firsthand the devastation caused by terrorist attacks and we understand the urgent need to find new ways to improve the nation's safety. Because of this, in July, I felt it was my duty to vote for H.R. 5005, the House version of the Homeland Security legislation and I will do so again today.

H.R. 5005, the bill currently before us, creates a permanent, cabinet-level Department of Homeland Security, headed by a Secretary of Homeland Security who shall be appointed by the President, with the consent of the Senate. As stated by my colleagues, the legislation consolidates 22 federal agencies into one new Department responsible for intelligence analvsis and dissemination, science and technology, border and transportation security, and emergency preparedness and response.

I had hoped that the conference committee would have corrected a number of flaws in the House bill. I appreciate that H.R. 5005 is slightly better on worker protections, however. I am still very concerned that the final product includes troubling provisions that weaken civil service protections for the new Department's employees, undermines Freedom of Information Act compliance, and disregards the need for accountability for corporation by giving blanket immunity to companies that produce anti-terrorist devices.

Yet, we have to do everything we can to prevent a tragedy like 9/11. We have to make sure we can respond as quickly as possible to future attacks. The Homeland Security Act will help us reduce our vulnerability to terrorism and ensure that the nation becomes better prepared.

Securing our homeland must be made a priority. I urge my colleagues to support H.R.

RECOGNIZING THEHARVEY JONES ENGINEERING COMPANY'S 150 YEARS OF BUSINESS EXCEL-LENCE

HON. KAREN McCARTHY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 19, 2002

Ms. McCARTHY of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Mr. Robert H. Jones and his ascendants. Mr. Robert Jones is the fourth generation family member to lead the Harvey A. Jones Engineering Company as president in the historic region of Independence, Missouri.

The company celebrates its 150th anniversary this year serving our community through the surveying and engineering services it offers to our local businesses and city infrastructure. I salute the remarkable longevity of the company in creating jobs and providing robust economic development throughout our local counties and communities in Missouri and Kansas. The Harvey A. Jones Engineering Company is an outstanding example of the significant contributions that small business makes to our economy.

In 1849, Martin O. Jones came from New York to found his company. The patriarch of the Jones family was appointed Jackson County Surveyor by Missouri Governor Sterling Price and was hired by the United States government in 1874 to survey the Santa Fe Trail from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas to Fort Union, New Mexico.

Martin's son, Robert H. Jones, later directed the family business and in 1919 was appointed City Engineer for the City of Independence. His son, Harvey A. Jones took over the position of City Engineer when his father retired in 1943. Harvey A. Jones, a prestigious civic leader was also appointed as City Engineer for the cities of Sugar Creek, Buckner, Lee's Summit, Raytown, Grandview, and Blue Springs. He was also the first Chairman of the Missouri Water Pollution Board.

Throughout its illustrious development, the Harvey A. Jones Engineering Company was instrumental in building the Little Blue Valley Sewer District covering 225 square miles, widening the Noland Road, as well as constructing the Harry S. Truman Sports Com-

Robert H. Jones now directs the company and continues the tradition his great grandfather began. Under his leadership, the company is now a leader in using advanced computerized instruments in hazardous waste remediation projects, subdivision planning, and commercial developments.

I wish to congratulate the Harvey A. Jones Engineering Company, its fourth generation president, Mr. Robert H. Jones, and all of its employees, on this meaningful anniversary. Our community is grateful and looks forward to the company's continued growth and suc-

PAKISTAN'S NUCLEAR EXCHANGE WITH NORTH KOREA

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 19, 2002

Mr. PALLONE, Mr. Speaker, I would like to express my grave concern regarding Pakistan's transfer of equipment to support North Korea's covert nuclear weapons program.

Mr. Speaker, I am outraged that North Korea has violated its commitment to the United States, established in a 1994 accord, to freeze its nuclear program. According to reports by your administration. North Korea has in fact been secretly building a program to enrich uranium since the late 1990's.

What I find appalling is that this nuclear program that the United States worked tirelessly to halt, was in fact sustained through the assistance of Pakistan. Not only did the transfer of critical equipment from Pakistan to North Korea take place around 1997, in addition, this relationship has continued even after President Musharraf seized power by force in 1999. Lastly, Pakistan is thought to have provided technology up to even three months ago-I find this particularly outrageous.

The Bush administration has declined to openly discuss Pakistan's involvement in this crucial situation with North Korea. Although the administration seems to have evidence pointing to Pakistan's direct involvement, I see no punitive measures taking place because Pakistan is a U.S. ally in the war on terrorism. In fact, Pakistan has received over one billion dollars' worth of direct and indirect assistance from the U.S. since September 11, 2001. I find it incredible that the U.S. has provided virtually all the assistance President Musharraf has requested, yet at the same time, Pakistan still continues to consort with North Korea by exchanging nuclear equipment for missiles.

Mr. Speaker, I sent a letter to President Bush last month urging the administration to conduct a full investigation of Pakistan's role in providing North Korea with nuclear information and equipment. We must fully investigate President Musharraf's relationship with North Korea since his military coup in 1999, and even more important, to what extent this relationship between the two nations continued after September 11, 2001. To this day, I have not received a response to my request.

In addition, I requested that the administration take immediate steps to ban all military sales to Pakistan and to reimpose Symington sanctions on Pakistan for assisting a foreign nuclear weapons program. Lastly, I urged the administration to also take similar steps and ban any future arms sales they have with Pakistan. I have not received a response to these requests either, however, it seems clear that the administration is opposed to imposing any corrective measures on Pakistan.

Mr. Speaker, I am reiterating these requests that I had previously made to the administration because I think it is important for us to understand that Pakistan should not be exempted of its responsibility in colluding with North Korea over a nuclear weapons program. This situation poses a direct threat to our allies in Asia and to our safety in the United States.

Since the administration is not inclined to recognize the severity of Pakistan's relationship with North Korea, an "axis of evil", and since the administration is not willing to use its authority to reimpose the Symington Sanctions, I will introduce legislation early in the 108th Congress to sanction Pakistan for delivering nuclear enrichment equipment without international safeguards as determined by the Symington Amendment of 1976.

Mr. Speaker, we must show Pakistan that their promise to help us in our war on terrorism cannot be an empty promise. They cannot have it both ways and until President Musharraf learns this lesson we must reinstate the Symington Sanctions to protect our allies in Asia and our own nation.

TRIBUTE TO NORMAN T. SCHINDLER

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 19, 2002

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, I invite my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Norman T. Schindler who will celebrate his 100th birthday tomorrow-November 20. It is an extremely noteworthy event to mark the centennial of Norman's birth, but it is more important-and deserving of attention at any ageto acknowledge his remarkable record of public service.

Norman Schindler was the son of a successful Austrian father and a regal Romanian mother, who left Europe to find a new life in the United States. Although he faced great challenges in his new country, his timely departure for America may have saved his life because he avoided the horrors of the Holocaust which took the lives of 6 million of his fellow Jews in Austria and elsewhere in Europe, including many of his own family.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Schindler's life in many ways was the America dream-he began as an industrious eight-year-old selling fresh eggs and delivering packages on the streets of New York City during the era of horse-drawn carriages. His ambition and hard work led him to found the Nortex and Schindler companies, which were headquartered on the 43rd floor of the Empire State Building. He married his wonderful wife Fran, and they have enjoyed a happy 45 years together.

His family and business success is matched by an enviable record of public service. Just two years after the end of the Second World War, his family received notification from the Government of Austria that they were heirs to property in the city of Vienna. In memory of the members of his family who were victims of the Holocaust, the family directed that the property be turned over the city for use as a park.

In 1962 he established the first corporate day care and nursery facility in the United States for the children of working mothers at his manufacturing plant in Fall River, Massachusetts. Norman Schindler has been a leader in a number of areas, particularly since he and Fran established their home in Florida. He served as president of the South Florida Humane Society for fifteen years, was treasurer of the Papanicolou Cancer Research Center (now the Sylvester Cancer Center) for seven years, was a founder of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation of Miami Beach, on the board of the Hebrew Academy of Miami Beach, and became a "Grand Donor" to the Miami Beach Alzheimers Foundation.

Mr. Speaker, I invite my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Norman T. Schindler for his exemplary public service on the occasion of the centennial of his birth.

TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE SONNY CALLAHAN

HON. NICK J. RAHALL II

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 19, 2002

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to rise in tribute and express my appreciation and affection for my colleague and friend from Alabama, SONNY CALLAHAN.

SONNY has traveled a career path from the ranks of the small businessman to serving in the Alabama legislature to ultimately representing Alabama's First District for the past 18 years in the United States Congress.

From his work first as Chairman of the House Appropriations subcommittee on foreign operations, and then more recently as Chairman of the subcommittee on energy and water development, SONNY has been unfailingly equitable in his consideration of members' appropriations requests.

Now, in stepping down from the lofty positions he has served with such distinction, he will have more time for his family, his grand-children, and his friends back home.

We will miss SONNY's friendly manner, his thoughtfulness, and his affability.

But our loss in SONNY's retirement is certainly a clear gain for SONNY's family and the folks of southwest Alabama to whom he now returns.

RECOGNIZING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE RING LARDNER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SPORTS JOUR-NALISM

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 19, 2002

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, the Chicago Athletic Association (CAA) was one of the nation's first sports clubs to be created when it was formed in 1890. It was ready for business—and sports—when it opened its doors to athletes and sports fans, just in time for the World's Fair Columbia Exposition in 1893. Amos Alonzo Stagg, Avery Brundage, William Wrigley and Ring Lardner were among the scores of sports celebrities who have called the CAA their second home. William Wrigley even took the club's logo for the use of his new baseball team. Today, that team is known as the Chicago Cubs.

While dozens of awards programs exist for athletes, there are few programs that recognize excellence in sports journalism. The leadership of CAA has decided to create a special award for excellence in sports journalism, in honor of Ring Lardner, premier sports reporter and writer. The inaugural recipients of the new Ring Lardner Award were chosen by a distinguished panel, including: Mike Houlihan, Lardner Award creator, Chicago Sun-Times; Mike Conklin, Chicago Tribune: Rick Kogan, Chicago Tribune; Mike Mulligan, Chicago Sun-Times; Don Pierson, Chicago Tribune; Norman Potash, WBBM-TV (CBS); Jennifer Weigel, WLS-RADIO; Susan Prather, founder of the Chicago Sports Hall of Fame; and William T. Darnton, immediate past president of the CAA

The recipients of the inaugural Ring Lardner Award are:

In the broadcast category, NFL Host and play-by-play Announcer Greg Gumbel, CBS Sports:

In the print category, former Chicago Sun-Times Columnist and Sports Editor Ray Sons; and

In the posthumous award for both print and broadcast, former Chicago Daily News Sports Reporter, Chicago Sun-Times Columnist and WBBM-TV Sports Director Tim Weigel.

The award ceremony is being held Thursday evening, November 21, 2002, at the Chicago Athletic Association, and is benefiting Maryville Academy for abused children. The profession of sports journalism lost a gifted reported in Tim Weigel last year. His award is especially poignant, because his daughter, Jennifer Weigel, is serving as Master of Ceremonies for the award ceremony, and his widow, Vicki Truax, will accept the posthumous award.

Congratulations to the leadership and members of the Chicago Athletic Association for creating and establishing this award, to Ring Lardner's great-nephew, Rex, for his support and cooperation, and to the recipients.

RECOGNITION OF ACCOMPLISH-MENTS OF LYNDA VAN DEVANTER BUCKLEY

HON. LANE EVANS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 19, 2002

Mr. EVANS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Lynda Van DeVanter Buckley, the author of "Home Before Morning: Story of an Army Nurse in Vietnam", who passed away after a long-time illness last week. Lynda served in Vietnam 1969–70 at 71st Evacuation Hospital in Pleiku. I had the good fortune to know Lynda from her testimony to the House Committee on Veterans Affairs and from her long-standing advocacy as a very early member of the Vietnam Veterans as America. Like so many in the veterans' community, I felt a tremendous loss upon hearing that Lynda had left us after her long and courageous struggle.

As a friend, a Vietnam era veteran and lifetime member of Vietnam Veterans of America, I remember Lynda's perseverance, her indomitable spirit and her humanity. As a then-junior Member of the House Committee on Veterans Affairs she helped shape my views on policy for Vietnam veterans—particularly on women veterans' issues, and the health effects of Agent Orange on veterans and their children. Even in her illness, Lynda continued to fight for her daughter, Molly, whose conditions Lynda suspected were related to her own exposure to Agent Orange.

"Home Before Morning: Story of an Army Nurse in Vietnam" became a clarion call to women Vietnam veterans. It reminded them that they were not alone in their struggles and gave voice to the problems and concerns of both this particular group of Vietnam veterans and the entire generation. So many of the preeminent leaders in this community have been affected by her character and her courage. I know her fight lives on in them.

My good friend, Dr. Linda Spoonster Schwartz, a Vietnam nurse who is also a Vietnam Veterans of America member, had this to say about Lynda's life which speaks volumes of the loss we all sense in her passing:

"She was our first Sister. I say that because she took her own Odyssey and put it in print. Her struggle was very much like our own. We began to see we were not alone Her words came like thunderbolts to part the curtain of anonymity, demoralization and released the years of quiet turmoil suffered by many women who served in Vietnam and during the Vietnam era She became the Elder Statesman, supporting, advising, and nurturing a new team to continue her work. She taught us how to share, how to disagree without demeaning each other. Mostly she understood with a deep sense of reckoning which never wavered from her vision . . . She created a voice for women veterans and all past, present and to come are the beneficiary of her legacy."

Lynda will be missed by many, but her commitment and contributions will endure. Yes, Lynda will be missed, but never forgotten.