that recovery and reinvestment programs reach all Americans, we ensure strong economic growth for the nation overall. We stand ready to support you and our President in efforts to build an economy based on shared prosperity for all Americans.

Sincerely,

AFL-CIO; American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; Asian American Justice Center; American Association of People with Disabilities; Campaign for Community Change; Center for Responsible Lending; Coalition on Human Needs; Communications Workers of America; Demos; Economic Policy Institute; Half in Ten; Japanese American Citizens League; Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law; National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; National Congress of American Indians: National Council of La Raza; National Partnership for Women and Families; Policy Link; Service Employees International Union; The Leadership Con-ference on Civil and Human Rights; United Methodist Church, General Board of Church and Society; United Methodist Episcopal Churches; United States Student Association: United Steelworkers: USAction.

HONORING WILLIE BROWN, SR., M.D.

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Mr. RADANOVICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to posthumously honor Willie Brown, Sr. M.D. upon being honored with the "Trail Blazers Award" by the African American Museum. Dr. Brown will be honored at the African American History Month Celebration and Banquet on Saturday, February 6, 2010 in Fresno, California.

Dr. Willie Brown was born on January 4, 1932 in rural Mississippi. His father worked as a sharecropper and educator and his mother raised 12 children. Against all odds, he attended the University of California, Berkley and Meharry Medical College in Nashville. Tennessee during the 1950s. After completing the program with a medical degree, Dr. Brown was accepted as an intern at Fresno County Hospital, and moved toward becoming an obstetrician gynecologist. In 1962, he began a private practice. Dr. Brown was the first African American specialty board certified physician in Fresno County and the 51st African American Board Certified obstetrician gynecologist in the United States.

During Dr. Brown's 47 year career, he spent 22 of those years in practice with his son, Dr. Willie Brown, Jr. Together they delivered well over 22,000 babies in Fresno County. Dr. Brown's passion for education never ended, he was an instructor to many OB/Gyn physicians in the area and was recognized as an associate clinical professor in the department of OB/Gyn at the University of California, San Francisco in Fresno.

Dr. Brown also served as a Flight Surgeon and Clinic Commander of the U.S. Air Force 144th Dispensary in the California Air National Guard. He was honorably discharged as a Major by the Air Force and is a recipient of the Service Commendation Medal. Dr. Brown served as the director of the Office of Family Planning at the Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission. He was the founding president of the John Hale Medical Forum and cofounder of the John Hale Medical Center in West Fresno. Dr. Brown was also a member of the Board of Governors in the Fresno Medical Society, a Paul Harris Fellow of Rotary International and was a lifetime member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, NAACP.

Dr. Brown was also an entrepreneur. Along with a few colleagues, Dr. Brown started and funded the first African American privately owned supermarket in West Fresno. He was a real estate developer, a music producer, a coowner of Robert's Collision Repair business, a co-owner of Just Julia's Jewelry business and had his own record label, Gimini Twins and Brownstone Entertainment. Dr. Brown was a benefactor for Second Baptist Church, Northwest Church, Youth for Christ, Meharry Medical College, Edison High School, Fresno Westside Seventh Day Adventist Church and Family Community Church, where he served as deacon and deacon emeritus. For his enormous contributions to the community, Dr. Brown has been recognized by a number of organizations; including West Fresno Health Care Coalition and the local NBC affiliate, KSEE Channel 24.

Dr. Brown and his wife, Julia, were married for 54 years. Together they raised three children and had six grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, I rise today to posthumously honor Dr. Willie Brown, Sr. I invite my colleagues to join me in honoring his life and wishing the best for his family.

HONORING LEMARC HUMPHREY'S ACT OF HEROISM IN JACKSON STATE SHOOTING

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor Mr. LeMarc Humphrey for his heroic actions on Monday February 1, 2010 at Jackson State University. The 21-year-old computer engineer major rushed to the aid of a wounded and stumbling research chemist student, Andrea Scott, after hearing shots behind the John A. People's Science Building Monday night. The gunman fired two shots striking Mrs. Scott in the back of the head, after allegedly trying to rob her. Mr. Humphrey heroically picked Mrs. Scott up out of the pouring rain and rushed her to the hospital to receive needed medical attention.

Madam Speaker, if it were not for the valiant effort of Mr. Humphrey, Andrea may have never had the chance to tell her story. The victim's husband, Bill Scott stated, "Our country is in desperate need of repair, and when you find a man like LeMarc, you see he was an American and he did something above and beyond the call of duty". Mr. Scott would like to see Mr. Humphrey nominated for the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Madam Speaker, Mr. LeMarc Humphrey was raised in Jackson, MS. He is currently in the Air Force ROTC and played trombone for the Jackson State University "Sonic Boom of the South" Band his freshmen year. After his freshman year, he chose to leave the band to devote more time to the ROTC.

Madam Speaker, this is truly an act of bravery and courage on the behalf of this young man. I salute him for his tremendous act of selflessness and I wish Mrs. Scott a full recovery.

HONORING MICHAEL BAIRD

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I take this time to honor one of Northwest Indiana's most respected business and community leaders, Mr. Michael Baird, from Valparaiso, Indiana. On January 21, 2010, Mike was honored by the Northwest Indiana Forum in appreciation for his many years of service as a dedicated executive and for his numerous contributions to the community of Northwest Indiana. The celebration took place at the Avalon Manor in Merrillville, Indiana.

Mike Baird's professional and academic career led him to become a prominent leader in the banking industry for thirty-seven years. In 1970, Mike earned a Bachelor's degree in Marketing from Indiana University. Prior to graduate school, he worked as a representative for Hallmark Cards and also served in the United States Naval Reserve. In 1975, Mike went on to earn his Master's of Business Administration degree in Finance from Indiana University. Mike then began his career managing a middle-market lending division for Continental Bank in Chicago, covering both the Michigan and Indiana markets. In 1988, Mike joined Mercantile Bank as Senior Vice President, Chief Lending Officer, a position he held until 2004 when he assumed the position of Chief Credit Officer. In addition, Mike also served on the board of directors at Mercantile Bank from 1999 to 2004. In December 2004, Harris Bank completed the acquisition of the Hammond, Indiana-based Mercantile Bancorp Incorporated. On January 1, 2005, Mike joined Harris Bank as Senior Vice President and Chief Credit Officer for the Northwest Indiana region. Mike continued to advance in the company and on January 1, 2008, he became the Northwest Indiana Region President for Harris Bank. After many years of devotion to the banking industry, Mike retired from his remarkable career in January 2010.

In addition to his impressive professional career, Mike passionately serves the people of Northwest Indiana through his involvement in many community organizations. Among his many contributions to the community, Mike currently serves as Chairman of the Board of the Northwest Indiana Forum, Vice Chairman of the Board for the Center for Workforce Innovations, Board Member for the Valparaiso Economic Development Corporation, Board Member for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Northwest Indiana, Advisory Board Member for the Northwest Indiana Small Business Development Center, and Advisory Board Member for the Porter County Vocational Career Center.

Mike's dedication to his community is exceeded only by his devotion to his wonderful family. He has been married to his loving wife, Jeanne, for almost 29 years. They have one son, Eric, who is married to Tricia, and three beloved grandchildren: Nick, Russ, and Molly Baird.

Madam Speaker, at this time, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in commending Mr. Michael Baird as he is honored for his lifetime of service and dedication to the Northwest Indiana community. Mike continues to touch the lives of countless people, and for his unselfish, lifelong commitment, he is worthy of the highest praise.

TRIBUTE TO THE DEKALB YOUTH POPS ORCHESTRA AND STILL WATERS YOUTH SINFO-NIA OR-CHESTRA

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR. OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Madam Speaker, Whereas, the DeKalb Youth Pops Orchestra and Still Waters Youth Sinfo-Nia Orchestra are unique tools for service and inspiration for citizens around the world; and

Whereas, over the past twenty plus years members of these stellar organizations have continuously given to our community by giving of themselves, their talent and their time; and

Whereas, the DeKalb Youth Pops Orchestra and the Still Waters Youth SinfoNia Orchestra have instructed thousands of youth in the arts of music, performance, showmanship and civic responsibilities; and

Whereas, these orchestras have performed locally, nationally and internationally enlightening the lives of people from all walks of life; and

Whereas, Presidents, Governors, Legislators and citizens of the world have been touched and moved by the performances of these remarkable orchestras; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia wishes to honor and recognize the DeKalb Youth Pops Orchestra and the Still waters Youth Sinfo-Nia Orchestra for its outstanding service to our Community and wish them well on their 1st Reunion Concert;

Now Therefore, I, Henry C. "Hank" Johnson, Jr. do hereby proclaim Saturday, February 20, 2010 as DeKalb Youth Pops Orchestra and Still Waters Youth Sinfo-Nia Orchestra Day in the Fourth Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 20th day of February, 2010.

HONORING SHANI DAVIS

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Chicago-native Shani Davis on his two speed skating medals at this year's Winter Olympics. Shani defended his 2006 gold medal in the 1000m and skated to a silver medal in the 1500m. He became the first man ever to win consecutive golds in the 1000m.

Born on Chicago's South Side, Shani overcame long odds to become the first African American to win an individual winter Olympics medal. His unique and historic story has inspired millions of Americans across the country and led to the founding of D.C. Inner City Excitement, a program that introduces Washington, D.C. youth to the sport of speed skating. It is an honor to recognize his remarkable road to glory and honor his groundbreaking career.

HONORING MRS. LYDIA YEH

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Madam Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to honor the accomplishments and ongoing work of Mrs. Lydia Yeh and The Cultural and Educational Scholarship Foundation of the Chinese Women's Club of Greater Miami/South Florida.

My Congressional district is blessed to enjoy the best of diversity in our melting pot of languages, races and cultures; and among them is The Chinese Women's Club of Greater Miami/South Florida, striving to fundraise and promote cultural activities.

Their scholarship foundation's primary mission for the past 20 years has been to acknowledge talented young scholars of Chinese descent in the greater Miami area.

Under the leadership of their founding President, Mrs. Lydia Yeh, and a group of dedicated members of the Chinese Women's Club, over two hundred outstanding high school, college and graduate students have received scholarship awards.

On Sunday, December 27, 2009 they celebrated their 20th anniversary at Miami's Dadeland Marriott Hotel, where their scholarship recipients gave remarks to inspire the younger generations to come.

Let us honor Lydia and the Chinese Women's Club's Scholarship Foundation, who seek to empower our youth and give them the tools to succeed in life.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Mr. LAMBORN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards, I am submitting the following information regarding member requests I received as part of H.R. 3326—Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010:

Requesting Member: Representative DOUG LAMBORN, CO-05

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: RDTE Air Force, Line 75, PE 0604706F Life Support Systems

Legal Name of the Requesting Entity: Goodrich Corporation

Legal Address of the Requesting Entity: 1275 N. Newport Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80916

Description of the Request: \$1.92 million is included in this bill to continue development and testing of the Advanced Common Ejection Seat (ACES 5) modular ejection-seat for the Air Force variant F-35 LRIP as well as its application to the F-22, F-15, F-16, F-117, A-10, B-1 and B-2.

Requesting Member: Representative DOUG LAMBORN, CO-05

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: RDTE Army, Line 28 PE 0602787A Medical Technology

Legal Name of the Requesting Entity: University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, Trauma Health and Hazards Center

Legal Address of the Requesting Entity: 1420 Austin Bluffs Parkway, Colorado Springs, CO 80933

Description of the Request: \$2.4 million is included in this bill to fund SupportNet, a program through the Trauma, Health, & Hazards Center at The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs (UCCS) providing comprehensive support for the critical treatment of Army service personnel who are treating mental health problems (e.g., Posttraumatic Stress Disorder, Depression, Alcohol and Drug Addiction, etc.) at Fort Carson in Colorado Springs.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF SPECIAL WARFARE OPER-ATOR 2ND CLASS RONALD TYLER WOODLE OF WAYNES-VILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

HON. HEATH SHULER

OF NORTH CAROLINA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Mr. SHULER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Ronald Tyler Woodle of Waynesville, North Carolina. Tyler was a proud Navy SEAL, and an exemplary member of our community. His life, while short, sets an example of patriotism and dedication for future generations.

Tyler grew up in the mountains of Western North Carolina. He was home schooled until high school, when he transferred to Asheville Christian Academy. A star high school soccer career led to a two year scholarship to Mars Hill College. After a brief time in the construction industry, he enlisted in the United States Navy in June of 2007, and graduated from boot camp in August of the same year. Always pushing himself to excel, he completed his advanced SEAL qualification training and was transferred to an East coast SEAL team in October of 2009. Since October, Tyler had been training for an overseas deployment.

Tyler was taking part in an intensive training in Key West, Florida, when he passed away on February 18th. He was only 26 years old. He was buried with full military honors.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing remorse at the passing of Ronald Tyler Woodle. Tyler's life was an example of service and passion for us all to follow. We owe all of our veterans a debt of gratitude that can never be fully repaid. It is an honor to represent people like Tyler who are prepared to give their lives protecting our everyday freedoms.

COMMENDING THE PUBLIC SERV-ICE OF NCIS SPECIAL AGENT GREGORY A. SCOVEL

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Mr. WOLF. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Special Agent Gregory A.