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fee for such appeal.
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lowing me this opportunity to clarify the lan-
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A CLARIFICATION FOR THE PAT-
ENT AND TRADEMARK PROVI-
SIONS IN H.R. 1554, AS PASSED IN
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTA-
TIVES ON NOVEMBER 9, 1999

HON. DONALD A. MANZULLO
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 16, 1999

Mr. MANZULLO. Mr. Speaker, H.R. 1554,
the Satellite Home Viewer Act, includes most of
the legislation that would impact the U.S.
Patent system. I worked closely with the au-
thors of the bill in the House of Representa-
tives. I appreciate the time they took to listen
to my strong concerns about the original bill,
H.R. 1907, which passed in the House over-
whelmingly this past August. I offer these re-
marks, however, to create a legislative history and to clarify language in one of the sections
I believed needed reworking—the title con-
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EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CELEBRATING THE 134TH ANNI-
VERSARY OF THE BELTHEL MISSION-
ARY BAPTIST CHURCH OF
CROCKETT, TX

HON. JIM TURNER
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 16, 1999

Mr. TURNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to rec-
ognize and celebrate an important mile-
stone in the history of Bethel Missionary Bap-
tist Church, of Crockett, Texas. On October
10, 1999, Bethel Missionary Baptist Church
celebrated 134 years of service to this East
Texas community. As the church members
celebrate this important anniversary, I ask all
of my colleagues to join with me today in rec-
ognizing this milestone. I would also like to
take this opportunity to congratulate Reverend
Delvin Atchison for his continued leadership of
the Bethel congregation.

Organized in 1865 by newly-freed slaves, Bethel Missionary Baptist Church today is a vi-
brant and growing ministry. As a resident of
Crockett, I can truly attest to the tremendous
impact the church and its members continue
to have on the lives of Houston County resi-
dents. Bethel Missionary Baptist Church has
become known throughout Crockett and sur-
rounding communities as "A Community of Caring Christians."
Through the years Bethel Missionary Baptist
Church as profoundly influenced the life of our
community because it has been blessed with
lay leaders who have also been leaders in the
civic, cultural and political affairs of Crockett,
Houston County and the State of Texas. In
addition, Bethel has benefited from the leader-
ship of many gifted and talented ministers ex-
emplified by its current pastor, Delvin Atch-
ison. My personal relationship with Reverend
Atchison and with the late Reverend J.T.
Grubbs has been most rewarding to me and my
family. Their leadership has expanded the
boundaries of influence of Bethel Missionary
Baptist Church.

Bethel's ministry has contributed not only
to meeting the spiritual needs of the congrega-
tion but to the healing, reconciliation and racial
harmony of the larger community. During the
past 134 years, the members of the Bethel
Missionary Baptist Church congregation have
been at the forefront in advancing civil rights
and civic participation and have fostered unity,
justice and social progress for all citizens.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other distin-
guished colleagues to join me in congratu-
lating the congregation of Bethel Missionary
Baptist Church, under the guidance of Rever-
end Atchison, as it celebrates its 134th anni-
versary. All past and present church members
are blessed by the impact that the church has
made in the spiritual life of the Crockett
community over the past 134 years. May God
continue to bless this ministry of service and
caring.

RECOGNIZING THE U.S. BORDER
PATROL'S SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS
OF SERVICE

SPEECH OF

HON. HENRY BONILLA
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mr. BONILLA. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support
of this legislation "recognizing the United
States Border Patrol's 75 years of service
since its founding."
I have nearly 800 miles of the Texas-Mexico
border in my congressional district. I know all
too well the extent to which Border Patrol
agents meet the daily challenge of keeping
our borders secure and curbing the flow of illegal
aliens and drugs into the United States with
courage, patience and sheer tenacity. They go
out every day and fight to keep our borders
and our border residents safe.
Our Border Patrol field agents are the best in
the business. It is an ongoing battle to keep our
borders secure, drug-free and crime free. The
Border Patrol is faced with carrying out a
tremendous task with limited, often outdated
and failing resources. Yet, every day they go
out to defend our borders. The brave men and
women of the Border Patrol put their lives on
the line for us. Those of us in border commu-
ning know what a crucial role the Border Pa-

trol plays in protecting our borders daily.

As a Texan I take pride in recognizing the
fact that the founding members of the Border
Patrol included Texas Rangers, sheriffs and
deputed cowboys who patrolled the Texas
frontier during the late 1800s and the early
1900s. I am honored to support this legislation
which honors our Border Patrol personnel who
serve this nation in defending our borders.

INTRODUCTION OF THE FAIR
CREDIT REPORTING AMEND-
MENTS ACT OF 1999

HON. PETE SESSIONS
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 16, 1999

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, today I intro-
duce legislation to provide a technical clarifica-
tion to the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA).
This clarification is necessary to protect work-
ers and small businesses from unsafe work
conditions and to root out illegal activity in the
workplace.
Provisions of the Fair Credit Reporting Act
(FCRA) as amended in 1996 undermine inves-
tigations of sexual harassment, embezzle-
ment, workplace violence, drug sales and
other illegal activities in the workplace. Be-
cause of an interpretation by the Federal
Trade Commission (FTC) of the 1996 FCRA
amendments, employers who retain investiga-
tors, attorneys, or others to conduct inquiries
into unlawful activities subject themselves to
the provisions of the Act and must: Provide
notice before initiating an investigation; obtain
written authorization from the suspect and
other employees; upon request, disclose the