

Under current law ignorance is bliss, and those companies most active in protecting their users are most at risk. This situation must be changed.

I realize that this bill will not be acted upon in the 106th Congress prior to adjournment, but I believe it is crucial to put the issue before the House now to get members thinking about a solution. As long as e-companies remain under the threat of litigation they will be reluctant to self monitor. I will reintroduce similar legislation in the 107th Congress and request hearings. I am aware, however, that content providers, privacy advocates, and others have concerns about this issue. I would like to invite all concerned parties to work with us in the next Congress to find a workable solution that addresses all concerns and encourages voluntary, responsible monitoring on the Internet.

A TRIBUTE TO TONY RUDY, A
GOOD FRIEND AND A TRUE BELIEVER

HON. TOM DeLAY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 15, 2000

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a friend and colleague who, after eight years of service to the House of Representatives, is moving on. Every member of this House knows how important it is to have good staff. These are the people who run this institution from day to day. They are the people who do the grunt work, draft the bills, work long nights—all in service of the American people. And we, as Members of Congress, place our trust and careers in their capable hands every day.

I am very lucky. I have always been blessed with great staff. But every once in a while a truly special person comes along and inspires and energizes an office. I was lucky enough to have one of the best, one of the most committed, one of the brightest staffers on Capitol Hill working for me for the past five and half years. His name is Tony Rudy.

Tony came to work for me in 1995, just as I was beginning my time as Majority Whip in the House of Representatives. Being the Whip is hard work, and a lot of that work falls on my staff. These staffers devote a large part of their lives to making sure we get our work done, pass legislation and make the House of Representatives a livable place for Members of Congress.

And Tony is one of the best. He has held virtually every position in my office as he worked his way up the ladder. He started out as a Press Secretary and moved on to Policy Director and finally Deputy Chief of Staff. And he was superb in each of these positions.

As my Press secretary, Tony's hallmark was his ability to form real friendships with the Washington press corps. The people covering politics and Capitol Hill know that they can call Tony anytime and they can always trust what he has to say. Tony's authenticity and ability to form relationships has been instrumental to his success.

Next, I put Tony's commitment to the conservative cause to good use by making him

my Policy Director. One of the things that I have always admired about Tony is his real commitment to the conservative agenda. He is not in Washington, DC for power or personal gain. He is here because he believes in what he is doing and because of his desire to make America a better place. And his commitment was on display every day as he moved through my office like a whirlwind, pressing staffers to do more, to work harder. He is personally responsible for the passage of much good legislation, but more importantly he was on the lookout for bad legislation.

More than a few bad bills found an early grave because of Tony's vigilance. Finally, Tony served as my Deputy Chief of Staff. In that capacity he became a not just great staffer, but a great friend. He was my gatekeeper and my watch-guard. In many ways, too numerous to list here, he made my life in Washington, DC tolerable.

Now, Tony has decided to move on to greener pastures. For five and half years, Tony was always on call. He worked countless late nights and weekends. Now, he has a beautiful new son and is time for him to step back and spend some time with his family.

Tony's departure is a personal loss for me, but I know that it is the right thing for him to do. I wish him the best in his new career and I wish him and his family all the joy and happiness in the world. After all of Tony's hard work for me and the American people, they truly deserve it.

TRIBUTE TO WILFRID A.
GRANQUIST, JR. IN HONOR OF
HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY

HON. KAREN MCCARTHY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 15, 2000

Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a very special husband, father, and grandfather, Mr. Wilfrid A. "Jay" Granquist, Jr. who celebrated his 80th birthday on November 22, 2000.

Born to Wilfrid A. Granquist, Sr. and Leona Ellis Granquist on November 22, 1920, young Jay became, by necessity, independent at an early age. Using his own resources, he survived and thrived during his adolescent years. Mr. Granquist served his country in defense of freedom in World War II and fought valiantly in the infantry during the Battle of the Bulge. Upon completing his service to our country, he became a metallurgical engineer of quality control with Westinghouse, which later merged with Bendix Corporation in Kansas City. He retired as a senior metallurgical engineer in 1981 after 21 years of service to the company.

Mr. Granquist met and fell in love with Margaret Lang while roller skating in 1939. During their first encounter, he cut his finger and asked his future bride to kiss it and make it better for him. On September 21, 1940 they were married and celebrated 60 years of matrimony this past September. Jay and Margaret have 3 children—Marilyn Leona Watson, John Lang Granquist, and Joyce G. Holland who will commemorate their father's 80th birthday on November 24 along with his 13 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

One remarkable milestone that should be noted is Jay's 3 half siblings who he was recently reunited with—2 sisters and 1 brother. His half brother, James, celebrated his 50th birthday in 1999 and his wife, Rhonda, took it upon herself to invite Jay and Margaret to join them. This was most touching and heartwarming for all of the siblings.

Mr. Granquist has spent much of his retirement years volunteering for organizations such as Seton Center, St. Joseph Hospital, and the Red Bridge Lions Club. He has served as a lay minister in his parish, St. Thomas Moore, and is president of his homes association, Klatte Meyer Estates. His volunteer work at St. Joseph Hospital includes driving the Jitney to transport patients and visitors from the parking lot to the hospital. His friendly manner is appreciated, and it is noteworthy that Jay has never met a stranger. Other volunteers who appreciate his myriad skills fondly refer to Mr. Granquist as a "Jack of All Trades." His efforts at Seton Center include collecting and transporting food and bakery items to the Center for distribution to the needy. As part of the "Share of the Harvest" program for the Missouri Department of Conservation, Mr. Granquist transports fowl and venison for use by the Center. He is an avid woodworker, building food shelves and other essential construction needs at the Center. He revels in restoring airplanes and is a member of Save a Connie. Mr. Granquist is an advocate for neighborhood concerns and active in local political campaigns in Kansas City. In his spare time he enjoys square dancing with Margaret, refinishing fine furniture, and creating special gifts for family and friends. His generosity is unmatched, and his selfless dedication to the greater good continues to motivate him to help his fellow man.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of Mr. Wilfrid A. Granquist, Jr., his wife Margaret; his children, Marilyn, John, and Joyce, his grandchildren and great grandchildren, please join me in saluting the life of this remarkable gentleman and in wishing him a happy 80th birthday.

Thank you.

IN MEMORY OF JOHNNY CACE

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 15, 2000

Mr. HALL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I speak memory of a legendary East Texan, Johnny Cace of Longview, TX, who died recently at the age of 83. Johnny Cace was a household name in East Texas. His restaurant that bears his name is part of the culture of Longview, and Johnny was known as one of Longview's leading ambassadors of good will.

Johnny was devoted to his family, his community, and his church—and he was a friend to so many from all walks of life. Born Jan. 8, 1917, in New Orleans, he grew up working with his father at their oyster camp between school years, where he learned to harvest oysters and catch fish and cook. After graduating from Buras High School in 1933 as salutatorian of his class, he attended Louisiana State University and then moved with his family to Shreveport to open an oyster and seafood market. Johnny volunteered for the U.S.