

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

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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

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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

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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

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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

a timely approval of this life-changing advancement. This technology could dramatically improve the health and quality of life for those, like William, who are living with diabetes.

People with diabetes need better tools to manage their disease and prevent its life threatening and costly complications. We need to move forward in the development of this technology by quickly providing clear and reasonable guidance so this can proceed as soon as possible.

William's passion and zeal have inspired not only me, but have left an impression on my entire staff. His parents should be extremely proud of him and his unwillingness to let a his life be dictated by his disease.

THE PASSING OF LILLIAN MOBLEY

HON. KAREN BASS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 21, 2011

Ms. BASS of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the memory and legacy of South Los Angeles activist and leader, Lillian Mobley.

Lillian Mobley was the matriarch of the African-American community and a legend in South Los Angeles. She was an inspiration for a generation of leaders that walked in her footsteps but nobody could truly walk in her shoes.

Combined tenderness with tenaciousness, Lillian Mobley spoke softly and smiled gently, but underneath it all, was a fiery passion.

Mr. Speaker, I always enjoyed watching the ritual we all practiced at events attended by Mrs. Mobley. One by one we would walk over

to her in an orderly manner and pay our respects, the way one should in the presence of a revered elder.

She has left a legacy of greatness behind and the prominent roles she played in establishing and protecting Martin Luther King Hospital and Charles Drew University Medical School are accomplishments of unbelievable magnitude.

May she rest in peace and may her memory inspire others.

RECOGNIZING THE 37TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ILLEGAL INVASION OF CYPRUS

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GALLEGLY. Mr. Speaker, yesterday marked the 37th anniversary of the illegal invasion and ongoing occupation of Cyprus by Turkish forces. During the war, approximately 5,000 Cypriots were killed and close to 200,000 Greek Cypriots were forcibly removed from their homes. This anniversary also marks another year in which Cyprus is divided between north and south and between the Turkish Cypriot and Greek Cypriot communities.

However, despite 37 years of division in Cyprus, I remain hopeful about reaching a just and lasting settlement. Following his election in February 2008, President Demetris Christofias followed through on his commitment to make the solution of the Cyprus problem his top priority. In September of that year, he embarked on full-fledged negotiations with

Mehmet Talat, who was at the time the leader of the Turkish Cypriot community. These negotiations are continuing under the new Turkish Cypriot leader Dervis Eroglu.

The ongoing talks aim at reaching a comprehensive settlement for the Cyprus problem with the goal of achieving the unification of Cyprus based on a bi-zonal, bi-communal federation and political equality, as set out in the relevant United Nations Security Council resolutions. The agreement should also lead to a single sovereignty, single citizenship and single international personality for Cyprus.

There are still many difficult issues that need to be resolved before a comprehensive agreement to the Cyprus problem can be achieved. Turkey, which continues to deploy 43,000 troops in Cyprus, is critical to reaching such an agreement. I urge Turkey to work constructively with the Cypriots in support of a negotiated settlement and the peaceful reunification of the island.

For many years, Cyprus has proven to be a loyal friend and ally of the United States. Throughout the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, Cyprus has provided overflight and landing rights to U.S. aircraft and port access for our ships. In addition, during the Lebanon crisis of 2006, Cyprus served as the principal transit location for people evacuating Lebanon, including 15,000 U.S. citizens. The U.S. and Cyprus also share a deep commitment to freedom, democracy and human rights. Given the longstanding friendship between the U.S. and Cyprus, I call upon the United States Government to become actively engaged in moving forward the negotiations regarding the future of Cyprus.