

New Rochelle, New York. Andrew wrote to us:

“My father, Allen Latzman had juvenile diabetes since he was 27. He was a successful marketing executive who lost his job in 1980. After that, he drove a cab in New York City for 13 years. He did not have health insurance because he had to support a family of two boys after our mother died and he simply couldn't afford it. His endocrinologist for years had to sneak him insulin. Over time, his complications of diabetes worsened, but he could not afford the proper treatment as he had many retail jobs, after he drove a cab, and he went without insurance. Despite the challenges, he was still in pretty good shape—thin, healthy and active—until January 2003. He was walking back to his apartment at his job at Workbench and he slipped on the ice and shattered his ankle. At this point, he did have insurance through his employer and he went to surgery and repaired his ankle. But soon after that, Workbench filed for Chapter 11 and while they said that they would pay for their employees' health insurance up to 6 months after the termination of employment due to bankruptcy, the owner instead took all of the money he promised to allocate to insurance and he pocketed it. During this time, my father thought he was covered, and then he found out that his employer had not fulfilled his commitment. While this was occurring, my father's leg on which he had surgery in 2003 began to worsen. His circulation became poor and he had difficulty walking. The limited mobility had made him put on weight, and he had become increasingly unhealthy. But he no longer had any health insurance. The predicament he had been put into forced him to wait over a year for needed surgery to turn a vein into an artery and improve circulation, until he was 65 and was eligible for Medicare. During this time related to his poor condition, he had a heart attack. This heart attack was found in a stress test prior to his leg surgery, but the endocrinologist never disclosed he had a previous heart attack before the leg surgery. My father went into surgery not knowing the seriousness of his situation, and after his surgery he had a heart attack post-op and he never recovered. He was hospitalized for 3 months in extreme pain. He might have been able to fully recover had it not been for a series of secondary infections that he picked up from the hospitalization. He died in May of 2005 at the age of 65. I was able to tell my father while he was still slightly lucid that he was going to be a grandfather for the second time. Unfortunately, my son Nate, never met him. My father is the signature case of a man who needed to be better monitored because of a chronic condition, and the lack of insurance and proper care killed him. Dead men tell no tales, so I will tell his story for him. I love you, Daddy.”

Now let's listen to Clifford Theiss about Charles Theiss, 62 years old, Plant City, Florida:

“Carl, as we called him, was a kind and passionate brother whom we all loved greatly. He had spent 25-plus years employed by a trucking company in Tampa, Florida. One morning he arrived at work to find the gates had been padlocked, and a handwritten note alerting all employees that the company had folded. No other warnings were given. And in what seems like the fashion today, there was no compensation for anyone. He had enough 401(k) money, enough to survive on, but health insurance was at best a dream for him then. Being in his late fifties, he found it rather hard to secure employment, so he opted to retire on a minimal SSI. He had spoken to me occasionally about the high cost of medical care, but never mentioned that he was a living time bomb because he had a dangerous heart condition that required treatment. Carl was found dead in his apartment on February 3, 2008, by his daughter, a daughter for whom he had scrimped and saved to put through college. Ironically, she is now a doctor. He died in his sleep of massive heart failure. During the following days, his family found several unfulfilled prescriptions dating years back that if filled would have certainly saved his life or at least extended it. But due to the cost, he could not afford the medication. He had paid for doctors' visits out of his pocket, only to discover that he was doomed to die.”

Ladies and gentlemen, I could go on and on and on. We have received hundreds upon hundreds of stories like this at this Web site, *NamesoftheDead.com*. These are the stories of America. These are the stories of people who are suffering, and people who sent us to Washington, D.C. to solve their problems for them. Not to debate, not to delay, but to keep them alive.

The reason why I read these stories is this: Again as Lincoln said, in talking about these people, it is their loved ones who speak best for them. As Lincoln said in the Gettysburg Address, It is far beyond my poor power to add or detract. Rather, it is for the living to be dedicated here to the unfinished work for which these people have died. That, my friends, is the unfinished work of universal health care in America. That is our unfinished work.

I look forward to a day I hope will come very soon, not soon enough for all of these people, all of these people who have died, but a day to come very soon when there will be no more stories like this, when there will be no more names to add to the Web site *NamesoftheDead.com*. And for God's sake, I look forward to the time when we will have finally done our jobs.

#### HONORING SECRETARY JOHN MCHUGH

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. PINGREE of Maine). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 2009, the gentleman from New York (Mr. KING) is recognized for 60 minutes.

Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, I proudly rise on the House floor tonight to manage a Special Order on behalf of our former colleague and the present Secretary of the Army, former Congressman John McHugh, now Secretary John McHugh.

Madam Speaker, before I begin my formal remarks, I would like to yield to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. SHIMKUS) who does have to leave, and I would recognize him for 2 minutes.

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, I thank my colleague from New York for giving me this time and allowing me to go promptly.

Everybody loves John McHugh, an honorable man. We have a great history in this country that a lot of people take for granted which is civilian control of the military. That is honorably being served by Secretary Gates as Secretary of Defense, and we are honored to have our colleague and friend, John McHugh, accept and hold the position of Secretary of the Army.

John is no stranger to being involved in military affairs, especially the Army, serving as I know people will talk about in Upstate New York and the Fort Drum area, the 10th Mountain Division, where some of our best military fighters are stationed, in a tough environment, and have been deployed, like many U.S. Army forces around the world, in difficult environments.

John has always been concerned not just about their training and morale and welfare, but the post issues, housing issues, morale and welfare. You name it, John McHugh was a leader in that area.

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So it was a great pleasure, and many of us were thankful that President Obama looked down to the ranks of the Republican minority to find a highly qualified individual who would ascend to the position of the senior civilian leader of our Army.

John also served many years on the West Point Board of Visitors, a position now that I get to take and assume his spot on that board, but I know a position that he loved, at West Point where we are training our young men and women of the future to be future leaders of the Army. He took that job very, very seriously.

I thank my colleague and friend from New York, PETER KING, for allowing me this time to come down and congratulate John, to put some words into the RECORD, to say we miss him here, and that we know he will serve our country well in the position that he is so well trained and prepared for.

And with that, I thank my colleague. Mr. KING of New York. I thank the gentleman from Illinois.

Madam Speaker, I now yield to the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON).

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. I thank the gentleman for taking this time tonight for our colleague, Mr. McHugh.

John is not only a nice guy, he really is a hard worker. I think he has earned

his place in the administration with the Secretary of the Army position.

When I was chairman of the Government Reform and Oversight Committee, he was a subcommittee chairman that dealt with the postal service. He did an outstanding job. It was a very thorny issue, solving a lot of the problems that we had with the private sector and the postal service, and it was John who got the job done. It took several years, but I've never seen anybody work harder than he did.

I would just like to say as I depart tonight that we miss you, John. You were a heck of a Congressman, and I know you're going to do a great job as Secretary of the Army.

I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. KING of New York. I thank the gentleman from Indiana.

Madam Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from New York, who actually served in the State legislature with John McHugh back when John was a senator and the gentleman was an assemblyman, Mr. TONKO from Upstate New York.

Mr. TONKO. Thank you, Representative KING.

The opportunity to share some thoughts about Representative McHugh here this evening is something I relish.

Our work partnership goes back several, several years, starting back in 1984 when Representative McHugh—then as State senator McHugh—was elected to serve for four terms. He obviously understands the needs of the North Country. He was returned to office several times over, not only in that role as State senator, but then to go on here to the House of Representatives and serve with distinction many terms over.

The importance of interacting with people in a bipartisan fashion was something that was always easily done with John McHugh. He understood that we in government have the opportunity to empower our communities, various organizations, and individuals. Certainly, in his role in the North Country, he represented several higher ed institutions, like the SUNY center at Plattsburgh, the SUNY campus at Potsdam, St. Lawrence University, the Ag and Tech Campus in the North Country in Canton, and then the campus of Clarkson University, my alma mater. So we always had opportunities to work on great things for these campuses, and in particular, to focus on some of the science and tech activities over at Clarkson University.

Here in the House, John McHugh had served for over 16 years as a Member of Congress representing that northern and central portion of what is deemed Upstate New York. During his service, he forged these very strong ties with Fort Drum, and it's there that I think he created this strong record of staunch advocacy on behalf of veterans and on behalf of soldiers and their families, working tirelessly to ensure that they had the necessary resources for

proper facilities for training and for quality of life to carry on with their mission, and then to also make certain that he provided for those loved ones who remained at home.

As a Member of this august body, John McHugh served as the ranking member of the House Armed Services Committee, which has been mentioned here this evening. I think it is there where he earned the opportunity to now be appointed as Secretary of the Army, by having worked with the Department of Defense and each of the Armed Forces. Certainly, his love for the North Country is very much defined by the work that he has done.

In closing, I would like to just cite two of the accomplishments that I thought spoke near and dear to my heart because of my work on science and tech as a committee and my work as the former Energy Committee Chair in the New York State Assembly. And being over at NYSEDA, being president and CEO of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, I was happy to include John McHugh as one of those eight from the minority ranks in this House who voted for H.R. 2454, the ACES Act, the American Clean Energy and Security Act.

As we know, H.R. 2454 still looms out there as a measure to be completed by action that's required in the United States Senate, but there is no denying that if we can go forward with this legislation, it will help create millions of clean-energy jobs and save billions of dollars for consumers with utility bills that are ever on the rise.

This new economy and the new jobs generated by H.R. 2454 can spark that innovation economy, which would be key and premiere to New York State's economy and this Nation's economy. I have to applaud Representative McHugh for his work in that regard.

Secondly, as a senior member of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and after serving as Chair for some 6 years, I believe, of the Subcommittee on the Postal Service, John had done tremendous work on H.R. 22. I had the pleasure to help cast a vote in favor of the United States Postal Service Financial Relief Act of 2009. H.R. 22 will provide that sort of stability for our Postal Service system. And this House, with some 388 votes, voted in favor of the legislation that Representative McHugh had worked on so diligently.

In final comment, I just want to wish Representative John McHugh—former New York State Senator John McHugh—the very best as he assumes his new duties. I have no doubt that he will serve the President's administration with distinction, and that he will provide a great service in a new capacity to this great country and to the military.

As we go forward, I know the partnerships with John McHugh will continue as we work in this House to make certain that those needs, those essen-

tials are there as he continues in this new capacity.

So John, we wish you well and Godspeed as you serve this Nation now in yet another capacity.

I yield back to Representative KING. Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentleman from New York for his very gracious remarks.

In your remarks, you demonstrated the same bipartisan spirit that personified John McHugh's career here in the House of Representatives, and I thank the gentleman for his remarks.

Now I recognize the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON).

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. I thank my good friend for the opportunity to join you tonight to recognize Congressman John McHugh.

Unlike my colleague from New York, I didn't know Congressman McHugh when he served in the State legislature, nor previously prior to January, at my arrival here in Congress.

I got a chance to know Congressman McHugh since January—and his leadership record. And I stand today not just as a Member of Congress to mark all of his contributions, but, frankly, as a father of a United States soldier in the U.S. Army. I am so appreciative of what Congressman McHugh's service has been as now he has been sworn in as the 21st Secretary of the Army, that swearing-in occurring on September 21.

Today, in his new role, being responsible for the Army's annual budget, more than \$200 billion, what a tremendous responsibility that is, a workforce of more than 1.1 million active duty Army, National Guard, and Reserve, that includes 221,000 Army civilian employees and 213,000 contracted service personnel.

Additionally, in his new role, Secretary McHugh will be a steward for more than 14 million acres of land under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army.

He served more than 16 years as a Member of Congress representing northern and central New York. Over those last 8 years, McHugh had made 10 official visits to Iraq and four visits to Afghanistan and other deployed locations to visit U.S. forces. And quoting at his confirmation hearing about wounded warriors, "I've been so struck how these heroes, facing pain and loss and uncertainty, ask one question, 'What else can I do to serve?'"

He served as the ranking member of the House Armed Services Committee and previously was chairman of the House Armed Services Committee's Military Personnel Subcommittee. As chairman of the Military Personnel Subcommittee, Congressman McHugh exercised leadership on overseeing our military forces, personnel policies, compensation, health care, morale, welfare, recreational activities, dependent schools, and other benefits. He advocated for the military's people and programs.

When Congress passed the fiscal year 2006 National Defense Authorization

Act, H.R. 1815, Congressman McHugh had a role in developing a bill that does so much for the members of our Armed Forces. The measure provided the basis for our Nation's defense policies and programs. This legislation relieved the tremendous pressures placed upon our military services, active Guard and Reserve alike.

The military personnel provisions aim to improve quality of life for active duty and Reserve troops through pay and bonus increases, improvements in living and working conditions, and enhancements in health care coverage. This legislation reflects Congressman McHugh's commitment and dedication to serving not just his constituents in New York, but the men and women serving as our heroes in the Armed Forces.

During his nine terms in the United States House of Representatives, Representative McHugh has been a champion of fiscal responsibility and lower taxes, protecting Social Security and Medicare, providing stronger and better schools, and protecting America's farmers. We wish him well in his newfound role as the 21st Secretary of the Army.

I thank my good friend for yielding.

Mr. KING of New York. I thank the gentleman from Pennsylvania for his remarks.

Madam Speaker, as the gentleman from Pennsylvania referenced, Congressman McHugh did go on a number of congressional delegations to Iraq. I was privileged to go on one that he led in 2004. But just to show that Congressman McHugh is not perfect, he did have one person on the trip who really didn't fit in at all, but Congressman McHugh, being the wonderful person that he is, brought him along with a sense of charity and compassion.

With that, I recognize the gentleman from Michigan, the chairman of the Republican Policy Committee, Mr. MCCOTTER.

Mr. MCCOTTER. I thank the distinguished gentleman from New York. In fact, all truth be told, one of the reasons that I'm here is a conversation we once had. The gentleman, Mr. KING, said to me, If John McHugh and I left Congress tomorrow, you probably wouldn't have a single good thing to say about either one of us. And I said, No, I would have a lot of good things to say about John McHugh, and I do.

When you first come to Congress, it's a very daunting experience, and as you go on you find out that you are rightly daunted. This is a town where everything is a crisis, everything has to be done in a hurry. And yet there was always one person you could rely on to exemplify Hemingway's definition of grace under fire, which is, "keeping your head when all those around you are losing theirs."

John McHugh is the type of person who always could keep his composure and was always open to give you counsel, especially as a young Member of Congress, as to what was going on, why

it wasn't always the end of the world, and the way that you could work in a principled, bipartisan fashion to get the job done.

It was sad to see John go, we all know that. But we have all been enriched by our ability to work with him. Our country is certainly going to be well served by him as Secretary of the Army.

As he left, I was reminded of something my father said—I can't say it's an Irish saying; my father was Irish, and he said it, but I don't know that anybody else ever did—he said, Son, as an Irish Catholic, there are three things you usually wind up: You can wind up a priest, you can wind up a teacher, or you can wind up a soldier, but under no, no circumstances should you ever wind up a politician. It is nice to see that at this late stage of his life, John McHugh has improved himself and gone on to leave this Congress and serve with the men and women who defend us.

In closing, I would just like to say, Johnny, we did know ye. We will daily miss you, and we dearly love you. Godspeed in your new role serving our country.

Thank you.

Mr. KING of New York. I thank the gentleman from Michigan for his remarks.

Now I will yield to the gentleman from New York (Mr. HINCHEY), who served in the New York State legislature with John McHugh when John was a senator and Mr. HINCHEY was in the New York State Assembly. And I believe that Mr. HINCHEY and Mr. McHugh came to Congress in the same year, in 1992. It was quite a year, Mo.

With that, I yield to the gentleman from New York.

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Mr. HINCHEY. Well, thank you very much for yielding to me.

I also want to express my deep gratitude to you for doing this event because John McHugh is a very good friend of all of us, and we very much appreciate the opportunity to be here and to say a few things on his behalf and on behalf of ourselves, for the opportunity that we have had to work with him and the benefits that have flown to all of us as a result of his experience, his insight, and his wisdom.

I can say that as someone who has worked very closely with him for a long, long time, as just was said a moment ago by our leader here today, he and I were elected to the House of Representatives in 1992, and we have been serving here now for about the last 16 years. In the context of those 16 years, he and I have become even closer together in spite of the fact that we were close enough to begin with because we had both served in the New York State Legislature for a good period of time.

John McHugh was in the New York State Senate from 1985 until he was elected to the House of Representatives in 1992, so he had a great deal of good,

solid experience when he came here. He was nominated to be Secretary of the Army in June of this year, and he was sworn in as the 21st Army Secretary of the United States on September 23, 2009. When he was sworn in, we were very happy about that and deeply respected it because we understood that he was going to be a very good leader of the military, and we say that because of the fact that he has been directly involved in military operations in many ways for a long time.

John McHugh brought with him a great deal of the experience that he had with regard to that Army. First of all, his district included Fort Drum, which is the home of the Army's 10th Mountain Division. He worked very hard for those military forces, representing that 10th Mountain Division, and he stayed in very close touch with them. Of course, as a result of that, he learned more and more about the military operation, how significant it was and what kind of assistance that he could bring to them. So he has been known for some time as an authority on the military here in the Congress. Included in that, of course, is the fact that he served on the Armed Services Committee here in the House of Representatives for many years. When he was nominated and then sworn in, just as he was sworn in to be the new Secretary, he had served as the ranking member of the Armed Services Committee.

As I say, he and I have worked together on a number of issues and in a number of areas over the course of many years, including the fact that we both served on the West Point Board of Visitors. His service on the West Point Board of Visitors is just another example of his dedication to the military and the way in which he did everything that he could to serve the American military in the best way possible.

So I am very pleased to be able to extend to him my deep congratulations as being the Secretary of the Army and also to express to him my deep appreciation for all the things that he has done over the course of his dedication to public policy, whether it was in the State legislature in New York, here in the House of Representatives, or now as the leader of the American military in the Army.

So, John, all the best to you, and thank you for everything that you have done and everything that you will do in the future.

Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentleman from New York for his remarks.

I now yield to the gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. COLE).

Mr. COLE. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

I want to reflect just a moment, as we all have, on our mutual friend John McHugh. Obviously, I didn't have the opportunity to know him in New York. I first got to know him as a politician in 1992, about the same time I got to

know you, Mr. KING. I was the executive director of the National Republican Congressional Committee. John was running in what was a tumultuous year, a very challenging year for incumbents in both parties, an era of very low trust in the institution of Congress and in the politicians who engage in civic activities. And what I remembered was how effortless John McHugh made his victory appear. He was able to do that simply because the people in his district knew him from long years of public service, and they recognized the quality, the integrity, and the character of the man. The fact that he's been reelected eight times since that first election without ever having a serious contest in a very competitive district is a testament, frankly, to the excellence with which he represented his constituents and the high esteem in which he was held, frankly, not only by the people he represented, but by the people here in this institution.

We all know John as a Member's Member, somebody who is incredibly thoughtful, incredibly thorough, incredibly bipartisan, and incredibly gracious while still being amazingly effective in presenting an argument and a point of view. I had the privilege of getting to know John not as a candidate but as a public official when I arrived in Congress in 2003. I went to the Armed Services Committee and found myself—because I, too, represent a military district—his vice chairman on the Personnel Subcommittee. What impressed me about John's performance as the chairman of that subcommittee was his incredible depth of knowledge about all military issues but, particularly, his commitment to military families.

I remember, John taught me what is a very common saying on the Armed Services Committee, "You recruit a soldier, but you retain a family." He thought about those soldiers very deeply. He understood the sacrifices they made. His intimate acquaintance with the great 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum and his wide travels and interaction with military personnel made him understand that it was a social unit as well as a fighting unit, and how you retained the quality of life in an era of an all-volunteer army was really crucial to attracting and retaining soldiers and their families.

I grew up in a military family, and I remember my father leaving the military after 20 years, largely because it was the right thing to do for his family. He didn't want to, but there simply weren't the benefits available to the families that we now provide. John was a big part of moving us toward the kind of support systems for families that make it possible for our soldiers to perform so effectively in the field.

I, too, have had the opportunity travel with John abroad, and I just have to say this as an American, not just as his colleague—I can't think of anybody that I would rather have representing

us in a foreign locale and in front of other nations than John McHugh. He exemplifies the very best traditions of public service in this country, and he always handles himself with such incredible grace and incredible wit, and he is so remarkably articulate when he's expressing his points of view.

I think the fact that he was chosen by President Obama to be Secretary of the Army speaks incredibly well of both of them. It tells you the manner in which John is regarded by members not only of his own party but the other party, and it tells you, frankly, that the President has thought profoundly, in a bipartisan sense, about foreign policy and certainly about the military, where he's tried to recruit the best people he could find to provide the civilian leadership for our forces at a time of war. I can't think of anybody better to fulfill that task than John.

Now, I have to say, there are a lot of reasons I will miss John McHugh, but probably, selfishly, the best is he smokes a mean cigar. Not only that, but he always looked like I always thought I would like to look as a Congressman. John looks the part. He could be a movie Congressman. You know, he is a handsome guy. He is extraordinarily well dressed, and when he smokes that cigar, he is so amazingly sophisticated. And by the way, he knows a lot about them.

I just want to close by saying that it's been a great personal privilege and an honor to serve with somebody like John McHugh, and I wish every American had the opportunity to know that Congress is, indeed, populated by people like John, that they come here, they're not flamboyant. He is not the sort of person that, you know, is ever going to lose his temper or create a scene. He just does his job with excellence, professionalism, decency, and courtesy every day, and I can't think of an individual who is as knowledgeable or as suited to lead the United States Army as a civilian Secretary in a time of war than John McHugh.

So I want to thank my friend for his years of splendid service in this House and to, frankly, thank him a little bit early for his service to our country, because I have no doubt he will discharge his duties as the Secretary of the Army. I also want to express my appreciation to the President of the United States for making such a wise and bipartisan choice.

With that, I yield back to my friend.

Mr. KING of New York. I thank the gentleman from Oklahoma for his remarks. I must say, I agree with him completely that Congressman McHugh had a level of sophistication and sartorial splendor which you and I certainly lack. We all try to emulate John but come nowhere close.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, I now yield to the gentleman from New York (Mr. ENGEL), who also served in the New York State Legislature, in the assembly when Congressman McHugh was at that time a State senator. I yield to the gentleman from New York (Mr. ENGEL).

Mr. ENGEL. Thank you very much. I thank my friend from Long Island for yielding to me.

I, too, want to say very, very nice things about our colleague John McHugh. You know, I hope he's listening now because one of the things that's so nice—I received an award a couple of weeks ago, and all these people got up and said such nice things about me. I was wondering who they were talking about. But I said the nice thing about hearing this is that it is almost like being at your own funeral, except you're alive to hear it. John can hear all the wonderful things we're saying about him from the heart. We mean it, and I think everyone can see the bipartisan feelings of affection that we have for John McHugh.

John and I both served in Albany, New York, in the State legislature. I served in the State assembly for 12 years, and John served in the State senate for 8. Our careers sort of went along the same path. John and I are about the same age, and we served in Albany and in Washington at the same time; although, I always remind him that I was senior to him in both Albany and Washington. But one of the things that you always know about John is that he is one of the nicest people you ever want to meet.

You know, the House gym is where you really get to meet people, talk, relax, and know them. John and I, as it turned out, had lockers right next to each other, so we often chatted there as well. I never heard him say a nasty word about anybody. He always had a smile on his face, was always pleasant, and was always caring. As some of my colleagues have said, he looked like the stereotypical Member of Congress, what a Member of Congress should look like, should act like, should be like—that was John. And I'm sorry to lose him, but I'm happy to lose him at the same time, because I think that the President couldn't have picked a better person to be Secretary of the Army.

Our colleagues have talked about some of his accomplishments and some of the things that he's done. He's had many accomplishments and has done many things, but the thing that I like most about John is that he is just a plain nice guy, down to Earth, caring about people. Actually, everything that a public servant should be, John is. We miss him already here in the House, but we know he's doing great work for our country as Secretary of the Army.

John is a quiet person. He is not someone who is going to toot his own

horn and tell you how great he is or get up and give a rousing speech, telling someone off. That's not John. John is quiet, mild-mannered, caring, smart, the kind of person that we all know should be in public service. So I wouldn't for the world miss this opportunity to say my words of tribute to my good friend who we're going to miss, as I said, but know he's going to do a great job. John McHugh, whatever he does, he'll do great, and I know that he will be a great Secretary of the Army.

I thank the gentleman for letting me say a few words.

Mr. KING of New York. I thank the gentleman for his remarks.

I now yield to the gentleman from Ohio, a good friend of Secretary McHugh, Mr. LATOURETTE.

Mr. LATOURETTE. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, it's my privilege to be here during this Special Order, talking about our friend John McHugh. You know, when somebody retires or leaves or goes on to something else, you miss him. People talk about the gym. I remember, and I miss, that on a pretty regular basis you would go out to the fireplace out here in the Speaker's Lobby and John would have the biggest cup of something with ice in it. He was a constant fixture out there, and you could talk to him on a regular basis.

People will talk about his service on the Armed Services Committee, but that isn't how I knew him. I'm going to talk a little bit about the Oversight and Government Reform Committee and his work on postal reform.

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I know John's office, for some reason in the last three Congresses, has always been either next to or across from mine.

His commitment to the military was always evident. He always had more brass in his office than a Sousa band. They were always coming and going, and they wanted to make sure that John McHugh understood where they were coming from.

I met John when I came here in 1995. Our service was on the Government Reform and Oversight Committee. John's post, when we were in the majority at that time, was as the chairman of the Postal Service Subcommittee, which no longer exists, but it was the Postal Service Subcommittee. The hot topic was postal reform. Postal reform hadn't been accomplished in about 25-30 years in this country, and there was a reason for that—it wasn't an easy thing to do, but John stayed at it in Congress after Congress, and suffered mightily because all of the stakeholders had a different view; you had the private shippers; you had the postal unions; you had the people with the postage meters. Everybody sort of had a dog in that fight, and it was John's job to sort of guide that through.

I'll never forget. I was a member of that subcommittee, and I wasn't so

crazy about his first draft. I think it was called H.R. 22, his first piece of legislation. I sent him a strongly worded letter, reading, You know, how could you do this on postal reform? Well, John sent me a letter back, and just about took the skin off the back of my hand. It was the most pointed letter I'd ever received, and so I trotted right over to his office because I wanted to make sure he wasn't mad at me. We all send letters. We make points, but I wanted to make sure John wasn't upset.

In the end, H.R. 22 did, in fact, become law, and John modernized through postal reform and helped take the United States Postal Service into the 21st century, and that was no small feat. I know that he will do the same for the President as the Secretary of the Army.

You know, I happen to belong to a group of moderate Republicans. Some of us have sort of suspected that the President and Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel have devised a scheme to completely denude the House of Representatives of moderate Republicans. You know, first they started with my classmate, Ray LaHood, and they made him the Secretary of Transportation. Then they took McHugh, and made him the Secretary of the Army. At the time that they made that choice, I said—and I'll say again during this Special Order honoring John—that the President couldn't have made a better selection. We are the poorer here in the House without the benefit of his wisdom, experience and guidance, but I know he will well serve the men and women in uniform, and he will well serve his President of the United States.

Lastly, I would say that John and I also parked near each other. John did have a really sweet parking space in the Rayburn garage on G-3, and if there's only one good thing that has happened in the House as a result of his departure, it's now that I get to park in his parking space.

So I thank you for organizing this Special Order, Mr. KING, and I yield back to you.

Mr. KING of New York. Mr. Speaker, I commend the gentleman from Ohio for always managing to get something good out of whatever happens. He gets John McHugh as Secretary of the Army, and STEVE LATOURETTE has a good parking place, so all is right with the world.

Mr. Speaker, may I inquire as to how much time remains?

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. TEAGUE). The gentleman has 25 minutes remaining.

Mr. KING of New York. Mr. Speaker, I proudly yield to the distinguished gentleman from Texas, the chairman of the National Republican Campaign Committee, Mr. SESSIONS.

Mr. SESSIONS. I appreciate the gentleman, Mr. KING, for not only yielding me time to talk about our former colleague and the great Secretary of the Army, John McHugh, but I also thank

the gentleman for his leadership on behalf of the State of New York. He really cochaired that responsibility and leadership in so many respects with the gentleman John McHugh.

As we see John's friends who have come to the floor this evening to talk about this great man John McHugh from New York—our former colleague, the gentleman from the 24th District of New York—and as his colleagues come to the floor to tout the attributes of service and respect and admiration that we have for John McHugh, I think it's important to note and to amplify how we believe that the men and women of the United States Army and every person who wears the uniform of the United States military will recognize this man who is from our body—a man who in service to his congressional district, to his State and to his country embodied the highest of skillsets, of personal accomplishment and the best wishes.

If I can for a minute, I'd like to talk about John McHugh, the man, as we have all taken the pleasure of doing. We just heard the gentleman Mr. LATOURETTE talk about how he worked with John McHugh on the Government Reform Committee. In fact, I arrived in Congress in 1997, and immediately found myself on the Government Reform Committee. I was a freshman who was eager to take part in the endeavors that lay ahead of us.

One of the subcommittees at that time, which I believe the gentleman Mr. LATOURETTE spoke about, was the Postal Subcommittee. The Postal Subcommittee had this bright, young person who was the subcommittee chairman. He was John McHugh, the gentleman from New York. John made sure, as my subcommittee chairman, that I was there at all the meetings—I was expected to be as a freshman—but more importantly, that I understood the substance and the issues that would be before us.

John took very seriously, as he always has, the duties and responsibilities that were there, presented to him and that he accepted. John made sure that I was well-versed on postal issues, talking about not just the compromises but the opportunities that lay ahead for us, making sure that the challenges were properly taken care of. I developed a deep and abiding relationship with John that I cherish even today—although, I'm sure he wants to forget a few of those meetings that we had that went on and on. It was all in the spirit of our service and in the need to make sure that we appropriately and properly did our duty.

I also had a chance to run across John McHugh as the left fielder for our baseball team. John McHugh played left field in college. John McHugh is a little, skinny runt who probably weighed about 115 pounds—if he had a bat in his hand, maybe 120—but that old guy could catch flies out in left field. Some of the most fun activities

and times that I had here in Washington were on the baseball field in Alexandria. As Republicans, we would prepare for our baseball games and for the charity game that we do every year, Republicans against Democrats. John McHugh showed up every darned day. I, some days, wanted him not to be there because I wanted a chance to play in the ball game.

John started in left field. I didn't understand how this old guy, who was probably five or six years older than I am—and I was old at the time—could be a skinny runt with little legs that could carry him and how he could catch all the balls.

He was very kind to me. He showed me, really, how to dodge all of the mud puddles that were out in left field. That was when we had an amazing rain in about the year 2000, maybe '99, 2000, 2001. John had it down. As people across this country are hearing about this great guy John McHugh, John had his position down once again, and John in left field could walk out in the midst of all the mud that was outside there, play three or four innings, come back in, and not have a piece of dirt on him. I went out there and found the mud puddle as I was running, trying to catch the fly, staying up with just catching.

There were two ducks that were out there in the mud puddle in left field with us. John made friends with the ducks. The ducks got along with him, but when I went out there, I was in trouble. I remember diving and sliding and walking back and John just looking at me and laughing. He's not just a fun and kind guy. He found a way to allow me to play in the game. He allowed me to share in that endeavor, and we had a good time—always at my expense, I'm sure—but that just spoke volumes about the kind of man that he was early on in my career as we worked together.

John and I found lots of activities with each other, and John always included me, not just because of my thought processes of wanting to know what I was thinking but because of how we could work together and how we could make things work.

Well, when 9/11 came, PETE KING, John McHugh and other members of the New York delegation who were hit and hit hard—Sue Kelly was in that group, John Sweeney and some others—really worked with members of other delegations to talk with them about the needs of New York and about what we needed to do. John McHugh was a strong advocate. He felt very strongly about the men and women who would be called also into harm's way as a result of 9/11. He understood firsthand those families.

John, as we know, ended up taking some 10 visits to Iraq and 4 visits to Afghanistan. He sat on the West Point or the U.S. Military Academy Board of Visitors. He knew that I went to the graduations at West Point and enjoyed them immensely. He knows that I have

had and that virtually every Member of this body has had several young men or young women who are students at the Academy from all over this Congress and from all over this country. John had a strong sense of responsibility about believing in the mission and purpose, and knew that I felt that way, and looked at other Members the same way.

He was a co-Chair of the House Army Caucus. He understood firsthand not just the men and their missions but their families and their lives after coming back home. He spoke very passionately, he and I, about the needs of our returning vets who sometimes still need more in additional help. He has indicated that he will go and take this job. He is fulfilling this duty to do his best for the men and women of the United States Army—a branch of a service that he not only strongly identifies with but has worked with in his congressional duties.

John McHugh is a friend. He is a friend of anyone who has balance about trying to solve problems. John McHugh is a kind man. Many times in the midst, when lots of us are hurried in making decisions, John McHugh listens to the facts of the case. John McHugh has in this body exemplified himself. He has stood out as a person who can be trusted, who can make a wise decision and who cares about other people.

So, tonight, as this body honors the gentleman John McHugh, I would say to the men and women of the United States Army, to the spouses, to the children, and to the families that John McHugh is taking the place of Pete Geren. Pete Geren grew to have a strong reputation that the Army could count on, not only in discipline and leadership but in doing the right thing. John McHugh is that kind of man also. John McHugh will lead with honor and distinction. John McHugh will also do the right thing.

So, for our colleague who was tapped by the President of the United States to go and lead, for our colleague who worked with us day in and day out and year after year with honor and distinction, for our colleague John McHugh who will leave this body, knowing that he still had fight left in him, to go and still lead for the best, for this young man John McHugh, who has lots of friends here who wish him not only the very best but who want to see him again, for our friend John McHugh, who is serving with distinction and who will do well, we say:

John McHugh, we thank you. We thank you for who you are and for what you are. Don't change. Sure, get better, but go ahead, and do just what you've done all these years. Do this for the right reason.

The gentleman from New York, as I go to conclude here, I would like to read something which was part of John McHugh's statement as he left this body.

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He said in July, I have been so struck how these heroes facing pain and loss

and uncertainty asked one question, What else can I do to serve? He challenged himself when he said, We can ask no less of ourselves.

I would say to the men and women of the United States Army, you have a kind, gracious leader who will care about you. You have a man that understands that it is you who will be asked to sacrifice, but you will also have a man that will never ask you to do anything that he does not honestly believe in that is in the best interest of freedom and opportunity in the United States of America.

And as we hear these stories of bravery and heroism, as we see these men suffer, as we see their families well up, not only in pride, but also in fear for their families, we would offer one of our own from this body to say, We have confidence that you will lead, you will lead to the best; and we're going to miss you, but we're very, very proud of you.

From my left field buddy from congressional baseball, good luck with the New York Yankees against the Philadelphia Phillies, because you guys are going to need it.

Mr. KING of New York. Thank you, Congressman SESSIONS.

We have seen tonight people from all regions of the country, from both sides of the aisle, come forward. No one personifies that more than the dean of the New York delegation, the chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, Mr. RANGEL.

I yield to the gentleman from New York.

(Mr. RANGEL asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RANGEL. Let me thank my dear friend, PETER KING, for taking time out on behalf of the entire delegation to give us an opportunity to pay tribute to one of our great Members of Congress and certainly one of our great eloquent members of the New York State congressional delegation.

I think John McHugh epitomizes what most Americans really look forward to when they think of their government or their Congress or their House of Representatives, and that is a guy that has principles, that sticks by them, and yet finds a way to get away from the harshness of partisanship during the time that he is representing their particular interests. This is especially so when one person of a party that probably has been for a lifetime has an opportunity to serve this great Nation under the leadership of a President from another party. I think that that really tests, whether you are Republican or Democrat or Independent, your willingness to understand that there are so many different ways to serve this great Nation. When he was called, it's my understanding that he didn't hesitate to respond when President Obama asked him to serve as Secretary of the United States Army.

I think during the rough partisan times that we are going through now,

that we ought to take advantage, as you have seen fit to do, Mr. KING, to point out that it's not like this every day, it's not like this every year, and that fortunately the New York State delegation have managed to disagree without being disagreeable, to maintain our friendships, to have mutual respect. And at the end of the day when we have done our responsibility in one particular Federal job, that we are able to move forward and look forward to working with each other again.

Let me single you out for doing this on behalf of the delegation, on behalf of the Republicans, and, I would like to say, on behalf of the entire Congress.

Mr. KING of New York. I thank Chairman RANGEL for his remarks.

It's very appropriate, I believe, that Congressman McHugh has become Secretary of the Army, and these remarks tonight by Mr. RANGEL were made by someone who has such a distinguished record in the United States Army in the Korean War. That's the type of person that John McHugh will be representing as Secretary of the Army, heroic men such as Congressman RANGEL who certainly put their life on the line and answered their nation's call.

Mr. Speaker, we have seen a large number of people coming out tonight to speak on behalf of Secretary of the Army John McHugh. I was fortunate to be elected to the United States Congress in 1992, the same year as John McHugh. I knew John McHugh from his outstanding service in the New York State Senate, I knew that he was a legislator's legislator; and from the moment he arrived here in the Congress, John always to me exemplified what a Member of Congress should be. I don't know how many times you would walk out that door and see John sitting there at a chair and desk studying the legislation.

People say that Members of Congress don't read their legislation. I can tell that you John McHugh was constantly reading legislation, constantly studying up on what had to be done, constantly trying to find bipartisan solutions to problems.

It was mentioned tonight that he served on the Postal Subcommittee, where he did author reform legislation of the Postal Service, a very, very difficult job.

We talked about the trips he took, the 10 visits to Iraq, the four to Afghanistan that he took as a member of the Armed Services Committee. Then earlier this year he reached the culmination of his congressional career when he was elected as ranking member of the Armed Services Committee where, again, he worked very closely with Chairman IKE SKELTON in a bipartisan way, always putting the troops first. I remember during his early years here in Congress when there was an attempt to close down Fort Drum and the work that John put in around the clock doing what he could and success-

fully doing what he could to save Fort Drum from being closed down.

These are just some examples of the type of dedication that John McHugh had. As Congressman RANGEL said, there was something else; there was no meanness, there was no bitterness, there was no anger in John McHugh.

John wanted to find a way to get things done. He had strong principles. He had strong beliefs. But he also recognized that people on the other side of the aisle and people in his own party also had very strong beliefs, and they may be different from his, but he respected them.

I wish John the very best as Secretary of the Army. President Obama made an absolutely superb selection when he picked John McHugh. I can't think of anyone who would dedicate himself more to the men and women of the United States Army than John McHugh.

As was mentioned, having traveled with John to Iraq, I would see him sit with the generals, the two-star generals, the three-star generals, the four-star generals. He would sit with the ambassadors. He would sit with all of the high-ranking people. But he always found time to spend most of his time with the enlisted men, the enlisted women, the PFCs, the sergeants, the first lieutenants, second lieutenants. He realized that it wasn't just the people at the top, but it was people at all levels, the people who really did the heavy lifting, who put their lives on the line, who were the people who made the most impression on him and to whom he had the greatest responsibility.

John, I certainly wish you the best. We look forward to your service for the United States, for the United States Army. I know that more even than the feeling you are going to receive from the Members of Congress, it's the men and women of the Armed Forces, of the United States Army, who appreciate you the most, because they are going to be the greatest beneficiaries of your dedication, your patriotism and your hard work.

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, while working with Secretary John McHugh for many years as a fellow Upstate New York Representative, I had the privilege of getting to know him not only as a Representative but as a friend. Throughout his time in the House of Representatives, Congressman John McHugh has more than demonstrated his qualifications to serve as the Secretary of the Army.

As a Congressman, he consistently made our servicemen and women and their families his top priority. He never stopped fighting for them and his respect for and commitment to those serving in our armed forces will make him an extraordinary Secretary of the Army.

Beyond his advocacy on behalf of our men and women in uniform, John McHugh has immense experience in dealing with the most important issues facing the Army. During his time in the House, Congressman McHugh rose to Ranking Member of the House Armed

Services Committee following his work as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Morale, Welfare and Recreation Panel and the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

He became the co-chair of the House Army Caucus where he continued to advocate for Army soldiers and their families while helping other members of Congress to understand the complicated intricacies of issues facing the Army. His expertise was invaluable to the Armed Services Committee and the larger House.

Mr. McHugh's work in foreign affairs also provides him with a unique background and knowledge base to address the issues facing the Army. His membership on the House International Relations Committee and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence provided valuable experience that will be important in addressing the challenges of our Army. He has already traveled to Iraq, Afghanistan and other deployed locations demonstrating his commitment gaining a deep understanding of our military commitments.

Moreover, over the past 16 years I have found few Members of Congress more pleasant to work with than John McHugh. As fellow New Yorkers, John and I worked closely on many important pieces of legislation that were vital to our state and country. John always proved to be a man of integrity and honor who approached each and every issue with an open mind. John will be missed in the House, and I am certain that John will serve our country greatly in his new position.

I wish him well.

Mr. MCKEON. Mr. Speaker, this afternoon I rise to honor a good friend of mine and an esteemed former Member of this House.

First elected in 1993, John McHugh represented New York's 23rd Congressional district honorably in the U.S. House of Representatives until this summer.

Representing Fort Drum and the men and women of the legendary 10th Mountain Division, John joined the Armed Services Committee upon being elected and went on to serve as the Chairman of the Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Panel; the Chairman of the Military Personnel Subcommittee; and the Ranking Member of the Full Committee.

During his tenure in the House of Representatives, John was a tireless advocate for America's military personnel and their families and known by his colleagues as a leader on national defense and security issues.

One of his best attributes was his willingness to sit down with our troops—active, Guard and reserve, and their family members at every level of the chain of command—to hear their views and concerns.

From his leadership positions with the Armed Services Committee and with little fanfare, John traveled across the globe—from the United States and Europe to active combat zones in Iraq and Afghanistan—to hear directly from troops stationed and deployed overseas.

Along those lines, John spearheaded more than 68 hearings, mark-ups, and briefings so

he could hear a variety of views, make reasoned decisions, and translate those into legislative initiatives to ensure our military personnel have the best possible training, the most modern equipment and weapons systems, and the necessary resources to carry out their missions.

Some of his accomplishments include: higher Army and Marine Corps end-strength levels, increased military personnel pay, reductions in the unfair tax on veterans' disability and military retired pay, and more military retiree benefits for our troops.

It is for these reasons that President Obama tapped John McHugh to be his Secretary of the Army. In that position, John is continuing his work on behalf of the men and women of our military and their families.

Mr. LEE of New York. Mr. Speaker, while I only had a few months to serve with Secretary McHugh, I enjoyed the opportunity to get to know this great statesman.

As one of the first Members I met, he was not only gracious but mindful of how to respect this institution and make a positive contribution.

It's no surprise that Members on both sides of the aisle like and respect him. Moreover, his unparalleled dedication to serving the people of the 23rd District rightfully earned him a record of strong constituent service.

Given his commitment to fighting for our servicemembers overseas and at home, I can think of no one better suited to serve as Secretary of the Army.

I know he's greatly invested in our future in Afghanistan—especially given that Fort Drum was located in his district.

While this is certainly a loss for our New York delegation, I look forward to working with Secretary McHugh in the future to meet the needs of our military personnel and their families.

I know my colleagues on both sides of the aisle will join us in wishing Secretary McHugh well and thank him for his distinguished service to this body and our Nation.

Mr. REYES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my colleague and my friend Congressman John McHugh. I had the pleasure of serving with John McHugh both on the Armed Services Committee and on the Intelligence Committee. I have always been impressed with his dedication to his constituents and to the men and women who protect and defend our nation.

Given his role as the Chairman of the Congressional Army Caucus and his

strong support for Army programs, it is fitting that he was selected by President Obama to serve as the 21st Secretary of the United States Army. During his tenure as the Chairman of the Armed Services Committee's Subcommittee on Military Personnel, he was a forceful advocate for military members and their families, and I am sure that he will continue those efforts to improve the quality of life of our nation's Army.

Congressman, now Secretary, McHugh knows better than most that our soldiers, and the families who support their service, give so much to protect the freedom and values of all Americans and that we owe them an immeasurable debt of gratitude. I am certain that he will give his all in his new role, just as he did as a Member of Congress, and I join my colleagues in wishing our friend John McHugh the best as he undertakes this new and important challenge. At this time in the Army's history, we need a leader like Secretary McHugh.

Mr. KING of New York. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

**CORRECTION TO THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD OF TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2009, AT PAGE H11869**

**CONGRESSIONAL EARMARKS, LIMITED TAX BENEFITS, OR LIMITED TARIFF BENEFITS**

Under clause 9 of rule XXI, lists or statements on congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits were submitted as follows:

The amendment to be offered by Representative VELAQUEZ, or a designee, to H.R. 3854, the Small Business Financing and Investment Act of 2009, does not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of rule XXI.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BUYER (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today and the balance of the week on account of the birth of his grandchild.

Ms. TSONGAS (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

**SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED**

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. WOOLSEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. CUMMINGS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. POE of Texas) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. POE of Texas, for 5 minutes, November 4.

Mr. JONES, for 5 minutes, November 4.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PAULSEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FORTENBERRY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HUNTER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WESTMORELAND, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at her request) to revise and extend her remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland, for 5 minutes, today.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. KING of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 23 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, October 29, 2009, at 10 a.m.

**EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL**

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Speaker-authorized official travel during the third quarter of 2009, pursuant to Public Law 95-384 are as follows:

**REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPT. 30, 2009**

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Hon. Gregorio Sablan .....	8/6	8/8	Republic of Palau .....	668.10	(3)						668.10
Hon. Donna Christensen .....	8/6	8/8	Republic of Palau .....	668.10	(3)						668.10
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Jean Flemma .....	8/6	8/8	Republic of Palau .....	668.10	(3)						668.10
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