

be missed. We will always remember Robert for his commitment to his community, his caring for his union brothers and sisters, and his dedication to his family. And I will remember the central quotation by which Robert lived his life: "Plan your work and work your plan."

On behalf of the people of Ohio's 13th District, I want to express my deepest sympathies to the Fozio family. They have lost a great husband, father, and grandfather who passed away much too soon and we have lost a true friend and committed member of our community.

HOMELAND SECURITY SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. PETER T. KING

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 20, 2010

Mr. KING of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 4842, the Homeland Security Science and Technology Authorization Act, which will authorize needed funds for important activities and programs within the Department of Homeland Security to help make our country more secure.

This bill is the product of extensive bipartisan work dating back to last summer, which includes input from numerous stakeholder meetings, the Department of Homeland Security, and the House Committee on Science and Technology.

I want to recognize the work of Chairwoman CLARKE—the author of the bill—and Ranking Member LUNGREN, whose Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology marked up this bill on March 16 and reported the bill favorably by voice vote.

The Full Committee then considered this bill and reported it unanimously by a vote of 26–0 on April 15, 2010.

We appreciate the Majority working with us in a bipartisan way, and including a number of provisions of importance to Republican Members.

These provisions include the establishment of research initiatives to bolster border and maritime security, development of tools to enhance resilience to terrorist attacks and other incidents, especially in rural communities, research and testing of technologies to help secure the border and ensure the safety of our underground mass transit systems, and an assessment of how useful rapid screening tools for influenza and other biological threats would be at our border ports of entry.

I also want to highlight a very important provision in this bill that is critical both to the security of New York City and surrounding areas as well as to our Nation as a whole, which is the authorization and expansion of the Securing the Cities program.

Securing the Cities is a vital homeland security program to help prevent terrorist attacks in major cities using nuclear or radiological weapons, like a dirty bomb. The program has enabled the establishment of a networked ring of radiological detectors on highways, toll plazas, bridges, tunnels, and waterways leading into and out of New York City, which as we have seen, is the top terror target for al-Qaeda and affiliated terrorist organizations.

Securing the Cities is both a regional capability and a national asset. The program provides the operational capability to interdict a radiological or nuclear weapon in one city so that it cannot be delivered to and detonated in another.

Recent attacks on New York City came from other regions: Najibullah Zazi traveled from Denver to New York City in a plot to possibly bomb the subway system and Faisal Shahzad traveled from Connecticut to New York and attempted to detonate a car bomb in Times Square.

The detonation of a nuclear or dirty bomb in the New York tri-state area, or in any major metropolitan area, would inflict serious damages to our country's economy, much like the 9/11 attacks did.

Securing the Cities is a successful program that can and should be replicated in other areas around the country. That is why language in this bill would expand the program to at least two additional high-risk cities where these capabilities are most needed, leveraging what we have already learned about building defenses against nuclear and radiological weapons in New York to erect similar security perimeters in and around other cities.

Securing the Cities is an excellent example of the type of coordination between Federal, State, and local partners that Congress has demanded and the Department has worked to facilitate. We absolutely must enhance our nuclear detection architecture in a world where the threat of nuclear terrorism is on the rise.

The House has voted in favor of the Securing the Cities program on four separate occasions. These include last year, when the full House supported similar language when it passed H.R. 2611 under Suspension of the Rules by voice vote on January 20, 2010. The House again voiced strong bipartisan support when it adopted an amendment Representative Clarke and I offered in June 2009 to H.R. 2892, the Fiscal Year 2010 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, to restore funding for this vital program.

House passage of this bill will reaffirm the continuing bipartisan support for this program in the House and send a strong signal to the United States Senate to pass legislation to authorize Securing the Cities prior to adjournment of the 111th Congress.

I want to remind our colleagues that the threat of nuclear or radiological terrorism is real. The WMD Commission warned in 2008 that an attack using a weapon of mass destruction was likely to happen somewhere in the world by 2013. Commissioners Graham and Talent repeated this warning before the Committee on Homeland Security on April 21 of this year.

The President's National Security Strategy that was released earlier this year concluded that "the American People face no greater or more urgent danger than a terrorist attack with a nuclear weapon."

The potential of nuclear or radiological terrorism is a nightmare scenario that we must guard against with every available capability and resource. Authorizing and expanding Securing the Cities will help better protect our country from such danger.

Let me close by saying while I am pleased we are considering this bill today, I believe the House should be considering a comprehensive authorization bill for the Department. The House has not done so since 2007, with one

of the reasons being too many committees and subcommittees have jurisdiction over homeland security issues.

The 9/11 Commission recommended in 2004 that "Congress should create a single, principal point of oversight and review for homeland security." The current jurisdictional web of congressional oversight of the Department of Homeland Security results in conflicting guidance to the Department and is a serious drain on its time and resources.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the 9/11 Commission—Governor Kean and Congressman Hamilton—have testified this jurisdictional maze is unworkable and could make our country less safe.

I hope that we can streamline congressional jurisdiction moving forward so that Congress can enact a comprehensive authorization bill for the Department, which has not happened since its creation in 2003. The failure to do so jeopardizes our ability to ensure that our nation's homeland security policies are as robust as they need to be to meet the evolving nature of terrorist threats.

I again want to thank Chairman THOMPSON, Congresswoman CLARKE, and my friend from California, Mr. LUNGREN, for crafting a very good bill that will help improve our homeland security capabilities.

I urge my colleagues to support passage of H.R. 4842.

IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF CLEVELAND POLICE OFFICER EMIL CIELEC

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2010

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor and remembrance of Cleveland Police Officer Emil Cielec, a devoted husband, father, grandfather, friend to many and lifelong guardian and protector of the people of the City of Cleveland. Officer Cielec retired from the Cleveland Police Department less than two years ago. He left behind a legacy that will forever reflect excellence, honesty and bravery.

Mr. Cielec was raised by parents who came to America from Poland in search of a better life for their family. Growing up on the west side of Cleveland as one of eleven children, he learned early on the significance of hard work and community. He lived his life in dedication to his family and to his Roman Catholic faith. Mr. Cielec graduated from Lincoln High School and then served our nation in the United States Army. He was working on the production line at General Motors when he learned that the City of Cleveland Police Department was hiring. He immediately applied and diligently studied for the test. In 1957, Mr. Cielec was sworn in as a Cleveland Police officer and served with honor until his retirement in 2008.

Officer Cielec had a stellar reputation as an officer who treated all people with dignity, fairness, and respect. He was tough, yet compassionate and honorable. During his tenure with the Cleveland Police Department, Officer Cielec saw twenty-two Police Chiefs come and go. He weathered many storms—on the streets and in City Hall. His reputation was

known throughout the department, and he was often approached by other officers seeking his insight, wisdom and expertise.

Beyond the job, his family was his foundation and his greatest love. His devotion to his wife, Dorothy, to his sons, Kevin and Alan, to his daughter Sandy, and to his grandchildren was unconditional and unwavering.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor and remembrance of Police Officer Emil Cielec, who lived life with great love and devotion to his family and to those he served. Officer Cielec's work made our Cleveland community a better place to live. He will be remembered and honored forever.

CONGRATULATING THE BOY
SCOUTS OF AMERICA ON THEIR
100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. PETE SESSIONS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2010

Mr. SESSIONS. Madam Speaker, 2010 marks the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, the largest youth organization in the United States. Since 1910, more than 111,000,000 youth have participated in Scouting programs focused on character development and leadership training.

This Sunday, July 25th, the Boy Scouts will kick-off their 100th Anniversary celebrations with a Grand Centennial Parade. Not since the very first Jamboree in 1937 has there been a Scout-specific parade in Washington, DC. There will be floats, marching bands, vintage vehicles, great entertainment, flags, fun and so much more. I am proud to join my father, former FBI Director Judge William S. Sessions, as a division marshal in this historic parade.

From July 26th to August 4th, the National Boy Scout Jamboree will be hosted at Fort A.P. Hill just south of Washington, DC. The Jamboree will host over 43,000 Scouts and adult leaders visiting from across the globe. This is the last year the Boy Scouts will celebrate its Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill having procured a new high-adventure base, The Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve, near Beckley, West Virginia. This new base covers 10,600 acres and is located adjacent to 70,000 acres of National Park Service land, offering world-class outdoor opportunities when it opens in 2013.

On Tuesday, July 27th, the Postal Service will host the first day of sale for a new 44 cent commemorative stamp entitled "Celebrate Scouting," made possible through bipartisan congressional support of over 300 Representatives and Senators. The stamp, unveiled in November of last year, will be dedicated by the Boy Scouts at the National Jamboree on Tuesday.

Additionally, the National Postal Museum will be hosting a Congressional Stamp Exhibit at the Rayburn House Office Building from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on July 28 and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on July 29/30. In collaboration with the Boy Scouts of America, I will be hosting an exhibit on the "2010 Celebrate Scouting" stamp.

As an additional token of celebration, I was proud to have introduced H.R. 5872, the Boy Scouts of American Centennial Commemora-

tive Coin Act, which was signed into law by President George W. Bush on October 8, 2008. In accordance with the legislation, the United States Mint produced 350,000 Silver Dollar coins in celebration of the Boy Scouts centennial anniversary. Each having a \$10 surcharge equally matched by private funds, this bill raised \$7 million for Scouts in hard to serve areas. After only 12 short weeks these coins sold out, a remarkable success for spreading the joys of Scouting.

This Friday, I am proud to host 11 troops made up of over 500 Scouts from the Dallas area to Washington, DC. I have the pleasure of meeting them on their historic journey to the Jamboree, showing them through the Capitol, and providing them insight into the government of our nation. In this historic year, I ask everyone to join in the celebration of this monumental occasion, and congratulate the Boy Scouts of America on their centennial anniversary.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND PUBLIC SERVICE OF ANTONIO L.
"TONY" NUNES, SR.

HON. DEVIN NUNES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2010

Mr. NUNES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and public service of Antonio L. "Tony" Nunes, Sr., a life-long farmer and community leader.

Tony was born on August 16, 1915 in Rio Vista, California to Antonio and Mary Nunes. He graduated Adult School and obtained his high school diploma in 1983, 50 years after initially leaving high school due to the death of his father. Tony went into the dairy business with his brother Joe in 1943 in Pixley, California. His sons Tony, Jr. and Patrick entered the Nunes Brother Dairy Business in 1976. Tony retired in 1988 and moved to Tulare.

In addition to running the dairy, Tony was an active member of the community. He was on the Tulare District Hospital Foundation Board, a lifetime member of the Tulare Historical Society, a World Ag Expo volunteer, part of the Tulare County Fair Board for over 32 years, Tulare County Farmer of the Year in 1968, and Tulare Dairy Family of the Year in 1992. He was also an active member of the Roon Kiwanis Club, Tulare Cabrillo Civic Club, Mosquito Board, California Poling Review Board, and the Tulare City Planning Commission.

Tony loved life and traveled with his wife, Mary, to many parts of the world. He is survived by his wife of 72 years, six children, 14 grandchildren, and 17 great grand-children.

I knew Tony personally. He was a dedicated dairy farmer, and had a positive impact on all who knew him. His values and commitment to agriculture in the San Joaquin Valley will live on through his family and friends, and in the community he nobly served.

JOYCE ROGERS POST OFFICE
BUILDING

SPEECH OF

HON. JOHN D. DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 20, 2010

Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 5341, legislation I have introduced on behalf of my friend and colleague from Michigan, Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI-08). The bill would name the postal facility on Orndorff Drive in Brighton Michigan, the "Joyce Rogers Post Office Building."

Joyce Rogers, the late mother of Congressman MIKE ROGERS, passed away at her Brighton, Michigan home on November 4, 2009 at the age of 78.

Joyce Rogers was a long-time Brighton resident and a tireless public servant, devoting much of her time to the betterment and economic development of the Brighton community. As executive director of the Greater Brighton Area Chamber of Commerce, Joyce Rogers played an integral role in building the business organization into the area's most important political and business networking organization. Through her efforts, Brighton was transformed into a thriving business community, attracting new residents and customers to the area. In addition to being a small business advocate, Joyce Rogers always remembered her role as a leader, taking time to serve her community by acting as a mentor to Brighton women. She has left a lasting impression on the Brighton business community and impacted on her community the importance of public service.

Mr. Speaker, the Michigan delegation has thrown its support behind Congressman ROGERS. Every member of the delegation is an original cosponsor of H.R. 5341. I urge the rest of my House colleagues to show their support for Congressman ROGERS, whose mother accomplished much, both in the public sphere and in her private life as a devoted wife of 57 years and mother of three. I ask my colleagues to join me in supporting H.R. 5341.

TRIBUTE TO SENATOR PAUL
COVERDELL

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2010

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the late Paul Coverdell, the former United States Senator from Georgia, as Sunday marked the 10th anniversary of his death. Senator Coverdell was known to be a fair and honest statesman, and I always admired him for those traits along with his reputation for being a voice of reason in the Senate. Many of my colleagues from Georgia say that he wasn't a man of many words—but he always meant what he said and followed up on his promises.

Senator Coverdell was accomplished in his trade on many different levels. Before coming to the U.S. Senate, Paul spent 19 years representing the best interests of Georgians in the State Senate, where he served as the Minority Leader, and as the Chairman of the