

many outsourced jobs, from televisions to clothing to automotive to call centers, for heaven's sake, American consumers are abdicating their buying power abroad and losing millions of jobs. Unemployment benefits are starting to run out. Food pantries are seeing record increases, and people are getting desperate. The wealth disparity grows larger every day.

Don Monkerud wrote in the *Capital Times* in Madison, Wisconsin, the 400 richest Americans, who now own more than the bottom 150 million Americans, increased their net worth by \$700 billion during the 8 years of the Bush administration. I think one can ask, isn't that enough? Are they filled up yet?

In 2005, the top 1 percent claimed a quarter of our national income and the top 10 percent of earners in this country took fully half of the entire national income. It's even worse now. The super rich taking the largest share of our national income since—are you ready for this?—since 1928, the year before the Great Depression started, the wealth gap.

And yet we're listening to the super-rich whining because they want them to help pay for a health care system that will help make our Nation competitive in the global marketplace so we can help recapture some of the lost jobs.

We can't fix our country by simply fixing things on Wall Street for those who are super rich or pandering to the complaints of the richest of the rich or the Wall Street bankers that have outsourced so many of our jobs. That's how we got here in the first place.

We need to fix this country by reducing our trade deficit, cutting our dependence on foreign oil, helping hard-working Americans who are doing their best to make ends meet and who want to work and putting our accounts back in order.

Listen to the over 250 million Americans, not just the top few, who are asking us to make America, all of us, rich again as a result of our hard work. It's time. Our people have earned it.

HEALTH CARE DEBATE—QUOTES TO REMEMBER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. There's been an awful lot of misinformation about the Democrat health care proposal, Mr. Speaker, and so I would like to take just a couple of minutes tonight to talk to my colleagues about what's really happening and what will happen if this bill becomes law.

According to the Lewin Group, there will be 114 million Americans who could lose their current coverage under the bill according to this organization. 4.7 million is the number of the jobs that could be lost as a result of taxes on businesses that cannot afford to

provide health care insurance coverage according to a model developed by the Council of Economic Advisors; \$818 billion in total new taxes on individuals who cannot afford health care coverage and employers who cannot afford to provide coverage that meet the Federal bureaucrat standards; \$1.28 trillion in new Federal spending in the next 10 years, but some believe it will be as much as \$3 trillion. And then there are 33 entitlement programs the bill creates, expands, or extends in an increase from where we are right now.

This is the organizational chart of the health care plan the Democrats are proposing. The white spots are new agencies that will be created or will be added to the plan, and it's going to be a real maze for Americans to go through in order to get health care. It will result, in my opinion, in most people's opinions who study this, in rationing of health care and additional cost to the taxpayers of this country to the tune of between \$1 trillion and \$3 trillion over a decade.

Now, I just want to quote some of the things that have been said by our leaders over the past few days about this plan.

Yesterday, President Obama, when he was talking about this, said that this bill will not add to the deficit. He said: I will not sign a bill that adds to the deficit. Period. That is a direct quote from the President yesterday.

According to the Congressional Budget Office, the House bill, this bill, will add \$239 billion to the deficit. So either the Congressional Budget Office or the President is wrong because it is going to add to the deficit, according to CBO.

Representative CHARLIE RANGEL, one of my good friends here in the Congress, was commenting on President Obama and Speaker PELOSI by saying he thought they were moving too fast. He was overheard to say yesterday or day before yesterday: No one wants to tell the Speaker that she's moving too fast and they darn sure don't want to tell the President. He was on his way to a closed door meeting about this because there is an awful lot of concern about this bill, even among Democrats.

Speaker PELOSI, in a front page interview in *USA Today*, said: Many Members think that there's more to be squeezed from the hospitals, the pharmaceutical companies and the docs. Squeeze them. And I hope all of those institutions are listening.

JOE BIDEN, the Vice President, said: We're going to go bankrupt as a Nation, he warned at an event in Virginia last week. He continued: People, when I say that, look at me and say, What are you talking about, JOE? You're telling me we have to go spend money to keep from going bankrupt? And he says, yes, we do have to spend more money to keep from going bankrupt.

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Now that's something that is new to me. I have never heard that you can spend your way out of bankruptcy. And

the White House Chief of Staff, Rahm Emanuel, told the *New York Times* that Obama intends to use tonight's press conference, that is going to happen this evening, as a "6-month report card," and he is going to talk to the American people about "how we've rescued the economy from the worst recession" and that we're moving forward with our legislative agenda.

Now if they've rescued us from the worst recession, I'd like to know how we're going to explain to the American people that we are very rapidly approaching 10 percent unemployment when just a month or so ago they said it wouldn't go above 8 percent, and how when they said they weren't going to spend us into the red anymore, and we're looking at trillions of dollars of additional spending. So tonight I hope everybody watches the President and listens to him. But I hope they ask themselves, are things better today than they were 6 months ago, when you took office, or are they worse? Because he's going to tell you everything is coming up roses.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. SALAZAR) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. SALAZAR addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the *Extensions of Remarks*.)

H.R. 1933, A CHILD IS MISSING ALERT AND RECOVERY CENTER ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. KLEIN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. KLEIN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend my colleagues for passing H.R. 1933, the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center Act. I introduced this bipartisan legislation with my good friend from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT), who is the distinguished ranking member of the Crime Subcommittee and a former Texas State judge. I should also thank the distinguished chairman and ranking member of the Judiciary Committee, Mr. CONYERS of Michigan, Mr. SMITH of Texas, and Mr. SCOTT, the chairman of the Crime Subcommittee, for their leadership in moving H.R. 1933 out of committee and to the floor.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 1933 would expand the widely praised A Child Is Missing nonprofit organization into a national program with regional centers under the Department of Justice. It would accomplish this expansion through annual grants from the Attorney General in the amount of \$5 million from 2010 through 2015. The funds would allow for the purchase of future technologies and techniques, centralized and onsite training, and for the distribution of information to Federal, State and local law enforcement agency officials on the best ways to utilize the round-the-

clock services provided by the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center.

Currently, A Child Is Missing is the only program of its kind that assists in all missing cases involving abduction, children who are lost, wander or run away, or adults with special needs such as the elderly who suffer from Alzheimer's or dementia, which is a major problem in my district in south Florida. When a person is reported missing to law enforcement, A Child Is Missing utilizes the latest technology to place 1,000 emergency telephone calls every 60 seconds to residents and businesses in the area where the person is last seen. It works in concert with the AMBER Alert system which you see on the highways, on those billboards or radio announcements, also known as the Silver Alert, and all child-safety programs, and has the support of law enforcement agencies all over the country.

A Child Is Missing also fills a critical gap in time in the most dangerous cases. Although the AMBER Alert has been an extremely successful program, there is still a crucial void in time when a child is first reported missing and when an AMBER Alert, which is activated only in cases of criminal abduction, can be issued, which is sometimes 3 to 5 hours later. This critical period of time can be the difference between whether a child lives or dies.

Recently, a Washington State Attorney General's office study showed that among cases involving children abducted and murdered, 74 percent were slain in the first 3 hours. So it is the first hours, the first minutes that are critical. And to the extent we can alert people in the local area by this telephone system to businesses and residences, we get the information about the potential child or abductor to the law enforcement as quickly as possible.

Adding to the problem is the resource and manpower limitations facing many local law enforcement agencies. Roughly half of these offices in the United States had 25 or fewer officers, and an average 12-hour search for a missing child can cost up to \$400,000 in law enforcement expenses. That is a great fiscal burden during these difficult times of shrinking budgets. A Child Is Missing helps to fill this critical gap in time as well as complement the AMBER Alert during its ongoing search. We have heard this over and over again from law enforcement agencies that have received this; the real issue is that not enough communities have access to the program.

The founder and president of A Child Is Missing in Florida, Sherry Friedlander, who has done a remarkable job spreading the program to all 50 States, says that we're going to bring this program to every community, but we need there to be the leverage and logistics and some minor amount of resources that can help make it do so. And that is exactly what H.R. 1933 does. It has broad bipartisan support in Congress. I count cosponsors from all over the

United States. On the Senate side companion legislation was introduced by Senator MENENDEZ and Senator HATCH, the distinguished former chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Because we are so proud of this great effort, we understand that children are not Democrats or Republicans, they are Americans, and they are our children and our responsibility. And their protection requires all of us to work together to do what is best for their continued safety. So as a result of all this, I appreciate this support we have got, and I urge our colleagues to support H.R. 1933.

WHERE ARE THE JOBS?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. CARTER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. CARTER. Mr. Speaker, jobs, jobs, jobs. Americans are asking, where are the jobs? With the unemployment rate at 9.7 percent, Democrats continue to push job-killing bills. First cap-and-tax, and now a plan to socialize health care. We all agree our health care system is clearly in need of reform. Health care costs too much. Families and individuals are seeing their premiums rise, and businesses are having to drop or significantly reduce their coverage to make ends meet. Employees are wondering why their plan no longer covers things like dental or vision.

The answer is, the costs are forcing employers to reduce coverage. However, the Democrat government-controlled health care bill actually makes things worse. The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office says it will raise prices even higher and increase taxes. The Democrats' health care bill also hurts the quality of health care, cuts thousands of jobs, and devastates State economies.

There are just too many problems with the Democrat health bill to use a 5-minute speech, so I'm going to focus on one job-killing section, section 1156, which would be the death of physician-owned hospitals, which are a huge job creator and a medical innovator in Texas and throughout the country. Texas has more existing and planned physician hospitals than any other State. To be exact, Texas has 50 physician-owned hospitals that provide 22,000 jobs and contribute \$2.3 billion to the Texas economy annually. So let me repeat. This little provision in the Democrat government health plan kills tens of thousands of jobs, tens of millions of tax dollars paid, and over \$1 billion of economic activity for the State.

If section 1156 becomes law, 104 physician-owned hospitals currently under construction would be lost. This would cost Texans 20,000 jobs and \$5 billion in investments. Constituents in my district are letting me know how devastating this provision is for Texas. Hospitals like the Heart Hospital of Austin, rated the number one hospital

in America for heart attacks, would not be able to build new hospitals and could only expand after going through several layers of bureaucracy.

This is only one small portion in the Democratic government-run health care plan, and it kills jobs. And others kill jobs. In a poll of 5,097 of my constituents, 82 percent oppose the Democrat plan. Nationwide polling indicates the majority of Americans are opposed to the Democrat plan. Let's listen to our constituents and defeat this government-run takeover of our health care.

HONORING TOMAS AGUON CAMACHO OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from the Northern Mariana Islands (Mr. SABLAN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. SABLAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor one of the Northern Mariana Islands' finest individuals, Tomas Aguon Camacho. The Most Reverend Tomas Aguon Camacho is the first bishop of the Diocese of Chalan Kanoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Born to Maria Borja Aguon and Vidal Palacios Camacho on September 18, 1933, Bishop Camacho was ordained a priest on June 14, 1961, and was given the honorary title of Monsignor in 1974. On January 13, 1985, he was installed as Bishop, the same time that the Northern Mariana Islands became a separate ecclesiastic jurisdiction from the Archdiocese of Hagatna, Guam, to what was and is now the Diocese of Chalan Kanoa.

As a shepherd to Catholics in the Northern Mariana Islands, which total approximately 80 percent of the general population, Bishop Camacho is looked upon by the people as a compassionate pastor, a humble servant and a concerned teacher to his flock. He recently finished translating into the vernacular the books of the New Testament, making the Word of God available in Chamorro, an indigenous language unique to the Northern Mariana Islands and to Guam. He is now working on the books of the Old Testament. Additionally, the Bishop has commissioned a group to translate the Bible in the Refalauwasch, the other indigenous language of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Bishop Camacho is not only a strong spiritual leader, but he is also a compassionate father who tries his best to address the needs of his people. Bishop Camacho initiated and founded various diocesan commissions that, up to the present time, provide invaluable services to the people.

KARIDAT Charity, for example, is a social service provider under the diocese serving the islands of Saipan, Tinian and Rota. It provides youth and family counseling, emergency food and shelter assistance, hotline and outreach assistance to victims of crime.