

of domestic instability. The twin themes of anti-Japanese feeling and unfulfillment of China's reunification with Taiwan will be deeply resonant to much of the population of China. In the next two or three decades, we are likely to see observable security ramifications of the masculinization of China's growing young adult population, especially combined with an understanding of the consequences of global aging . . ."

Last August Vice President JOE BIDEN visited China, and told the audience that he was well aware of and "fully understood" the one-child policy, and that he was not "second guessing" the State for imposing it. Can you imagine what the public reaction would be if the Vice President had said that he "fully understands" and is not "second guessing" copyright infringement and gross violations of intellectual property rights?

The one-child-per-couple policy is the most egregious, vicious attack on women ever. For the Vice President of the United States to publicly state that he fully understands the one child policy and then say he won't second guess it is unconscionable, and sells out every mom in the PRC.

Although Vice President BIDEN attempted to modestly backtrack on his extraordinarily callous comment about the policy, his voting record as a Senator shines a spotlight on his long-held disregard for the severity of this human rights violation. On September 13, 2000, he joined 52 other senators in defeating an amendment by then-Senator Jessie Helms condemning the one-child policy. Then-Senator BIDEN reportedly did so because he was concerned that condemning China on fundamental human rights would interfere with the normalization of trade relations.

Not only is the Obama administration turning a blind eye to the atrocities being committed under the one-child policy, but it is even contributing financial support—contrary to U.S. law—to the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). Twenty eight years ago—on May 9, 1984—I authored the first amendment ever to a foreign aid bill to deny funding to organizations such as the UNFPA that are complicit with China's forced abortion and involuntary sterilization policy. It passed. After all these years, it is astonishing that policy makers—including and especially the Obama administration—remain indifferent or worse, supportive, of these massive crimes against women and children. The Obama administration has long enabled this cruel policy by its silence and financial support to the tune of over \$165 million to the UNFPA, an organization that supports, plans, implements, defends and whitewashes the Chinese government's brutal program.

On one of several trips to Beijing, I challenged Peng Peiyun—then China's director of the nation's population control program—to end the coercion. Madame Peng told me that the UNFPA was very supportive of the one-child-per-couple program and that the UNFPA adamantly agrees with her that the program is voluntary and that coercion doesn't exist.

For over 30 years, the UNFPA has consistently heaped praise on China's population control program and repeatedly urged other countries to embrace similar policies.

A few years ago, the UNFPA and the Chinese government rolled out the red carpet and hosted high level diplomats from Africa including health ministers to sell "child limitation"

policies. Despite the fact that China's enforcement mechanism relies on heavy coercion and its aging population will soon implode its economy, some African leaders seem to have taken the bait. Limitations on the number of children a mother may carry to term are under active consideration throughout the subcontinent.

And the UNFPA has tried to impose China-like child limitation policies on other nations as well, including the Philippines.

Finally, in 2000, I wrote a law—The Admiral James W. Nance and Meg Donovan Foreign Relations Authorization Act for fiscal years 2000 and 2001.

Section 801 of Title VIII of that Act still in effect today requires the Secretary of State not to issue any visa to, and the Attorney General not to admit to the United States, any foreign national whom the Secretary finds, based on credible and specific information, to have been directly involved in the establishment or enforcement of forced abortion or forced sterilization.

Owing to a glaring lack of implementation, only a handful of abusers of women have reportedly been denied visas to the U.S. That must change.

Lastly I thank each of our witnesses, who testified at a hearing I held earlier this week on this issue, for speaking out on this important topic.

CONGRATULATING GLENDALE HIGH SCHOOL'S SPENCER HAIK

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 11, 2012

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Glendale High School's Spencer Haik for winning the 1600 Meter Run at the Missouri Class 4 State Track and Field Championships.

Through his hard work and dedication, Spencer placed first in the 1600 Meter Run with a winning time of 4:15.11. His winning time was 5 seconds off his previous school record of 4:20.23. This achievement also marked the third time this year Spencer established a new school record.

Spencer plans to participate in several meets across the country this summer and will be a junior at Glendale High School in the fall.

I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating Spencer Haik, the winner of the 1600 Meter Run at the Missouri Class 4 State Track and Field Championships.

IN SUPPORT OF SMALL BUSINESS TAX CUTS

HON. LAURA RICHARDSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 11, 2012

Ms. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to applaud the Administration for the immediate executive actions that will accelerate our nation's small business growth. There are 28.6 million small businesses in the U.S. and small businesses create two out of every three jobs in the country. In the state of California

small businesses employ more than 50 percent of the state's 16 million workers and represent 90% of job growth for high-paying jobs. The statistics are clear, small businesses are the key to economic recovery and continued growth.

Ameliorating the burdens of small businesses stabilizes uncertainty and encourages critical job growth. Five of these initiatives are immediate executive actions that will accelerate Federal payments, reduce paperwork, and make it easier for small firms to access loans and tax credits, and one is a legislative proposal to raise the amount of investment small businesses can expense next year.

Mr. Speaker, let me briefly highlight some of the key initiatives:

(1) Accelerate payments to small business subcontractors: Through the Office of Management and Budget, agencies will be directed to make contract payments along an accelerated timeline to all prime contractors for the next year (typically 15 days after receipt of proper documentation, as opposed to 30 days), with the understanding that those prime contractors will similarly accelerate payments to their small business subcontractors.

(2) Announce support for Section 179 expensing at \$250,000 for one year: President Obama is calling on Congress to write legislation to allow small businesses to write off up to \$250,000 in capital investments in 2013, such as machinery and equipment, to drive productivity. Without an act from Congress, the expensing limit for small businesses is scheduled to decline to only \$25,000 in 2013.

(3) Increase access to capital through SBA's Small Loan Advantage (SLA) 2.0: SBA is re-launching Small Loan Advantage, one of its key small dollar loan products, as SLA 2.0. This revamped program raises the maximum loan amount from \$250,000 to \$350,000, streamlines the loan process, and makes it easier for lenders to extend loans to small businesses across America.

(4) Launch "Quick App" for surety bond guarantees under \$250,000: SBA is launching "Quick App," a streamlined application that will eliminate the need for contractors to complete five unnecessary forms to apply for surety bonds. Providing small firms, particularly in the construction industry, streamlined access to these bonds will make it easier for them to compete for and win additional business, which is important to allowing them to expand and create jobs.

(5) Reduce paperwork for SBA's Disaster Loan Program: Cutting the online application from 80 screens to three or four screens (depending on loan type) will allow families and businesses easier and quicker access to support for rebuilding after a disaster.

(6) Align New Markets Tax Credit with the needs of investors in growing small firms: Reforms the existing New Markets Tax Credit that will make it easier for community development entities (CDEs) to attract private sector funds for investment in startups and small businesses operating in lower-income communities. The regulations are designed to encourage CDEs to invest in other types of small local businesses by relaxing the reinvestment requirements for CDEs investing in certain operating businesses. The Treasury Department is also considering regulatory reforms that would further simplify the requirements for these CDEs and intends to publish these for comment in the future.

Entrepreneurs and small businesses are engines of innovation and economic growth; the small businesses in my district are at the forefront of innovation. The diverse innovation of small businesses in my district from aerospace to healthcare will be able to expand market share with the support of these six key initiatives. I will continue to fight for legislation that will support the approximately 16,300 small businesses in my district.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to commend the Administration for taking the necessary steps to help small businesses expand their export programs and alleviate potential layoffs. I urge my colleagues to build upon the Administration's executive actions and provide more support for small businesses.

HONORING THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD AND ARMED FORCES RESERVES

HON. KEVIN YODER

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 11, 2012

Mr. YODER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor all the members of our National Guard and Armed Forces Reserves who defend our nation at home and abroad, and to voice my support of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) program operated through the Department of Defense.

The ESGR provides education, consultation, and if necessary mediation for employers of Guard and Reserve employees. As the 1.3 million members of the National Guard and Reserve continue to perform an increasing number of unique missions within America's borders and beyond, ESGR will continue to be the resource for the employers of citizen warriors.

Members of the National Guard and Reserve bring a strong work ethic, leadership and specialized skills to the civilian workplace, and hiring veterans is a great way employers can show their appreciation for the service and sacrifice of our military men and women.

Mr. Speaker, I stand in support of ESGR and their mission to assure that all American employers support and value the employment and military service of members of the National Guard and Reserve forces.

IN CELEBRATION OF RICE UNIVERSITY'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. GENE GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 11, 2012

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the hundred-year anniversary of the founding of Rice University, one of our nation's preeminent research universities.

Founded through the estate of Mr. William Marsh Rice as a gift to the City of Houston, Rice Institute, as it was originally known, opened its doors on September 23, 1912, with 77 students and a dozen faculty.

From these humble beginnings, Rice University has risen to be a leader in science, engineering, medicine, music, and athletics.

Rice placed a critical part in the development of our nation's space program and was

the site of President John Kennedy's famous "moon speech" in 1962.

Today, Rice is recognized as one of the top national research universities in the country by such publications as *Forbes* and *U.S. News and World Report*.

Rice is also recognized for its residential college system, similar to resident colleges at Oxford and Cambridge, its beautiful campus grounds and architecture, and the high quality of student life.

A list of famous alumni include a "Who's who" of Houston's most recognized citizens, including George R. Brown, Thomas Cruikshank, William Hobby, and our present mayor, Annise Parker.

I congratulate Rice University, its students, faculty, and alumni on their 100 years of success and thank them for the vital role they serve on behalf of the Houston community and wish them another 100 years of trail-blazing, discovery, and success.

THE SACRIFICE A SOLDIER MAKES

HON. CHARLES J. "CHUCK" FLEISCHMANN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 11, 2012

Mr. FLEISCHMANN. Mr. Speaker, following is the essay written by Katie Smith in honor of her brother, SPC Andrew Smith, and all soldiers.

THE SACRIFICE A SOLDIER MAKES

(By Katie Smith)

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier represents the sacrifices a soldier makes to defend our country. Knowing that I would be honoring the three fallen soldiers and any other soldier who made the sacrifice with laying the wreath meant the world to me. The history of the Tomb humbles me to know that people have given their lives protecting me and that they are still being honored for it. Multiple members of my family served in the U.S. military, including both of my grandfathers and my brother. In my opinion, the Unknown Soldier symbolizes the sacrifice, whether death or injury, a soldier risks taking.

I have personal experience with how a soldier sacrifices. My brother, SPC Andrew Smith, a soldier with the 82nd Airborne, was deployed to Afghanistan and was wounded in combat on March 8, 2012. While on patrol near Kandahar, an IED detonated next to him. He lost both of his legs and suffered some other severe wounds. Before he joined the Army, we asked why he wanted to do this, and he said, "I will do anything and go anywhere to keep this fight from coming here." He was aware of the risks that were involved in being a soldier, but he was so devoted to protecting our freedom that he was willing to sacrifice in a major way. Even though he is away from the war, he is still fighting. He fights for his life, mobility, and a somewhat normal life. While I was at Walter Reed National Medical Center, I noticed a whole community of people with titanium limbs, and knowing that they made the sacrifice for me and my freedom, as my brother did, is humbling. I will never again take for granted any of my limbs, my mobility, or my freedom because now I know that people lost those things while keeping me safe. I couldn't imagine what it would be like if I had to say that my brother made the same exact sacrifice the Unknown Soldiers did,

and I thank God every day that I don't have to. However, I would love to honor them in any way I can, all the same.

It is a great tragedy that has come over these soldiers, but it is also a great honor for them. They were brave enough to make that sacrifice, and they should be rewarded in every way possible. These men and women are true heroes, and I can't thank them enough for the service they've done for our country.

REMEMBERING HAROLD WILLIAMS

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 11, 2012

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, Portland was saddened by the loss of longtime civic leader and community activist Harold Williams.

Harold was best known as the longest serving board member of Portland Community College with over two decades of outstanding service. But he was already a fixture in our community long before that.

Harold earned two degrees, both his bachelor and masters degrees, at Portland State University where he was Director of the Education Center and where he exercised a strong voice on behalf of inclusion. From the very beginning, Harold Williams was a champion of opportunity for the underserved so it was only natural he would gravitate to Portland Community College. Young African American men received special attention from Harold, but he was a strong proponent of opportunity for everyone throughout our community.

Harold was a large man with an even larger personality and a greater heart until it failed him on July 1st. We extend our condolences to the Williams family and to his much larger family in Northeast Portland which will miss him dearly, but will forever be thankful for his many contributions.

CONGRATULATING DR. ROBERT FAWCETT

HON. TODD RUSSELL PLATTS

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 11, 2012

Mr. PLATTS. Mr. Speaker, I am delighted to offer my heartiest congratulations to Dr. Robert Fawcett of York, Pennsylvania on being named the 2012 Family Physician of the Year by the Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians. This is indeed an outstanding achievement.

Throughout his career, Dr. Fawcett has practiced a wide range of family medicine, including critical care, pediatrics, geriatrics and sports medicine. As evidenced by the previous awards for his medical work, Dr. Fawcett's skill and compassion has benefited hundreds of families throughout his career. In addition, his history of volunteer service has made his community a better place in which to live and work.

This dedication is shared by Dr. Andre Lijoi of York, who was previously named Pennsylvania's Family Physician of the Year in 2008. Dr. Lijoi has dedicated his career to making a meaningful contribution to the lives