RECOGNIZING THE JACOB MILLER TAVERN ON ITS HISTORICAL MARKER DEDICATION

## HON. STEVE AUSTRIA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Mr. AUSTRIA. Madam Speaker, on behalf of the people of Ohio's Seventh Congressional District, I am honored to recognize the Jacob Miller Tavern on the occasion of its historical marker dedication.

In 1806, this tavern, a two story hewn log structure was built by Jacob Miller. This building was recently purchased with the purpose of restoring this building to its original condition.

Somerset is famous for their local native General Philip Sheridan. The Jacob Miller Tavern will be another landmark that Somerset will be known for.

The Historical Society of Perry County and the Perry County Historical Museum are to be commended for their many years of support for Somerset and the Somerset National Register Historic District. Thus, it is with great pride that I congratulate them on this great occasion and extend best wishes for the future.

RECOGNIZING THE DEDICATED SERVICE OF UNITED STATES AIRMAN LIEUTENANT COLONEL RICKEY O. HARRINGTON

## HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and pay tribute to Lieutenant Colonel Rickey O. Harrington, for 22 years of exceptional service and dedication to the United States Air Force.

Colonel Harrington will be retiring from active duty on September 30, 2010. He has most recently served as the Pentagon's Chief of Air Force Reserve Directorate of Personnel for the Chief Force Support and Sustainment Branch.

As a native of Itta Bena, Mississippi, Colonel Harrington entered the Air Force in 1988 as a distinguished graduate of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps at Mississippi Valley State University.

In October 1988, then Second Lieutenant Harrington began his career as a Personnel Officer in the Consolidated Base Personnel Office at Bergstrom Air Force Base, Texas.

In September of 1990 Colonel Harrington became newly promoted First Lieutenant Harrington and was deployed to Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm as Chief, Personnel Support Contingency Operations Team at Al Minhad Air Base, United Arab Emirates providing the full scale support to nearly 3,000 airmen.

Colonel Harrington would go on after this deployment to serve in a variety of staff and leadership positions both stateside and overseas. During his career he has served as a Section Commander. Executive Officer. Squadron Commander, Inspector and Action Officer at the wing and Headquarters level. Most notably, he was on-duty as Executive Officer to the Director of Personnel Accountability at the Air Force Personnel Center responsible for running the Air Force Casualty Operations Center during the bombing of Khobar Towers where 19 brave service men lost their lives and during the airplane crash in Germany carrying then Secretary of Commerce Ron Brown. During this crisis, Colonel Harrington ensured that all levels of leadership were kept abreast of ongoing issues and ensured humane and dignified notification of next of kin while honoring the memory of those who fell in these tragedies.

He also served as the Deputy Support Group Commander at Khandahar Air Base, Afghanistan in 2003 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Over the past 4 years Colonel Harrington has worked tirelessly on behalf of the Air Force Reserve as the lone active duty member on their Personnel Staff.

As the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan have led to increased use of our reserve forces, he has championed many initiatives, both in policy and in law, that have enhanced recruiting, retention, benefits and entitlements for these dedicated airmen.

His efforts have helped to sustain a viable, ready trained force capable of meeting the needs of Combatant Commanders to protect our Nation and achieve objectives of national interest.

In addition to upholding the highest standards of professional conduct as a military officer, Colonel Harrington has also labored to enhance the communities he's lived in through his affiliation with various churches, civic organizations and as a life member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated.

Madam Speaker, I ask my Colleagues to join me in expressing our sincere thanks to Colonel Harrington and his family for their unwavering support of our country and their dedication to preserving our Nation's freedom. Congratulations, and thank you for your service.

TRIBUTE TO GARY WAUTERS

## HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Gary Wauters of West Marshall, lowa who is celebrating his retirement from the West Marshall Community School District.

Gary, the only art teacher in the West Marshall School District, devoted 40 years to facilitating his students' creativity in the classroom. Gary takes pride in the work his students have produced over the years, especially stained glass artwork, which was a staple in his curriculum. In his retirement, Gary plans to continue his artwork in his home studio

I commend Gary Wauters for his dedication to the students he has taught over the years and to the West Marshall School District. Gary inspired thousands of students to embrace their creativity and the lessons he taught will influence people for ages to come. I am honored to represent Gary and his family in the United States Congress and I wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

COMMENDING WEBSTER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT RETIREES

## HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the retirement of sixteen exemplary teachers and staff members from the Webster City School District of Webster City, Iowa and to express my appreciation for their dedication and commitment to these schools and their community.

Collectively these sixteen teachers and staff retirees have served the school district for 440 years. Among these notable faculty members: Linda Moenck served for 31 years. Dave Niggemeyer taught in the district for 35 years, Debra Niggemeyer as well as Gayle Olson served 32 years, Carolee Woodward taught in the Webster City Schools for 41 years, Donna Foster served for 24 years, JoAnn Robb as well as Sally Crouch served 30 years in the district, Mike Larson served 35 years, Gary Moenck has served 34 years, Faith McDowell served 12 years, Holly Riemenschneider taught for 9 years, John Kidney served the district for 39 years, Sharon Conder served 9 years in the district's food services department, Karen Draeger served for 26 years, and Nancy Spire served 21 years in the Webster City Schools.

These educators and faculty and their dedicated service underscores the value that lowa has always placed on education. Every student who has gone to school in lowa knows a great teacher or faculty member like this group of sixteen, and every community in the state does everything it can to make sure students have the best possible chance to succeed. lowans know that the best way to invest in the future of our state is to invest in the education of our children.

I consider it an honor to represent these sixteen distinguished teachers and staff members of the Webster City Schools in the United States Congress, and I wish them all a long, happy and healthy retirement as they continue to serve their community.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

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

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, June 10, 2010 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

### MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 15

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the situation in Afghanistan; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session.

SD-G50

10 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of James Michael Cole, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Energy and Natural Resources
Energy Subcommittee

Energy Subcommittee To hold hearings to examine S. 3460, to require the Secretary of Energy to provide funds to States for rebates, loans. and other incentives to eligible individuals or entities for the purchase and installation of solar energy systems for properties located in the United States. S. 3396, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to establish within the Department of Energy a Supply Star program to identify and promote practices, companies, products that use highly efficient supply chains in a manner that conserves energy, water, and other resources, S. 3251, to improve energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy by Federal agencies, S. 679, to establish a research. development, demonstration, and commercial application program to promote research of appropriate technologies for heavy duty plug-in hybrid vehicles, S. 3233, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to authorize the Secretary of Energy to barter, transfer, or sell surplus uranium from the inventory of the Department of Energy, and S. 2900, to establish a research, development, and technology demonstration program to improve the efficiency of gas turbines used in combined cycle and simple cycle power generation systems.

SD-366

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine the health impacts of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine protecting cyberspace as a national asset, focusing on comprehensive legislation for the 21st century.

SD-342

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

#### JUNE 16

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine Veterans' Affairs health care in rural areas.

SR-418

10 a.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of John S. Pistole, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

SD-342

10:30 a.m.

Appropriations

Defense Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Defense.

SD-192

2 p.m.

Aging

To hold hearings to examine the retirement challenge, focusing on making savings last a lifetime.

SD-562

2:30 p.m.

Appropriations

Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee

To hold an oversight hearing to examine Federal payment of interchange fees, focusing on how to save taxpayer dollars

 $$\operatorname{SD}\text{--}192$$  Energy and Natural Resources

Public Lands and Forests Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine S. 3294, to establish certain wilderness areas in central Idaho and to authorize various land conveyances involving National Forest System land and Bureau of Land Management land in central Idaho, S. 3310, to designate certain wilderness areas in the National Forest System in the State of South Dakota, and S. 3313, to withdraw certain land located in Clark County, Nevada from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws and disposition under all laws pertaining to mineral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.

SD-366

3 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the Gulf of Mexico oil spill, focusing on ensuring a financially responsible recovery.

SD-342

JUNE 17

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the New Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) and the implications for national security programs.

SD-106

2:30 p.m.

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

3:30 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine closing the language gap, focusing on improving the Federal government's foreign language capabilities.

SD-342

#### JUNE 24

9:30 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine S. 3452, to designate the Valles Caldera National Preserve as a unit of the National Park System.

SD-366

### JUNE 30

9:30 a.m.

Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

To hold hearings to examine farm bill reauthorization, focusing on maintaining our domestic food supply through a strong United States farm policy.

SR-328A

## JULY 1

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine veterans' claims processing, focusing on if current efforts are working.

SR-418

### JULY 21

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine improvements to the post-9/11 Government Issue (GI) Bill.

SR-418

# POSTPONEMENTS

#### JUNE 17

10 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources National Parks Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the future of the National Park System and to consider the recommendations of the National Parks Second Century Commission in its report "Advancing the National Park Idea".

SD-366