

is often critical to helping you and your doctor diagnose and treat diseases or ailments as soon as possible. But the repeal of the health care law included in the Republican budget plan would change all this under the guise of "deficit reduction."

But the reality is that none of the cuts would help pay down the deficit OR balance the budget. These cuts would instead pay for tax cuts to those who need it the least providing subsidies to Big Oil preserving tax loopholes to companies that ship jobs overseas all this while they are making record profits. Tax cuts for Big Oil and the largest corporations should not be paid for on the backs of America's seniors!

And this kind-of thinking does not reflect the needs or priorities of seniors and families in my district. I have heard from scores of Sacramentans about how the changes to Medicare included in the health care law has helped them. One gentleman in particular comes to mind. Gary, who takes 8 different name brand medications, regularly falls into the "Donut Hole." But as a result of the health care law, he will save close to \$1,000 per month which means that Gary will be able to continue to take his medication, and make ends meet. And his savings will only grow over time. However, people like Gary would lose out on this benefit, should the Republican proposal be enacted.

As Co-Chair of the Congressional Seniors Task Force, I am working with my colleagues to ensure that proposals that would hurt seniors are not enacted. I believe that if someone works hard all their life and plays by the rules then they deserve high-quality health care and a secure retirement. I am committed to making that dream a reality and I am confident that as more and more people learn about what this plan would do the American people will speak out against it loud and clear.

I thank Representative TONKO for his leadership on this issue.

HONORING STEWART'S SHOPS AND THE DAKE FAMILY

HON. CHRISTOPHER P. GIBSON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 13, 2011

Mr. GIBSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the people in New York's 20th District to express our sincere appreciation for the continued hard work, dedication, and contributions made to our communities by Stewart's Shops and the Dake Family.

Beginning in 1921, Percy and Charles V. Dake began making Dake's Delicious ice cream in Greenfield, NY. They continued to expand their operations into and around Greenfield and Saratoga Springs until 1945, when they bought Donald Stewart's dairy and ice cream shop on Route 50 in Ballston Spa, renaming it Stewart's Shop in order to commemorate the former owner. Adding on brothers Charles S. and William, this family-run operation continued to grow through the expansion of services and a strong community presence, including donating five percent of its annual revenue to local not-for-profits.

This generous and voluntary donation has brought over \$2.25 million to not-for-profits in our area, in addition to the organization's con-

tribution of over \$15 million to an employee profit sharing plan and \$2 million in scholarship assistance to family members of employees through the "Make Your Own Scholarship" program. Overall, this tremendous organization has had over \$1 billion in community sales, provides approximately 4,000 jobs in 328 convenience stores in New York and Vermont, and works closely with local governments and organizations to serve my constituents inside and out of their stores.

For these reasons, I am happy to stand today in recognition of the Dake Family as they receive the C. Jordan Vail Spirit of Philanthropy Award, given at the Celebration of Philanthropy Luncheon in Albany, NY on May 24, 2011. This family, and the business they have built over the last ninety years, are a model of private enterprise and they have certainly earned this award. I am honored to be given the opportunity to commemorate their dedication to our community and the economic contributions they provide.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011

SPEECH OF

HON. ROBERT HURT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 12, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 754) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes:

Mr. HURT. Mr. Chair, I rise today in support of H.R. 754, the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011.

Our intelligence community plays a critical role in keeping us safe from those who seek to do us harm, and I believe we need to ensure that they have the necessary tools to do their job to the fullest.

It was the hard work and dedication of the members of the intelligence community that helped lead us to securing a great victory in the war on terror—the death of Osama bin Laden. We will be forever grateful to them—and all of those in the intelligence field—for their service to this country, including those in Virginia's 5th District.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize and thank the work of the Defense Intelligence Agency, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, and the National Ground Intelligence Center located in Charlottesville, Virginia, and those members of the intelligence community across the 5th District who are working every day to help ensure the safety of all Americans.

A top priority of government is to protect its citizens from threats at home and abroad. While I believe that we need to prioritize all spending in the context of a balanced budget, we need to make sure that those in the intelligence field are equipped to carry out their duties to help protect and defend our nation, especially when we are engaged in a global war on terror and thousands of American troops continue to serve bravely in harm's way around the world.

I urge support of H.R. 754.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011

SPEECH OF

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Chair, I rise in support of H.R. 754, the FY 2011 Intelligence Authorization Act. I thank Chairman ROGERS and Ranking Member RUPPERSBERGER for bringing this bipartisan bill to the floor today.

This bill sets the funding levels for the 16 agencies that comprise the nation's intelligence community including the Central Intelligence Agency and parts of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and the Federal Bureau of Investigations. It also supports the dedicated and skilled men and women who work in secret at these and other elements of the nation's clandestine services that helped bring Osama bin Laden to justice.

H.R. 754 authorizes funding for the counterterrorism analysis and worldwide clandestine operations of the CIA; the tactical intelligence support of the National Security Agency; the electronics surveillance and real-time analysis of the National Geospatial Agency; and the coordination of the National Intelligence Director. The coordinated efforts of all these agencies enable the U.S. to anticipate and respond to emerging threats and to maintain its technological advantage over our adversaries around the world.

Bringing Osama bin Laden to justice was the result of the hard work and sacrifice by this nation's intelligence and Special Forces community. These brave men and women are silent warriors who deserve our gratitude and unwavering support. I commend them for their ongoing efforts to disrupt, dismantle and defeat terrorism around the world.

I encourage my colleagues to join me in thanking our intelligence professionals for all that they do to keep our country safe and I urge passage of this bill.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011

SPEECH OF

HON. DAVID DREIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DREIER. Mr. Chair, earlier today, the gentleman from New York, Mr. NADLER, expressed his frustration that the Committee on Rules excluded his two amendments from consideration on the House floor. In order to clarify the record, I submit a May 11, 2011, letter from Mr. NADLER stating that he wished to withdraw the two amendments that he referenced on the House floor. While one of Mr. NADLER's amendments was not germane to the bill it was my intention, prior to Mr. NADLER withdrawing his amendments from consideration, to recommend to the Committee on Rules that it make Mr. NADLER's germane amendment, No. 13, in order for consideration on the House floor.

After Mr. NADLER withdrew his amendments, Mr. GRIMM (R-NY) and Mr. REED (R-NY) offered identical text to the amendment No. 13 previously submitted by Mr. NADLER. I would also like to submit for the RECORD a statement by Mr. GRIMM expressing his support for the original NADLER amendment and his request to have this very timely and appropriate debate occur on the House floor.

I would like to thank our newest member of the Rules Committee, Mr. REED of New York, for his work in championing this amendment and expressing the very heartfelt views of so many of all of our constituents across the country. It was for these reasons that the Rules Committee made in order the Grimm-Reed amendment.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, May 11, 2011.

Hon. DAVID DREIER,
Chairman, House of Representatives, Wash-
ington, DC.

Hon. LOUISE M. SLAUGHTER,
Ranking Member, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN DREIER AND RANKING MEM-
BER SLAUGHTER: Yesterday I submitted two
amendments to H.R. 754, the Intelligence Au-
thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011. I am
writing to withdraw from consideration both
amendments, Nadler-Bishop-Slaughter-
Owens Amendment #2, NADLER_025.XML,
and Nadler-Bishop-Slaughter-Owens Amend-
ment #1, NADLER_024.XML.

Please let me know if you have any ques-
tions. Thank you for your time and atten-
tion.

Sincerely,

JERROLD NADLER,
Member of Congress.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, May 11, 2011.

I respectfully request that the Committee on Rules make in order my amendment #22 to the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011. The amendment is identical to an amendment previously submitted by Mr. Nadler, my colleague from New York, which I attempted to cosponsor. Unfortunately, Mr. Nadler withdrew his amendment #13 before I was able to be added as a cosponsor of the amendment. I remain committed to the amendment and that is why I have submitted the identical language under my name. As well, I am proud to be joined on this amendment by my colleague from New York, Mr. Reed, who is a strong voice on the Rules Committee for the citizens of his district and the entire State of New York. The language was kept intentionally restricted to be germane to the underlying bill. Thank you for your consideration.

MICHAEL G. GRIMM,
Member of Congress.

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE OF LYMAN GRAHAM

HON. ALBIO SIRE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 13, 2011

Mr. SIRE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the life of Lyman Graham, a devoted member of the United States military, who recently passed away in Neptune, New Jersey at the age of 92. Lyman was a native of Franklin, Pennsylvania, and graduated from the Graham School, Franklin High School, and Franklin Business School. In 1941, Lyman was drafted into the U.S. Army and received his officers training at Fort Monmouth, after which he was commissioned as a second lieutenant. During this time, Lyman met his wife, Betty Freeman of Bradley Beach, and they were married in Taallahoma, Tennessee on May 8, 1943.

Lyman has a proud record of military service. As a member of the Army Signal Corps, Lyman played a key role during World War II. Soon after 1943, his unit was deployed to Great Britain, where they prepared for the invasion of Normandy and followed the battles fought throughout France, Belgium, and Germany, providing supplies and provisions for the Allied troops. Lyman received a number of medals for his service, including the European War Theatre medal.

Following V-E Day, Lyman remained in Europe for several months and returned to New Jersey and his wife in the fall of 1945. He was promoted to the rank of captain and was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army in 1946. Lyman and Betty briefly lived in Oil City, Pennsylvania. They returned to Bradley Beach in 1946, where they resided at their Hammond Avenue home.

Not only did Lyman faithfully serve his country, he maintained an active role in his community throughout his life. He was a member of the Bradley Beach Post 337 of the American Legion for many years, serving as Finance Officer and participating in the group's activities. Lyman was Grand Marshall of the 2004 Bradley Beach Memorial Day Parade. In 1954, he was appointed Postmaster of the Bradley Beach Post Office, and he remained in that position until his retirement in 1979, following 25 years of service.

Following his retirement, Lyman and Betty joined the local chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, where he served as treasurer for 20 years. Lyman was also a longtime active member of the First United Methodist Church of Bradley Beach, where he was a Lay Leader, and a member of the Staff Parish Committee, United Methodist Men, and the Adult Choir. Lyman and Betty chaperoned the youth fellowship groups on a number of trips and activities. A Boy Scout in his youth, Lyman remained active in that organization as Scoutmaster for a number of years.

Throughout his life, Lyman was an exceptionally devoted husband and father and I know that Lyman will be greatly missed by his family and friends. Lyman's story will live on to serve as an inspiration for generations to come, and I thank him for his dedication to this great country.

IN SUPPORT OF STRENGTHENING U.S.-KOREA ECONOMIES

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 13, 2011

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express my deep appreciation to the gracious hospitality President Lee Myung-bak of South Korea and his countrymen have extended to me, Secretary of Commerce Locke and my esteemed colleagues on the Ways and Means Committee—Representatives JIM MCDERMOTT, JOE CROWLEY and DAVE REICHERT—during our recent trip to the Peninsula as part of a trade delegation.

As a Korean War Veteran, I could not have been more proud to witness today's Dynamic Korea. Seoul's skyscrapers, booming businesses and rising apartment buildings are a testament to the resiliency and determination of the Korean people.

There are presently more than two million Americans of Korean descent living in our own country. In my home state of New York, there are more than 200,000 recent immigrants and native-born Korean-Americans who make significant contributions to our communities.

It is no wonder that trade and investment between the United States and Korea has been growing rapidly over the past few years. South Korea is the seventh-largest trading partner of the United States, with more than \$80 billion in trade passing between our two countries. Korea is also the world's 11th-largest economy, the sixth largest market for U.S. agricultural goods, and the third largest destination for U.S. foreign direct investment in the Asia-Pacific region.

Korea has always been one of our closest and most important allies. Free trade between U.S. and Korea will strengthen our respective economies. In a speech to the American Chamber of Commerce in Seoul, Secretary Locke noted that "the U.S.-Korea trade pact is the United States' most significant trade agreement in 17 years. And it's estimated to increase American economic output more than our last nine trade deals combined." In both countries, consumers will see lower prices for goods and services, businesses will have better access to supplies and technology, and workers will find more jobs available to them.

In addition, ratification of the agreement will enhance security and stability in Northeast Asia. A stronger South Korean economy is a bulwark against threats from North Korea. I remain astounded by the economic success that Korea achieved since I first landed at the Pusan Perimeter in the summer of 1950. There is such a satisfaction in knowing that the noble service and sacrifice of the nearly 1.8 million American soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines were not made in vain.

On a personal note, I especially thank President Lee Myung-Bak and his Minister of Patriots and Veterans Affairs Park Sung-Choon for the moving ceremony held at the War Memorial of Korea in honor of my service and the U.S. veterans who fought to defend Korea sixty one years ago. Korea will always have a place in my heart as it does in the hearts of all veterans who have served then and those who serve now.

In closing, I extend my appreciation to Foreign Minister Sung-Hwan Kim, Trade Minister