

old-fashioned view, but thankfully, one that never went out of style. The people of his district loved him for it.

When I attended his funeral in South Boston, I was struck by the outpouring of genuine affection from his constituents. They lined the streets to pay their last respects to JOE.

I hope that JOE'S legacy will be the enduring belief that politics can be honorable and that government action improves our lives.

I will miss JOE—his humor, his stories, and his warmth. I will miss his unflinching efforts to make the world a more just place.

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, the list of JOE MOAKLEY'S achievements is long and impressive. He was a champion of obtaining funding for projects to improve Boston. Court-houses, Libraries, dredging the Boston Harbor were among them. And he was a committed Member of the Massachusetts delegation. But above all he was a generous, kind and compassionate man. He never had a mean word for anyone and he had a real compassion for everyone in the world. In the course of his duties as a congressman he met with several El Salvadoran refugees who feared returning to El Salvador where they might be killed. Accordingly, he made it his business to see that this did not happen and that other refugees in the same situation be allowed to remain in the United States.

My first personal memory of him was because of the massacre of six Jesuit priests in El Salvador and his appointment by the Speaker in 1989 to investigate this slaughter. I was also appointed to this special committee and got to know him well as we interviewed everyone who had anything to do with this terrible incident. Conscientiously, he reported back the failures of the Salvadoran Judicial and military systems. His report and the attention to the overall situation was helpful in ending that terrible tragedy.

One of my own passions, closing the School of Americas, was his too and although we never closed the school in fact we worked very hard together to do so. We also worked very hard to open up Cuba. This kind, loving man, should be commended for the universal view he took of life. He knew that one is sent to serve one's constituents but there is a larger duty too, to root out injustices all over the world. To help everywhere that you can. We will miss you JOE—the world and me.

Mr. QUINN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in tribute to our former colleague, JOE MOAKLEY. All the stories and praise we are hearing this morning on the Floor are all sincere and well-deserved, because JOE was the kind of Member that we would all like to be: smart, well informed, energetic, good humored and always a gentleman.

I was proud to call JOE a friend, and we had worked with each other since I entered Congress. The one issue we worked very closely on together was LIHEAP. JOE was dedicated to making sure the amount of money to help low income people was increased, and he was a tireless crusader on this issue.

Members on both sides of the aisle respected JOE. No one doubted his genuine concern for people, and that he always fought for what he thought was right. Even in the face of his illness, JOE never gave up fighting for his constituents.

His district, the Congress, and the Nation have lost a very dedicated public servant. He

will be greatly missed, and I send my prayers to his family, friends and staff.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks, and include extraneous material on H. Res. 157.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. TIBERI). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO ATTEND FUNERAL OF THE LATE JOHN JOSEPH MOAKLEY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of Saturday May 26, 2001, the Speaker on Friday June 1, 2001, appointed the following Members to attend the funeral of the late Honorable JOHN JOSEPH MOAKLEY:

Mr. MARKEY of Massachusetts;
Mr. GEPHARDT of Missouri;
Mr. BONIOR of Michigan;
Mr. FROST of Texas;
Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts;
Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts;
Mr. OLVER of Massachusetts;
Mr. MEEHAN of Massachusetts;
Mr. DELAHUNT of Massachusetts;
Mr. MCGOVERN of Massachusetts;
Mr. TIERNEY of Massachusetts;
Mr. CAPUANO of Massachusetts;
Mr. HALL of Ohio;
Mr. DREIER of California;
Mr. HOYER of Maryland;
Ms. SLAUGHTER of New York;
Ms. PELOSI of California;
Mr. ANDREWS of New Jersey;
Mr. MORAN of Virginia;
Ms. PRYCE of Ohio;
Mr. SCOTT of Virginia;
Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island;
Mrs. MYRICK of North Carolina;
Mr. SESSIONS of Texas;
Mr. SUNUNU of New Hampshire;
Mr. RODRIGUEZ of Texas; and
Mr. LANGEVIN of Rhode Island.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2001, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

HAS THERE EVER BEEN A TIME WHEN ONE COULD NOT BUY A GALLON OF GAS FOR A BUSHEL OF CORN?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gen-

tleman from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. MORAN of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, the sign at the gas station and the sign at the co-op tell the story. Gas is \$1.93 a gallon. Corn is \$1.81 a bushel. We have suffered through some tough times in farm country, but I can't remember a time when one could not buy a gallon of gas for a bushel of corn.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak about a crisis that affects my constituents and everyone living in rural America. We are facing an economic one-two punch. The price of the principal product we sell, grain, is at an all-time low while the price of the principal product we use to grow that grain, fuel and fuel-derived inputs, are at an all-time high.

One does not have to be an accountant to know that we cannot sustain this economic environment for much longer. Over the Memorial Day recess, I hosted nine of the 66 county townhall meetings that I conduct each summer across western and central Kansas. The concern was the same at every stop. How can we make a living with \$1.93 gas and \$1.81 corn?

Since I came to Congress in 1997, my priorities have remained the same: Preserving our way of life for the next generation of Kansans. The current economic situation puts rural communities and the family farm in jeopardy. In the long-term, all Americans will suffer if we ignore America's agriculture producers. High gas prices today are the result of a failed energy policy. At the height of the so-called energy crisis in the 1970s, we were importing 30 percent of our oil needs. Today, we import 60 percent. In Kansas, we lost a good chunk of our oil production and the related jobs because it was easier to buy foreign oil than to support domestic producers.

Now our energy policy essentially amounts to using the U.S. military to protect our foreign sources and then begging them for mercy when they meet to set prices. Ironically, we run the risk of repeating the same mistakes in agriculture that we have made in energy. If we do not act to save our farm infrastructure today, we will be dependent upon others for our food tomorrow.

For several years, Kansas producers have been able to survive low prices with high yields. However, a drought last year and poor growing conditions this year have left most farmers with few options of where to turn. This is an issue of importance to all of us. Our rural energy and agriculture producers are vital to the prosperity of our country. Congress must act to sustain the way of life in rural America and to ensure a prosperous, self-sufficient America tomorrow.

As we develop a sound national energy policy and as we draft the next farm bill, I encourage my colleagues to