

man from the still segregated south. He wanted to pursue his dream of becoming a clinical chemist, and achieved that goal as he worked for The Colorado Mental Health Institute for 35 years. Mr. King was also a staunch supporter of the Republican Party, and was the first black man to run for the state senate in 1968. Seth King was also an active member of the Catholic Church and The Knights of Columbus. Whether cheering a customer up at the barbershop, or giving his time in faith-based outreach, he spent his lifetime improving the lives of those around him.

Mr. Speaker, Pueblo may have lost a wonderful member of their community, but there is no doubt that the spirit of Seth King's life still reverberates throughout the city. It has been a privilege to stand and pay tribute to Mr. Seth King's accomplished life.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2011

SPEECH OF

HON. SHELLEY BERKLEY

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 17, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes:

Ms. BERKLEY. Mr. Chair, I rise in strong opposition to the Pence Amendment.

Rep. PENCE's amendment would prohibit Planned Parenthood from receiving any federal funds, including Medicaid reimbursement for family planning services, funding for HIV testing and counseling, funding for programs to prevent infertility, breast and cervical cancer screening funds, and funding to provide evidenced-based sex education, including information about abstinence. This amendment would have a devastating impact on communities like Las Vegas.

In my district, Planned Parenthood's Flamingo Health Center is an essential community provider and one of only three Title X facilities in Clark County. In FY 2010, 27 percent of their clients were at or below 100 percent of Federal Poverty Level (FPL) and an additional 39 percent were between 100 percent and 250 percent of FPL. Planned Parenthood provides access for many low-income women to basic and preventive healthcare, often serving as a primary care provider. In FY2010, Planned Parenthood provided basic healthcare services to more than 18,000 Nevadans.

Rep. PENCE's amendment will result in 1.4 million Medicaid patients—predominately women—losing access to their health care provider. This attack on Medicaid patients' access to their local provider occurs at the same time that the Medicaid program desperately needs more doctors and nurses to participate in the program. Existing access issues will only become exacerbated as a result of the Medicaid expansion to 133 percent of the Federal Poverty Level under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA).

Federal law already requires health care providers to demonstrate that federal funds are not used for abortion care, so this amend-

ment is a clear attempt to cut funding for cancer screenings and contraception for low-income women at Planned Parenthood health centers. Rep. PENCE's amendment has one goal—to undermine women's access to basic, preventive healthcare and the women's health providers they rely on in their communities. I oppose this amendment and efforts to deprive women access to essential healthcare services.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BLAKE FARENTHOLD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 18, 2011

Mr. FARENTHOLD. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 84, I missed the vote due to a previously scheduled satellite interview in my district. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

HONORING THE LACEY TOWNSHIP
HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM
OF LANOKA HARBOR, NEW JERSEY

HON. JON RUNYAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 18, 2011

Mr. RUNYAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 2010 New Jersey State Athletic Association's South Jersey Group III Champions: the Lacey Township High School Football Team of Lanoka Harbor, New Jersey.

On December 4, 2010, by an impressive score of 56 to 7, Lacey Township High School defeated Delsea Regional High School in the South Jersey Group III Championship football game. This marks the fourth time in school history that they are the South Jersey Group III Football Champions.

During the championship game, the Lacey Township Lions were able to score seven touchdowns, resulting in 49 points. Senior running back, Jacob Dabal, scored three touchdowns, while senior quarterback, Craig Cicardo, and senior running back, Jarrod Molzon, each scored two touchdowns. The outstanding offensive output of these three young student-athletes helped pave the way to a Lacey Township victory.

Equally extraordinary was the defensive efforts of the Lacey Township Lions. In the championship game, the Lions' defense forced eight turnovers, consisting of three interceptions and five fumbles. One of those fumbles resulted in a touchdown by senior defensive back, Zach Torrell.

The Lacey Township Lions finished their 2010 football season with an undefeated record of 12 wins and 0 losses, its third undefeated season in school history.

I would like to congratulate Lacey Township High School's football coach of 30 years, Coach Lou Virillo, and his entire coaching staff. Through their inspiration and motivation, they enabled these young men to achieve an amazing accomplishment.

I would also like to thank the senior members of the Lacey Township High School Football Team. Their incredible leadership of the Lions this year not only led to another cham-

pionship title, but also to another undefeated season.

Mister Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in celebrating the achievement of the Lacey Township High School Football Team in capturing the 2010 NJSIAA South Jersey Group III championship and finishing the year undefeated.

I ask you to join me in celebration with the coaches, players, and student body of Lacey Township High School, as well as the teachers, parents and community members who all made this victory a reality. Finally, I ask you to wish the Lacey Lions continued success in next year's football season.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2011

SPEECH OF

HON. JOHN CONYERS, JR.

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 17, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes:

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Chair, today I rise to oppose the reckless Republican proposal to eliminate funding for the Title X Family Planning Program. This cut is a legislative assault on women's health and a failure of House Republicans to strengthen American families. Instead of focusing on issues Americans are most concerned about, like creating jobs, House Republicans have decided to target women's health programs and women's health providers under the guise of deficit reduction.

Since 1970, Title X Family Planning Program has been a critical component of our nation's health care infrastructure and an essential vehicle in preventing unintended pregnancies and providing basic primary and preventive health care, including annual exams lifesaving screenings for illnesses like breast cancer, cervical cancer and HIV. If these cuts are allowed to become law, 5 million Americans will lose these services and women's access to health care will be severely restricted.

House Republicans are using this legislation to mislead the American people by suggesting that federal funds are being used to pay for abortions. This is flatly untrue, since federal law has already banned Title X funds from being used for abortion services. Moreover, in 2008 Title X supported services prevented 973,000 unintended pregnancies which resulted in thousands of fewer abortions. However, if Title X Family Planning Programs are eliminated more women will experience unintended pregnancies and face potentially life-threatening cancer and other diseases that could have been prevented.

Preventing women's health centers from receiving this critical funding stream is not the answer and the majority of Americans do not support this proposal. According to a January 2011 CBS/New York Times survey found that by a margin of 67 percent to 27 percent, Americans oppose cuts for health care and education as a means of reducing the deficit. Instead, the American people want Congress

to work together to address their top priority, which is creating jobs and strengthening middle class families, not imposing new restrictions to legal health services and screenings and eliminating critical programs. Eliminating Title X funding does not create jobs or help our economy. In fact, family planning programs like Title X save money because every \$1 spent on family planning results in a \$4 savings to Medicaid. House Republicans proposal to eliminate Title X Family Planning goes too far and is bad policy, bad politics, and is flat out immoral. I ask that my colleagues join me in opposing cuts to Title X Family Planning Program.

CHARLES ELLIOTT TRIBUTE

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 18, 2011

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, it brings me great satisfaction to rise and pay tribute to a man whose youthful spirit and exuberance proves that age is just a number. Charles Elliott, of the San Luis Valley, will be inducted into the 2011 class of the Colorado Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame.

Mr. Elliot began skiing in the early 1930s on a pair of homemade wooden skis he and a friend took to Wolf Creek Pass. From the mid 1930s to the mid 1940s Charles Elliot was a major catalyst and pioneer in the rapid growth of skiing in southwestern Colorado. After serving his country in the U.S. Army Air Corps as a weatherman from 1942–1946, Mr. Elliot returned to skiing in the State he loves, and restarted Wolf Creek Pass skiing operations which had been shut down due to World War II. Charles Elliot then served as ski patrolman and performed that duty so well that he was given the lifetime badge from the National Ski Patrol. The 98-year-old is now the ranking member of the Grey Wolf Ski Club. Charles Elliot has now been skiing for over 75 years, and at the age of 93, he recorded over 50 days on the slopes. Mr. Elliot's passion for skiing is only matched by his dedication to cultivate the continued growth of his sport.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to stand and recognize Mr. Charles Elliot on his induction into the 2011 class of the Colorado Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE WEST BLOOMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY RECEIVING A NATIONAL MEDAL FOR MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICE

HON. GARY C. PETERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 18, 2011

Mr. PETERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the West Bloomfield Township Library as it is honored by the Institute of Museum and Library Services with a National Medal for Museum and Library Service.

This medal, which was presented to just five libraries nationally in 2010, recognizes the exceptional contributions the West Bloomfield Public Library has made to its surrounding

communities. Founded in 1934 as a project of the Keego-Cass Women's Club, the Library's main branch has expanded into a 63,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility with computer access for community residents and public meeting spaces, in addition to an expanded youth area which has allowed the Library to strengthen the depth and breadth of its youth-focused programming.

The National Medal recognized libraries that demonstrate innovative approaches to providing their services to the public, and whose programming focuses on expanding cross-cultural awareness and dialogue. Particularly recognized were two of the Library's programs, the "Grow Up Reading" program and the "Help is Here" initiative. Focused on youth, the "Grow Up Reading" promotes parental involvement in childhood development through development reading skills from birth through third grade, helping children build good fundamental reading comprehension and critical thinking skills. On the adult end of the Library's programming spectrum, the "Help is Here" initiative brings counselors from Oakland Community College and professionals from Jewish Vocational Services together to provide resume critiquing services to community members.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing the outstanding service the West Bloomfield Public Library provides to its community and congratulating the Library staff on receiving the National Medal for Museum and Library Service.

TRIBUTE TO CORPORAL NATHAN B. CARSE

HON. JIM JORDAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 18, 2011

Mr. JORDAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a brave Ohio soldier, Corporal Nathan B. Carse, who on February 8 was killed in action near Kandahar Province in Afghanistan.

Nathan was the pride of Allen East High School in Lima, Ohio. He earned degrees from Louisiana State University and Capital University, where he was a standout linebacker for the Capital Crusaders.

Serving a critical role in post-Katrina New Orleans, Nathan left his career in engineering and volunteered to serve his country, entering active military duty in February 2010. He deployed to Afghanistan with the 2nd Engineer Battalion, 176th Engineer Brigade in September 2010.

Nathan is survived by a loving family, including his mom, Janis; his sisters, Kristin and Megan; and four dear nephews.

Those who knew Nathan best described him as a happy, generous, hardworking man whose optimistic attitude brought a smile to people's faces and had a positive impact on their lives.

He courageously served in defense of his family, his community, his state, and his nation. Every American family lives under the blanket of safety he helped provide. For this, our nation owes him and his family a great debt of gratitude.

Nathan will be deeply missed. But the strength of his character, and the courage he demonstrated through his service, will live on.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2011

SPEECH OF

HON. RUSH D. HOLT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 17, 2011

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Mr. HOLT. Mr. Chair, I rise today to oppose the amendment offered by my colleague from Indiana, Mr. PENCE to H.R. 1, the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act.

Mr. PENCE's amendment would deny any federal funding to Planned Parenthood health facilities throughout the country. As a supporter of Planned Parenthood and the services that it offers to my constituents in my central New Jersey district, I firmly oppose this purely political amendment.

This should not be a pro-life or pro-choice debate about one of the many services that Planned Parenthood provides. In fact, under current law no federal funds can be used for abortion services. Less than three percent of the services provided by Planned Parenthood are abortion related. The Pence amendment is in fact a fundamental attack on our nation's oldest and most respected reproductive healthcare provider, the over 5 million men and women that visit Planned Parenthood annually, and the one in five American women who will visit a Planned Parenthood center in their lifetime.

Disqualifying Planned Parenthood from receiving federal funds would disproportionately affect health-care services that prevent unintended pregnancy and reduce the need for abortion. The vast majority of Planned Parenthood's medical services are related to contraception, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections; cancer screening, and other services like pregnancy tests and infertility treatment. Despite any claims to the contrary, the Pence amendment is clearly a direct attack on prevention services, and would increase the number of unwanted pregnancies.

More than 90 percent of the care that Planned Parenthood health centers provide every day is primary and preventive, including wellness exams, cancer screenings, immunizations, contraception and STD testing and treatment. For many women, the only doctor or nurse they see is one they visit at a women's health center. In fact, more than 6 in 10 patients who receive care at a women's health center like Planned Parenthood consider it their primary source of health care.

The 28 Planned Parenthood health centers in New Jersey serve over 90,000 patients per year for a wide range of primary and reproductive health services. In 2009 alone, these centers performed almost 45 thousand cervical screening tests that detected over 2 thousand abnormal results and 27 thousand breast exams that detected over 800 abnormal results. Taking away funds from Planned Parenthood would deny women life saving medical testing, increase unwanted pregnancies, and deny primary care services to millions of women throughout the country.