

model for all of us on the importance of preserving the cultural, religious, historical, and linguistic heritage—not just for the Tibetan people but for all people.

His Holiness has done outstanding work to safeguard the environment in the Tibetan plateau, to promote democracy among the Tibetan people, and to champion non-violent conflict resolution. With this resolution, we reaffirm the unwavering friendship between the Tibetan people and the United States and call on the government of the United States to uphold its commitment to preserving the human rights, political and religious freedom of the people of Tibet. Additionally, it calls on the People's Republic of China to enter into meaningful dialogue with the Dalai Lama and his representatives, without any preconditions, in order to produce negotiated settlement for the Tibetan people.

I encourage my colleagues to join me in supporting this resolution.

RECOGNIZING JIM TUDOR

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

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize and thank Jim Tudor with the Georgia Association of Convenience Stores who is retiring this week after 29 years of outstanding service to the people of Georgia.

Jim and his wife Sandra Tudor have 4 children, James, Kelly, Bobby & Bill, and 5 grandchildren.

In addition to working for 29 years on behalf of Georgia consumers at the Georgia Association of Convenience Stores, Jim worked for 7-Eleven for nine years and served his country as a member of the U.S. Army for two years.

An active member of my community, Jim donated his time through the Covington Rotary and previously the South Dekalb Rotary.

Over the years Jim has received a number of awards, including the Liberty Award from Brown & Williamson in 2000 and various Pigeon Awards from The Pigeon Committee—a group of fellow lobbyists for the State of Georgia.

Jim was recognized by James Magazine as one of the Top Ten Lobbyists or Trade Organizations for 3 straight years: 2012–2013–2014.

He gives back to his community and has been extremely active with Georgia Youth Assembly, the YMCA, and various other youth groups as a mentor and leader.

Upon retirement, Jim and Sandra plan to roam the countryside in their retro-style 2015 Mellow Yellow Winnebago.

I wish Jim, Sandra, and the entire Tudor family lots of happiness as they embark on this new adventure.

HONORING JAMES "JIM" E. TUDOR

HON. LYNN A. WESTMORELAND

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I honor today a dedi-

cated Georgia citizen and leader, James "Jim" E. Tudor. After a 29-year-long career, Jim Tudor has recently announced his retirement from the Georgia Association of Convenience Stores, where he has contributed his time and loyalty since January 1987.

Before dedicating his career to Georgia's convenience store industry, Mr. Jim Tudor worked for nine years at 7-Eleven, followed by two years of committed service in the United States Army. He is also a 1972 graduate from the University of Cincinnati.

In 2000, Jim Tudor was honored with the Liberty Award from Brown & Williamson, a now-retired American tobacco company responsible for producing many of the United States' popular cigarette brands. Jim has also received various Pigeon Awards presented by The Pigeon Committee, a group of fellow Georgia lobbyists. Namely, in 2012, Jim received the annual Pigeon Award for his work towards the legalization of Sunday alcohol sales in Georgia. Mr. Tudor was again recognized by James Magazine as one of the Top 10 Lobbyists and Associations in Georgia for three consecutive years, 2012, 2013 and 2014.

Aside from his notable career and presence in the Georgia Association of Convenience Stores, Jim maintains a strong presence in the Covington Rotary, and, previously, the South Dekalb Rotary. Within his community he acts as an active mentor and leader, dedicating his time to the Georgia Youth Assembly and The YMCA, amongst various other youth groups. Jim is also a devout Christian and has served in various leadership roles in his church.

Jim and his wife, Sandra Tudor, have four children—James, Kelly, Bobby and Bill—and five grandchildren to whom Jim, known better (more affectionately?) as "Poppy" to his grandkids, refers to as "the reward you get for not killing your children". Upon retirement, Georgia natives Jim and Sandra Tudor plan to roam the countryside in their beloved retro-style 2015 Mellow Yellow Winnebago.

Over the past three decades, James E. Tudor has been a crucial and unforgettable part of the Georgia Association of Convenience Stores. His service in and out of the workplace has left a lasting impact, and I am pleased to have had the opportunity to meet such a devoted Georgia citizen. A leader, mentor, veteran and friend—Jim, on behalf of the Georgia community, I offer the sincerest thank you and best wishes on your retirement.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$18,152,658,501,837.30. We've added \$7,525,781,452,924.22 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

CONGRATULATING JUDGE DAN CONKLIN ON HIS RETIREMENT AND 29 YEARS OF SERVICE

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Judge Dan Conklin's 29 years of service with Missouri's 31st Circuit Court in Greene County.

Judge Conklin was elected Circuit 31, Division 3 judge in 2004 after serving as an associate circuit judge since 1987. The great work and contributions to the judicial system and community have not gone unrecognized, demonstrated with his 2010 re-election and getting 78 percent of the vote. Prior to his time with the 31st Circuit, Judge Conklin was the Republic, Mo., city attorney and worked as a partner in a private practice, Conklin, Holden and Wagner.

Judge Conklin is known for his passion for the court, and he is respected far and wide for it. Colleagues and attorneys have all mentioned the humor he brings to the bench. He has been dedicated to improving the quality and speed of the legal system, putting in 45 weeks per year for jury trials. Judge Conklin has no plans of slowing down as he approaches his 70th birthday, and plans to continue his record of service with a transition back to private practice.

I urge my colleagues to join me in thanking Judge Dan Conklin for his decades of service to Greene County and the State of Missouri. I wish him all the very best in his future endeavors.

INTRODUCTION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST AND INTEGRITY ACT OF 2015

HON. JOHN CONYERS, JR.

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of myself and Ms. JACKSON LEE, I am pleased to introduce the Law Enforcement Trust and Integrity Act of 2015, along with additional cosponsors. This legislation has a history of support by both police and civil rights organizations around the country and is focused on building trust between law enforcement agencies, officials and the people they serve.

Over the past two decades, tensions between police and communities of color have grown as allegations of bias-based policing by law enforcement agents, sometimes supported by data collection efforts and video evidence, have increased in number and frequency. Since the tragic police-involved shooting of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, there has been public outcry for Congressional action to address police accountability and public safety issues through the adoption of substantive law enforcement policy reforms.

Despite the fact that the majority of law enforcement officers perform their duties professionally and without bias, the relationship between the police and some of minority communities has deteriorated to such a degree that federal action is required to begin addressing the issue. With recent Washington