

germ of every other. War is the parent of armies. From these proceed debts and taxes. And armies and debts and taxes are known instruments for bringing the many under the domination of the few. No nation could preserve its freedom in the midst of continual warfare."

James Madison said that in 1795. In 2002 we would do well to remember those words.

ON ENERGY

(Mr. REHBERG asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. REHBERG. Mr. Speaker, America is at war. We are at war against terrorists and those who would support their hate-filled actions. Unfortunately, there are those in this Chamber that would have the United States continue to import almost 60 percent of our oil from many of the very same terrorist-sponsoring regimes our sons and daughters are bravely fighting today. Conservative estimates state that ANWR alone holds enough energy to power all of Montana's needs for the next 300 years and would provide more than 2,000 desperately needed jobs in my home State. It is ridiculous to depend on unstable nations, riddled with terrorists, for our oil, not when America has untapped resources at home.

The security of our Nation depends on eliminating our dependence on foreign oil. I urge my colleagues to support our balanced energy plan for America's future.

TITLE IX

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

Ms. SANCHEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 30th anniversary of title IX of the education amendments of 1972. In passing title IX, Congress intended to give girls and women opportunities equal to those offered to boys and men in education programs that receive Federal taxpayer dollars.

Today we enjoy a greater amount of freedom from our counterparts from 30 years ago. Yet with all the advances that have been made toward gender equity, many barriers still remain. For example, according to a report of the National Coalition for Women and Girls in Education, just 21 percent of all full professors at colleges and universities are women. For every new dollar going into athletics at the Division I and Division II levels, male sports receive 65 cents of the dollar while girls or women sports receive only 35 cents. In addition, sex segregation persists in career education, with more than 90 percent of girls clustered in training programs for the traditionally female fields of health, teaching, graphic arts, and office technology.

We must continue to support title IX.

INDIA

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

Mr. PITTS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to condemn the atrocities committed by Hindu extremists in Gujarat, India, against Muslims and other minority groups. Last week I met with human rights, academic and religious leaders from India who shared reports documenting the designs of the extremist groups against Muslims, Christians, Dalits and others.

Trained combatants in Gujarat entered villages and attacked men, women and children. Pregnant women had their wombs ripped open and unborn babies were ripped out and tossed onto burning fires. Approximately 300 women were gang raped. Over 2,000 people died. I have photos too gruesome to show in my office.

It appears that some of these Hindu extremist groups receive some of their funds from charities in the U.S. and the U.K. We should ensure that no funds from the United States gathered under charitable causes are used to finance terrorism, and we must publicly condemn the violence and officials who support ethnic cleansing.

Mr. Speaker, our government must respond to these brutal attacks and the underlying extremism. The silence of the U.S. Government is deafening.

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM PRIVATIZATION

(Ms. BERKLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. BERKLEY. Mr. Speaker, a recent executive order paves the way for privatization of our air traffic control system. The order states that air traffic control is no longer an inherently governmental function. Air traffic controllers play a significant role in our national security. National security is inherently a government function.

On September 11, our air traffic controllers safely grounded nearly 4,500 aircraft in less than 2 hours, proving that the current system works and works well. Proponents of privatization cite the systems in Great Britain, Canada, and Australia as efficient and effective. However, the systems in Great Britain and Canada are facing financial crisis and the controllers in Australia report poor working conditions.

Our system works. Our air traffic controllers have demonstrated it time and time again. We should not privatize our air traffic control system.

CONGRATULATING IDAHO'S FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT BASEBALL TEAMS

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

Mr. OTTER. Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate the college baseball teams from Idaho's First Congressional District for winning the national championship and placing third at the recent NAIA World Series. The Lewis & Clark State College Warriors, led by veteran coach Ed Cheff, captured their 12th national title since 1984 on their own Harris Field in Lewiston, Idaho, beating Oklahoma City 12-8 in the May 31 championship game.

Meanwhile, the Coyotes from Albertson College in Caldwell, my alma mater, finished third in head coach Shawn Humberger's first World Series appearance. Only an Albertson College loss to Oklahoma City in the semifinals kept the title game from being an all-Idaho, all-First Congressional District affair.

Lewis & Clark State College, which also happens to be the alma mater of my colleague, Mary Bono's spouse, finished with a 41-16 record, returning the national championship to Lewiston after a 1-year hiatus. Albertson College ended its season 42-20-1 as the Coyotes continue building a reputation as a national power. They won their first national title in 1998, were national runners-up in 1999, and placed fifth in 2000.

I am proud of both programs' success and of the quality of education that these athletes receive at these public and private institutions.

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TRIBUTE TO CAROLINA HURRICANES

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

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support and admiration of my hometown team, the Carolina Hurricanes, who, after just 5 years in North Carolina, made it to the Stanley Cup finals this year.

The Hurricanes represented North Carolina well. They fought hard, they played fair, and they never gave up. Their strength and determination showed the true mettle that champions are made of.

Even though our 'Canes could not bring the cup home this year, they took the city of Raleigh, the area and really the whole State on a very exciting ride. The entire region has been swept up in the fervor of the quest for the cup and the sport of hockey. Raleigh, North Carolina, long known for basketball, is now most definitely a hockey town. Just last week, over 6,000 people turned out to say "thank you" to the team and welcome them back home.

The 'Canes' rise to the top of the hockey elite has also given the world a glimpse of what those of us from North Carolina have known for a long time. Raleigh is one of the most vibrant and exciting cities in the world, and the whole Triangle region is a wealth of innovative technology, business and industry.

I am proud to represent North Carolina and proud of the Carolina Hurricanes.

TRIBUTE TO THOSE WHO PUT OUT WILDFIRES

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

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, as summer days get longer and hotter, the risk of forest fires continues to increase. Just last week a 1,500-acre wildfire burned in Pioche, Nevada. Dedicated firefighters kept the blaze from the small Nevada town, located about 190 miles north of Las Vegas.

Today I would like to echo the sentiments expressed by Lincoln County Sheriff's Sergeant John Wilcock. He said, "If it hadn't been for the quick response by volunteer firefighters and the BLM, the town could have been gone."

Thank you to all of our Nation's firefighters who risk their own lives every day to save the homes and lives of others. As a proud resident and Representative of a Western State, I know firsthand the unique challenges our firefighters face in preventing and putting out wildfires. Nevadans value your work, your commitment and your heroism.

ENRON CORPORATION RUN FOR FUN AND PROFIT OF TOP EXECUTIVES

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

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, as Americans picked up their newspapers this morning, they once again learned that the Enron Corporation was run for the fun and profit of its top executives, not for the benefit of the energy market, and certainly not for most of its employees.

In the year that Enron was failing and heading toward bankruptcy, 140 of its top executives took out almost \$800 million in bonuses; \$800 million, which is about the same amount as its 20,000 employees lost in their 401(k) retirement plans; \$800 million that those people will not have for retirement, but which these 100 executives will have for the rest of their lives.

As the Republicans talk about privatizing the Social Security system and insisting that everybody go into the equity markets with their own little account, they had better understand that corporate America is not running this system for the benefit of the shareholders. Corporate America is not running the system for the benefit of the corporations. They are running it for the benefit of the executives, those executives that took out \$800 million on the eve of the bankruptcy at Enron Corporation.

SENIORS NEED DRUG BENEFIT NOW

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, Americans have sent a clear message to Congress: Seniors need a prescription drug benefit now. We can no longer rely on rhetoric and empty promises. We must take action now to make sure that seniors receive help.

Now, thanks to the leadership of Republicans, we have a prescription drug benefit plan that not only provides for a long-term permanent benefit, but also makes sure that relief is given now in the short term.

This is a plan that does not discriminate between different groups of seniors, as everyone should have access to the prescription drug if they choose to use it. And the most important part of this plan is that it provides options. We will give seniors real choices to make sure they get a plan that best suits their individual needs.

Many on the other side of the aisle want to make this a partisan issue. They offer up plans that have no basis in reality, calling for a \$800 billion program with no way to fund it. This is politics as usual, rhetoric with no results.

The Republican prescription drug benefit is a responsible and realistic plan, and we can get it to our seniors now.

PROVIDING SENIORS PRESCRIPTIONS AT AN AFFORDABLE PRICE

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

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, they built this Nation, raised their families and fought for our freedom, so no senior in this country, not a single one, should be without the prescription drugs they need to stay healthy.

Every senior deserves access to the prescriptions they need at an affordable price. We do that in our plan. Republicans do not. That is what we Democrats are fighting for.

If we controlled the House, we would pass a bill to cover all seniors, not just some, but all seniors today. In fact, we would have passed a bill years ago, but almost 8 years after Republicans took control of the House, they still refuse to give all seniors the coverage they deserve.

Why is that? The sad truth is that Republicans would rather protect 100 percent of their special interest friends and leave millions of seniors without the coverage they need, and that is a sorry, inexcusable disgrace.

Let us have what Democrats are proposing. Let us have a vote on this floor for a universal, affordable, voluntary prescription drug program for America's seniors.

MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT AND DISCOUNT ACT

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

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, the House Democratic prescription drug proposal is a real one. It provides a solid \$25-a-month premium cost, a \$100-a-year deductible, coinsurance. Beneficiaries pay 20 percent, Medicare pays 80 percent, an out-of-pocket limit of \$2,000 per year per beneficiary, and low-income beneficiaries with incomes of 150 percent of poverty will pay absolutely nothing.

This is a real plan, a plan that benefits all of the people. Let us pass it.

BRING KIDNAPPED AMERICAN CHILDREN HOME

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

Mr. LAMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I have taken to this floor every day now this year to come here to remind the American citizens of Ludwig Koons, who was abducted from the United States of America in 1994. He is now, I think, 9 years old, and he is still a citizen of the United States who is illegally out of our country.

I placed a phone call to our Secretary of State. A staff person called me back. I placed a phone call to the Ambassador to the United States from the Vatican. They have not even bothered to return my phone call. I have placed a phone call, many phone calls, I might add, to all of these people, including the Ambassador of Italy to the United States. I have talked with him, yet nothing yet seems to be moving.

The issue is not about Ludwig Koons, it is about the 1,000 children who are taken out of our borders each year illegally. They are all citizens of this country and pledge allegiance to our flag.

Where is our government? Why are we not turning to those children and doing anything, anything, necessary to return them to our land? Bring our children home.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CULBERSON). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on each motion to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote is objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

Any record votes on postponed questions will be taken after debate has concluded on all motions to suspend the rules.

CODE TALKERS RECOGNITION ACT

Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and