

served on the Board of Directors of Union Labor Life Insurance Company, Joe was elected as Chairman of the Board on August 3rd, 2003. In addition, Joe has served in other labor related positions including Vice President and Executive Board Member of the St. Louis Building Trades Council, Executive Board Member of the Missouri Building Trades Council, Trustee and Executive Board Member of the St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO, Chairman of the National Stack and Chimney Committee, and Secretary of the Regional Committee of the National Infrastructure Alliance. His extensive and impressive resume also includes serving as a Board Member of the Maria Droste Home, as a Trustee of the Arch Mutual Fund, and as a Board Member of FIRMCO.

A 1987 graduate of the Harvard University Trade Union Program, Joe and his wife Jan have four children including son Joe (who is also a member of Local 396), as well as eleven grandchildren. They all currently reside in St. Louis.

Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor to join with Joe's family, friends, and brothers and sisters of labor to thank him for his incredible dedication and commitment to the fight for workers' rights and services. I hope my colleagues will join me in celebrating Joe's distinguished career and in wishing him good health and success in all of his future endeavors.

**REDUCING REGULATORY BURDENS
ACT OF 2011**

SPEECH OF

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 30, 2011

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to oppose H.R. 872, the Reducing Regulatory Burdens Act.

Today, Congress could have had a legitimate and necessary debate about the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Does FIFRA do an adequate job of regulating pesticides or should the Clean Water Act supplement these efforts to address water quality issues? But that is not the debate we are having today.

Instead, the Republican majority is forcing a vote to ban the EPA from ever applying the Clean Water Act to pesticides discharges into our Nation's waters. H.R. 872 removes a critical tool the EPA may need to protect public health and it weakens America's most important clean water legislation.

This is a deceptive piece of legislation. Proponents claim H.R. 872 merely eliminates a duplicative bureaucratic process for pesticide application. In fact, if passed, H.R. 872 could permanently stop our ability to control and manage pesticide pollution found in America's rivers, lakes and streams.

H.R. 872 would reverse a 2009 court decision. That decision found that the use of some pesticides and herbicides at times is a form of water pollution requiring a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Across the country, over a thousand waterways are known to be "impaired" or polluted because of pesticides. Many more waters may be polluted but have not even been tested. In my home State of Minnesota—land

of 10,000 lakes—a past U.S. Geological Survey study concluded that pesticides in rivers and streams in central Minnesota were "ubiquitous." Endocrine disruptors possibly linked to the use of pesticides have led to the rise of mutating fish in the Mississippi River and 11 Minnesota lakes.

Pesticide pollution in American waters is a problem that requires close review. I believe EPA is doing its job, as determined by the courts, to investigate and attempt to reduce harmful pesticide discharges into water bodies. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency has told my office that they are working diligently to implement the federal court decision and the EPA's permitting efforts. I am concerned that H.R. 872 would stop state pollution control agencies across the country from their important work of regulating pesticide chemicals in our water.

Moreover, H.R. 872 is being rushed to passage with little debate. It is being considered under suspension of the rules, a procedure usually reserved for non-controversial bills. Opposing witnesses were not allowed to testify during committee hearings and the Republican majority broke its promises to work with members who had offered and then withdrawn amendments in committee. This is no way to consider a bill that has serious consequences for human health, wildlife and the environment.

Instead of tying EPA's hands, Congress should be encouraging, even pressing, the EPA to address water pollution that is threatening the health of our families and ecosystems. I oppose H.R. 872 and the overreaching effort to rush this bill through the legislative process.

RECOGNIZING THE 2010-2011 CONGRESSIONAL YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR 500 HOURS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY—REBECCA JAMES

HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 4, 2011

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure and privilege to inform the Members of the United States House of Representatives that the students of the 2010-2011 Congressional Youth Advisory Council (CYAC) from the Third District of Texas have completed a total of 500 community service hours, fulfilling and far-surpassing the requirements of their assigned CYAC in the Community service project.

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those in the U.S. Armed Forces." I am beyond thrilled that CYAC has helped students unleash their full potential and chase their dreams.

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With this statement as a benchmark, I am proud to congratulate the members of the 2010-2011 Congressional Youth Advisory Council for showing themselves to be outstanding young citizens of this nation. It is my privilege to submit summaries of their work to the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD to be preserved for posterity and antiquity. To these young public servants, thank you, and keep up the great work! I salute you!

A copy of each submitted student summary follows:

For my community service contribution this year I participated in a dance marathon that raised close to five thousand dollars for Habitat for Humanity at Dallas. I was actually the founder of this event and coordinated every detail of the fundraiser. My dance marathon consisted of dancing and activities for a solid twelve hours. The event took place at my high school and included one hundred and eleven determined students. I was very happy with the outcome of this program and so was my beneficiary—Habitat for Humanity. Dance marathon 2011 was an incredible experience and a quite rewarding way to spend a Saturday. Not only did I dance with one hundred of my closest friends; I also met new people, raised awareness about a great cause, and raised money for a deserving neighbor in Dallas. The money we earned will be going to a family that lives in Dallas and the five thousand dollars will be used to most likely buy paint or a new door. It is great to know that I planned such a successful event, and it is even more wonderful to know I have personally impacted and changed a person's life.

—Rebecca James

HONORING JERRY FELDHAUS ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. RUSS CARNAHAN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 4, 2011

Mr. CARNAHAN. Mr. Speaker, on the occasion of his retirement, I rise to honor Jerry Feldhaus, an exemplary citizen of Missouri and the City of St. Louis. An active and accomplished, yet humble citizen who worked selflessly and tirelessly for the good of others, Jerry truly represents the best of America.

As a young man, Jerry's career as a pipe coverer was interrupted when he was called upon to serve our Nation. He answered that call and bravely defended our freedoms as a member of the 101st Airborne Division in Vietnam.

Jerry's commitment to helping others is demonstrated by his dedication to the trade union movement. For 31 years, he served as a board member, business representative, and business manager of the Asbestos Workers Union Local 1. For the past 12 years, Jerry served as the Executive Secretary-Treasury of the St. Louis Building & Construction Trades

Council. He has held numerous other leadership positions in the Building Trades and as a Board Member and Co-Chairman of PRIDE, Jerry Feldhaus set the standard in building better cooperation between management and labor.

Jerry's reputation as trusted leader in both labor and management circles helped great economic development project get done in our St. Louis Region. Private sector projects such as the new Busch Stadium would never have been built on time and on budget without the commitment and vision of Jerry Feldhaus. The new Mississippi River Bridge, one of the most important and transportation projects currently being built in the country, would not be on its way without Jerry's steadfast leadership in bringing Illinois and Missouri leaders together for this great common cause.

Through it all, Jerry has been motivated by a profound desire to work for the benefit of others. He has made a significant and positive impact on our community, giving his time and talents generously to vital social causes as a Board Member of the St. Louis Chapters of both the March of Dimes and Nurses for Newborns.

Jerry is deeply devoted to his family. He and his wife Jeanette have been married for 38 years and raised three children: Damon, Marty, and Stacy. Jerry is also a loving grandfather and great-grandfather.

The St. Louis community has benefited tremendously from Jerry's unwavering commitment to improve labor and social conditions. Furthermore, every American appreciates the patriotic sacrifices he made in his military service. Jerry is truly an exemplary citizen, and the accomplishments of his remarkable career ensure that his legacy will live on for many years to come.

HONORING LIVING LEGENDS
TORCH BEARERS' AWARD RECIPIENTS

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 4, 2011

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor twelve members of the South Jersey community who received awards at the Living Legends Torch Bearers' Awards Program. These leaders of the African-American community dedicated years of educational, cultural, and religious service to South Jersey. Assemblyman Gilbert "Whip" Wilson, Bryson C. Armstead, Spencer Moore, Joyce Gilchrist-Pierce, Ruben Britt Jr., Beverly Collins-Roberts, Martha Chavis, Claudia Cream, Dr. Stella Horton, Dr. Ralph Hunter, Wilbert Mitchell, and Rev. John O. Parker Jr. deserve to be recognized for their hard work and dedication to the South Jersey community.

Assemblyman Gilbert "Whip" Wilson is a lifelong resident of Camden County and has dedicated his life to service, first in the Air Force, where he was awarded with several medals. He then served as a member of the Camden Police Department and rose to the rank of lieutenant. After his retirement, he was on the Camden City Council, until he was appointed to the New Jersey Assembly.

Two other honorees were also veterans. Bryson C. Armstead served in the Navy during

World War II. He was a driving force behind the restoration of the Mount Peace Cemetery, and its placement on the State and National Registers of Historic Places. Spencer Moore served in World War II as was a member of the 92nd Infantry Division. He saw combat in Italy and received a Purple Heart, the Bronze Star and the Combat Infantry Badge.

The other individuals that were honored with awards were: Joyce Gilchrist-Pierce, first female mayor of Camden; Ruben Britt Jr., author and current Assistant Director of Career and Academic Planning at Rowan University; Beverly Collins-Roberts, award-winning photographer, filmmaker and historian; Martha Chavis, a community leader and adjunct professor at several colleges; Claudia Cream, principal of Parkside Elementary school in Camden; Dr. Stella Horton, executive director of the Camden Center for Youth Development; historian Dr. Ralph Hunter, founder of the African American Heritage Museum in Newtonville; Wilbert Mitchell, executive director of RESPOND, a Camden-based educational and social services organization; and Rev. John O. Parker Jr., Pastor of Camden's Antioch Baptist Church.

Mr. Speaker, the commitment of these individuals to the South Jersey community should not go unrecognized. I express my deepest appreciation for their dedication and unwavering service.

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LOVE WEEK is a tradition at Allen High School that is currently in its' 32nd year. The program had lapsed in the past three years, but was resurrected by the International Baccalaureate students as part of their focus on community service in 2009-2010. The idea for LOVE WEEK was developed 29 years ago by a high school class who was reading the novel 1984, by George Orwell. In the novel there is a "hate week" and the students decided to turn the idea around and form a "love week." Each year an AISD student or Allen community member who is in need is chosen, and then various fund-raising activities occur during Love Week (usually the 2nd week of February) in order to raise money to aide the selected recipient. This year, I was one of two co-chairs responsible for overseeing the entire operations of Love Week. Subsequently, I helped choose this year's recipient out of about ten different candidates. This year's recipient was Mavrik Veal, a Kindergartener. He is currently battling two types of Leukemia is undergoing chemotherapy in order to have a bone marrow transplant in the next two weeks.

—Joyce Kim

HONORING MAYOR LINDA JACKSON

HON. PETER J. ROSKAM

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 4, 2011

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate Linda Jackson's 20th anniversary of serving on the Glendale Heights Village Board, and her 10th anniversary serving as Village President. This is an extraordinary milestone in that it makes her the longest serving public official on the Glendale Heights Village Board as well as the longest serving Village President.

As a resident of Glendale Heights for 37 years, Mayor Jackson has distinguished herself as a well-respected leader. Prior to becoming Mayor, she was an Elected Trustee in 1991, 1995 and 1999. Throughout her career, Mayor Jackson has served on numerous Village Committees and Commissions and has played a primary role in the improvement of several public buildings and parks within Glendale Heights.

Among other projects, Mayor Jackson has overseen the development of Camera Park, the Glendale Heights Aquatic Center, Veterans Memorial Park and the Glendale Lakes Golf Club and Banquet Facility. She is an active member of the community, serving as a member of the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference, the U.S. Conference of Mayors, the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and the Neighborhood Watch.