

my distinguished colleagues in this House to join me in recognizing his extraordinary service and contributions to education.

A TRIBUTE TO ALAN STEINBERG

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 26, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and pay tribute to a fine American, Alan Steinberg, on an occasion when he and his business have received a prestigious honor: the International Circle of Excellence Award for 2009.

The Circle of Excellence, which is awarded by the International dealer organization of Navistar, Inc., honors International truck dealerships that achieve the highest level of dealer performance with respect to operating and financial standards, market representation, and most importantly, customer satisfaction. It is the highest honor a dealer principal can receive from the company.

Alan's business, Truck King International, is headquartered in Brooklyn, New York, where it was founded in 1977 with his brother Steven. Under his leadership, it has grown into one of the preeminent truck dealerships in the Northeast and the entire nation, with 151 employees and six dealer locations spanning the five boroughs, Long Island and Northern New Jersey. With this most recent award, Truck King International has now received the Circle of Excellence Award, under Alan's leadership, a total of nine times.

Alan has achieved this level of accomplishment and recognition through many years of hard work and service to his industry and community. He has also built a successful truck leasing business, Salem Idealease—the largest affiliate in the Idealease network, and is a member of Idealease board of directors, the Hunts Point Chamber of Commerce, the Town of Huntington Soldiers Welcome Home Salute, the New York Association of Pupil Transportation: Suffolk, Nassau, Westchester Chapters, the New Jersey Council on Special Transportation, the New York State School Bus Contractor's Association, the Garden State & Sussex School Bus Contractor's Associations, the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials and the School Transportation Supervisors of New Jersey.

Through his commitment to hard work and outstanding customer service, he has built an economically vital business of which he can be justly proud. Madam Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join with me in congratulating Alan Steinberg for his record of accomplishment and for his many contributions to his community, state and nation.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing Alan Steinberg and his business, Truck King International.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. HENRY E. BROWN, JR.

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 26, 2010

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the Republican adopted standards on earmarks, I submit the below detailed explanation of the Fuel Oil Barge.

Bill Number: H.R. 3326, Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Navy Other Procurement

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Maybank Industries

Address of Requesting Entity: 525 East Bay Street, Suite 200, Charleston, SC 29403

Description of Project: The Navy needs to replace the existing fleet of aging Fuel Oil Barges (YON) with new vessels to meet fleet requirements and to comply with EPA requirements. The current fleet of Fuel Oil Barges (YONs) is nearly 40 years old, which is well beyond the intended service life, and maintenance costs are increasing substantially.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TOM PRICE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 26, 2010

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Madam Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 51 and 66 I was unable to be present to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

A TRIBUTE TO THE ACADEMY OF CERTIFIED SOCIAL WORKERS

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 26, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the Academy of Certified Social Workers (ACSW). The year 2010 provides us an opportunity to highlight the accomplishments of Academy members throughout the past five decades.

Established in 1960, on the verge of revolutionary social reforms, the Academy of Certified Social Workers was the first credential created by the National Association of Social Workers to acknowledge leaders committed to the social work profession and to improving society. Before individual states enacted licensing regulations for the social workers, the Academy served as the sole source of designating social workers qualified for social work practice.

The 50th Anniversary of the Academy of Certified Social Workers is noteworthy in America because it recognizes the past and present social workers who have made significant contributions to society. Academy members include six dedicated individuals. James Dumpson is the former vice president of the New York Community Trust, one of the na-

tion's largest, oldest and most respected philanthropic organizations and a leader in the community foundation movement. Ada Deer is recognized as an advocate and organizer on behalf of Native Americans. She became the first woman to be appointed Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior. Delwin Anderson was Director of the Social Work Service of the Department of Medicine and Surgery in the Veteran's Administration from 1964 to 1974. Bernice Harper was Medical Care Advisor to the Health Care Financing Administration in Washington, DC and she is a pioneer in hospice and palliative care. Warren Graham, with funding from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, implemented the "Reclaiming Futures Initiative," instituting county-wide change in the New York juvenile justice system addressing adolescents who are substance abusers. Jessica Sawyer is currently involved in the development and implementation of a pioneering process for incorporating mental health treatment in a medical setting in North Carolina.

Members of the Academy of Certified Social Workers represent the thought leadership of the profession. In clinical settings and case management; in courtrooms, communities, government agencies, and medical facilities; in universities and other professional educational venues and at local, state, and federal policy level; ACSWs span the range of social work practice from direct service to research and systems analysis for individuals, families, groups, and communities. The accomplishments of Academy members in social justice, social welfare, mental health, and philanthropy and humanitarianism have had significant positive effects in our society. Today's Academy holders continue to create and inform innovative practices to improve the quality of life for current and future generations of Americans.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the ACSW leaders who influenced America so profoundly in the past and acknowledging the work of over 35,000 current members of the Academy who continue to make a difference in people's lives today.

HONORING LAUREN ALFRED FOR HER SERVICE TO TENNESSEE'S SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 26, 2010

Mr. GORDON of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor Lauren Alfred, a dedicated member of my legislative staff who is moving to a new position on the Hill. She will soon be joining the staff of my friend and colleague Congresswoman GABRIELLE GIFFORDS, and I am confident she will be a great addition there.

Lauren started her career on the Hill as an intern to Senator EVAN BAYH of her native Indiana before joining my staff as an intern brought in to assist while our staff assistant was ill. She was given an extraordinary

amount of responsibility early on, and she rose to every challenge before her, even assisting in appropriations work. Few staffers could have made such a seamless transition.

Lauren's hard work and willingness to help with virtually any task quickly earned her a spot as a legislative correspondent, and she has risen to the challenge of being a capable

legislative assistant. Her thorough research was of great assistance to me and my staff during the debate on health care, and her passion for energy and environmental issues has been a benefit to our office. The fact that she has been able to juggle a full-time job while studying for a master's degree is a testament

to her maturity and dedication to whatever task she undertakes.

Madam Speaker, my staff and I have enjoyed having Lauren in the office over the past year. I have no doubt Lauren can be successful at whatever she chooses to do, and I wish her all the best in the future.