

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RED TAPE REDUCTION AND SMALL BUSINESS JOB CREATION ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. RUBÉN HINOJOSA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2012

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 4078) to provide that no agency may take any significant regulatory action until the unemployment rate is equal to or less than 6.0 percent:

Mr. HINOJOSA. Mr. Chair, I rise today in support of the Amendment offered by my esteemed colleague from Florida, Mr. POSEY (#25). His Amendment would ensure that the rule recently approved by the Internal Revenue Service requiring that interest payments on foreign deposits be reported to the IRS would not move forward. This is extremely important to the region which I represent, deep South Texas. Our community banks and local economies benefit from investments and deposits from non-residents, and would be harmed by the serious loss of capital caused by these depositors fleeing our communities. Many of these depositors have chosen to bank in the United States because of the stability of our financial institution system. If this ruling goes into effect, and these deposits evaporate, the capacity of these banks to invest in the local economies diminishes.

A Mercatus Center 2004 study of a similar rule projected that \$88 billion of capital would exit United States banks if the rule were to take effect. At a time of extreme economic fragility, we need this capital to stay on our shores. Additionally, many foreign depositors have chosen to bank in the United States for security reasons; their home countries may be politically unstable, and they fear that personal financial information released by the United States may fall into the wrong hands, making them a target.

Lastly, the Internal Revenue Service has exceeded its authority. Foreigners do not pay taxes on interest earned on deposits, so there is no reason for these deposits to be reported to the IRS. Congress intended to attract capital to the United States by allowing these deposits to go interest-free; to force these depositors to report will run contrary to this original intent.

I urge all my colleagues to support this Amendment that will prevent much-needed capital from fleeing the American economy.

RECOGNIZING MR. PHIL WHITFIELD

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2012

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the civic and cultural contributions of Mr. Phil Whitfield,

a fellow Texan who currently serves as curator for the art collection featured at Cowboys Stadium.

Since growing up in Oak Cliff, Texas, Mr. Whitfield's loyalty to the Dallas Cowboys was inherent, and remains steadfast to this day. He grew up cheering on the Cowboys when their games were at the Cotton Bowl. In 1993, Mr. Whitfield began working as a security guard at Texas Stadium, which served as the home field of the Dallas Cowboys from 1971 to 2008. Mr. Whitfield remained in this position until he was hired to work at the new Cowboys Stadium to oversee the stadium's extensive art collection.

Cowboys Stadium currently features 19 pieces of contemporary art, and Mr. Whitfield works with each artist to create beautiful installations. His passion and appreciation for art comes second only to his devotion to the Cowboys. Mr. Whitfield devotes considerable time and effort to each individual work of art and its respective creator. Today, Cowboys Stadium boasts artistic diversity which millions of fans have long since enjoyed.

Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to recognize Mr. Whitfield's contributions to Texas' beloved Cowboys Stadium. Cowboys fans from all over appreciate how the stadium's collection is being highlighted and maintained by a loyal fan such as Mr. Phil Whitfield.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BETTY SUTTON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2012

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, due to unforeseen circumstances, I was not able to cast votes last night. Had I been present—

I would have voted "yes" on rollcall No. 514.

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I would have voted "yes" on rollcall No. 518.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 75TH AN- NIVERSARY OF CAROLINAS MED- ICAL CENTER-NORTHEAST

HON. LARRY KISSELL

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2012

Mr. KISSELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Carolinas Medical Center-NorthEast, and the celebration of its 75th Anniversary. Carolinas Medical Center-NorthEast is a regional 457-bed, not-for-profit medical center in Concord, NC, delivering top quality care to the community.

Over the past 75 years, Carolinas Medical Center-NorthEast has grown from a small, local hospital to a regional referral center, of-

fering state of the art care to thousands. In this time, they have established a reputation for excellence in the areas of cancer care, neurosciences, cardiology, and high risk obstetrics.

In 1937, in an effort to care for his employees, Cannon Mills owner Charles A. Cannon, and George A. Batte, Jr. opened Cabarrus County Hospital. Years later in 1951, in honor of World War II veterans, Cabarrus County Hospital officially changed its name to the Cabarrus Memorial Hospital. During the 1990s, the hospital grew to a 60-acre medical campus with specifically designed centers for women's services, surgery, and cancer and cardiac care. In 2006, NorthEast Medical Center opened the Jeff Gordon Children's Hospital, to work to ensure the absolute best care for children in the area. A year later, in 2007, NorthEast Medical Center joined the Carolinas Healthcare System, and assumed its current name, Carolinas Medical Center-NorthEast. This hospital, which was conceived to care for workers, is now our area's top employer.

Among the awards and recognition that Carolinas Medical Center-NorthEast has received are J.D. Power and Associates Distinguished Hospital Program for Excellence in Maternity Services and Emergency Services. The hospital is also a recipient of the United States Department of Health and Human Services' Medal of Honor for organ donation, as well as a "Top Performer" award in patient satisfaction for overall quality from Professional Research Consultants in 2012.

Today, I ask all Members of Congress to join me in honoring Carolinas Medical Center-NorthEast, as an asset to the people I am proud to represent in North Carolina.

HONORING MR. VAN WHITE

HON. KEITH ELLISON

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2012

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Van White and to recognize his dedicated service to the great state of Minnesota.

Born on August 2, 1924, Mr. White was a lifelong resident of north Minneapolis. Mr. White first learned how to lead at the age of 10 when the death of his father left him to help raise his four younger siblings. Upon graduating from Patrick Henry High School in 1943, Mr. White entered the work force as a construction worker and later construction site supervisor for the City of Minneapolis where he remained for the next 18 years. He was then appointed to be the acting assistant manager for the Northside Branch of the Minnesota Department of Economic Security, now known as the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development.

Mr. White was passionate about uplifting his community. He was active in organizations

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that focused on economic development and crime reduction, while also advocating for the development of community centers and parks. In 1971, Mr. White founded the Willard Housing Organization, one of the first groups in Minneapolis that sought government loans to repair and rehabilitate the impoverished areas of Minneapolis.

His passion, combined with experience he gained as a community activist, led Mr. White to enter the political arena, where he became the first African American elected to the city council of Minneapolis in 1979. During the ten years Mr. White served on the Minneapolis City Council where he was the chair of the Government Operations Committee and Vice Chair of the Minneapolis Community Development Agency.

Mr. White continued to support his community until he passed away on July 14, 1993. Mr. White is survived by his wife of nearly forty years, Mrs. Javanese White, their daughter Javoni, son Perri and granddaughter Kapria.

Mr. White dedicated over fifty years of his life to community activism. He served on the board of nearly thirty economic and community development programs, and left behind a legacy of uplifting his community. Throughout his life, Mr. White was viewed as a connector, someone who could take ideas to improve the communities of Minneapolis and put those ideas into action. It is only fitting today the Van White Memorial Bridge connects North Minneapolis to downtown Minneapolis in his honor. I urge the citizens of the United States to follow in the steps of Van White, and find ways to serve and improve their own communities.

I truly appreciate everything Mr. White did for Minneapolis, and I thank him and his family for their dedication and service.

HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF DORA FINLEY

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2012

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the contributions of Mrs. Dora Finley, a native of Mobile, Alabama, who recently passed away at the age of 59. During her lifetime, Dora Finley inspired Mobile to recognize its rich heritage while moving the community to remember the vital lessons of the past.

At an early age, Mrs. Finley demonstrated a passion for social issues and an uncommon ability to lead. A graduate of Mobile's Bishop Toolen School for Girls in 1970, Mrs. Finley created the United Student Action Movement while still a high school junior. As head of the Movement, she dedicated herself to addressing issues confronting African-American youth.

Mrs. Finley learned the value of hard work in childhood when she helped sell candy in the family drugstore. She later taught mathematics at John L. Leflore High School before becoming a Loan Officer at Commonwealth National Bank. After earning a Masters' Degree in Business Administration from Spring Hill College, she embarked on a 25 year career in Managerial Logistics with Scott Paper Company/Kimberly-Clark Corporation.

Her tenacity to see any job through to completion combined with her dedication to pro-

moting a greater awareness of African-American history in her hometown made her uniquely qualified to assume the one role for which she is best known—the creator of the Mobile African-American Heritage Trail. The Heritage Trail's primary objective is to share Mobile's multicultural legacy from the earliest arrival of African-Americans to the end of segregation. Throughout Mobile County there have been 40 historic markers established by the trail.

City Councilman William Carroll personally credited Mrs. Finley with the creation of the Heritage Trail: "Without Dora, the African-American Heritage Trail would have never been."

Finley also assisted in the making of the 2008 Mobile Mardi Gras documentary "The Order of Myths," produced and directed by Margaret Brown. The film highlights the history of Mobile's black and white mystical societies and the complex interaction between the two.

One of her last projects was raising money to restore the Cook's House at Oakleigh Mansion. The Cook's House is slated to become the first house museum in Mobile dedicated to the African-American experience, offering a historically-accurate accounting of the families that once worked at Oakleigh.

Mr. Speaker, Dora Finley has been described as one of Mobile's strongest advocates of historic preservation and a tireless advocate for equality. Without a doubt, her loss is one that is shared by our entire community.

On behalf of the people of Mobile, I offer my heartfelt condolences to her daughter, Nicole; her mother, Joycelyn Franklin Finley; brothers James and Karlos; sister Joycelyn; and many other family and friends. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

IN HONOR OF DR. I.L. MULLINS, SR.

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2012

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an inspiring community leader and beloved Pastor of First Missionary Baptist Church, Dr. I.L. Mullins, Sr. Sadly, Dr. Mullins passed away on Wednesday, July 18, 2012. His passing leaves a tremendous void in the hearts of his family, friends and the Thomasville, Georgia community.

On Thursday, July 26, 2012, a Musical Memorial Service will be held in honor of Dr. Mullins at First Missionary Baptist Church. On Friday, July 27, 2012, a funeral service will be held at First Baptist Church in Thomasville, Georgia.

Dr. Mullins was born on August 26, 1930, and grew up in Chattanooga, Tennessee. He served in the United States Air Force during the Korean War in the 1950s.

Over the course of his lifetime, Dr. Mullins admirably mastered the balance of his civic responsibilities with his academic accomplishments and religious commitments. After he received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Morehouse College in 1957, he went on to obtain his Masters of Divinity from the Interdenominational Theological Center & Gammon Theological Seminary in 1960. In 1979, Dr. Mullins

received his Doctor of Divinity degree from Faith College in Birmingham, Alabama.

A fierce believer in equality and justice for all, Dr. Mullins was not only a profound theologian but also a strong civic leader. He marched with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. during the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s and was instrumental in organizing the local Thomasville branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, NAACP. Additionally, Dr. Mullins served effectively as Thomas County Commissioner for five-terms that spanned over two decades.

Ordained as a minister on December 29, 1957, Dr. Mullins has served as the Pastor of the First Missionary Baptist Church since 1961 and was honored by the church for 50 years of dedicated pastoral service last year in a Golden Jubilee Extravaganza.

Mr. Speaker, one of the things that I will always remember about Dr. Mullins is his dedication to helping others and his passion for promoting equality and peace among individuals from different walks of life. A man of integrity and high moral values, his understanding, compassion and kindness made him a guiding light within the community.

On a personal note, I have been truly blessed by Dr. Mullins' warm friendship and support and I am deeply grateful for his counsel and advice as well as for being a fountain of inspiration for me over the last several years. His motto was, "God's Preachers give their hearers fruit, not flowers." Indeed, Dr. Mullins gave his congregation and all those who have sought his counsel the fruit of the Word to satiate and sustain them throughout the journey of life.

Mr. Speaker, my wife Vivian and I, along with the almost 700,000 people in the 2nd Congressional District of Georgia, would like to extend our deepest sympathies to Dr. Mullins' wife the former Josephine Lovejoy Ferrell, their children, grandchildren and the members of First Missionary Baptist Church during this difficult time. May they be consoled and comforted by their abiding faith and the Holy Spirit in the days, weeks and months ahead.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DONNA F. EDWARDS

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2012

Ms. EDWARDS. Mr. Speaker, I was absent from votes in the House Tuesday afternoon (July 24th), due to testifying before the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Human Rights. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall votes 502 (the motion on ordering the previous question on H. Res. 738) and 503 (H. Res. 738, the rule providing for consideration of both H.R. 4078 and H.R. 6082).

2012 OLYMPIC GAMES

HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 26, 2012

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, over two thousand years ago, the