

listing the plover? Voluntary, collaborative arrangements would net much better results than coercive, punitive regulations.

I urge the FWS to suspend any further listing action until a comprehensive, scientifically rigorous, locally inclusive research project can be completed on the status of the mountain plover population and ecosystem. Further, the FWS must be cautious during this listing process unless the good accomplished by the people of eastern Colorado is undone and their lives irreparably harmed. Additionally, the state of Colorado and local communities ought to be given the lead role in conserving the species. Other federal agencies must also be consulted prior to listing the mountain plover to clarify contradictory land use policies. Finally, the FWS must ensure all available information is reviewed by an objective scientific panel per the July 1, 1994 FWS Notice of Policy for ESA Peer Review and the Colorado Conservation Agreement before a determination is made.

Given these factors, the FWS must thoroughly consider whether the proposal "presents substantial scientific and commercial information to demonstrate the petitioned action may be warranted." (16 USC 1531) Nothing in this listing supports the conclusion that the plover is threatened by extinction in the near future. As a result, the only decision the FWS can reach is to decline listing the mountain plover as threatened under the federal ESA. I therefore restate my opposition to this listing.

CONSEQUENCES FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS ACT OF 1999

SPEECH OF

HON. GREGORY W. MEEKS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 1999

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 1501) to provide grants to ensure increased accountability for juvenile offenders:

Mr. MEEKS of New York. Mr. Chairman, I am very disappointed that many of my colleagues voted for the McCollum amendment yesterday. However, we can right this wrong by supporting the Conyers-Scott substitute.

This substitute is fundamentally right because juvenile delinquents will not be jailed with adult criminals. In fact, when you compare New York youth who were prosecuted in adult court with youth with similar charges and prior records in New Jersey who were prosecuted in juvenile court—convictions were no more likely in adult court, punishment was imposed less swiftly, incarceration was less likely, and sentences were nearly identical.

This substitute is fundamentally right because it requires states to address the issue of minority confinement. Minority children are 1/3 of the youth population, but 2/3 of the children in long-term facilities. Studies indicate that minority youth receive tougher sentences and are more likely to be put in jail than non-minority youth for the same offenses.

The substitute is fundamentally right because it would place 20,000 crisis prevention counselors in schools and fund crisis preven-

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tion programs—which brings me to an issue that goes hand-in-hand with juvenile justice—the need for educational programs to make sure our children are not getting involved in criminal behavior in the first place.

Research has demonstrated that aggressive prevention programs and alternatives to incarceration are most effective in reducing crime.

In fact, when asked to rank the long-term effectiveness of possible crime fighting approaches, a majority of police chiefs picked "increasing investments in programs that help all children and youth get a good start" as "most effective"—nearly four times as often as "trying juveniles as adults."

Children in the Big Brothers/Big Sisters mentoring programs showed that children participating in the program were 46% less likely to initiate drug use.

Cincinnati's violence prevention programs resulted in a 24% drop in crime.

A similar gang-reduction program in Ft. Worth, Texas, resulted in a 26% drop in gang-related crime.

We need to fight crime by putting more monies into education and crime prevention programs like the ones I mentioned and—after-school programs.

The majority of juvenile crimes take place between 3 pm to 6 pm. We need to have enough educational activities after-school to keep our youth mentally busy.

We need more after-school jobs for our youth. I would like to see the President and Congress develop AmeriCorps' programs for high school students throughout the year.

We need to invest in our youth's present so they can have a bright future—without ever facing the juvenile justice system.

CONGRATULATING THERESA SUTTON AS ILLINOIS POSTMASTER OF THE YEAR

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I take this time to congratulate Theresa Sutton from Brighton, Illinois for the National Association of Postmasters of the United States naming her Postmaster of the Year for the state of Illinois.

The small community postmaster responded to the award, "I have some dedicated employees that really work hard. That makes my job a lot easier." Theresa Sutton will meet in Washington, D.C. along with award recipients from other states in order to meet with Representatives and Senators about postal issues.

I commend her dedication and service to the United States Postal Service. With the necessity for efficient postal services, I am comforted that the 20th District has quality postmasters like Theresa Sutton.

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CENTRAL NEW JERSEY RECOGNIZES DR. ROBERT ANGELO

HON. RUSH D. HOLT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. HOLT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the accomplishments of Dr. Robert Angelo and his contributions to the community. Over the course of the last twenty-five years, Dr. Angelo has worked as a consultant, teacher, advisor, and advocate.

Dr. Angelo served for eight years as the International Director of the AFSCME International Union, the largest public employee organization in the AFL-CIO. As director, he worked throughout the United States organizing campaigns, negotiations, and public events. Dr. Angelo continues to work as a labor arbitrator for the New Jersey State Board of Mediation, and is called upon by private and public sector management to adjudicate disputes arising from collective bargaining agreements.

An educator with a long and commendable career, Dr. Angelo received his B.A. in Economics from Colgate University, an MBA from Drexel University, and has been recently conferred with a doctorate from Rutgers University in Education. He began his career as a college administrator at Middlesex County College in central New Jersey where he was responsible for directing the nationally recognized Occupational Safety and Health training project. At Thomas Edison State College, Dr. Angelo served as a mentor and consultant in the Labor Studies and Organizational Behavior departments. He later was a lecturer and extension faculty member in the School of Management and Labor Relations at Rutgers University, where he taught graduate and undergraduate-level classes.

In 1993, Dr. Angelo founded Capitol Ideas, a multi-service consulting organization dedicated to organizational advocacy and promotion. Capitol Ideas works with a variety of private, public, and non-profit groups to design and implement political, educational, and promotional programs.

Dr. Angelo lives with his wife, Meryle, in East Brunswick, New Jersey. He currently represents SEIU State Council, SEIU Local 510, and IFPTE 195, and continues to work as the CEO of Capitol Ideas and a Professor of Labor Studies at Rutgers University.

Dr. Robert Angelo has demonstrated dedication to his goals and to the community. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Angelo's accomplishments.

HONORING THE SPECIAL GRADUATES OF MIDDLE SCHOOL 88

HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, It is with great pride that I ask you and my colleagues to join me in congratulating special graduates of the 12th Congressional District of New

York. I am certain that this day marks the culmination of much effort and hard work which has led and will lead them to continued success. In these times of uncertainty, limited resources, and random violence in our communities and schools, it is encouraging to know that they have overcome these obstacles and succeeded.

These students have learned that education is priceless. They understand that education is the tool to new opportunities and greater endeavors. Their success is not only a tribute to their strength but also to the support they have received from their parents and loved ones.

In closing, I encourage all my colleagues to support the education of the youth of America. With a solid education, today's youth will be tomorrow's leaders. And as we approach the new millennium, it is our responsibility to pave the road for this great Nation's future. Members of the U.S. House of Representatives I ask you to join me in congratulating the following Academic Achievement Award Recipients: Marilyn Li and Daniel Ortiz.

HOUSE CHAPLAIN SEARCH

HON. TOM BLILEY

OF VIRGINIA

EARL POMEROY

OF NORTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. BLILEY. Mr. Speaker, as co-chairs of the chaplain search committee we are announcing to Members that we have begun our initial stages of the search. We encourage Members to recommend qualified candidates to the search committee. They may do so by forwarding applicant materials to the Speaker's office, H-232 Capitol, House of Representatives, Washington, DC 20515, Attention: House Chaplain Search Committee. Applicant materials should include a cover letter and resume.

As you know, the House Chaplain prepares and delivers the daily prayer in the House of Representatives; coordinates the use of the Prayer Room; speaks to visiting groups and gives invocations at events; assists Members in contacts with religious groups; conducts wedding ceremonies, visits hospitals and conducts memorial services; and is available at all times for pastoral counseling to Members and staff.

The chaplain is one of five elected officers of the House of Representatives. The chaplain is paid \$132,100 per year.

The other members of the search committee are: LOIS CAPPS, HELEN CHENOWETH, JAY DICKEY, CAL DOOLEY, ANNA ESHOO, STEVE LARGENT, JOHN LEWIS, JOE PITTS, RALPH REGULA, CIRO RODRIQUEZ, ROBERT SCOTT, JOHN SHIMKUS, TED STRICKLAND, ZACH WAMP, HENRY WAXMAN, and DAVE WELDON.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANTHONY D. WEINER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. WEINER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 212, had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

HONORING THE LIFE OF
GOVERNOR BOB BULLOCK

HON. GENE GREEN

OF TEXAS

HON. JIM TURNER

OF TEXAS

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

HON. CHET EDWARDS

OF TEXAS

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

HON. LLOYD DOGGETT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today, my colleagues and I and the State of Texas lost a legend. Lt. Governor Bob Bullock passed away at the age of 69.

Before coming to Congress, we served with Governor Bullock as members of the Texas State Senate. No Texan stood taller than Bob Bullock in his knowledge of Texas Government, his influence over the affairs of Texas and his deep commitment to our State.

His love for our state was legendary. Each time he spoke of Texas, the feeling of his pride was very clear. He always said, "I have no agenda but what's good for Texas. And I have no love, but Texas."

Governor Bullock was born in Hillsboro, Texas on July 10, 1929. He was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1956 and was reelected in 1958. While still in the Texas Legislature, Governor Bullock enrolled in law school. He earned a law degree from Baylor University as well as a bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University. He was also a graduate of Hill College in his hometown.

Governor Bullock also served as an assistant attorney general, heading up the first anti-trust and consumer protection division in that office. He won several historic cases including a multi-million dollar recovery from five large drug companies that conspired to fix prices. Bob Bullock held other positions in Texas State government, serving on the Texas Historical Commission, on the staff of former Governor Preston Smith, and as the Texas Secretary of State.

In 1974, Bullock was elected Comptroller of Public Accounts. He would serve four terms as the state's chief tax collector. His tenure as Comptroller was marked by innovation and efficiency. He became the first elected state official to adopt an equal employment opportunity program. He was among the first elected offi-

cial to use computer technology in state government to cut costs and improve productivity. He developed a Taxpayer Bill of Rights to guarantee that Texas taxpayers were treated with fairness, courtesy and common sense.

In 1990, Bob Bullock was elected Lieutenant Governor, a job considered the most powerful in the State of Texas. In this position, he presided over the Texas Senate, made committee appointments, sat on key government boards, and controlled the flow of legislation in the Senate.

As the presiding officer of the Texas Senate, Governor Bullock overhauled the ethics laws in an effort to restore public confidence in state government. He created the Texas Performance Review to analyze spending at state agencies and recommend cost-saving alternatives. He pushed through a constitutional amendment requiring voter approval before a state personal income tax could be enacted and if the voters approved the tax, requiring the money be earmarked for education.

Governor Bullock is survived by his wife, Jan; a son, Robert D. (Bobby) Bullock, Jr. of Austin; a daughter and her husband, Lindy and Phil Ward of Austin; a grandson, Grant Bullock Robinson of Austin; a stepdaughter and her husband, Kimberly and Jeff Ader of Houston; and a brother and his wife, Tom and Jane Bullock of Brenham. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Two sisters, Sara Read and Louisa Bond preceded him in death. We would like to offer our sincere condolences to Jan and the rest of his family.

Governor Bullock's accomplishments were shaped by his desire to make Texas the best state in the union. Governor Bob Bullock always ended his speeches with, "God bless Texas." Today, we would like to add, "God bless Bob Bullock."

TRIBUTE TO DR. J. DANIEL
STEWART

HON. JOE SCARBOROUGH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. SCARBOROUGH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a man who has dedicated 25 years of his life to protecting the people of this great nation and ensuring the American way of life. This gentleman has distinguished himself as a community leader, a dedicated family man, and a decorated civil servant in the United States Air Force. The man I speak about today is Dr. J. Daniel Stewart, Executive Director, Air Force Development Test Center at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.

I could praise Dr. Stewart for his many successes as an engineer, an innovative manager and leader, or his demonstrated commitment to doing what it takes to get our warfighters the weapon systems they need. I could mention his many academic accomplishments earning multiple advanced degrees from some of our most prestigious institutions. Or I could applaud his decorations including the Presidential Rank Award ranking him in the top one per cent of civil servants in recognition to his contributions to National Defense. But I'm sure