funded either by new or higher taxes or by an equivalent cut in spending on military or other discretionary budget items. H.R. 2887, therefore, cannot be evaluated as though it would provide some sort of pharmaceutical free lunch. Someone's ox, to mix metaphors just a bit, would plainly have to be gored to pay for whatever public benefits the measure might provide. That the cost could quietly and painlessly be laid at the feet of private investors in pharmaceutical companies is a pure mirage. Those investors know their rights, and they know the address of the U.S. Court of Federal Claims.

DIETARY SUPPLEMENT TAX FAIRNESS ACT

HON. DAN BURTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 12, 2001

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to be reintroducing this legislation in the Congress. It represents an important and critical step forward to improving our healthcare system. Throughout my career in Congress, I have always led efforts to examine and support complementary and alternative healthcare. In chairing the House Committee on Government Reform, we have learned a great deal about healthcare that represents a marketplace of over $30 billion dollars and is utilized by one out of every four Americans.

One critical item we have discovered is the inequities that exist within the Internal Revenue Code that discourage good health and wellness. For example, many consumers often ask why there are no insurance benefits for dietary supplements, which are used primarily to maintain good health and wellness. Some dietary supplements, like Folic Acid, can help prevent disease or disease risks like birth defects. Many insurance companies would like to offer coverage to their beneficiaries who continually demand this type of coverage. Unfortunately, the tax code does not allow an insurer to offer this coverage without incurring tax liabilities to consumers and higher administration costs. This powerful disincentive needs to be removed so health insurers can begin developing meaningful and cost effective benefits for their beneficiaries and assist them in maintaining good health longer.

I am pleased to be joined by five of my colleagues on the reintroduction of this bill. I am pleased that Mr. CANNON of Utah, Mr. ISTOOK of Oklahoma, Mr. PAUL of Texas, and Mr. HORN of California have joined as cosponsors in this bill. I am also pleased to be joined by the Gentleman from New Jersey, Mr. PALLONE in reintroducing this legislation. It emphasizes two other important things for my colleagues. This legislation is bipartisan and should be supported by members on both sides of the aisle.

I also note last week the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy convened for one of its final meetings. This Commission will be issuing an important report and recommendations for the Congress and the Administration in March 2002. One of the several key recommendations that is likely to be made by the Commission is that the Congress begin reforming the Internal Revenue Code to support and encourage health insurance coverage for complementary health care. The federal government should be actively working to remove barriers to coverage and access to complementary health care. I look forward to reviewing that report when it is released next year and work with the Administration to implement the recommendations.

COMMENDING MR. JAMES D. RUTH, CITY MANAGER OF ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA

HON. CHRISTOPHER COX

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 12, 2001

Mr. COX of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Mr. James D. Ruth, City Manager of Anaheim, California, who is ending his 45 year career in public service at the end of this year.

After serving in several California municipalities, Jim came to Orange County in 1976 to serve the City of Anaheim as the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Director. He later served as Deputy City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and, finally, as City Manager. Jim's outstanding services in all of these positions has earned him numerous awards, including being named ''Orange County Manager of the Year'' and ''Anaheim Rotarian of the Decade.''

With almost twelve years of dedicated service as the City Manager for Anaheim, which is the tenth largest city in California, Jim Ruth has invigorated Anaheim into an internationally renowned tourist community. Under his leadership, the City of Anaheim became a major contributor to California's booming tourism and entertainment industry.

Most recently, Jim successfully led the city's efforts to establish the Anaheim Resort District, including a multi-million dollar expansion of the Anaheim Convention Center and the creation of the new Disney ''California Adventure'' theme park. Jim also served as the city's chief negotiator in the construction of the Arrowhead Pond, home of the National Hockey League's Anaheim Mighty Ducks and hundreds of other special events. This concert and sports venue is now second only to Madison Square Garden in New York City in number of events. And, just across the street, Jim paved the way for the renovation of Edison Field, home of Major League Baseball's Anaheim Angels.

Jim's expertise on city issues was invaluable. He improved the quality of life and standard of conducting business in Anaheim. His contributions to numerous industry, civic, and social organizations throughout Orange County will benefit its residents for years to come.

Today, I join my fellow California colleagues to thank Jim for all of his hard work and dedication. I also wish to thank Jim's wife, Linda, who is a public servant in her own right. In behalf of the United States Congress and all of the people of Orange County whom it is my privilege to represent, congratulations to Jim Ruth on his successful term as the City Manager of Anaheim, and best wishes for a well-deserved retirement.

TRIBUTE TO MAJORITY LEADER DICK ARMEY

HON. J. DENNIS HASTERT

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 12, 2001

Mr. HASTERT. Mr. Speaker, DICK ARMEY has been one of my closest friends in the Congress, and his contributions to the House of Representatives have been enormous.

DICK ARMEY is not a natural politician, but he is a natural leader. DICK came to the Congress with the idea that this institution could work better for the American people; that it could be more responsive to the people's wishes; that it could be more responsible with the taxpayer's money; and that it could be play a more balanced role in the lives of the American people.

He will leave at the end of his term with the knowledge that he has made this Congress a better place.

I am proud of DICK ARMEY; I am proud of his ideas; and, I am proud of his achievements.

I know that he will continue to fight for his constituents and for the American people every day that he remains in this institution.

IN MEMORIAM OF DONALD GLOVER

HON. NICK LAMPSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 12, 2001

Mr. LAMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in great sadness to honor Donald Glover, who passed away yesterday, December 11th. Donald Glover was a remarkable man who was committed to his community, his country, and above all, his family.

Donald was concerned about Southeast Texas and the people who lived there. He was a long time civic and community leader. He followed me as the Chair of the Jefferson County Democrats and helped thousands of citizens register to vote.

Always a man who believed in equality and justice, he fought hard for working men and women, for senior citizens and for children. His impact on the community could be felt everywhere, he was a positive force in Southeast Texas.

Donald and his wife Helen were a team like Lyndon B. Johnson and Lady Bird. Their ''matching AMC pacers'' became a sign at any political or community event that the Glovers had arrived and it would not be ''business as usual.''

He was of the utmost character, and his attributes of selflessness and commitment to others are rare gifts that this nation was lucky to have. Donald Glover was a man who served his community with great pride and devotion. He often thought outside the box to make sure that everyone got a fair shake in life.

His work was part of the fiber of Southeast Texas, and with his passing a great loss will be felt in the spirit and the heart of our community. Today, as an American we lost a great activist, but as a Congressman I have lost a friend.