

company has sponsored local sports and school activities, 4-H programs, Clothes for Kids, the YMCA, American Heart Association, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, the Hart County Public Library, the Kentucky Repertory Theatre, the American Cave Museum and Hidden River Cave.

The entire Hart County community is grateful for Dart's continued presence, support, and generosity.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the employees of Dart Container Corporation. I am proud to represent them here in Washington and look forward to their continued success.

IN HONOR OF THE RETIREMENT OF BREWSTER FIRE CHIEF ROY JONES

HON. BILL DELAHUNT

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Mr. DELAHUNT. Madam Speaker, I rise before you today to honor the retirement of a distinguished member of the Brewster Fire Department, Chief Roy Jones. For 37 years, Roy has selflessly served the people of Brewster and Cape Cod as a member of the Fire Department, and spent an impressive 29 years as Fire Chief.

The heroism and bravado of fire-fighters inspire many children to dream of one day donning their own bright yellow fire-suit and grasping a fire hose in their hands as they storm a building engulfed by flames. Like countless children before him, Roy, too, was enraptured by the blaring sirens and towering ladders introduced to him at his first firehouse visit. By the age of 18, he served as a volunteer firefighter in the towns of Harwich and Eastham on Cape Cod. Nothing could tear him from his passion—he even lived and worked in a firehouse during his college years in Maryland.

With his youth interrupted by the war in Vietnam, Roy took his fire-fighting expertise—and the invaluable life skills attributed to the diligence that only a life-long firefighter possesses—to the U.S. Air Force. Following his laudable service, which brought him far from the dunes of Cape Cod to the exotic South Pacific, he returned home to Massachusetts, where he founded the first rescue squad in the town of Brewster.

From volunteer to captain to chief, Roy Jones lived his childhood dream each day, leaving behind an impressive resume and hundreds of lives and memories saved. Now, Roy had folded his 'bunker gear' for the final time, laying to rest not only years of fire-fighting experience, but of tremendous and admirable leadership. As he acclimates himself to a new life of retirement and—if he allows himself to slow down—a life of unprecedented leisure, I applaud his dedication to public safety and the people of Brewster. On behalf of a very grateful constituency, thank you on a job well done.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF ALFRED P. GERHARDT, JR.

HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Mr. GERLACH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Alfred P. Gerhardt, Jr., as his one-year term as Eastern Vice Commander of the Pennsylvania Department of the American Legion draws to a close.

Vice Commander Gerhardt has served with honor and demonstrated tremendous leadership for the approximately 50,000 veterans residing in the Legion's Eastern District. He exemplified the Legion's core principle of continued devotion to fellow service members and veterans with his efforts in coordinating the distribution of Christmas gifts to veterans in the Coatesville and Philadelphia Veterans Administration Hospitals.

Friends, supporters and fellow Legionnaires will thank Commander Gerhardt for his service during a testimonial dinner on Saturday May 15, 2010 at the Honey Brook Fire Company.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in recognizing the outstanding service and exemplary leadership that Alfred P. Gerhardt, Jr., has provided to veterans and service members as Eastern Vice Commander of the Pennsylvania Department of the American Legion and in offering our heartiest congratulations on the successful completion of his one-year term.

RECOGNIZING DICK BOZZONE, USAF (RET.)

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today with the honor of recognizing Dick Bozzone, a veteran of the United States Air Force and former commander of the American Legion Cpl. Jedh C. Baker Memorial Post 153. Dick has been recognized for his service to his country and community by being named the Grand Marshal of the Tri-Boro Memorial Day Parade in Montvale, Park Ridge, and Woodcliff Lake, NJ. During my time representing these boroughs, I have had the opportunity to get to know Dick, and consider him well-deserving of this accolade.

Since retiring from the Air Force, Dick has remained an active supporter of our nation's servicemen and servicewomen. In addition to his years as the American Legion Post Commander, Dick also served as the President of the Chorwon Chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association. This past year, Dick and his fellow Legionnaires erected a monument memorializing those who lost their lives in the Fort Hood Massacre. Dick has proven to be an effective advocate for veterans and active-duty members of the military, and has also educated the public on proper respect for the U.S. Flag. Dick has been active in his community, our state, and our nation. He has run for office on the local and federal level, and has served in various leadership posts in the local Republican Party. He was also appointed as a Commissioner of the USS NJ Battleship Museum under two governors.

This is not the first time Dick has been recognized for his exemplary citizenship. In addition to his awards for serving honorably in the Air Force, he has been grand marshal of several other parades and is one of the few honorary members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors' Club of NJ. Last year, Park Ridge Mayor Donald Ruschman recognized Dick's years of public service alongside other civic, educational, and religious leaders from the borough. I join Mayor Ruschman, the boroughs of Montvale, Park Ridge, and Woodcliff Lake, and countless others in thanking Dick Bozzone for his ongoing service to this country and commend him for leading an exemplary public life. Dick is a man our sons and daughters can look up to, and an individual our community can depend on. Our brave servicemen and women are the embodiment of the American ideals, and it is an honor to represent such individuals as Dick Bozzone in Congress.

NATIONAL WOMEN'S HEALTH WEEK

SPEECH OF

HON. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 11, 2010

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of mothers, sisters, daughters, and friends across America.

This Sunday, as I celebrated my first Mother's Day as a mom, I was reminded of the importance of a healthy family.

As moms, we set a foundation for our families—whether it is putting on the sunscreen or scheduling check-ups—we set the example for our children.

One reason I worked so hard to pass the Affordable Care Act is to empower moms and their children.

Thanks to the healthcare reform law, women will no longer be excluded from insurance for pre-existing conditions, pay higher premiums than men, or forced to pay skyrocketing out-of-pocket costs for basic health services like preventive screenings and maternity coverage.

As a working mom, I know how easy it is to put our own health on the back burner behind work, family, or school.

Mother's Day marked the beginning of National Women's Health Week, a time to encourage women to make their health a top priority and recommit to improving the health of women for generations to come.

Women's health is not just a women's issue. When we have healthy moms, we encourage the vitality of our children and our communities.

AMERICA COMPETES REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. DAVID WU

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5116) to invest in

innovation through research and development, to improve the competitiveness of the United States, and for other purposes:

Mr. WU. Mr. Chair, my amendment, which I have submitted along with my colleague from Maryland, Mr. BARTLETT and will be part of an en bloc amendment, will facilitate ARPA-E applications by small businesses and entrepreneurs and will allow ARPA-E to consider a wider range of proposals relevant to its mission.

This amendment is straightforward and emphasizes the importance of proposals submitted by small businesses and entrepreneurs—the lifeblood of innovation and our American economy. This amendment further mirrors the DARPA program by creating flexibility within ARPA-E for solicitations year-round, on broadly defined areas of science and technology, creating a greater diversity of projects coming into the pipeline, while still maintaining the program's ability to focus on funding projects in specific areas of technological innovation.

ARPA-E is a robust pathway to new discoveries in technology and new investment in American manufacturing. To paraphrase Secretary Chu, ARPA-E was designed to provide for opportunity to swing from the heels. There will be missed pitches, but there will be home runs and grand slams, too. While the program has been considered a success—recently announcing 37 diverse solicitation winners—by providing continuous and non-restrictive solicitations, ARPA-E will be able to act in an all-comers fashion, selecting from a wide range of products in order to foster innovative solutions to the energy issues our Nation faces.

I am happy to have worked in a bipartisan way with Mr. BARTLETT from Maryland—I greatly appreciate his thoughtful contributions to this amendment. Through both his scientific background and his work on Armed Services, Mr. BARTLETT has always brought an informed and helpful perspective in the establishment of ARPA-E. The House Committee on Science and Technology may be one of the last bastions of nonpartisan policymaking in this body and Mr. BARTLETT's work and forethought has helped to exemplify that ideal. I ask that the House support this amendment.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, I missed rollcall vote No. 248 on May 5, 2010. If present, I would have voted "nay."

A PROCLAMATION HONORING SGT. 1ST CLASS CHARLES KOMAROMY FOR FORTY YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND NATIONAL GUARD

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker, Whereas, Sgt. 1st Class Charles Komaromy has served forty years in the United States Army and the National Guard; and

Whereas, Sgt. Komaromy answered his country's call of duty and served honorably and bravely in Vietnam, Operation Desert Storm, and Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

Whereas, Sgt. Komaromy has represented the community of Dover and his country proudly and admirably with forty years of military service; and

Whereas, the community of Dover will honor the distinguished service of Sgt. Komaromy with a celebration on Saturday, May 15 at the Dover Armory, be it

Resolved, that along with his friends, family, the United States Army and National Guard, and residents of the 18th Congressional District of Ohio, I commend and thank Sgt. 1st Class Charles Komaromy for his forty years of exemplary service to his country and his community.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1272, COMMEMORATING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MAY 4, 1970, KENT STATE UNIVERSITY SHOOTINGS

HON. BETTY SUTTON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Ms. SUTTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of House Resolution 1272, commemorating the 40th anniversary of the May 4, 1970, Kent State University shootings.

As a lifelong Northeast Ohioan and a graduate of Kent State University, I hold what took place on May 4th close to my heart.

After the announcement of the U.S. incursion into Cambodia, Kent State students began a weekend of anti-war protests that culminated in the deaths of four unarmed students on May 4th . . .

. . . Another nine were injured, including one of my constituents, Barberton resident and my very dear friend, Alan Canfora.

During the height of the Vietnam War from 1968 to 1971, 17 people were killed during anti-war protests on college campuses.

Many of these Vietnam War demonstrations, including those at Kent State, pitted students against their peers serving in the National Guard.

Forty years after the Kent State shootings, the tragic events of May 4th remain a symbol of the Vietnam War and the protests that ensued at college campus in Ohio and across the country.

I commend the recent placement of the site of the May 4th shootings on the National Register of Historic Places.

I also applaud the establishment of the May 4th Visitors Center, Memorial, and Historical Walking Tour on the campus.

May 4th took the lives of Allison Krause, Jeffrey Miller, Sandra Scheuer, and William Schroeder.

They will always live on in our memories.

They represent a generation and a tumultuous chapter of our Nation's history that should not ever be forgotten.

SUPPORTING WAL-MART'S EFFORTS TO COMBAT HUNGER IN THE UNITED STATES

HON. CHAKA FATTAH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Mr. FATTAH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a notable work of good citizenship on the part of Wal-Mart and the Wal-Mart Foundation. Their announcement of a five year, \$2 billion initiative to improve the efficiency of the U.S. food bank system and make nutritious food more accessible to those in the greatest need will contribute towards the goal of ending childhood hunger by 2015. This initiative will provide 1.1 billion pounds of food to families who desperately need it, and will deliver \$250 million in grants to help support hunger relief organizations.

As Chair of the Congressional Urban Caucus, I know that too many of the nation's urban residents face the silent epidemic of food insecurity, and that they are not alone in their plight. Up to 49 million Americans and 22 percent of all children went hungry in 2008. This is a travesty in a country as rich and prosperous as the United States. This cannot be allowed to continue.

I wish to congratulate Wal-Mart in its efforts to help combat hunger in the United States, and I hope that this is not only a significant step in a broad commitment on the part of this corporation, but one that motivates their peers to join us in this cause.

THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT HEARING ON THE REAUTHORIZATION OF STATE REVOLVING FUNDS

HON. BOBBY L. RUSH

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Mr. RUSH. Madam Speaker, I submit the following.

Chairman WAXMAN, Chairman MARKEY, Ranking Member BARTON, Ranking Member UPTON and all of my distinguished colleagues that sit on the Subcommittee on Energy and the Environment, thank you all for allowing me to make these remarks for the record on this important hearing on the reauthorization of State Revolving Funds within the "The Assistance, Quality, and Affordability Act of 2010."

Chairman MARKEY, I would especially like to thank you and your staff for working with my office over the past year to tighten the regulations within the SRF that govern water security to ensure that the incident that happened in my congressional district of Crestwood will not be replicated and that all of our constituents will have access to clean, safe drinking water.

Mr. Chairman, I would like to briefly recount for all of my colleagues the preposterous and unbelievable events that happened in Crestwood that has brought us to the point we are today. It is a story that, unfortunately, is ripe with abuses of the public trust by crooked and corrupt public officials at a level that is hard to fathom.

And it is a story that, hopefully, with the measures that we will enact in this legislation, will never be allowed to happen again.