catholic School, learning French and Arabic. There, she met her husband Robert Garjian, a successful cobbler, who had come from the United States to marry her.

Once in the United States, Ms. Garjian gave birth to two daughters, Ellen and Mary. She is a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother, with six grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. One family member spoke of her caring nature, saying “her home was always open to family members visiting or immigrating to the United States.”

After her husband passed away in 1986, Ms. Garjian continued to dedicate herself to her family and community. She served as a volunteer for the Valley Guild of the Arat Home—where she now lives—and was active in the Armenian community where she was a member of the Massis Church in Los Angeles, treasurer for the Marash Women’s Group, member of the United Armenian Congregational Church, and is one of the founding members of Aleppo College.

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I ask that all Members join me in honoring a wonderful woman, Rose Garjian, for her remarkable story, dedication to family and exceptional service to the community.

RECOGNIZING THE NURSES AT SOUTH NASSAU COMMUNITIES HOSPITAL FOR NATIONAL NURSES WEEK

HON. CAROLYN MCCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 24, 2013

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask that we acknowledge the significant contributions nurses make to our society on a daily basis. This year, the week of May 6th is National Nurses Week. During this week, we are asked to pause and recognize the courageous men and women who serve our communities as nurses. The American Nurses Association has designated this week to honor nurses and incorporate one of the most famous nurses, Florence Nightingale, in the ceremony as well.

I would like to draw special attention to the nurses at South Nassau Communities Hospital. The men and women of South Nassau Communities Hospital show a consistent dedication to ensuring and improving the health of their community. For over 80 years, these men and women have worked diligently to improve the lives of Long Islanders. The tradition passed down throughout the years was exemplified by the selfless efforts of the nurses at the hospital during Superstorm Sandy. I was inspired by their efforts in assisting people of Long Island gravely affected by Sandy. They rose to the occasion without hesitation or complaint providing care to people in their time of great need. And they did so without expecting any expectation of glory.

These men and women exemplify the great values of America on a daily basis. They set an excellent standard for each of us to live up to. I wanted to take this moment to honor them and thank them. We do not say it often enough to our public servants, but without the men and women of the nursing profession, America would be a much different place. The care provided by the nurses at Nassau South Communities hospital is vital to the life of Long Island. I want to take this opportunity to thank them for everything they do for our neighbors and communities.

BAY COUNTY CENTENNIAL

HON. STEVE SOUTHERLAND II

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 24, 2013

Mr. SOUTHERLAND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the place that I am proud to call home: Bay County, Florida.

One hundred years ago today, Bay County was established by act of the Florida legislature, igniting a century of growth and opportunity for a close-knit community that still cherishes its rich history and tradition.

Bay County is located in the heart of north-west Florida, overlooking 41 miles of sugar-white sand beaches along the Gulf of Mexico’s emerald green waters. With an additional 270 square miles occupied by pristine lakes, springs, streams and the magnificent St. Andrew’s Bay, Bay County has become a national destination for tourists, fishermen, boaters, and water sports enthusiasts.

While Bay County’s beaches and diverse inland areas attract over eight million visitors each year, it is the people who live and work there that give us our unique spirit. A small community of little more than 11,000 in 1920, Bay County now embodies the drive of a diverse and growing population totaling more than 170,000 people.

Bay County’s workforce is among the best educated and most highly prepared in North-west Florida, with institutions of higher learning that rival any in the region. Its economic engine is fueled not by tourism alone, but also by thriving small businesses, nationally recognized companies, major manufacturers and

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