

CONGRATULATING NELSON
MANDELA ON HIS 93D BIRTHDAY

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 21, 2011

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I join all people in South Africa and across the world in celebrating the Honorable Nelson Mandela's 93d birthday on July 18, 2011. Mandela is an inspirational leader who braved 27 years of imprisonment fighting to free South Africa from the racial oppression of apartheid, and ultimately unified the nation as its first President elected in a free South Africa.

Madiba is my personal hero because he fought and suffered for what was right and did not emerge bitter from the experience. I still remember his graciousness and good humor when I first met him; he started laughing and said, "No, this is not the sponsor of the bloody Rangel Amendment." I am proud to have met and worked with him to bring freedom and dignity to the oppressed in South Africa.

In honor of his birthday, the United Nations recognizes July 18 as Mandela Day. To pay tribute to Mandela's tireless 67-year effort in addressing the biggest issues we face, from combating HIV/AIDS to brokering global peace, we are asked to dedicate 67 minutes to do something for others in need.

I pledge to continue his work to help those in need and encourage everyone to do so as well.

IN HONOR OF THE "ATLANTIS"
AND THE SHUTTLE PROGRAMS'
FINAL MISSION: THE ATLANTIS
STS-135—FERGUSON—HURLEY—
MAGNUS—WALHEIM

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following:

Atlantis . . . Hail Atlantis! This, final thrust
. . . This The Shuttle's Final Mission,
so as such!

Five . . . Four . . . Three . . . Two . . . One
. . . Ignition . . . lift off!

As up towards the heavens you now so rush!
As on this day as is such . . . with this your
last and most final journey, all our
hearts but lie in a hush! As from The
Beginning . . . now to The End!

Oh how so quickly, we've all so been taken
to so then . . . To such new heights
we've all so sped!

So shuttled to back and forth, time and
again!

And because of all of this, to what new
world's will we one day so transcend?

All because of The Discovery's, The Endeavor's
. . . that went forth all in your
stead!

As The Challenger, who so met and held that
course!

To new Columbia's, with your most heroic
force! All in your most heroic blood so
shed!

As to lost worlds discovering, and to new
ones Atlantis you now report!

Let this Enterprise so continue to go forth!
Of all of these most distant travelers, all out
on their most heroic course!

And let not this quest so end!

All in our search for the answers, the truth
that we all must so comprehend!

Let Us Go Forth, all in our hearts of youth
begin!

And for all of those many journey's, over all
of those years.

As have so here, to Man and Womankind
meant so much!

While, out upon the face of God you've all so
stared! So sped!

All out there on the very edge of death, hur-
dling through space as you left!

As your fine hearts would so crest!

And because of all its majestic beauty, all in
tears you were so left!

As with this final thrust, suddenly how all of
those years have so come and gone!

By so fast, so sped!

To find answers, to all of those questions . . .
to which all our hearts must so be led!

While, soaring to new heights . . . as you'd
crest!

As you've appeared to us so very bright, all
in what was said!

As out on the night's horizon, streaking
across her skies at dusk in flight . . .
full speed ahead!

With all our hopes and dreams, and fears . . .
so carried with you up there, as one we
were wed!

As together, we've all so waded through . . .
through all of those most heartbroken
tears!

With all of those broken hearts and dreams,
that which so tragically appeared . . .

With but the loss of, all of those most mag-
nificent courageous pioneers!

As but exploration's grave cost so very clear!
Of The Challenger and The Columbia so here!

With all of those fine lives so lost so very
dear! SMITH, SCOBEE, McNAIR,
ONIZUKA, McAULIFFE, JARVIS,
RESNIK, BROWN, HUSBAND, CLARK,
CHAWLA, ANDERSON, McCOOL,
RAMON . . .

Brave Hearts, all out in their search for new
frontiers!

Who so boldly so went forth without fear!

As for them and their families, but hear our
Nation's prayers . . . her tears!

As now all of their fine souls are so etched
across the heavens, appear's!

As a lesson to all of our young, as to what
new heights and worlds . . .

A heart of courage can so climb to, can so
come!

As on this day Atlantis, as you So Search
For The Truth! All in your hearts of
youth, so sung!

While, Reaching For The Stars . . . soaring
ever forth, as brilliant, as brilliant as
any sun!

All in your quest for knowledge, but Let
This Dream Live On!

Let not this be the end, but the beginning of
new dreams and suns to form!

As on this Mission, The Shuttle Program so
comes to her end!

Let us give praise and thanks, to all of those
who have so shown!

So shown us all the way to courage and
faith,

whose most magnificent hearts have so car-
ried us with them on their ways . . .

Who once upon a time, let their dreams take
flight to new heights . . . as did they!

And go, where no women or man before has
so gone!

Who upon all of them, all our very futures
are so born!

While, upon such magnificent structures of
Man . . . to new heights they would
soar!

All because of their most courageous hearts
telling them, To Go Forth and Explore!

As up to the heavens, and outer space
defying death again once more so spo-
ken all with such grace!

To take Command, as now they so race!

And to all those, who upon this earth who
have stood by them so close!

Who at Mission Control,
have so shown such brilliance and such vigi-
lance, when it all so meant the most!

As The Centurions, The Guardians,
of all of those distant travelers up in outer
space, who counted upon you, would
boast!

Living with them, on the very edge of death
as you would host . . .

As on each new day, all of their very lives
were placed!

All in what they so faced!

Let not this so be the ending, but the begin-
ning . . . but to keep so sending!

To so sending up explorers to new worlds, up
in outer space!

To a world of hopes and dreams, where such
hearts of youth can so race . . .

Can so plan and scheme . . . Like JFK's
Dream, this pace!

But, to continue this most important race!
And Go Forth!

But to find the answers, to new celestial
worlds as we are advancing . . .

As already, from all of their gifts, so much
has so come forth, exists!

And yet, so much more but still lies ahead
. . .

all in our travels up in outer space, all in
what is to be written . . . so said!

For only if we go forward steadfast, will all
of our futures so be blessed, as come to
pass!

So Hail Atlantis, as you take that one last
pass . . . around this earth . . .

Take one last long hard look, one last long
glance all in its worth!

For all of us here so down upon this earth, as
you pass! So, ever must we Endeavor to
Discovery!

To find in you Atlantis, new worlds to ex-
plore and see!

So Godspeed! Godspeed, fair well Atlantis as
you speed!

As you and your kind, are but the very
height to where Man and Womankind
can so be led!

Because, whenever we ENDEAVOR . . . in
our ENTERPRISE to entertain such
thoughts . . .

To rise! All in our DISCOVERY, from hearts
of courage what can be brought forth
. . .

No matter what the cost, and not com-
promise!

To new worlds and lost shores, to chart our
course evermore . . . to new COLUM-
BIA'S this force . . . or an ATLANTIS
to so explore!

Then, will we win as THE CHALLENGER!
And to this our world, but all of our fu-
tures to so insure!

To learn and to grow, to therein there so . . .
but to fine the answers!

Of The Universe, to so strive for and know!
All bathed in exploration's warm glow!

That which lies before us so!

Hail Atlantis!

Hail Atlantis!

Hail Atlantis!

As You Soar! As You Go!

HONORING THE COHOCTON
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 21, 2011

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the brave men and women of the Cohocton Volunteer Fire Department who have tirelessly served our local and national community for 125 years. As the Cohocton Volunteer Fire Department celebrates its 125th anniversary, I applaud the many ways they have served our community.

From July 22–24, members of the department will hold several events commemorating the service of their valiant volunteers. Historical displays, parades, competitions and dinners will be held. The department will even be publishing a commemorative book on its history to celebrate this milestone.

For the past 125 years, members have selflessly given their time and energy to serve our community throughout periods of emergency and disaster. While the Cohocton Volunteer Fire Department should be commemorated for all of their service to our community, I want to especially highlight their tireless work during the 1972 Flood, the Ice Storm of 1991 and the Blizzard of 1993—three major storms which devastated the Chemung Valley.

Furthermore, the department also aided the national community during the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Under a mutual aid request, the department sent an ambulance and personnel to the Twin Towers Site after the attack. The ambulance was equipped with medical supplies donated by the local community for use by the FDNY.

Members of the Cohocton Volunteer Fire Department have repeatedly risked their lives in order to save our friends and neighbors. I am proud to recognize such a self-sacrificing and courageous organization. I congratulate the Cohocton Volunteer Fire Department and thank them for their 125 years of service.

NLRB KILLING JOBS

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 21, 2011

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday, I became an original cosponsor to the Protecting Jobs from Government Interference Act. This Act was introduced by Congressman TIM SCOTT and I am grateful for his efforts to create jobs.

This positive legislation will prohibit the National Labor Relations Board from overreaching its authority by dictating where private businesses can and cannot choose to create jobs in the United States. It is truly a shame that legislation must be created to counter the overreaching agenda of the job killing NLRB with its bizarre action to stop new jobs at the Boeing facility in South Carolina. I appreciate resistance by South Carolina's Governor Nikki Haley and Attorney General Alan Wilson to stop the bullying of unelected bureaucrats who are killing jobs.

At a time when over 14 million Americans are without work, the government should not

be creating policies that interfere with job growth and job creation. The Protecting Jobs from Government Interference Act insures private businesses across the nation will be able to make decisions based on the best interests of their shareholders and workers.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September 11th in the Global War on Terrorism.

INTRODUCING THE ENTREPRENEURSHIP TAX CUT ACT OF 2011

HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 21, 2011

Mr. PAUL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to introduce the Entrepreneurship Tax Cut Act of 2011. This bill allows Americans to make penalty-free withdrawals from accounts such as Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) or 401(k)s in order to start, or invest in, new businesses. People who make these penalty-free withdrawals will be able to replenish their accounts.

One reason unemployment rates remain so high is that entrepreneurs are unable to obtain the capital they need to create new businesses and new jobs. Clearly, the policy of throwing billions of taxpayer dollars at big banks and allowing the Federal Reserve to shovel billions more into bank coffers has not succeeded. Congress must come up with innovative ways to ensure entrepreneurs and investors can raise the funds to start new businesses and put Americans back to work. Letting Americans use more of their money to start new businesses is a common sense solution to the unemployment problem. Therefore, I urge all my colleagues to help budding entrepreneurs and venture capitalists build new businesses and create the jobs of tomorrow by cosponsoring the Entrepreneurship Tax Cut Act.

TRIBUTE TO MR. JOSEPH B. (JOE) SALTER

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 21, 2011

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the memory of a truly wonderful man, Mr. Joseph B. (Joe) Salter, a longtime resident of Albany, Georgia, who passed away this spring after a series of serious health setbacks. Mr. Salter was 82 years old at the time of his passing.

A native of Arlington, Georgia, Joe Salter graduated from Arlington High School in 1945 and served in the United States Air Force during the Korean War. A few years later, in 1952, he graduated from Emory University and went on to spend most of his adult life as a well-respected, successful realtor in the Albany area where he was also an active member of a number of different civic groups such as the Albany Golden K Kiwanis Club, the Albany Jaycees and the Albany Chamber of Commerce.

In work and at home, Joe Salter was first and foremost a man who loved his family, his

country and his God and not necessarily in that order. In practically everything he undertook, Mr. Salter sought to expand personal freedom and individual liberties. He was a frequent author of columns and op-ed pieces in the local newspapers of Georgia and through his diverse list of contacts around the country, Mr. Salter soon became known for his heartfelt concerns about the direction of our beloved country. While Joe Salter was the epitome of a southern gentleman, always courteous to one and all, he was also a textbook example of an active and engaged citizen. Many a mayor, congressman, senator and governor knew when Joe Salter was concerned about a matter, especially the role of limited government.

As a husband, father and grandfather, Joe Salter loved his family and worked tirelessly to leave behind a better community, state and country for them to inherit. In addition to being a dedicated family man, Mr. Salter was also a real patriot who loved the men and women of our nation's military as well as our veterans who, like Mr. Salter, had made a lifetime of sacrifices for a better America.

Mr. Speaker, Joe B. Salter was not only a true friend to all who knew him but he was an inspiration to young and old alike and at this time, I would ask the House to join me in extending our deepest sympathies to his widow, Betty Ann, as well as their daughter, Florrie, her husband, Tracy, their son, John, as well as their three grandchildren, Raleigh Elizabeth, Callie Grace and Benjamin Avert.

RECOGNIZING WILLIAM VANDER ARK

HON. KEVIN YODER

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 21, 2011

Mr. YODER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize William Vander Ark of Leawood, Kansas. William was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes when he was 8 years old. William must act as a mathematician, a physician, a personal trainer and a dietician just to stay alive. His insulin pump functions as his lifeline.

This summer William joined 150 children and teens who participated in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Children's Congress in Washington, DC. Collectively, they are fighting for a cure and working to help raise research money for this chronic, debilitating disease that affects nearly 26 million Americans nationwide.

William is entering high school in the fall and wants a cure for Type 1 diabetes so the disease doesn't change the course of his future. His dream is to become a commercial pilot, but current rules prevent those who have Type 1 diabetes from getting a license. While the law is in place because of safety concerns, there have been large strides in the development of new, transformational technologies since its passage. Despite adversity, William is committed to his dream and knows that if he keeps his mind to it and works hard, he can someday change the rules.

One of these new technologies is the development of an artificial pancreas that is at a critical point in the regulatory process. I, along with numerous other Members of Congress, have written to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and expressed a strong interest in