

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE MEMORY OF TIM BAER

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. BONNER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a remarkable political strategist and a superior human being, Mr. Tim Baer.

The Birmingham News recently described Tim as "a plainspoken political operative who helped the GOP take over the state's appellate courts."

Tim was born near Buffalo, New York, and was raised in Pompano Beach, Florida. However, he called Birmingham, Alabama, home for over 30 years.

In 1986, Tim directed a national GOP tele-marketing campaign in 19 states with Republican U.S. Senate candidates. In that year, no Republicans were serving on Alabama's appellate courts. In the following years, Mr. Baer individually managed the victorious campaigns of five Republican hopefuls for the state Supreme Court. He also worked voter identification for numerous Republican candidates in multiple election cycles.

Tim was probably best known for his service as the state of Alabama's Republican Party executive director. He also worked as director of field operations for the Business Council of Alabama, where he raised money for the group's political action committee, Progress PAC. He also served as an aide to former Probate Judge Mark Gaines, where he supervised Jefferson County elections.

In 2000, Tim was instrumental in the successful effort for Alabama Republicans to add to their very slim Supreme Court majority, an effort spearheaded by political consultant Karl Rove. Today, Republicans hold eight of the nine high court seats, due in large part to Tim's efforts.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering a dedicated community leader and friend to many throughout the state of Alabama. Tim Baer will be dearly missed by his family—his daughter, Katie Baer; his father, Chet Baer; his sister, Janice Mudd; as well as the countless loyal friends he leaves behind.

Our thoughts and prayers are with them all during this difficult time.

MAPLE GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Maple Grove Elementary School on their 130th Anniversary.

Maple Grove Elementary School is the neighborhood public elementary school at-

tended by my daughters. I am honored to recognize Maple Grove on achieving 130 years of service to the students, parents and community of Golden, Colorado.

Maple Grove is an outstanding elementary school with a rich history in this area. The students, teachers, administrators and parents involved with Maple Grove Elementary School are second to none.

I extend my deepest congratulations once again to Maple Grove Elementary School on their 130th Anniversary.

HONORING MARY PATTON FOR HER EFFORTS DURING THE REV- OLUTIONARY WAR

HON. DAVID DAVIS

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. DAVID DAVIS of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a true Tennessee Volunteer. Mary McKeehan Patton was born in England and immigrated to Pennsylvania in the late 1760s. Mary Patton was an apprentice in Pennsylvania where she learned the trade of making gunpowder.

After giving birth to two children in Pennsylvania, Patton moved to the Overmountain region of North Carolina, which is now East Tennessee and part of the First District.

With help from her husband, Andrew Taylor, a private in the Pennsylvania militia, they started their own gunpowder mill on what became known as Powder Branch.

Mary Patton embodied the entrepreneurial spirit that many immigrants who come to America possess. She used this mill to supply gunpowder to militias during the Revolutionary War.

Patton's true Tennessee Volunteer spirit showed when she gave over five hundred pounds of gunpowder to the 850 Overmountain Men for the Battle of Kings Mountain during the Revolutionary War. Some say that this victorious battle over the British was a very influential part of the Revolutionary War, and to the eventual founding of our country.

On December 15, 1836, Mary Patton passed away and was buried at Patton-Simmons Cemetery, which is located in my district. The cemetery is located in the historic town of Elizabethton, Tennessee.

This Saturday, June 7, 2008 the Watauga Chapter Tennessee Sons of the American Revolution and The James Sevier Society of the Tennessee Children of the American Revolution will be hosting a memorial service at the grave of Mary Patton and will be honoring her for her efforts and role in the Revolutionary War.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in honoring a true Tennessee Volunteer who embodies the entrepreneurial spirit that has made America the great country that we are today.

IN HONOR OF THE 2008 GRAD- UATING CLASS OF THE JAMES H. GROVES ADULT HIGH SCHOOL

HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. CASTLE. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to recognize the 2008 Graduating Class of the James H. Groves Adult High School. These students have worked diligently to complete their education and are an excellent example of perseverance and dedication to the State of Delaware.

The James H. Groves Adult High School provides students who have officially withdrawn from high school the opportunity to earn a State of Delaware diploma and further their education. Additionally, the institution provides technical and workplace training to the citizens of Delaware. This institution carefully tailors their program to meet each individual's needs and help them receive their diploma in a timely and affordable manner. Graduates from James H. Groves Adult High School are provided with the foundational knowledge to achieve social, political, and economic independence so they may excel in a technological and global society.

The class of 2008 is comprised of forty-five graduates, twenty-three male and twenty-one female students. Their ages range between eighteen and fifty-eight years of age. Some of these students have been working diligently to achieve their diploma since 1999. One exemplary student has had a perfect attendance record for the three years she attended the institution, earning 8.5 credits towards her diploma. These citizens have toiled industriously and thoroughly to complete their high school education. The highest commendations should be awarded to this 44th graduating class of James H. Groves Adult High School.

I acknowledge the 2008 graduating class of James H. Groves Adult High School for their commitment to finishing their education and the exceptional example they provide to all citizens seeking to complete their high school education. The James H. Groves Adult High School is extremely proud of their graduates and I am confident they shall go on to perform outstanding in their fields and become a vital part of the workforce of Delaware.

HONORING EMD SERONO FOR RE- CEIVING A GOLD MEDAL AS A LAUREATE OF THE COMPUTER WORLD HONORS PROGRAM

HON. WILLIAM D. DELAHUNT

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. DELAHUNT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor EMD Serono, headquartered in

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Rockland, Massachusetts. On June 2nd they were chosen to be the recipient of the prestigious Gold Medal award as a Laureate of the Computerworld Honors Program for their EasyPod Device. This is in addition to earlier recognition by the Medical Design Excellence Awards for this breakthrough technology.

Established in 1988, The Computerworld Honors Program brings together the principals of the world's foremost information technology companies to recognize and document the achievements of the men, women, organizations and institutions around the world whose visionary applications of information technology promote positive social, economic and educational change. It is the longest running global program to honor individuals and organizations that use information technology to benefit society.

EMD Serono's EasyPod was selected based on 10 criteria including use of information technology, originality of its conception, the breadth of its vision, and the significance of its benefit to society. This device administers a medication called Saizen to children requiring growth hormone therapy and then monitors their compliance to the treatment schedule for physicians. It is a first of its kind device in this treatment area and an example of the innovation that EMD Serono and other biopharmaceutical companies in Massachusetts develop every year.

Growth deficiency occurs when the body is unable to release or produce adequate amounts of the appropriate hormones. In children, growth deficiency causes slow growth, and without treatment, studies have shown that 18–20 percent of school children who have growth problems have academic problems, at more than 4 times the rate of normal statured counterparts. It is estimated that 10,000 to 15,000 children in the United States have growth failure.

EMD Serono has a long history in Massachusetts of providing for the unmet needs of patients. Through regular innovative breakthroughs, the company is a leader in not only growth deficiency, but also multiple sclerosis, HIV, and infertility. They not only offer the products for physicians to use, but also provide 24 hour call centers to work with doctors and patients supporting their course of therapy.

They also offer robust patient assistance programs and free product to assist families in overcoming financial barriers to treatment.

Congratulations to the employees of EMD Serono for this achievement and the work you do every day to help physicians and patients.

HONORING JAMES DUVALL IV

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize James Duvall IV of Liberty, Missouri. James is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1320, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

James has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the

many years James has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending James Duvall IV for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

A TRIBUTE TO LIEUTENANT COMMANDER JOHN CHRISTIAN DETTLEFF

HON. MIKE MCINTYRE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. MCINTYRE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to LCDR John Christian Dettleff of the United States Coast Guard. Lieutenant Commander Dettleff is completing a tour of duty as the Executive Officer of the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter *Diligence* homeported in Wilmington, North Carolina. As he completes this honorable tour of duty, I ask that you join me in recognizing his long and honorable career of service.

Lieutenant Commander Dettleff has faithfully served on the USCGC *Diligence* as the Executive Officer with distinction from 2006 through 2008. As native Wilmingtonians know, USCGC *Diligence* has a long and rich history with the city of Wilmington, which dates back to the original Revenue Cutter *Diligence* being in home port there in 1792 and continues today with the sixth Coast Guard Cutter *Diligence*. Lieutenant Commander Dettleff and his shipmates have ensured that that close relationship between the city of Wilmington and the USCGC *Diligence* continues today.

Lieutenant Commander Dettleff's service to our Nation has been extensive and remarkable. A native of Shoreham, Long Island, New York, he graduated with honors from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. He went on to report to the USCGC *Diligence* as a newly graduated ensign. He also served on the USS *Russell* as a participant in the Coast Guard's personnel exchange program with the U.S. Navy and later served as Commanding Officer of USCGC *Point Bridge*, homeported in Marina del Rey, CA.

In June 2002, Lieutenant Commander Dettleff graduated with a masters degree in public policy from Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government. Upon graduation, he reported to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy to begin an assignment as an assistant professor in the Department of Humanities. In addition to his teaching duties, Lieutenant Commander Dettleff also served as the associate director of the Academy's Institute for Leadership.

Madam Speaker, LCDR John Dettleff has served our country with distinction and continued to do so as Executive Officer of the USCGC *Diligence*. I wish LCDR John Dettleff, his wife, and their two children the very best wishes. May God's richest blessings be with them as they transition from Wilmington, North Carolina, to Washington, DC, for a new Coast Guard assignment in the Coast Guard's Office of Congressional Affairs. I ask that you join me today in recognition of his impressive career of courageous duty and enduring public service.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 5, 2008

Mr. LAMBORN. Madam Speaker, consistent with Republican transparency standards, the following are detailed finance plans for each of my requested projects in the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2009, H.R. 5658.

Requesting Member: Congressman DOUG LAMBORN, CO–05.

Bill Number: H.R. 5658.

Account: 3600F RDT&E, Air Force, Line 13, PE 0602601F.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Aeroflex. Address of Requesting Entity: 4350 Centennial Blvd. Colorado Blvd, Colorado Springs, CO 80907.

Description of Request: \$3 million is included in this bill for Radiation Hardened Non-Volatile Memory. This request is intended to aid in the development of radiation hardened non-volatile memory technology to be used in a variety of applications, principally satellites.

Requesting Member: Congressman DOUG LAMBORN, CO–05.

Bill Number: H.R. 5658.

Account: RDTE, AF.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Goodrich Corporation.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1275 North Newport Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80916.

Description of Request: \$6 million is included in this bill to fund ACES 5 ejection-seat development and testing for the Air Force-variant F–35 to enable insertion into F–35 LRIP to leverage the most capable and safest ejection seat ever developed and ensure that the U.S. preserves the domestic capability to produce vital life saving ejection seat systems for the Air Force.

Requesting Member: Congressman DOUG LAMBORN, CO–05.

Bill Number: H.R. 5658.

Account: RDT&E.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Analytical Graphics, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 7150 Campus Drive, Suite 260, Colorado Springs, CO.

Description of Request: \$4 million is included in this bill to incorporate space object data, improve navigation accuracy prediction (including jamming and weapons modeling), and integrate electronic warfare (EW) analysis into a common operational environment for Army support teams. The user friendly interface will couple real time data integration with currently deployed and supported data feeds, including imagery, terrain, GPS status, electronic warfare environment, and terrestrial weather.

Requesting Member: Congressman DOUG LAMBORN, CO–05.

Bill Number: H.R. 5658.

Account: Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Air Force.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Finmeccanica of North America.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1625 Eye Street NW, Floor 12, Washington, DC 20006.

Description of Request: \$3 million is included in this budget to demonstrate and qualify in a cold climate an innovative, energy efficient, alternative power technology, on an energy intensive Air Force installation. Utilizing