

the late Bob Matsui. Today, we continue that bipartisan effort to help stop the rampant use of Social Security numbers as I join the Chairman of the Ways and Means Subcommittee on Social Security, MIKE McNULTY, to introduce the "Social Security Number Privacy and Identity Theft Prevention Act of 2007."

This bill achieves three critical goals. First, it would limit access to SSNs in the public and private sector by restricting their sale, purchase, and public display, including display on the Internet.

Second, the bill would protect individuals by prohibiting persons from obtaining SSNs to find a person with the intent to physically injure or harm them.

Finally the bill would enforce these restrictions through civil and criminal penalties for violations.

Providing for uses of Social Security numbers that benefit the public while protecting their privacy is a complex balancing act. This bill achieves that balance.

It is long past time for Congress to act to help stop the widespread use of Social Security numbers, help prevent ID theft, and further protect American's privacy. I urge all my colleagues to sponsor this important bipartisan legislation.

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PAYING TRIBUTE TO PRIVATE  
FIRST CLASS JOSHUA S.  
MODGLING

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HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 16, 2007

Mr. PORTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of PFC Joshua S. Modgling who died on Tuesday June 19, 2007, of injuries sustained in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Private First Class Modgling had been in Iraq since May and was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia. PFC Modgling was killed while conducting missions out of Forward Operating Base Falcon when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle in Muhammad al Ali, Iraq.

PFC Modgling was raised in Las Vegas Valley and attended Manch Elementary School and Silverado High School. During his youth, Joshua played Pop Warner football and set a record for the most sacks. Private First Class Modgling was a hero whose desire to serve his country will forever make an impact on his family, his community and his country. He joined the United States Army to serve his country in the Global War on Terror. He will not only be remembered for his sacrifice and willing service, but for the extraordinary person that he was. His warmth and optimism brightened the lives of his family and friends.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor the life of PFC Joshua S. Modgling. His heroism and sacrifice for his country while fighting the Global War on Terror are the highest tribute to the democracy and freedom we hold so dear.

FREE THE ISRAELI SOLDIERS

SPEECH OF

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 16, 2007

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, it's been almost one year now and many have forgotten about the three Israeli soldiers kidnapped by Hamas and Hezbollah: Ehud Goldwasser, Eldad Regev, and Gilad Shalit. But today thousands who will not forget this injustice rallied in front of the United Nations calling for these three captives to be returned to their families and for the Security Council Resolutions to be honored by all parties—not just Israel.

Hezbollah seems to have forgotten that last year's hostilities ended only after there were promises regarding the return of the Israeli men. This just goes to reinforce the fact that terrorist organizations cannot be negotiated with.

Though Security Council Resolution 1701 called for Hezbollah to disarm and return the soldiers, they remain in Lebanon and not even international organizations such as the Red Cross have been able to see them and be assured of their fair treatment. Israel has demonstrated its commitment to the Resolution by ceasing hostilities and pulling back its soldiers, but yet again they are dealing with opponents who show disrespect to all and whose word cannot be trusted.

We stand together with Israel to call again for the unconditional release of these three men. We pray for their safe return and for peace between Israel and its neighbors. They will not be forgotten by their families, by their nation, or by the American people and this Congress.

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PAYING TRIBUTE TO MARK T.  
KEETON

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HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 16, 2007

Mr. PORTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of a great American, Mark Thomas Keeton. As a 19 year veteran of Las Vegas Fire & Rescue, Mr. Keeton dedicated his life to serving the City of Las Vegas, and it is a distinct honor to recognize his service to the Southern Nevada community.

Mark Keeton, a Nevada resident for 42 years passed away on May 8, 2007, at the age of 44 after a battle with brain cancer. Mr. Keeton served the Las Vegas community as a firefighter for 19 years, facing not only the immediate dangers of fires inherent to the profession, but also the hazards posed by the chemicals and smoke to which firefighters are frequently exposed. In addition to Mr. Keeton's 19 years of service as a firefighter of Las Vegas Fire & Rescue, Mark was also a veteran of the United States Air Force, serving in the Persian Gulf War. Mr. Keeton was a member of the International Association of Firefighters and will be honored this year on their Wall of Honor, which recognizes the great sacrifices made by firefighters who have fallen in the line of duty.

Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and deep appreciation that I honor the life of Mark Thomas Keeton. His commitment and dedication to the Las Vegas community will never be forgotten. I give my sincere condolences to his wife, Lerma and their children, Sean and Sharon, and thank him for his honorable service to our country.

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IN RECOGNITION OF THE 90TH  
BIRTHDAY OF THELMA NEWMAN  
FRAZIER

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HON. STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 16, 2007

Mrs. JONES of Ohio. Madam Speaker, today I ask you and my colleagues to join me in celebrating the life Thelma Newman Frazier on the occasion her 90th birthday. The daughter of farm workers Eugene Newman and Kate Robinson, Thelma was born on July 26, 1917 in Richland County, AR.

Thelma is truly a child of God, having accepted Christ as her Lord and savior at an early age. She is a past member of Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church and currently attends Shalom Church City of Peace.

Thelma was united in holy matrimony to Nathaniel Frazier, Sr. on April 17, 1941. To this union were born two children, Katie M. McKinney and Nathaniel Jr., who preceded her in death. In 1952, Thelma and her family migrated to St. Louis, Missouri. There she became active in the community. A devout member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Thelma worked tirelessly to carry out their mission.

Mrs. Frazier has been rewarded in life by her hard work and dedication to family. She has a devoted daughter, Katie M. McKinney, son-in-law, Lewis L. McKinney Sr., 13 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and 7 great-great-grandchildren. Her hard work has influenced her family tremendously. She is proud of all their accomplishments.

The matriarch of her family, Thelma continues to live independently in St. Louis and is a constant support to her family through her unconditional love and encouragement. If only every child was blessed to have had a mother, grandmother, or aunt like Thelma Newman Frazier, the world would be a better place. Happy birthday, Thelma, and may you be blessed with many, many more.

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RECOGNIZING THE 10TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF POLISH NEWS

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HON. RAHM EMANUEL

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 16, 2007

Mr. EMANUEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 10th anniversary of Polish News, Chicago's Polish American monthly magazine. Polish News has served as an integral part of the Polish American community for the past decade, documenting Polish American culture in Chicago and around the world.

On behalf of the more than 110,000 residents of the Fifth Congressional District of Polish descent, I want to congratulate Polish

News on their 10 years of success, and wish them well for many more to come.

Publications like Polish News promote cultural understanding and are vital in maintaining cohesive relationships in a Nation as diverse as our own. For the past 10 years, Polish News has documented the vibrant social, civic, and philanthropic accomplishments of Polish Americans and their contributions to our society.

The magazine's success is due in large part to its wide array of content, including interviews with prominent Polish American leaders, profiles of community members and special events, and information on historical moments of importance to the Polish community.

Polish Americans have shared a leading role in business, fine arts, charity and many other forms of public service. The Polish American influence has shaped the city of Chicago and our country into the strong and dynamic Nation that it is today. I commend Polish News for documenting these events, ideas, and stories.

Today, I am proud to reaffirm our appreciation and respect for the Polish culture and the Polish American community as we congratulate Polish News on its dedication to promoting our city's ethic pride. I look forward to continuing to read Polish News in the years to come.

**PAYING TRIBUTE TO JAMES  
"SKOGIE" LENON**

**HON. JON C. PORTER**

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 16, 2007

MR. PORTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of my good friend James 'Skogie' Lenon, who passed away on May 5, 2007. Skogie was a dear friend who was instrumental in helping me get established early in my career.

A longtime resident of Boulder City, NV, James 'Skogie' Lenon made a huge impact on the life of his community. Skogie earned his nickname from a t-shirt he often wore, which read, "Muskogee YMCA". Skogie was a caring man, who worked often to uphold the small-town, family-oriented feel of Boulder City. In 1955, Skogie was on the original committee to help raise funds for the Boulder City Hospital. During World War II, unable to join the military due to a childhood illness, he became Assistant Director of the Boulder City United Service Organizations. After the war, he became a Naval Reserve Officer. Skogie helped in building and operating the first skating rink, as well as the first city swimming pool in Boulder City. He was President of the Boulder City Recreation Association and a member of the Boulder City Golf Association. He spent much of his time enjoying golf, and played a large part in adding nine holes at the Boulder City Municipal Golf Course.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor the life and service of James 'Skogie' Lenon. Skogie was a true patriot, having devoted his life to his community and country. His dedication to service should serve as an example to us all.

**SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4,

1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, July 17, 2007 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

**MEETINGS SCHEDULED**

July 18

9:30 a.m.

**Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs**  
To hold hearings to examine modernization of Federal Housing Administration programs.

SD-538

10 a.m.

**Commerce, Science, and Transportation**  
To hold an oversight hearing to examine the federal response to ensuring the safety of Chinese imports.

SR-253

SD-226

**Finance**

Business meeting to consider the nominations of David H. McCormick, of Pennsylvania, to be an Under Secretary, and Peter B. McCarthy, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury, Kerry N. Weems, of New Mexico, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Tevi David Troy, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services, and Charles E. F. Millard, of New York, to be Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

SD-215

**Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions**

Business meeting to consider S. 625, to protect the public health by providing the Food and Drug Administration with certain authority to regulate tobacco products, S. 1183, to enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities, S. 1551, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to making progress toward the goal of eliminating tuberculosis, and S. 579, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to make grants for the development and operation of research centers regarding environmental factors that may be related to the etiology of breast cancer, and other pending calendar business.

SD-106

**Judiciary**

Business meeting to consider S. 1145, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform, S. Res. 248, honoring the life and achievements of Dame Lois Browne Evans, Bermuda's first female barrister and Attorney

General, and the first female Opposition Leader in the British Commonwealth, S. Res. 236, supporting the goals and ideals of the National Anthem Project, which has worked to restore America's voice by re-teaching Americans to sing the national anthem, S. 1060, to reauthorize the grant program for reentry of offenders into the community in the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, to improve reentry planning and implementation, S. Res. 261, expressing appreciation for the profound public service and educational contributions of Donald Jeffry Herbert, fondly known as "Mr. Wizard", a bill entitled, "School Safety and Law Enforcement Improvements Act", and the nominations of Roslyn Renee Maus-kopf, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, William Lindsay Osteen, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina, Martin Karl Reidinger, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, Timothy D. DeGiusti, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma, Janis Lynn Sammartino, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Rosa Emilia Rodriguez-Velez, to be United States Attorney for the District of Puerto Rico, and Joe W. Stecher, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nebraska.

SD-226

10:30 a.m.

**Aging**

To hold hearings to examine abuse of elderly citizens, focusing on prevention methods.

SD-628

2 p.m.

**Small Business and Entrepreneurship**

To hold hearings to examine increasing government accountability and ensuring fairness in small business contracting.

SR-428A

July 19

9:30 a.m.

**Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs**

To hold hearings to examine the semi-annual monetary policy report to the Congress.

SD-538

**Energy and Natural Resources**

To hold hearings to examine S. 1634, to implement further the Act approving the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America.

SD-366

**Foreign Relations**

To hold hearings to examine the war in Iraq, focusing on an update from the field.

SD-419

**Indian Affairs**

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business, to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine draft legislation to amend and reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act.

SR-485

10 a.m.

**Judiciary**

Business meeting to continue consideration of S. 1145, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform, S. Res. 248, honoring the life and achievements of Dame Lois