

County Bar Association, Westchester Holocaust Commission, Benjamin Cardozo Society, State University of New York, B'nai B'rith Youth Organization, National Conference of Christians and Jews, Cystic Fibrosis Society, Hebrew Academy of Westchester, Solomon Schechter School of Westchester County, Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and the Anti-Defamation League.

However, it is Judge Fredman's service to the Westchester community for over 60 years that has brought him the distinguished Rabbi Amiel Wohl lifetime achievement award. Sam has given his time and talents in support of White Plains Hospital Center, White Plains Public Library, Community Chest, Heart Fund, and numerous other charitable causes. He was chairman of the SUNY-Purchase Council for 5 years and has remained active in religious leadership with the Commission on Synagogue Relations of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, Advisory Board of the Westchester Jewish Chronicle, Board of Directors of The Anne Frank Center, Hillel Foundation at Penn State University, Westchester Jewish Conference and the Westchester and Lower Connecticut Division of Israel Bonds where he served as chairman. Despite his busy schedule, Judge Fredman has also made time to coach boys baseball and basketball teams with the White Plains recreational department.

I urge you to join me in honoring our great countryman and my constituent, Judge Sam Fredman.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE SACRAMENTO CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE DEVELOPMENT

**HON. DORIS O. MATSUI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 12, 2010*

Ms. MATSUI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Sacramento Center for International Trade Development and the Los Rios Community College District for being awarded the President's "E" Award for Export Service. This prestigious award is being given to these institutions in recognition of their support to businesses seeking to export their products.

The Sacramento Center for International Trade Development is part of a statewide program funded by the California Community College chancellor's office, and is part of the Workforce and Economic Development Program of the Los Rios Community College District. The center strives to advance northern California's global competitiveness by providing export and import services to businesses and organizations throughout the region.

For more than 15 years, the Sacramento Center for International Trade Development has proven to be a highly successful provider of comprehensive, export services and programs that addresses the needs of northern California businesses. A full-range of export services is provided, from basic export training, to detailed market support, to trade mission preparation and participation. Of paramount importance is the unique connection to the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Commercial Service which have allowed

businesses in northern California to begin exporting products and increase sales in the global marketplace.

Madam Speaker, I am honored to recognize and congratulate the Sacramento Center for International Trade Development and the Los Rios Community College District for their outstanding work to increase exports of Californian products, and for being awarded the President's "E" Award for Export Service. Please join me in honoring them.

HONORING FORMER  
CONGRESSMAN IKE ANDREWS

**HON. BOB ETHERIDGE**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 12, 2010*

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Congressman Ike Andrews, who passed away on May 10, 2010. A former lawyer and public servant, Mr. Andrews will be remembered for his lifelong dedication to his community and the State of North Carolina.

Ike Andrews was born in Bonlee, NC in western Chatham County and always kept a piece of Bonlee in his heart. Ike's father ran the hardware store in town, and his mother was a school teacher, instilling the importance of community in Ike from a young age.

At the age of 18, Ike enlisted and served as a field artillery forward observer in World War II. Wounded by enemy gunshot in the Battle of the Bulge, Ike was hospitalized in Scotland when the war ended. Ike traveled to London to No. 10 Downing Street to witness British Prime Minister Winston Churchill announce the German surrender. During his military service from 1943–1945, he attained the rank of Master Sergeant and received a Bronze Star and Purple Heart.

After the war, Ike Andrews pursued an education at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he garnered both undergraduate and law degrees. Mr. Andrews opened a law practice in Siler City, NC, where he was elected district attorney and prosecuted criminal cases in Chatham, Orange, and Alamance counties. Mr. Andrews was always serving his community, and he took a further step in 1959 with election to the North Carolina Senate. He later served 4 terms in the North Carolina House of Representatives. In 1972, Mr. Andrews was elected to the first of 6 terms in the U.S. House of Representatives where he would be remembered for his dedication to education, the elderly and long-term care. He never forgot his home, and continued to spend warm Sunday afternoons on his front porch in Bonlee throughout his public service.

Ike served in the U.S. House until 1985, then resumed practicing law in Siler City, and retired to Chapel Hill, NC. Mr. Andrews is survived by his wife, JoAnne Andrews, his daughter, Alice Andrews Joyce and her husband Bob, and his grandchildren, Kevin Joyce and Laura Joyce.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me today in honoring the life of former Congressman Ike Andrews, a North Carolina leader who served his community, his state and his country, while always keeping his Bonlee spirit and values in his heart. It is fitting that we honor him and his family today.

RECOGNIZING GREGORY E. POPE  
OF UNITED STATES CORPS OF  
ENGINEERS IN BELTON, TEXAS

**HON. JOHN R. CARTER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 12, 2010*

Mr. CARTER. Madam Speaker, I would like to congratulate Gregory E. Pope, United States Corps of Engineers Operations Manager, on his retirement after 34 years of dedicated service. Greg has been a true asset to the Corps for decades and a leader in Texas District 31. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with Greg on many projects over the last several years including the re-opening of several parks on Lake Belton after severe flooding. He has been a valuable resource and I admire his knowledge and professionalism. I appreciate Greg's commitment to the community, TX-31 and the U.S. Corps.

I would like to thank Greg for his leadership and service as well as congratulate him and wish him well in his retirement.

IN RECOGNITION OF DEXTER  
McNAMARA

**HON. DORIS O. MATSUI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 12, 2010*

Ms. MATSUI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the Reverend Dexter McNamara. On Thursday May 6th, Dexter was honored in Sacramento by the Interfaith Service Bureau for his outstanding work with the faith community. I ask all my colleagues to join me in thanking him for his work in bringing people of all faiths together to address our community's most pressing needs.

After earning his bachelor's degree from UCLA and his master of divinity from Princeton University, Dexter served as an associate pastor for 21 years with congregations in Colorado and California. Because of his outstanding work with his congregation and his ability to create greater understanding among faith groups, Dexter was offered a position as the executive director of Sacramento's Interfaith Service Bureau.

Dexter led the Interfaith Service Bureau for 16 years, from 1993–2010. Under his leadership, we were continually reminded that our similarities are greater than our differences. He brought us together by mentoring faith and community leaders, while also leading numerous interfaith projects throughout the region. Dexter has helped the religious community in Sacramento grow and prosper by addressing the challenges of ministering to the needs of diverse people and cultures. He has helped people of different religious backgrounds overcome their differences and work together towards peace and unity.

In 1999, Dexter and the Interfaith Service Bureau coordinated an interfaith response after several synagogues were targeted by hate groups and firebombed. Similarly after the September 11 attacks on our country, he led a community service at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, bringing all faiths together in interfaith worship services. Out of this came the Call for Unity, annual event to

recognize outstanding community leadership in building bridges of understanding.

Dexter has been recognized numerous times for his outstanding work bringing people together for the common goal of justice and peace. He was awarded the Outstanding Leadership Award by the Sacramento Area Congregations Together, the Distinguished Award by the Sacramento Area League of Associated Muslims, the Building Unity Award by the Sacramento Housing Alliance, and the Community Leadership Award by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Dexter organized the Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster for Sacramento from 2005–2008, and chaired the California Interfaith Power and Light working group from 2005–2008, which worked to raise awareness of global warming and climate change. He served on the Wells Fargo Community Advisory Board, the Family Support Collaborative Board, the Sacramento City Mayor's Youth Task Force, and the local Childcare and Development Planning Council.

Madam Speaker, I am honored to recognize the Reverend Dexter McNamara for his outstanding work with Sacramento's Interfaith Service Bureau, and in bringing people of different faiths together to work towards bettering our community and understanding of one another. I once again ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Reverend Dexter McNamara for all that he has done for the people of Sacramento.

#### LETTERS TO PRESIDENT OBAMA, GENERAL JONES, DIRECTOR MUELLER, AND DIRECTOR PA- NETTA ON STRENGTHENING OUR NATIONAL SECURITY

#### HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. WOLF. Madam Speaker, I want to share the following letters that I have sent to President Obama, National Security Advisor General Jones, FBI Director Mueller, and CIA Director Panetta last week urging the implementation of four bipartisan proposals to strengthen our national security.

Following the failed attack on Times Square in New York City, it is more important than ever that we implement these proposals that would make our country safer.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
May 5, 2010.

Hon. BARACK H. OBAMA,  
The President, The White House,  
Washington DC.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: In light of the attempted terrorist bombing in Times Square in New York City, I urge you again to implement four bipartisan steps that would help make our country safer. If we fail to learn the lessons of the attempted attacks on Christmas Day and Times Square, we will continue to repeat the same mistakes that compromised our preparation for and response to these two incidents. The latest attack underscores the need for the rapid adoption of bipartisan solutions that strengthen our national security.

As you know, I have repeatedly urged the administration to bring back the co-chairs of the 9/11 Commission—Lee Hamilton and

Thomas Kean—for a six-month review of the progress that has been made in implementing the commission's recommendations. To date, I have seen no effort by the administration on this front.

I have spoken with Lee Hamilton and he believes this is a good idea. In fact, Mr. Hamilton underscored the need for this when he told ABC News yesterday that, "the 9/11 commission recommended that you had to have biometric evidence, documentarian evidence of people coming in and exiting [the country.] We've done a pretty good job on the first part of it people entering the country. But with regard to those exiting the country we simply have not been able to set up a system to deal with that and it showed in this case."

Given our failure to prevent both alleged terrorists—Faisal Shahzad and Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab—from boarding their flights, it is critically important that our transportation security structure have strong leadership and coordination. In both cases, the alleged terrorists slipped through security despite appearing on the "no fly" list.

I have repeatedly urged the administration to support legislation to establish a more professional and independent administrator of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), by setting a 10-year term, akin to the appointment process for the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). In fact, I introduced legislation, H.R. 4459, in early January to do this. After two withdrawn nominations, the position remains vacant and the administration continues to oppose efforts to professionalize this position.

In the wake of the attempted Christmas Day bombing, there were many serious questions regarding the administration's deployment of the new High Value Detainee Interrogation Group (HIG). Five months later, these same questions surround the administration's response to the Times Square attack. The Washington Post noted in its editorial today, "Nor has [the administration] said whether its High Value Interrogation Group (HIG)—a group of law enforcement and intelligence experts specially trained for terrorism cases—was up and running and deployed in the Shahzad case."

I have repeatedly urged the administration to collocate the HIG at the National Counterterrorism Center to facilitate information sharing and cooperation among intelligence agencies. Again, I have seen no effort by the administration to do so.

Perhaps most importantly, I have repeatedly urged the administration to create a "Team B" of outside advisors to bring "fresh eyes" to U.S. counterterrorism strategy. The team would represent a "new approach to counterterrorism" which focuses not just on connecting the dots of intelligence, but which seeks to stay a step ahead in understanding how to break the radicalization and recruitment cycle that sustains our enemy, how to disrupt their network globally and how to strategically isolate them. This would help us better anticipate the type of threats that occurred on Christmas Day and in Times Square.

Counterterrorism experts, including respected Georgetown University professor Bruce Hoffman, have publicly endorsed this proposal. They understand the need for a group of outside experts to challenge assumptions across the intelligence community to help us better prepare for future attacks. In light of the increasing pace in attempted attacks on U.S. soil, I believe this should be implemented as quickly as possible.

I cannot understand why the administration continues to refuse to adopt these proposals. In light of the latest attempted attack, I urge your action on these proposals—

each of which would receive broad bipartisan support from the American people.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

FRANK R. WOLF,  
Member of Congress.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, May 6, 2010.

General JAMES JONES,  
National Security Adviser, The White House,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR GENERAL JONES: Enclosed is a copy of the letter I sent to President Obama yesterday urging him, again, to implement a series of bipartisan measures that would strengthen our national security.

In the wake of the attempted terrorist attack in Times Square, these proposals are timelier than ever. If we fail to learn from the mistakes of the attempted Christmas Day and Times Square attacks, we will be unable to anticipate and prevent future attacks.

Again, Jim, I urge you to ask the president to implement these much-needed proposals to protect Americans. I would appreciate your letting me know if you will recommend that the president implement these measures.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

FRANK R. WOLF,  
Member of Congress.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, May 6, 2010.

Hon. ROBERT S. MUELLER III,  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. MUELLER: Enclosed is a copy of the letter I sent to President Obama yesterday urging him, again, to implement a series of bipartisan measures that would strengthen our national security.

In the wake of the attempted terrorist attack in Times Square, these proposals are timelier than ever. If we fail to learn from the mistakes of the attempted Christmas Day and Times Square attacks, we will be unable to anticipate and prevent future attacks.

Again, Bob, I urge you to ask the president to implement these much-needed proposals to protect Americans. I would appreciate your letting me know if you will recommend that the president implement these measures.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

FRANK R. WOLF,  
Member of Congress.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, May 6, 2010.

Hon. LEON PANETTA,  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, DC.

DEAR DIRECTOR PANETTA: Enclosed is a copy of the letter I sent to President Obama yesterday urging him, again, to implement a series of bipartisan measures that would strengthen our national security.

In the wake of the attempted terrorist attack in Times Square, these proposals are timelier than ever. If we fail to learn from the mistakes of the attempted Christmas Day and Times Square attacks, we will be unable to anticipate and prevent future attacks.

Again, Leon, I urge you to ask the president to implement these much-needed proposals to protect Americans. I would appreciate your letting me know if you will recommend that the president implement these measures.