

New York, to designate 5.7 million acres in Utah, almost all of it in my district, as wilderness.

Within the 5.7 million acres in H.R. 1500 are more than half a million acres of school trust lands, and those are lands that are given to Utah in statehood to support our schools.

By surrounding these school trust lands with wilderness, H.R. 1500 would dramatically hurt their value, hurting Utah schools. The fact is, there is not one word in H.R. 1500, not one, that would protect the value of Utah's school trust lands either by trading the lands out or by providing cash value. That is why the Utah State School Board, Utah PTA, the Utah school superintendents and Utah Education Association all oppose H.R. 1500 as written.

The sponsor says he does not want to hurt Utah's school children, but that is exactly what H.R. 1500 does.

WIC FUNDING

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

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to contradict what my colleague from Ohio on the Republican side just said about the WIC Program. The bottom line is that the \$76 million in supplemental funds are needed for the WIC Program.

The information submitted by 50 States to the Agricultural Department in early April specifically says that they will have to drop, many of those States will have to drop women, infants, and children from WIC before the end of the fiscal year if no supplemental funding is provided. And the documents that these States filed with the Agriculture Department in early April basically took into account all unspent funds from fiscal year 1996.

The proposed \$76 million supplemental funding requested by the administration takes these funds into account. So it is simply not true that there is carryover money that is going to be available to make up for this difference. When we are giving these estimates and we are saying that we need the \$76 million extra, it takes into account those carryover funds.

I would point out, Mr. Speaker, that these estimates in these reports and the requests for this additional funding in many cases is coming from States governed by Republican Governors.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK AND JUVENILE CRIME

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

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, this is Teacher Appreciation Week, and these hard-working individuals deserve to be recognized for their outstanding effort.

America's teachers provide an essential ingredient to the success and fu-

ture of this country. Despite the commitment and dedication of these people, there is a pressing issue looming over our classrooms, and that is juvenile violence. Juvenile violence and crime is a constant threat to the safety of both students and teachers alike. In 1996, Texas authorities reported that of the 123,218 violent offenses committed statewide, 6 percent of these were committed by juveniles, and they resulted in the juvenile arrests of these people.

This problem must be remedied, not only in the 5th District of Texas, but across America. I am supporting the juvenile crime bill, one that will ensure that teachers will have a safe environment to teach and the students will be in a safe and secure classroom, one that is free of fear.

I think that we all agree that there is enough obstacles waiting for our children in their adult lives. I think we must make our childhood safe for those children and open to learning.

FUNDING FOR WIC

(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, let me talk about the ABC's of a mother's love. As we celebrate Mother's Day this week, let me tell my colleagues about women and infants and children, the WIC Program, which is facing a drastic cut. It is a shame that in the Committee on Appropriations, Republicans voted 28 to 24 to not give the \$78 million needed to fund and to help mothers love their children. It is a shame as we speak that 180,000 women, infants, and children are falling off the rolls every single day.

The \$38 million is not enough. The ABC's of a mother's love is to provide for those children. Those mothers dependent on the WIC Program to help their infants and children are now being deprived with this budget, but as well with the \$38 million, that is not enough.

We need full funding for the WIC Program to show a mother's love. In tribute to mothers this Mother's Day, let us give full funding, as Democrats want, for women, infants and children, which is what America stands for.

CONGRATULATING SILVER CHARM

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

Mr. STEARNS. Mr. Speaker, sports enthusiasts around the world were treated to a stunning race Saturday during the 123d Kentucky Derby. Silver Charm raced neck and neck with Captain Bodgit from midstretch to the wire, with Silver Charm winning by a head.

Not only was this a thrilling contest, it was also noteworthy that Silver Charm and Captain Bodgit are both

Florida-bred horses, born and trained in the rich horse country surrounding Ocala, my hometown. Silver Charm is a product of Dudley Farm in Ocala, and Silverleaf Farm in Ocala is home for the horse that sired Silver Charm, Silver Buck. In addition, Captain Bodgit is a product of Marion County, bred at Ocala's Still Lake Farm.

This was the first Run for the Roses victory for a Florida horse since Unbridled won in 1990. Florida stands second only to Kentucky in breeding Derby horse winners.

Mr. Speaker, speaking for my fellow citizens from Ocala, I know that we are honored but not surprised that an Ocala horse would place first and second in the Kentucky Derby. I look forward to seeing how the Florida horses fare in the Preakness.

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SUPPORT THE PRESIDENT'S SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR THE WIC PROGRAM

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

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, they say a word to the wise is sufficient. Why, then, do we not get the message here in Congress when we are told over and over again the importance of the care that we give to our children in their earliest moments of life? It is hard to believe, with all the new information we have, why the Committee on Appropriations voted last week to reduce the President's supplemental request for the WIC Program, the program for women, infants, and children, by 50 percent, cutting \$38 million from the budget.

That money is really not nearly enough anyway for WIC to serve those who are currently eligible. Even at this \$38 million supplemental funding level, more than 180,000 women, infants, and children who presently survive because of WIC will lose this life-sustaining program. Some States, including my own State of California, are already moving to remove people from the WIC Program. The program pays for itself. Indeed, it is an investment. The GAO has reported that each dollar spent on WIC saves us \$3.50 in expenditures for Medicaid and SSI for disabled children and other programs.

As we prepare for Mothers Day, as families across the country set the table to honor our mothers, let us have a place at the table for the women, infants, and children of America who are poor. Support the President's supplemental request.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 900

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove my name as a cosponsor of H.R. 900.

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

There was no objection.

**PROVIDING FOR ACCEPTANCE OF
STATUE OF JACK SWIGERT OF
COLORADO IN NATIONAL STATU-
ARY HALL**

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on House Oversight be discharged from further consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 25), providing for acceptance of a statue of Jack Swigert, presented by the State of Colorado, for placement in National Statuary Hall, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

Ms. KILPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, will the gentleman from California kindly state the purpose of the concurrent resolution?

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Ms. KILPATRICK. I yield to the gentleman from California.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding to me.

Mr. Speaker, House Concurrent Resolution 25 is a resolution to nominate and dedicate the statue of Jack Swigert to represent the State of Colorado in Statuary Hall. The resolution was introduced by the honorable gentleman from Colorado [Mr. DAN SCHAEFER] for the Republican delegation of Colorado. The resolution provides for a ceremony in the Capitol Rotunda to commemorate the occasion of the dedication.

As most people know if they have ever roamed the Capitol, there are a number of statues located in important rooms in the Capitol. Most of these statues emanate from the ability of each State to send two statues representing distinguished people in the history of the State. Colorado had sent only one. That was Dr. Florence Sabin. If the name is familiar in terms of medicine, and it was an excellent choice as a statuary representative for Colorado.

Similarly, the dedication and statue that we are offering in this resolution is a wise choice on the part of Colorado.

The dedication ceremony for the statue on May 22, 1997, at 11 a.m. will recognize Jack Swigert, native of Denver, a U.S. Air Force pilot, a recipient in 1970 of the Presidential Medal for Freedom, the command module pilot of the Apollo 13 mission, and an elected Representative to the House of Representatives from Colorado.

Unfortunately, Jack Swigert was not able to assume his position, and in a special election, the honorable gentleman from Colorado [Mr. DAN SCHAEFER] was elected to replace him. So it is especially noteworthy that the gentleman sponsoring the resolution was the gentleman who had the honor of replacing Jack Swigert.

Mr. Speaker, I will offer an amendment, when the gentlewoman withdraws her objection, which was passed by the committee when the resolution was considered.

Ms. KILPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I thank Chairman THOMAS for that explanation.

Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, will the gentlewoman yield?

Ms. KILPATRICK. I yield to the gentleman from Colorado.

(Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in celebration of Jack Swigert and this concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 25, which does provide for the acceptance of a statue of Mr. Swigert presented by the people of the State of Colorado for placement in National Statuary Hall.

I, along with Colorado citizens, anticipate a very moving and wonderful event for the unveiling of our second statue in the U.S. Capitol Rotunda. This tribute has particular significance to me. As some Members may know, I came to Congress, as the gentleman from California [Mr. THOMAS] indicated, in a special election in the spring of 1983, and this special election was necessary because Jack Swigert died before being sworn in as the first elected Representative in the Sixth District of Colorado. I am honored to follow in his footsteps and am excited to be part of this historic event, recognizing his contributions to both the State and the Nation.

Jack was born in Denver and excelled in both academics and athletics. After graduating from the University of Colorado at Boulder, he joined the U.S. Air Force and went on to log over 2,900 hours of flight with the Air Force, the Air National Guard, and NASA. Then in 1970 he served as command module pilot of the famed Apollo 13 mission, the one that blew a hole in its side and had to circle the Moon and came back and landed.

After he did do that, he got into politics and decided to run for Congress in 1982. It was a successful campaign. I can remember nominating him to this particular position.

This is sad simply because before he could actually take office, he passed away on December 27, 1982, and, of course, we all wanted him to at least be here long enough to take the oath of office after all of the things that he had been through.

It is clear that Jack exemplified the true American spirit. He was a competitor, he was an achiever, he was a pioneer in his field. It is with great pleasure that I take part in honoring his spirit by accepting this statue. I thank so much the Lundeen brothers who did the sculpturing, and thank the Colorado Legislature and the Jack Swigert Memorial Commission, and all my colleagues in Colorado and in the

congressional delegation, for all the work we have done.

I look forward to May 22, when we will be able to celebrate the fruits of that labor. I thank very much the gentlewoman for yielding, and I thank the gentleman from California [Mr. THOMAS] for moving so quickly on this resolution.

Mr. THOMAS. If the gentlewoman will continue to yield, Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this time to briefly explain the amendment that we will shortly consider when the gentlewoman withdraws her objection.

The amendment removes section 2 of the resolution and makes a technical correction in the title. As is customary with these resolutions, section 2 of the resolution, as introduced, requested that 6,555 copies of a transcript of the ceremony be printed for use by the House of Representatives and the Senate. It was to be paid for with taxpayers' funds.

The gentleman from Colorado [Mr. DAN SCHAEFER], the sponsor of the resolution, requested that this printing request be removed from the resolution, and the amendment that we are offering does that. I just want to note that pursuant to the letter of the gentleman from Colorado, the reason we are removing the taxpayer-funded documents is that there will be a memorial document printed, but any costs associated with that memorial document will be paid for with private funds, rather than public funds. That money will come from the Jack Swigert Memorial Commission.

I thank the gentlewoman.

Ms. KILPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, with that explanation from Chairman THOMAS, as well as the gentleman from Colorado [Mr. DAN SCHAEFER], I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the concurrent resolution, as follows:

H. CON. RES. 25

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring). That (a) the statue of Jack Swigert, furnished by the State of Colorado for placement in National Statuary Hall in accordance with section 1814 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (40 U.S.C. 187), is accepted in the name of the United States, and the thanks of the Congress are tendered to the State of Colorado for providing this commemoration of one of its most eminent personages.

(b) The State of Colorado is authorized to use the rotunda of the Capitol on May 22, 1997, at 11 o'clock, ante meridiem, for a presentation ceremony for the statue. The Architect of the Capitol and the Capitol Police Board shall take such action as may be necessary with respect to physical preparations and security for the ceremony.

(c) The statue shall be displayed in the rotunda of the Capitol for a period of not more than six months, after which period the statue shall be moved to its permanent location in National Statuary Hall.

SEC. 2. The transcript of proceedings of the ceremony shall be printed, under the direction of the Joint Committee on the Library,