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Mr. Speaker, this is outrageous. We don’t need to be helping the so-called moderate jihadists.

And with that, I will insert the full article into the RECORD.

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TRAINING ‘MODERATE ISLAMISTS’—FOUR MORE AMERICANS KILLED IN AFGHANISTAN

(By Andrew C. McCarthy)

Meanwhile back in Afghanistan . . . the Long War Journal’s Bill Roggio reports that jihadists have killed four American soldiers. Three were killed in a suicide bombing in Kabul for which the Taliban have claimed responsibility. A fourth was killed in a so-called “green-on-blue” assassination—i.e., he was an American there to train our “moderate Islamist allies” at a military base (in Western Afghanistan), and one of these Afghans shot him dead and wounded two others before finally being killed.

It was the fourth green-on-blue attack this year. I wrote here about the last one, in August, which claimed the life of Major General Harold Greene, the highest ranking American officer since the Vietnam War to be killed in combat—being murdered by a jihadist in an Afghan military base while training moderate Islamists is quite appropriately considered combat (although being murdered at an American base while preparing to deploy for combat against jihadists is considered “workplace violence”). As Bill explains, green-on-blue attacks are down, from a high of 44 in 2012, mostly because of the U.S. draw-down and reduced “partnering” with the “moderate” Afghan forces (because doing so has proven perilous).

Nevertheless, Bill observes that the Taliban “have devoted significant efforts to stepping up attempts to kill” U.S. and allied forces. Mullah Omar has bragged that the Taliban “cleverly infiltrated the ranks of the enemy” in accordance with a plan hatched in 2011. As I’ve noted before, the Taliban knows our forces are leaving and wants to make it appear that they are chasing us out of the country.

Although the Taliban has never stopped conducting jihadist terror attacks against our forces, President Obama released five Taliban commanders from Guantanamo Bay in May, enabling their return to the anti-American jihad. And now, as American forces retreat from Afghanistan, our soldiers will be assigned to train more “moderate Islamists” in Syria—which apparently will not be a combat mission . . . unless the trainees go green-on-blue.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR RETURN OF AUSTIN TICE

(Mr. AL GREEN of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I am on a mission of mercy. I have a constituent who is missing in Syria. He is the son of Marc and Debra Tice. His name is Austin Tice.

On August 11, 2012, he celebrated his 31st birthday in Syria. On August 13, he was reported missing. He is a graduate of Georgetown University, and he was

there pursuing his career in journalism.

Mr. Speaker, his parents are gravely concerned, and we are asking anyone with any information concerning this young man, Austin Tice, to please contact the FBI hotline at 1 (800) 225-5324, repeating 1 (800) 225-5324. My number is (202) 225-7508.

I would like to now have a moment of silence for his return.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF WILLIAM McMANUS

(Mr. GALLEGO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GALLEGO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to say thank you to Bill McManus, William McManus, who has announced his retirement as the chief of the San Antonio Police Department in the seventh largest city in the country.

Chief McManus has been on board in San Antonio for some 8 years, but he brought with him 30 years of experience in law enforcement in such areas as diverse as narcotics, tactical positions, criminal investigations, internal investigations, the full range of experience.

As a result of his service in San Antonio, their police department is more well-respected, more well-trained than ever in San Antonio’s history.

Chief McManus I first met when he was testifying before the legislature and I served as chair of the committee on criminal jurisprudence.

I know well his passion for law enforcement and his passion for people. We will miss him dearly at the city, but we wish him well in his future endeavors.

HONORING JAZZ LEGEND JOE SAMPLE

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor and mourn a great American in my district. His name is Joe Sample. He made people happy by the wonderful jazz that he played.

Born in 1939, in his high school he joined with fellow students and created the Jazz Crusaders. In doing so, he enjoyed a wonderful career that saw him working with people such as Miles Davis, George Benson, Jimmy Witherspoon, B.B. King, Eric Clapton, Steely Dan, and the Supremes. He incorporated jazz in many things that he did, but he also understood gospel, blues, Latin, and the classical form.

In talking to his family this week, and to his family and his wife, I give them my deepest sympathy.

He said he was proud of his gospel music album.

We are saddened that he has lost his life in his battle against lung cancer. I

am delighted to salute him as a great American who shared his talent with young people, who was kind to those with whom he grew up, who made Texas proud, and certainly is renowned throughout this great community of Houston and the Nation.

Starting the piano at 5, Joe Sample never left his love of music and always tried to share it and be a representative of the value of what music is to children and the American people.

I ask this Congress to acknowledge with me this great hero, Joe Sample, a musician, an American, someone who we can be proud of that lived good in this country.

MAKE OUR ENERGY MORE RELIABLE AND MORE AFFORDABLE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker’s announced policy of January 3, 2013, the gentleman from Nebraska (Mr. TERRY) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

Mr. TERRY. Mr. Speaker, today the House passed a commonsense approach to make our energy more reliable and more affordable. Our vote today would create jobs and secures our energy future by making us dependent on North American resources, not OPEC, Venezuela, or others.

I am proud to lead this effort in support of lower energy costs and more American jobs. With commonsense policies like these, we can make real progress toward reducing prices at the pump and protecting families from higher monthly electric bills. Lower energy costs also mean lower prices for groceries and other consumer goods; and by producing more American energy, we can create more American jobs. These are the issues that families struggle with at the kitchen table every night and keep you awake at night.

But House Republicans have put forward a positive bipartisan solution to strengthen our energy policy that will allow us to begin fostering the development and use of our own energy resources. Today the House acted. We passed commonsense energy legislation that takes advantage of our abundant North American energy and puts our country on a path to better infrastructure.

This approach is simple. It is a package of 13 bills the House has already passed on a bipartisan basis, including three of which were even voice-voted. They are not controversial.

For instance, this bill includes the Natural Gas Pipeline Permitting Reform Act that would expedite and modernize the Federal review process for natural gas pipeline permits to help facilitate the construction of new pipeline infrastructure. This bill passed with 26 Democratic votes.

It also includes H.R. 6, the Domestic Prosperity and Global Freedom Act, sponsored by my good friend CORY GARDNER from Colorado. This would