

IN HONOR OF COACH JOE
PATERNO AND HIS 400TH WIN AT
PENN STATE

HON. PATRICK J. MURPHY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 17, 2010

Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a great American, a great coach, a leader among men, who is an icon of college football and is one of Penn State's greatest treasures. Joe has just recently won his 400th college victory. More importantly, Joe's greatest accomplishments are not found on the football field, but in the young men that he has prepared for the game of life. I ask that this tribute penned in honor of him by Albert Caswell be placed in the RECORD.

PA . . . TERNO INSTINCTS

Upon, these fields of green . . .
Have but come, year after year . . . such
young men who dare to dream . . .
Specimens, of such great strength and speed
. . . of might, almost like supermen
who lead . . .
Who one day must walk off this great stage,
with what now to carry them through
their days?
And what do they now have so left, when
their days of glory are gone to them to
bless?
For sixty so odd years, as have so here . . .
As have such young men, so appeared . . .
From boys to men, at Penn State to be so en-
deared . . .
To be blessed, by Joe Pa to be near . . .
Upon, these fields of green so here . . .
For one man, one coach . . . has stood on
principle, oh so very clear . . .
To help build lives, build futures . . . as has
he so strived each year . . .
While, watching over them . . . from boys to
men . . .
Like a Shepherd, watching over his flock
. . . time, and time again . . .
Giving them hopes and dreams, discipline
and honor to each and every one it
seems . . .
Like a Father . . . Like a Son . . . as "with
each student, this new family has run
. . .
Leading, guiding, coaching, teaching, loving
each and every one!
With but his Pa Terno Instincts and dreams
. . .
As Joe Pa, has guided them from their teens
. . . Showing them all how life is won!
Molding them all, into such fine men . . . all
upon these fields of green . . .
His gift to all, a future . . . way beyond these
fields of dreams . . .
Education first! As now we see Joe Pa's fine
worth . . .
As this great love affair, brings such tears to
eyes . . . as Joe Pa's Terno instincts,
give rise!
For Joe, is a giver not a taker . . . bringing
boys to men, to new heights as they
awake here . . .
For few will run in NFL's sun, so what do
they so have left when all is done?
A future! Over four hundred career wins are
great . . .
But, Joe Pa spells victory . . . with one
word, "Graduate!"
With but his heart of lion, for all of them,
Joe Pa will never stop trying!
Oh, upon these fields of green . . . to mold
boys to men, to live their dreams . . .
But to have thousands and thousands, of lov-
ing sons . . .

No greater blessing, or victory to be won . . .
With but Joe's Pa... terno Instincts . . . he
has willed, all on these fields of green
. . .

For upon these fields of green, Joe . . . Pa is
a winner who has won . . .
But, In The Game of Life . . . Joe Pa is but
a Champion this one!

TRIBUTE TO TROOP 184 BLUE
RIDGE COUNCIL OF THE BOY
SCOUTS OF AMERICA

HON. THOMAS S.P. PERRIELLO

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 17, 2010

Mr. PERRIELLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Troop 184, Blue Ridge Council, of the Boy Scouts of America, on a momentous achievement. As of October, all five original members of Troop 184 have now attained the rank of Eagle Scout. As an Eagle Scout myself, I know the dedication, character, and commitment that each Scout has shown, and I am proud to recognize them for their hard work and their service to their community.

I would also like to recognize the remarkable leadership of Scoutmasters Kevin Dawson and Eugene Moorefield III. Kevin Dawson has also received the award of Silver Beaver from the Blue Ridge Council for his dedication to the Boy Scouts. Mr. Dawson and Mr. Moorefield's truly exceptional leadership and dedication have helped to instill in these young men values that they will carry with them for the rest of their lives. I am honored to recognize their service and leadership.

I ask you to join me in congratulating Gavin Dawson, James Moore, Lee Merryman, Hart Gillespie, and Martin Moorefield for their impressive achievements. These young men have shown the finest qualities of citizenship, leadership, and service, and I look forward to seeing them contribute to their communities for years to come.

CALHOUN HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITIVE
CHEERLEADING TEAM

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 17, 2010

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of the Calhoun High School Lady Yellow Jackets, Georgia's 2010–2011 Competitive Cheerleading State Champions.

Coached by Ginger Reeves, Calhoun's Varsity Competitive Cheerleading Team has been a dominant force in cheerleading in my home state of Georgia, winning four state titles since 2006.

The varsity squad consists of Jade Ables, Nikki Bertuca, Makenzie Blalock, Erica Carter, Christina Cumbey, Gabby Defalco, Brooke Dixon, Morgan Diamond, Ashlyn Gilbert, Jessica Goswick, Melanie Hampton, Aslyiah Harris, Mackenzie Kessler, Katelyn Langston, Kristen Langston, Hannah Magnicheri, Magen Pinyan, Mary Plunkett, and Hillary Rhodes.

I am proud of all of their accomplishments and their contributions to my home state and the 11th District of Georgia.

Madam Speaker, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring the Calhoun Lady Yellow Jackets.

TAX RELIEF, UNEMPLOYMENT IN-
SURANCE REAUTHORIZATION,
AND JOB CREATION ACT OF 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. EARL POMEROY

OF NORTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 16, 2010

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 4853) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for airport improvement program, and for other purposes:

Mr. POMEROY. Mr. Chair, I rise today in opposition to the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 4853—Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010.

I believe it is important that we extend the so-called Bush tax cuts for everyone while our economy is still struggling to recover, and as long as we can pay for it. This bill as presented to the U.S. House does not meet that test. I am especially disappointed in the provision on the estate tax. I cannot in good conscience cast one of my last significant votes in Congress in favor of a bill that would add tens of millions of dollars to the Federal deficit to benefit the wealthiest few families in the country.

The payroll tax holiday provision included in this package is also troublesome since for the first time in 75 years, the sacrosanct, dedicated revenue stream to provide Social Security benefits is diverted for other purposes. While we have fully protected the Social Security Trust Fund in the legislation and there will be no change in how much money is in the Trust Fund, I am concerned that proponents of private accounts will argue to continue this diversion of the payroll tax beyond one year—perhaps even putting the money into private accounts. At a time when we know that the long term solvency of Social Security will need either greater contributions or significant reductions in benefit, providing a payroll tax holiday is clearly a move in the wrong direction.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 17, 2010

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 628 on, H.R. 1405, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, Longfellow House-Washington's Headquarters National Historic Site Designation Act, I am not recorded because I was absent because I gave birth to my baby daughter. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea".

Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 629 on, S. 3167, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, Census Oversight Efficiency and Management Reform Act of 2010, I am not recorded because I was absent because I gave

birth to my baby daughter. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay".

Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 630 on, H.R. 6510, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, To direct the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Houston, Texas, to the Military Museum of Texas, I am not recorded because I was absent because I gave birth to my baby daughter. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea".

HONORING THE SACRIFICE OF
JUAN L. RIVADENEIRA AND
JORGE E. VILLACIS

HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 17, 2010

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor two brave young men from my District who died recently while serving their country in Afghanistan.

Staff Sgt. Juan L. Rivadeneira of Davie, Florida died November 13th when an insurgent suicide bomber detonated a vest bomb and struck his unit in Kandahar, Afghanistan. He was 27 years old.

Rivadeneira was an Infantryman assigned to Company B., 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division based out of Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant Rivadeneira served in two wars, first in Iraq and then in Afghanistan. And from the moment he enlisted in 2003, he was hard working, a quick learner, and most importantly, a dependable soldier that you wanted at your side.

Not surprisingly, during his seven years in the Army, Juan Rivadeneira was highly decorated for his bravery and commitment to his mission, receiving sixteen medals and badges. His company commander in Iraq, Army Major Robert Rossi said of him, "if someone needed help, he was the one to pick them up."

Corporal Jorge E. Villacis, of Sunrise, Florida died just this past Sunday, December 12th when his unit was attacked by an insurgent with a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device while serving in Howz E Madad, Afghanistan. He was only 24 years old.

Villacis was an Infantryman, who joined the Army in September 2008. Born in New Jersey, Villacis graduated from American Senior High School in Hialeah.

Also based out of Fort Campbell Kentucky, Villacis' awards and decorations include: Army Achievement Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Afghanistan Campaign Medal; Global War Terrorism Service Medal; Army Service Ribbon, and Combat Infantry Badge.

Both of these young men called South Florida home. Both of these young men answered their country's call to service.

And both of these young men left proud, but grieving family members behind.

Juan and Jorge met at Fort Campbell Kentucky and they were deployed to Afghanistan together in June.

Maybe it was the fact that Juan's family had roots in Venezuela, and Jorge's family was from Ecuador.

Maybe it was that both of them hailed from South Florida. Or maybe it was that they just hit it off.

But regardless of the reason, Juan and Jorge soon became close friends. In fact, last year, Juan and Jorge and their families joined together to celebrate Thanksgiving at Fort Campbell.

I didn't have the pleasure to know Staff Sgt. Rivadeneira, nor Corporal Villacis. Nor did our families know each other.

Yet, my family, and our nation owes a deep debt of gratitude for the service and ultimately the untimely loss of these two brave young men.

Neither of these men was forced to serve their country in the military.

Indeed, none of America's soldiers serving our country here or abroad, combat or non-combat, was forced to enlist in the military.

Yet they did. Juan and Jorge both answered our nation's call to serve and like thousands upon thousands of men and women before them, they fought for America's freedom, our liberty, and to ensure that our country remains the free and prosperous nation that it is today.

During this holiday season, and as we reflect upon the past year, we need to recognize the service and sacrifice of those who are serving and have served our country, like Juan and Jorge, who died fighting to protect our American way of life.

While I didn't know Staff Sgt. Juan L. Rivadeneira and Corporal Jorge E. Villacis, personally, mere words cannot express the gratitude I feel for them and their families.

CARROLLTON HIGH SCHOOL
FOOTBALL TEAM

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 17, 2010

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of the Carrollton Trojans who have been a dominant force in high school football in my home state of Georgia.

Carrollton ended the season with a 14-1 record and ranked number two in the state in Class AAA. Coached by Rayvan Teague, Carrollton's offense racked up an eye-opening 632 points this season—averaging 42 points a game—while their defense recorded six shut-outs.

I am proud of the Carrollton Trojan's accomplishments and contributions to my home state of Georgia and the 11th District of Georgia.

Madam Speaker, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring the Carrollton Trojans.

HONORING THE SERVICE AND
DEDICATION OF JAMES L.
STUBBLEFIELD

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 17, 2010

Mr. GORDON of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize James L. Stubblefield for his contributions to the Sixth Congressional District of Tennessee. As any member of Congress knows, our legislative achievements and successful constituent services programs would not be possible without a cadre of great staff working behind the

scenes. Throughout my time in Congress, I have been fortunate to have many bright, able staff members with an interest in serving their country by working in this body. Today, I'd like to single out someone who has accomplished an amazing feat that deserves recognition, applause, and perhaps, a test of his sanity; incredibly, Jimmy Stubblefield has been a part of my staff for all of my 26 years in Congress.

Jimmy graduated a few years after I did from Middle Tennessee State University and jumped right in to my first campaign for Congress. He has served as my field representative ever since that first election, criss-crossing the district with me and logging countless late nights. Jimmy has helped thousands of Middle Tennesseans resolve issues with federal agencies, straighten out immigration and passport issues and receive needed benefits. He has touched the lives of many families and helped keep my Murfreesboro office running smoothly.

Jimmy has always been known as the man who can get things done. He has worked with community leaders around the district to cut through red tape and make planned improvements a reality. He has helped spearhead the expansion of the Stones River National Battlefield, now one of the top historical destinations in the region. He saw to fruition the development of the Greenway system, which has given Rutherford County residents space to exercise and preserved our community's green spaces in the midst of incredible population growth. Jimmy knows each of these projects like the back of his hand, down to the fences and sign posts. He has ensured our alma mater MTSU has the resources and assistance it needs to accommodate the largest undergraduate student body in the state. Rutherford County has seen incredible development since Jimmy and I began working together, and Jimmy's fingerprints are all over it.

Jimmy serves as president of MTSU's Alumni Association, and he and I have cheered the Blue Raiders through many ups and downs over the years. It's a good thing he's a sports fan because his athletic daughters have kept him busy running to games and cross country meets all around the area. Jimmy met his wife Nancy through my campaign, and it has been wonderful watching Katherine and Margaret grow up.

Jimmy is one of three men who have stood by me from the very beginning, through victories and disasters—through hell and, literally, high water in the aftermath of tornadoes and severe flooding. Along with Kent Syler and Billy G. Smith, Jimmy has been there every step of the way.

Madam Speaker, I could not have accomplished half of what I did without Jimmy's dedication and friendship. Jimmy, thank you for all your help and loyalty over these many years. I wish you, Nancy, Katherine and Margaret all the best.

HONORING MRS. KATHY HINCKLEY

HON. PATRICK J. KENNEDY

OF RHODE ISLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 17, 2010

Mr. KENNEDY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the service of Mrs. Kathy Hinckley to the U.S. House of Representatives