

In celebration of this important milestone, we thank all those who have served as volunteers at the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department for their commitment, dedication and bravery.

DHS HEADQUARTERS REFORM  
AND IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2015

SPEECH OF

**HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 20, 2015*

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, as a senior member of the House Committee on Homeland Security and the Ranking Member of the Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations, I rise in support of H.R. 3572, the "Department of Homeland Security Headquarters Reform and Improvement Act of 2015."

This bill will establish DHS-wide strategic priorities for international engagement, mechanisms for monitoring resource deployment abroad, and strategic priorities and cost data for DHS programs and activities abroad.

H.R. 3572 provides support for DHS's "Unity of Effort" campaign and addresses redundancy among departmental programs.

The bill clarifies and streamlines the offices that constitute DHS Headquarters and better outlines their respective responsibilities.

Specifically, H.R. 3572 achieves these goals by:

1. Establishing an undersecretary for management and makes him or her the chief acquisition officer in the Homeland Security Department; and

2. Establishing two new offices within the department and updates the department's acquisition procedures.

Finally, the bill empowers the Inspector General to review the Department's suspension and debarment program and assess whether disparities exist in the criteria applied.

The bill addresses the need for DHS to develop strategic priorities for international engagement, establish mechanisms for monitoring resource deployment abroad, and developing strategic priorities, and collecting cost data for its programs and activities abroad.

I am pleased that H.R. 3572 incorporates several amendments that I offered during the full committee markup which improve the bill.

Jackson Lee Amendment Number 1 requires the Assistant Secretary for International Affairs to advise the Secretary of Homeland Security on strategic priorities for overseas deployment, establish a mechanism for monitoring alignment between assets, including personnel, with said priorities, and develop a standardized framework to collect and maintain cost data for overseas personnel.

Jackson Lee Amendment Number 2 made technical changes to H.R. 3572 regarding the conversion of contractor positions to Federal employee positions and requiring congressional authorization for adding any new office within the Office of Policy.

Since its creation in 2002, in the aftermath of the terrorist attack of 9/11, the Department

of Homeland Security has been, and must continue to be, ever vigilant in its activities to protect the homeland and the lives and property of Americans.

DHS faces a number of challenges, including the need for more resources, better training, better use of technology, and a constantly changing environment of homeland security threats.

H.R. 3572 is a positive step forward in this effort and I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting the "Department of Homeland Security Headquarters Reform and Improvement Act of 2015."

IN RECOGNITION OF ROBERT  
BISHOP, ESQ., RECIPIENT OF THE  
LACKAWANNA PRO BONO'S ROBERT  
W. MUNLEY AWARD

**HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 21, 2015*

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Robert Bishop, Esq., who will be awarded the 2015 Lackawanna Pro Bono's Attorney Robert W. Munley Award. Lackawanna Pro Bono is a non-profit organization established in 1997 to increase the availability of free legal representation for low-income individuals and families throughout Lackawanna County.

Robert has been principal of Hourigan, Kluger & Quinn, PC, since 1985. His practice specializes in estate planning and administration, as well as elder law matters, real estate transactions, business transactions, and corporate matters for clients in Luzerne, Lackawanna and surrounding counties. He is a graduate of Penn State University and Temple University School of Law.

In addition to volunteering his expertise to the Lackawanna Pro Bono, Robert is very active in the Northeastern Pennsylvania community. He is president of the Amos Lodge of B'nai B'rith, vice president of the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce, secretary of the Jewish Home of Eastern Pennsylvania, past president of Glen Oak Country Club, past president and board member of Temple Israel of Scranton, past president of the ARC of Northeastern Pennsylvania, past president and board member of Jewish Family Services of Northeastern Pennsylvania, past president and life member of Scranton Counseling Center, past president and advisory board member of the Salvation Army Citadel in Scranton, past president and board member of the Estate Planning Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania, and a board member of the Schwartz/Mack Foundation. Robert serves on the boards of the ARC Foundation and the Amos Towers Housing Foundation and the advisory boards of the Scranton Area Foundation, the Kania School of Management at the University of Scranton, and M&T Bank. He is an emeritus member of the Penn State Worthington advisory board, and serves on the board of the Jewish Federation of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

It is an honor to recognize Robert Bishop for the great service he has done for his commu-

nity, and I extend my congratulations on being awarded the Lackawanna Pro Bono's Robert W. Munley Award. I commend Robert for all the effort he has put into making northeastern Pennsylvania a better place to live, work, and raise a family.

HONORING COMMAND SERGEANT  
MAJOR ALBERT L. CAMPBELL,  
U.S. ARMY, RETIRED

**HON. JOHN R. CARTER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 21, 2015*

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Command Sergeant Major Albert L. Campbell, U.S. Army, Retired of Round Rock, Texas, as a recipient of the Texas 31st District Congressional Veteran Commendation. CSM Campbell answered the call to defend our great nation for over 30 years in the United States Army. Today he lives in Round Rock, Texas where he continues his service to his fellow countrymen as a vibrant part of this growing central Texas community.

Born in Greenwood, SC CSM Campbell left the 11th grade and entered the Army in 1950. After rigorous training at Ft. Benning, GA, he was assigned to K Company, 3rd Battalion, 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team and stationed in Japan. CSM Campbell earned the Combat Infantrymen's Badge and Bronze Star for heroism fighting in Korea.

Following his assignment in Japan and Korea, CSM Albert L. Campbell served as the Platoon Sergeant for the 2nd Platoon, Company C, 508th of the 82nd Airborne, where he was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry. CSM Campbell would continue his leadership ascension as an instructor at West Point preparatory School at Ft. Belvoir, VA, the United States Military Academy at West Point, and Howard University in Washington, DC. CSM Campbell rounded out his military service in Ft. Hood, Texas where he retired in 1980.

CSM Campbell's service and sense of duty did not end with his military service. CSM Campbell traded his guns for crosses as a Deacon at the One Way Baptist Church, in Round Rock, Texas.

Family and Service to God and Country remain at the center of his life. CSM Campbell continues his longstanding commitment to helping those in need whether physically as a caregiver or emotionally at Round Rock Independent School District's Opportunity Center, where he helps troubled children participate in the mainstream educational process.

I am stirred with the strongest sense of pride and honor as an American that I should have the opportunity to highlight the life of a true servant of the people. All should marvel and stand proud of an American who so strongly answered the call to serve.

CSM Campbell's patriotism and commitment to service reflect the very best values of both our beloved military servicemen and Central Texas. Let today be a celebration of one of our nation's heroes, one who devoted his life to keeping us free and making America a beacon of hope in the world. Along with his friends, family, and loved ones, I wish him both a happy, prosperous, and healthy life in the years ahead.