

a treaty which would then be presented solely to the Senate for ratification. This obviously begs the question where is the House. The answer, absent. Without TPA we have no role, no authority, and no voice in trade agreements. This is the people's House. Do not let our voice be silenced. Support TPA.

TRADE PROMOTION AUTHORITY

(Mr. CALVERT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, the growth of services in the U.S. economy has been a tremendous boon to our Nation's GDP and the rate of employment. The benefit of services trade are particularly evident in my home State of California, and at the local level. In California, for example, services account for more than 85 percent of the State economy and 77 percent of employment.

There are over 5,500 establishments exporting professional, scientific and technical services in California. Those establishments alone provide jobs for more than 130,000 people, according to the most recent U.S. Census Bureau data.

Software publishers, broadcasting and telecommunications services employ another 130,000 people in California, a number which would grow if new trade agreements that would reduce barriers to services and tariffs on industrial products and agriculture are signed.

The services sector needs successful trade negotiations that expand substantially opportunities for U.S. trade in services. Trade negotiating authority plays a crucial role in our country's ability to negotiate, and implement, these negotiations; and so we need to move these negotiations along.

NAMES FROM OFFICIAL LIST OF CASUALTIES FROM SEPTEMBER 11, 2001, TO BE READ ON HOUSE FLOOR

(Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I stand here today to request the participation of Members in honoring those individuals who lost their lives or are still missing as a result of the September 11 terrorist attacks. We have all heard the numbers, the devastations, the pain of the families and our Nation's anguish. What we have not heard in Washington is the names of the individuals, and that is why I will begin today during Special Orders to read on the House floor from the list of the dead and missing.

I will begin to read from the official list of casualties, and I encourage my

colleagues to join me until the roughly 4,000 missing or dead are named and entered in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. I have compiled this alphabetical list in a leather bound book that I would request all Members utilize for this effort.

Mr. Speaker, Members are requested to contact my office to coordinate dates and times so we can arrange for the book to be on the floor. I appreciate the assistance of Members in this important undertaking, and again encourage participation.

PROVIDE ENERGY, PROTECT THE ECONOMY

(Mr. GIBBONS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, 3 months ago this House passed the Energy Security Act to increase and diversify our energy production. Only last month we passed an economic stimulus package to keep Americans working and our businesses open. Yet the Democratic leadership in the other body has refused to act on either of these two crucial measures which are so critically linked together.

It is time we ensure the economic prosperity of this Nation by ensuring our own domestic energy supply. Energy and other products produced from fossil fuels and minerals create the standard of living that every American enjoys and relies upon.

Obviously, an uninterrupted supply of energy, including crude oil and natural gas, are vital to the economy and security of the United States; and it is time for the Democratic leadership in the other body to meet the needs of the American people by securing our energy needs, thereby ensuring our economic prosperity. For the sake of this Nation and all Americans, I hope the Democratic leadership will act sooner rather than later.

AIRPORT SECURITY IS TOO IMPORTANT AN ISSUE FOR CONGRESS TO JUST FIDDLE AROUND

(Mr. HEFLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HEFLEY. Mr. Speaker, what are we waiting for? The Senate, or the other body, I should say, passed an airport security bill. The House passed a transportation security bill. In these two bills there are differences, but we agree on a great deal. We agree that this security for transportation should be a Federal responsibility. We agree that the Feds should do the background checks. We agree that the Feds should screen the applicants. We agree that the Federal Government should do the training, and we agree that the

Federal Government should do the supervision.

Mr. Speaker, we agree on all of these important issues. Then why do we not move? We disagree on whether screeners should be Federal employees or should be private employees. Well, in the scope of things, this is an insignificant disagreement. What we agree on is that we want the job done and we want it much better than it is being done today.

We should charge the President with the responsibility to get this job done, and let him figure out what mix of Federal and civilian and private employees there should be. Let us get on with it. It is too important for us to fiddle around.

TRIBUTE TO BRAD COHEN, GEORGIA'S TEACHER OF THE YEAR

(Mr. ISAKSON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. Speaker, as the House and Senate conferees work to complete the job of the President's number one domestic issue, No Child Left Behind and the reform of education, I think it is appropriate that we pay tribute to those that every day teach our children, America's teachers. In particular, to one particular teacher in Georgia, Mr. Brad Cohen, a man who suffers from what many call an affliction, Tourette's syndrome. People would never think Brad Cohen would be a teacher.

Instead, Brad Cohen calls Tourette's his friend, not his enemy. He has been recognized as Teacher of the Year, he teaches elementary at-risk children to read. He has changed their lives and taught them to appreciate that one's disability can be one's advantage with the right attitude.

Mr. Speaker, I pay tribute to Brad Cohen and all of America's teachers.

ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE NEEDED

(Mr. TOOMEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TOOMEY. Mr. Speaker, people across America, across Pennsylvania, across the Lehigh Valley and Upper Macungie, the valleys that I represent, are losing their jobs in very disturbing numbers.

In October, we had a record high numbers of Americans who lost their jobs. The actual loss of jobs or the threat of a loss of jobs is hitting all of us: our families, our neighbors, our friends. And it is about time that Congress responded.

We need an economic stimulus package that is going to lower the record-high tax burden that is impeding our