

many accolades and honors for her commitment to practical solutions in today's global economy.

A vocal champion of equal opportunity access to healthcare, education, and employment, Esther Silver-Parker was most recently Wal-Mart's Senior Vice-President of Corporate Affairs. Responsible for strategic-planning and management, Silver-Parker focused on the company's relationships with stakeholders in emerging markets, small businesses, and entrepreneurial initiatives. Prior to joining Wal-Mart, Silver-Parker served as Vice President of Corporate Affairs at AT&T, and President of the AT&T Foundation. She also directed AT&T's National Constituency Relations, Issues Management and Corporate Social Responsibility Programs.

Silver-Parker's excellence in corporate leadership, however, is unmatched by her dedication to compassionate and impactful service at both the national and international levels. She has served as President of the International Women's Forum and has traveled to the Congo, Burundi, and Kenya with the Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church to study health conditions and quality of life of women and children. She is a frequent speaker on issues pertaining to women, diversity, corporate social responsibility and strategic philanthropy.

Throughout her journey, Esther Silver-Parker has mentored countless young people and has made it a personal priority to extend her individual and professional success into many communities. Her work on behalf of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation has made a lasting impact in the lives of African-American students, teachers, parents, and schools.

Esther has received numerous awards, including the Ebony Magazine Award for Outstanding Women in Corporate Marketing, the Congressional Black Caucus Unsung Hero Award, the DECA Award for outstanding businesswoman, New York City Gus D'Amato Community Service Award, the Atlanta Business League's Outstanding Corporate Person Award, the National AIDS Fund's Leadership Award, the Asian Pacific Islanders Women's Leadership Starfish Award, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. President's Award, Northwest Arkansas' Just Communities Humanitarian of the Year Award, The Links Spirit Award, the 100 Black Men of America Excellence Award, The Diversity Advocate Award and The Corporate Excellence Award from the National Action Network.

I am immensely grateful for Esther Silver-Parker's selflessness and dedication, and deeply honored to call her my friend.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 5, 2010

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Madam Speaker, today our national debt is \$12,940,953,934,792.90.

On January 6th, 2009, the start of the 111th Congress, the national debt was \$10,638,425,746,293.80.

This means the national debt has increased by \$2,302,528,188,499.10 so far this Congress.

This debt and its interest payments we are passing to our children and all future Americans.

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, May 6, 2010 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

MAY 7

9:30 a.m.

Joint Economic Committee

To hold hearings to examine the employment situation for April 2010.

SD-106

MAY 11

10 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine current issues related to offshore oil and gas development including the Department of the Interior's recent five year planning announcements and the accident in the Gulf of Mexico involving the offshore oil rig Deepwater Horizon.

SR-325

Finance

To resume hearings to examine the President's proposed fee on financial institutions regarding the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP), part 3.

SD-215

Judiciary

To hold an oversight hearing to examine United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.

SD-226

Environment and Public Works

Water and Wildlife Subcommittee

Oversight Subcommittee

To hold joint hearings to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) role in protecting ocean health.

SD-406

2 p.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Employment and Workplace Safety Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine safe patient handling and lifting standards for a safer American workforce.

SD-430

2:30 p.m.

Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine economic and environmental impacts of the recent oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

SD-406

MAY 12

10 a.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine Iran sanctions, focusing on why the United States Government does business with companies who do business with Iran.

SD-342

Armed Services

Personnel Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine Reserve component programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program.

SR-222

Judiciary

Terrorism and Homeland Security Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine espionage statutes.

SD-226

10:30 a.m.

Appropriations

Defense Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Air Force.

SD-192

2:30 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Disaster Recovery Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine Stafford Act reform, focusing on sharper tools for a smarter recovery.

SD-342

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine the future of United States human space flight.

SR-253

2:45 p.m.

Armed Services

To receive a closed briefing on operations in Afghanistan.

SVC-217

MAY 13

9:30 a.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine Indian school safety.

SD-628

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine building a secure future for multiemployer pension plans.

SD-430

2:30 p.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine certain nominations.

SD-226

MAY 18

10 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

To resume hearings to examine issues related to offshore oil and gas exploration including the accident involving the Deepwater Horizon in the Gulf of Mexico.

SD-366

MAY 19

9:30 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the proposed Constitution of the U.S. Virgin Islands, S. 2941, to provide supplemental ex gratia compensation to the Republic of the Marshall Islands for impacts of the nuclear testing program of the United States, H.R. 3940, to amend Public Law 96-597 to clarify the

authority of the Secretary of the Interior to extend grants and other assistance to facilitate political status public education programs for the peoples of the non-self-governing territories of the United States, and H.R. 2499, to provide for a federally sanctioned self-determination process for the people of Puerto Rico.

SD-366

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine pending legislation.

SR-418

MAY 25

9 a.m.

Armed Services

Airland Subcommittee

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

10:30 a.m.

Armed Services

Readiness and Management Support Subcommittee

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the pro-

posed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

2 p.m.

Armed Services

Emerging Threats and Capabilities Subcommittee

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

3:30 p.m.

Armed Services

Strategic Forces Subcommittee

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

5 p.m.

Armed Services

Personnel Subcommittee

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

MAY 26

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

SeaPower Subcommittee

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

2:30 p.m.

Armed Services

Closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

MAY 27

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

Closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

MAY 28

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

Closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222