

early 1990s. Ambassador Grabar Kitarovic, the Congressional Croatian Caucus, and the National Federation of Croatian Americans (NFCA) successfully pushed the NATO Treaty to passage in the U.S. Senate, an important achievement for her country. As her record demonstrates, Ambassador Grabar has made a positive impact on both our country and her native Croatia.

The Croatian Caucus was also instrumental in supporting Croatia's bid for full membership in NATO—along with the entire Croatian American community as led by the NFCA—in an earlier legislative initiative. In December 2005, the House passed H. Res. 529 underlining the Republic of Croatia's readiness to join NATO, and I heard from many Croatian Americans in my district and state on the importance of the passage of this Resolution in the House and Senate.

In recognizing the work of Ambassador Grabar Kitarovic, I would also like to recognize two Croatian Americans who, through their work, made a positive impact on myself and on my constituents. As a young high school student growing up in Seattle, I had the good fortune to have played football for one of the greatest high school coaches in Washington state history, who was also a Croatian American: Coach Tony Gasparovic of Ingraham High School. He continues to be remembered fondly by hundreds of his former players.

Another important Croatian American is business leader Ed Loverich, who founded Town and Country Market on Bainbridge Island, Washington in 1957. This store is still a thriving town center today, and has expanded to more locations throughout the Seattle area. These are only a few of the positive contributions that the Croatian-American community has made on the Pacific Northwest, and our country as a whole.

I believe that I also speak for the Croatian Caucus Co-Chairs in wishing Ambassador Grabar Kitarovic and her husband, Jakov Kitarovic, and their two children the best of luck and success in Brussels. We hope her work with NATO brings her back through Washington in the coming years.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE STOP DECEPTIVE ADVERTISING FOR WOMEN'S SERVICES ACT (SDAWS)

**HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 14, 2011*

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, today I along with my colleagues Representatives MOORE, NORTON, CONNOLLY, CONYERS, HIRONO, GRIJALVA, JACKSON, RANGEL, TOWNS, LOWEY and LEE, am reintroducing important legislation that will protect the rights of women seeking information on family planning services. Too often, women who are facing the difficult consequences of an unintended pregnancy are being deceived and intimidated. No matter how one feels about the question of legal abortion, everyone can agree that deception has no place when a woman is seeking information about her pregnancy. Called Crisis Pregnancy Centers, CPCs, they advertise as a source of unbiased pregnancy counseling using neutral-sounding names. However,

some CPCs deliberately use marketing practices which cloak their offerings in medical buzzwords to bring in clients, and then use deceptive propaganda to dissuade women from considering comprehensive birth-control options or legal abortion.

If a woman enters a pregnancy center with full knowledge of the limited services and the center's bias that is entirely her choice. However this becomes an issue when a center knowingly uses misinformation, intimidation or coercion to cause and capitalize on her confusion.

In response to the deceitful practices of these centers, I am introducing the Stop Deceptive Advertising for Women's Services Act. This legislation directs the Federal Trade Commission to promulgate rules under the Federal Trade Commission Act, declaring it an unfair or deceptive act to advertise as a provider of abortion services if the entity does not provide abortion services. This legislation also states that an organization providing abortion services must not advertise that it does not provide these services.

Yesterday, a judge enjoined a New York City ordinance requiring CPCs to post signs disclosing the limited nature of their services. My bill only applies to CPCs that engage in deceptive and misleading advertising. The signage requirement (as adopted by NYC) tackles this issue in a different way. While I support those efforts, my bill is different because it gives a Federal agency the ability to investigate reports on misleading claims in the same way it can for other products and services.

Together, with this legislation, we can help women facing an already difficult and personal decision gain access to the best and most comprehensive healthcare without facing intimidation and deception.

#### OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

**HON. MIKE COFFMAN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 14, 2011*

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, today our national debt is \$14,342,954,633,916.80.

On January 6, 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 \$3,694,528,887,622.61 since then.

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

#### REMEMBERING A TRUE ADVOCATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE, PABLO LOPEZ

**HON. DALE E. KILDEE**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 14, 2011*

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart and deep sympathy to commemorate the life of my friend, Pablo Lopez.

Pablo was born June 22, 1943, in Bach, Michigan. In 1961 he joined the United States

Air Force serving active until 1965, and reserves until 1967. In 1966 he hired into the Buick factory and he became a prominent labor leader at UAW local 599, the same local as my father. It was at UAW 599 that I got to know Pablo and I am happy I did.

For years after our first meeting, Pablo would call upon me and my staff to help with various issues but he never asked for himself, always looking out for someone else. As a proud Veteran he took up the fight of trying to memorialize their service by naming roads and post offices on their behalf across the 5th district and the state. He was successful at it and I can say if it were not for him the post offices in both Akron and Goodrich, Michigan, would not bear the name of Veteran's Memorial Post Office.

Pablo was an advocate for social justice not only in Flint, Michigan, but across the country. If there was an injustice taking place you would most likely find Pablo fighting it. He joined Cesar Chavez at the Midwest Hispanic Unity March and Rally on June 15, 1990, in Lansing, Michigan, and then traveled to Chicago to join in their march for unity on June 19. The last time he rallied with Cesar was in 1993 in Washington, D.C., always standing up for what he believed in.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to offer my deepest sympathies to the Lopez family and my gratitude for having met Pablo. I am a better person for knowing him and our community is better because of his tireless work.

#### TRIBUTE TO BOBBY GUTHANS

**HON. JO BONNER**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 14, 2011*

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, it is with heartfelt sadness that I rise to note the recent passing of a much-beloved member of the south Alabama community, Mr. Robert A. "Bobby" Guthans, who passed away at the age of 82 on June 5, 2011, after an extended illness.

At the time of his death, Bobby was one of Mobile's most revered business and civic leaders. More importantly, he was the epitome of a family man and the dictionary definition of a true "Southern Gentleman."

A native of Mobile, Bobby graduated from the Virginia Military Institute in 1951 with a degree in Chemistry. He was commissioned as an Army officer and spent the next two years fighting for his country in the Korean conflict. Bobby later served on the board of VMI, as well as on the board of Spring Hill College in Mobile.

In 1971, he became president of B-R Dredging Company, a worldwide dredging operation. Two years later, he was named president of Midstream Fuel Service, Inc., Petroleum Energy Products Company and Tenn-Tom Towing Company—a position he held until his retirement in 1999.

Not only was Bobby Guthans an active supporter of Southeastern inland waterways but he was recognized around the country as one of its great leaders. Among his many roles, Bobby served as Chairman of the Board of American Waterways Operators; Chairman of the Southern Region of the AWO; Director of the Executive Committee of the Warrior-Tombigbee Development Association; Director

of the World Dredging Association; and as a member of the National Waterways Conference.

Even with such an extensive business and volunteer portfolio, Bobby also made it a priority to find the time to serve as Chairman of the Board of the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce; as a member of the Mobile Economic Development Council; the Mobile Industrial Development Board; Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Alabama; the Geological Survey of Alabama; and the Navy League of Mobile.

In 1999, the U.S. Coast Guard bestowed upon Bobby one of its highest honors, the Meritorious Public Service Commendation. In addition, he received the Alfred F. Delchamps, Jr. Award and the National Rivers Hall of Fame Achievement Award. In 1990, the Propeller Club named him Maritime Man of the Year.

While many would have been more than satisfied resting upon this exemplary record of accomplishment, Bobby Guthans—along with his loving wife, Barbara Ann—believed that real fulfillment in life came about by helping others.

As a result, Bobby and Barbara Ann's generosity of spirit and goodness to one and all made them one of Mobile's most beloved couples.

On a personal note, Mr. Speaker, I will always cherish the time I spent with Bobby—learning from him and watching as he used his wealth of contacts and his heart of gold to open doors and help others chase their own personal dreams. Not only was he generous with his time and talents, but Bobby was also a genuine and gentle man, someone Mobile will sorely miss.

During this time of loss for his family and friends, I wish to extend my own condolences to his loving wife of more than 50 years, Barbara Ann, their two wonderful children, Robert A. Guthans, Jr. and Jean Guthans Wilkins; and their five grandchildren, C. Richard Wilkins, Jr., Christopher Wilkins, Michael Wilkins, Robert A. Guthans, III, and Taylor Lynn Guthans. You are all in our thoughts and prayers as you celebrate the life of a man we all loved and respected.

#### ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2012

SPEECH OF

**HON. JAY INSLEE**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 13, 2011*

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2354) making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes:

Mr. INSLEE. Mr. Chair, I am concerned about the devastating impact that the underlying legislation will have on the clean energy economy. H.R. 2354 is a disappointment to those working to advance the clean energy economy because it slashes investments—by 40 percent from the President's request—in the new clean energy jobs of the future, ranging from solar to biomass to wind, and new

technologies for more energy efficient cars and buildings.

Today, more than ever, we need investments in clean energy research, innovation, and manufacturing—investments which can grow new industries, create American jobs, reduce U.S. oil dependence, and increase our national security. H.R. 2354 abandons efforts for a new American energy economy that would lower electricity prices for families, reduce our reliance on foreign energy, and increase energy independence.

While I understand the fiscal situation we are in, H.R. 2354 cuts programs that can be targeted to actually grow our economy. The bill slashes Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, EERE, by 27 percent, cuts the Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy, ARPA-E, by 44 percent, cuts Weatherization Assistance Grants and associated training programs by 81 percent, all the while increasing funding for fossil fuel research and development. I believe that this demonstrates that the priorities of H.R. 2354 are aligned with outdated 20th century energy policies that will not recharge our new economy. A 21st century Energy and Water Appropriations Act should include measures to increase funding for renewable energy and clean technology and these increases should be offset by dollars from fossil energy research and development.

To help strengthen our economy and create new jobs, we must rebuild America. In a report released this week by the Brookings Institution entitled "Sizing the Clean Energy Economy: A National and Regional Green Jobs Assessment," it is reported that 2.7 million Americans are now employed in the clean technology economy. The report found that in the State of Washington, there are 83,676 clean energy jobs, with an annual wage of \$46,457. The report showed that median wages for clean-energy workers are about 13 percent higher than median U.S. wages. The clean technology economy has created export intensive jobs; on average, twice as much value is exported from clean tech jobs than the national average. The potential for future job creation in the clean energy economy is endless and targeted investments in this new economy make sense.

As the House of Representatives considers amendments to H.R. 2354, I urge my colleagues to consider the opportunities for economic growth and job creation embodied in the clean energy economy and oppose the misguided priorities in this bill.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR.  
ETHIME EMONINA

**HON. TERRI A. SEWELL**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 14, 2011*

Ms. SEWELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a great Alabamian and resident of the Seventh Congressional District, Mr. Ethime Emonina who passed away July 10, 2011 at the young age of 34. Mr. Emonina was a remarkable educator, mentor, musician and inspiration to all who encountered him.

As a band instructor in the Tuscaloosa City Schools system, he inspired students to excel in their musical craft and to pursue their dreams of becoming musicians. He encour-

aged countless students to attend college, many on band scholarships. His unique style and spirit warmed the hearts of many, and his trademark smile could not help but solicit a smile in return.

Born in Atlanta, Georgia, on March 18, 1977, to Mr. and Mrs. Godwin and Lucy Eldridge Emonina, he displayed an early love for music. His multitude of talent led him to play the trumpet and piano, among many other instruments.

Mr. Emonina graduated from Central High School in Tuscaloosa, Alabama in 1995, where he left his mark as one of the greatest drum majors in the school's history. He went on to earn a B.A. degree from Jackson State University in 2000. Upon receiving this degree, Mr. Emonina began instructing the band at Eastwood Middle school where he remained until he was offered and accepted a position as director of bands at Paul W. Bryant High School in August 2007. He served in this position until his untimely death.

Mr. Emonina, with his love of learning, had just completed and was awarded a Master's degree in Instructional Leadership at the University of West Alabama and was looking forward to applying his degree as an administrator in the Tuscaloosa City School System.

He received numerous awards from childhood to adulthood for excellence in everything from school performance to instructing the band. Mr. Emonina was married to the former Chrishan Garraway and was the father of two children: Christian, age 9 and Ethan, age 2. He was the loving brother of Ovukey and Venedric Emonina, and was a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Over the years, Mr. Emonina has impacted the lives of many students in countless ways. He built a well-deserved reputation as a strict disciplinarian, mentor, teacher, motivator, father figure and friend. He was a true gift to us all and will be missed. His band has a saying, "Love the band and the band loves you back." Mr. Emonina surely loved the band and the band, the community, his family and the people of the Seventh Congressional District, the State of Alabama and this Nation will greatly miss him.

Therefore I, TERRI A. SEWELL, Representative to the United States Congress from the 7th Congressional District of Alabama, do hereby honor the legacy of Mr. Ethime Emonina for his numerous contributions to the 7th Congressional District, the State of Alabama, and the Nation. I ask all to join me in honoring the life of a remarkable man and commending his many achievements on behalf of the State of Alabama.

IN HONOR OF MR. FRANK ZOLAR

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 14, 2011*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Frank Zolar on the occasion of his ninth birthday.

Mr. Zolar was born on July 15, 1921 in Pickens, West Virginia. After spending his early life working in sawmills and coal mines, Frank enlisted in the U.S. Army only six days after the attack on Pearl Harbor. He fought with the 1st Infantry Division, also known as the "Big Red One," as a rifleman in the invasion of Africa.