## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. BOB RILEY

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 23, 2002

Mr. RILEY. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 296, H.R. 3482, the Cyber Security Enhancement Act of 2002. Had I been present I would have voted, "yea."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 297, H.R. 4755, the Clarence Miller Post Office Designation Act. Had I been present I would have voted, "yea."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 298, H.R. 3479, the National Aviation Capacity Expansion Act. Had I been present I would have voted, "yea."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 299, H.R. 5118, the Corporate Fraud Accountability Act of 2001. Had I been present I would have voted, "yea."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 300, H. Res. 482, Honoring Ted Williams. Had I been present I would have voted, "yea."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 301, H. Res. 452, Congratulating the Detroit Red Wings. Had I been present I would have voted, "yea."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 302, H. Res. 483, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5093) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes. Had I been present I would have voted, "yea."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 303, H.R. 4866, the Fed Up Initiative Technical Amendments. Had I been present I would have voted, "yea."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 304, H. Con. Res. 395, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the constitution of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Had I been present I would have voted, "yea."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 305, the Toomey of Pennsylvania Amendment to H.R. 5093, Department of Interior Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2003. Had I been present I would have voted, "no."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 306, On Motion to Limit Debate on H.R. 5093, Department of Interior Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2003. Had I been present I would have voted. "no."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 307, the Flake of Arizona Amendment to H.R. 5093, Department of Interior Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2003. Had I been present I would have voted, "no."

I was also unavoidably detained for rollcall No. 308, on Motion That the Committee Rise. Had I been present I would have voted, "no."

LEXINGTON CATHOLIC: BASKETBALL EXCELLENCE

## HON. ERNIE FLETCHER

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 23, 2002

Mr. FLETCHER. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor for me to stand here today to recognize basketball excellence at Lexington Catholic High School. Lexington Catholic High School represents a long tradition of Catholic education in the Bluegrass Region, a region where basketball is loved and cherished. The Lexington Catholic basketball tradition has evolved with the academic excellence of the high school, representing not only its students, but oftentimes, Lexington, and the state of Kentucky.

The school was formed in 1951 through the merger of two secondary schools, St. Catherine's Academy, founded in 1823, and Lexington Latin School, founded in 1924, and began their basketball program the same year. After many impressive years as a program in the most competitive area in the country, the Lexington Catholic High School Knights earned a national reputation as a powerhouse. Lexington Catholic is Kentucky's winningest basketball program over the past decade and has won premier tournaments in and out of the state. The program has been ranked as high as No. 3 nationally in USA Today, defeating powerhouses Oak Hill Academy in Virginia, and Chicago's Whitney Young.

However, this year's team accomplished what no other Lexington Catholic team in history had achieved: the Kentucky state title. Through hard work of the players and the determination of long time coach Danny Haney and Principal Sally Stevens, the 2001–2002 Lexington Catholic High School basketball team delivered what students and alumni have been coveting for years.

I would like to recognize the achievements of this year's state champion, the Lexington Catholic Knights, and their perennial successes. The state championship team members include: Chas Allen, Mark Balthropk, Scott Becker, Corey Canter, JD Christman, Adam Cooke, William Graham, Demetrius Green, Chase Hillenmeyer, Wes Lawrence, Mike McGrath, Martiese Morones, Drew Morton, Christian Postel, Ryan Morton, Harrison Morton, David Noble, Ryan Postel, John Rompf, Trey Server, Brian Smith, Joseph Tunde. The coaching staff consists of: Danny Haney, Tommy Huston, Mike Mendenhall II, Mark E. Davidson, John Albaugh, Dave Tramontin, Brandon Salsman, Dan Tilghman, and Mike Mendenhall III.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPRO-PRIATIONS ACT, 2003

SPEECH OF

## HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 17, 2002

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5093) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30 2003, and for other purposes;

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of the Capps-Rahall-Miller amendment, which would prohibit oil drilling off the coast of California in the coming year.

I commend my colleagues for offering this important amendment, particularly Congresswoman CAPPS, whose vigilance and leadership on this issue never flags.

It is for good reasons that Californians from all walks of life oppose drilling for oil off our coast.

All it would take is one spill—like the blowout that dumped 4 million gallons of crude oil in the Santa Barbara Channel in 1969—to devastate the marine environment, eliminate tourism along a long stretch of our beautiful coast, and destroy commercial and recreational fishing for years to come.

And for what?

There is little oil available and what is there is of low-quality oil.

It is primarily used to make asphalt.

So let me see if I've got this right: In exchange for hundreds of miles of lovely beaches, thousands of marine mammals, millions of tiny sea creatures, and billions of dollars in tourism and fishing revenues, we would get—asphalt?!

Mr. Chairman, this is a bipartisan issue.

It was President Bush's father, President George H.W. Bush who in 1990 placed a 10-year moratorium on new oil leases off the California coast.

President Clinton renewed that moratorium

We in California were happy in May for our friends in Florida when President Bush announced a buyout of federal oil leases off the coast of Florida.

Now we call on the President to do the same for the 36 oil and gas leases threatening California—even though his brother is not the Governor of our state.

I also urge the Bush Administration to drop its opposition to California's activities under the Coastal Zone Management Act.

The Act gives the state the authority to review the potential environmental effects of off-shore drilling.

My colleagues, your vote for the Capps-Rahall-Miller amendment is your endorsement of termination of the California offshore leases.

Please vote yes.

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