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I want to thank everybody who participated. I thought I would immortalize this year’s game in poetry so it goes down in the literary, as well as the sports, annals and, in the process, raising the level of culture a little bit in this great Chamber.

Many of my colleagues may remember this famous poem by Gerald Hern on the old Boston Braves pitching stars, Warren Spahn and Johnny Sain.

They were the team’s only two reliable pitchers:

First we’ll use Spahn and then we’ll use Sain.

Then an off day followed by rain.

Back will come Spahn followed by Sain and followed we hope by 2 days of rain.

With apologies to Mr. Hern, I have adapted his poem into an ode to my starting pitcher and MVP, Steve Largent, the gentleman from Oklahoma.

First we’ll use Largent and then we’ll pitch him again.

As long as his arm’s good we’ll pitch him in sun or in rain.

Sadly, now he’s retired like Spahn and like Sain I probably won’t see his likes again.

Auditioning new pitchers will be a big pain because you know from last year that walks drive me insane.

There’s just one man at which Steve can now aim, not Governor but induction in the Roll Call Baseball Hall of Fame.

TIME TO STOP POINTING FINGERS

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

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, in the past few weeks Governor Gray Davis has turned up the rhetorical heat while Californians have turned out their lights because of rolling blackouts expected to plague the State all summer long.

The Governor has left no stone unturned in his campaign to point fingers in any direction. He has blamed the Federal Government. He has blamed electric utilities. He has blamed energy companies. He has even blamed President Bush. My God. He is the Energizer bunny of bankrupt ideas.

President Bush recognizes that America faces serious energy shortages, so his administration is putting forward a comprehensive plan to protect consumers from fluctuating fuel costs using 21st-century technology to diversify our clean and affordable energy sources.

But what does Gray Davis do? He hires spin doctors at $30,000 a month paid for by the taxpayers to explain why his State is suffering. I am sure Governor Davis realizes this is an inappropriate use of tax dollars, considering he is sitting on $26 million in campaign cash.

This reminds me of another disaster, Mr. Governor, the Exxon Valdez. That is your administration.

CITIZENSHIP FOR GAO ZHAN

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I want to discuss the tragic story of Gao Zhan. Gao Zhan is a United States lawful permanent resident and American University faculty fellow who is currently being detained in China on charges of espionage. On February 11, 2001, while visiting relatives in China, Dr. Zhan and her family were arrested on espionage charges. The Chinese authorities did release Gao Zhan’s husband and child, both United States citizens, after being separated for a month. The child, the little boy, is 5 years old. However, Gao Zhan remains in detention.

There has been no contact with her since she was arrested over 4 months ago. All attempts to locate Gao Zhan have failed. The United States embassy in China and other United States officials as well as attorneys from both the United States and China have tried to locate the whereabouts of Gao Zhan.

The Chinese government has refused to share any information.

I have introduced H.R. 1385, which grants Gao Zhan citizenship in the United States without her being administered the oath of renunciation and allegiance. This bill is critical since Gao Zhan is being held against her will in China and the law provides different treatment to United States citizens than it does to United States lawful permanent residents.

Congress needs to confer this citizenship on Gao Zhan. She is one who needs to be reunited with her family.

MONUMENT NEEDED FOR SOME OF THE BRAVEST AMERICANS

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

Mr. TRAFFICANT. Mr. Speaker, today is the 125th anniversary of Custer’s last stand, a sad chapter in American history. To make it even worse, there is only one monument at Little Bighorn, to—General Custer!

Unbelievable. As the story goes, Uncle Sam took the whole Indian Nation and put them on a reservation. He took away their native tongue, taught English to their young, took away their way of life, killed their children and their wife. And even the beads they made by hand were then imported from Japan.

Beam me up. Is it any wonder that these brave warriors joined together massively for one lasting victory to be remembered throughout all of American history?

Now, Mr. Speaker, their descendants fight along with our soldiers to keep America free.

I yield back the need to build a lasting monument in tribute to some of the bravest Americans who ever lived right here in Washington, D.C.

PRICE CONTROLS MAY BE NICE POLITICS BUT THEY ARE LOUSY POLICY

(Mrs. BIGGERT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. BIGGERT. Mr. Speaker, day in and day out I hear calls for price controls on electricity, and I wonder were the 1970s that long ago, or are we just suffering from convenient amnesia? Am I the only one who remembers the gas price controls imposed by President Richard Nixon in an effort to ensure an adequate supply of gasoline at reasonable rates? Am I the only one who remembers that the resulting artificial low prices did not lower consumption, but did lower supply?

I guess I am the only one who does not look fondly back on the days of long lines at the local service station and gas rationing. Price controls may be nice politics, but they are lousy policy. The bottom line is that we are trying to meet today’s energy needs with yesterday’s energy infrastructure, and it is not working.

Our energy demand has increased 47 percent over the last 30 years, and yet we have half as many oil refineries, static pipeline capacity and 20 times as many mandated gasoline blends. Low energy prices through the 1980s and 1990s have lulled American consumers and producers into believing that low prices will always be there, but now we know that is not true.

MUHAMMAD ALI

(Ms. CARSON of Indiana asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today almost 1 week after the