

ample access to safe blood transfusions. Mr. Cable has also contributed to the well being of communities beyond the 8th District of Wisconsin. He has worked with several national organizations including the National Blood Exchange Task Force, the American Association of Blood Banks and America's Blood Center.

Madam Speaker, as Alan Cable celebrates his retirement, I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting a truly extraordinary member of our community.

RECOGNIZING VILLAGE OF
BELLPORT'S CENTENNIAL

HON. TIMOTHY H. BISHOP

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, August 9, 2010

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the centennial celebration on August 7, 2010, of the incorporation of the village of Bellport, located on the south shore of my district of eastern Long Island.

Brothers John and Chris Bell laid the foundation of this seaside outpost in the early 20th century as a fishing enclave for families escaping the frenzied life of New York City. For the past century, this enchanting bayside community has retained its distinctive charm and character in the midst of the ever-changing world around it.

Bellport's unique history is anchored by its maritime culture, centered on its renowned marina, yacht club, and celebrated waterfront. Many of Bellport's earliest residents provided for their families by fishing for mussels and oysters, and flourished on the bountiful waters of the Great South Bay.

From its humble beginnings, Bellport has matured into a thriving village adorned with enticing restaurants and boutiques. The Bellport Bay Yacht Club, founded in 1906, exemplifies the village's sailing heritage and remains a popular site for some of the premier sailing races in the country.

Another of Bellport Village's attractions is the acclaimed Gateway Theater. Many of its local actors, including Gene Hackman, launched their careers from its stage. The Gateway remains a source of communal pride and participation.

Beach lovers have enjoyed Bellport's many alluring waterfront attractions, including the secluded Ho Hum Beach, across from the marina on Fire Island National Seashore.

On August 6, Bellport officially celebrated its 100th anniversary beginning with a dinner dance at the Bellport Country Club, followed by a parade from the Bellport Fire House to the Bellport Marina on August 7.

Madam Speaker, I am very proud to represent Bellport, New York, in the U.S. House of Representatives. I invite my colleagues to join us in celebrating Bellport's centennial and wishing this charming community and its residents continued success and happiness.

A TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF THE
LIFE OF AMBASSADOR LAW-
RENCE W. "BILL" LANE, JR.

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, August 9, 2010

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life of a distinguished Californian and proud American, Ambassador Lawrence W. "Bill" Lane Jr., a longtime resident of the 14th congressional district, who died on Saturday, July 31, 2010. Publisher, philanthropist, and public servant, he embodied the West's can-do spirit and sense of opportunity, devoting nine remarkable decades to his family, to the outdoors, to his community, and to his country.

The former publisher of *Sunset* magazine, Bill fittingly left us in the evening, as the sun began to set over his beloved American West. Since moving from Iowa to California in 1928, Bill laid down deep roots in the region. He graduated from Stanford in 1942 with a degree in communications, and enlisted in the Navy shortly thereafter. Taking over the family business in 1961, Bill and his brother Mel turned *Sunset* into an iconic Western publication, producing thousands of practical articles and books on gardening, cooking, travel, and home improvements.

Under Bill's guidance, *Sunset* became a leading voice for conservation and preservation. In 1969, the magazine published an exposé on the impact of the pesticide DDT, and refused to run advertisements for garden products containing it. In an editorial, Bill wrote that "*Sunset* has been carrying more such advertising than any other general consumer publication, but we cannot reasonably continue to carry advertising pages extolling these products when our editorial pages recommend against their use." This principled decision cost *Sunset* millions in revenue and antagonized major corporations, but Wisconsin Senator Gaylord Nelson read the article into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, sparking a national debate that led to the elimination of the use of DDT.

Bill Lane's longstanding love of state and national parks grew from a trip to the majestic Yosemite National Park when he was just nine years old. Soon, a teenaged Bill was working summers in Yosemite, delighting in calling the famous "firefall" over Glacier Point. A plaque at Glacier Point dedicates the mountain-top amphitheater and its stunning vistas to "Bill Lane, Publisher, Statesman, Philanthropist, Champion of the National Parks," but Bill was proudest of his singular status as the only person designated an "Honorary Ranger" in state and federal parks. Nourished by his parks, Bill tirelessly promoted efforts to protect California's open spaces, seashores and wilderness areas.

Recognizing the central role that his alma mater played in the West, Bill donated millions to Stanford and other organizations. He and his wife Jean helped establish the Jasper Ridge Environmental Research Station in the Stanford foothills, funded the Bill and Jean Lane Lecture series in Stanford's Creative Writing Program, and contributed to the restoration of the Red Barn Equestrian Center and Leland Stanford's Sacramento gubernatorial mansion. After the Loma Prieta Earth-

quake, Bill financed repairs to Memorial Church and the Main Quad's History Corner, which was renamed the Lane History Corner in his honor. In 2005, his \$5 million endowment established Stanford's Bill Lane Center for the American West. Professor David M. Kennedy, co-director of the Lane Center and a longtime friend of Bill's, called Bill the consummate "man of the West," who "enriched countless lives with his remarkably creative generosity."

As a lifelong ambassador of the West, Bill was chosen as Ambassador-at-Large to Japan, and later served as Ambassador to Australia and Nauru under Presidents Ford and Reagan. But for all his distinguished service in national capitals, Bill was perhaps most treasured locally. He was instrumental in the incorporation of Portola Valley in 1964, which elected him its first mayor. Bill resigned after 20 minutes, declaring that he had things to do. He served as vice-mayor instead, driving to Town Council meetings well into his advanced years, and playing Santa Claus at the Ladera Shopping Center for two decades.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in extending our deepest sympathies to Bill Lane's family. He is survived by his wife Jean; children Robert Lane, Sharon Lane, and Brenda Munks and her husband Greg; five grandchildren; and the natural spaces he did so much to protect. A force of nature on behalf of nature, a conservationist who refused to conserve any of his energies advocating causes in which he believed, Bill did his best to preserve the West's wide open spaces, even as he filled them with his compassion, his civic engagement, and his booming laugh. The West will feel emptier without him, but our country is stronger, cleaner, and more beautiful because of him.

TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF
SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAMS

SPEECH OF

HON. DAVID WU

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 27, 2010

Mr. WU. Mr. Speaker, I rise in reluctant support of H.R. 5849, which extends the Small Business Administration's programs—including the Small Business Innovation Research program—for another 60 days. It is disappointing that we must again approve an extension of these programs, particularly the SBIR program. We should have reauthorized SBIR long ago, and we should not be dragging this process out further. Unfortunately, we find ourselves yet again without a compromise bill as the program's most recent extension sunsets.

Knowledge-driven endeavors are essential if our nation is to compete globally, but without making important changes to the 20-year-old SBIR program, we are giving today's companies outdated tools. Today's extension marks the seventh time since September 2008 that we have approved a "temporary" extension of the SBIR program. This is a travesty.

Mr. Speaker, I will be supporting today's extension of the SBIR program. But I am utterly opposed to a further extension after today. We have an obligation to America's high-tech entrepreneurs to ensure a steady and predictable funding stream from the SBIR program

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that is updated for today's economy. It is time we complete our work on this vital program. We have dillydallied for far too long. We can resolve any remaining differences in the bills

passed by each chamber in 30 minutes if the principals will simply get in one room and negotiate face-to-face in good faith.

I look forward to working with my colleague, the chair of the House Small Business Committee, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, to finalize a full reauthorization of the SBIR program in the coming weeks.