

companies, particularly in Israel. The Ostrovs are dedicated to sharing their Jewish faith with the community through various charitable and volunteer activities. Their recent volunteer work has provided professional and strategic leadership to educate the community about Israel.

Nona and Dennis Drazin continue to serve with various organizations throughout Monmouth County, New Jersey. Dennis Drazin currently serves as President at Drazin and Warshaw, an esteemed position that oversees 12 attorneys and 40 support staff members. Dennis earned his Juris Doctorate from Dickinson School of Law and is a current member of multiple organizations including the Monmouth County, New Jersey and American Bar Associations. He often lectures for the American Bar Association and Monmouth Bar Association, among others. Dennis Drazin is also chairman of Elite Equine Consultants, providing advice and consultation for the Thoroughbred Horseman's Association. Nona Drazin is an alumna of the University of Pennsylvania and earned her Juris Doctorate in 1994 from American University. She has practiced law in Washington, DC and New Jersey. Nona was also employed by the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horseman's Association as their General Counsel and serves as President on their Board of Trustees. Until recently, she served two terms as an elected Trustee at Congregation B'nai Israel in Rumson, New Jersey. Nona was recently elected to the Monmouth Parks Charity Foundation's Board of Directors. The Ostrovs and Drazins continue to provide valuable and dedicated time to the Hand in Hand organization and the Monmouth County community.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in thanking the Hand in Hand teen volunteers and congratulating the guests of honor for their service and dedication. Their efforts continue to enhance the lives of individuals throughout Monmouth County and New Jersey.

PEYTON MOORE

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Peyton Moore for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Peyton Moore is a 12th grader at Warren Tech North and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Peyton Moore is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Peyton Moore for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all her future accomplishments.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2013

SPEECH OF

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 31, 2012

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5325) making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes:

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Chair, I stand today in opposition to this legislation because it provides funding for the fundamentally flawed and wasteful Delaware Deepening project. Prior to the Army Corps' recent decision to partially fund this \$300 million project, it had previously only been funded through Congressional earmarks for the previous 6 years.

In June of 2002 the General Accounting Office (report # GA0-02-604) found that the Army Corps grossly misrepresented the costs and benefits of the project. The GAO determined that the economic analysis provided for the project contained a number of "material errors," "miscalculations, invalid assumptions, and the use of significantly outdated information." Based on the GAO's findings, the benefit to cost ratio of the project is closer to 0.49 to 1 as opposed to the 1.4 to 1 originally asserted by the Army Corps. A re-analysis completed by the GAO in 2010 (report # GA0-10-420) came to the same conclusion that the Delaware River Main Channel Deepening would not provide a good return on investment for the taxpayers. The latest re-analysis completed by the Army Corps last year fails to re-examine the costs. It also makes highly questionable projections about future benefits based on limited historical data.

The OMB, at President Obama's direction, has said the federal government should only provide funding for projects that are a demonstrated benefit for the nation; i.e. projects that have a benefit cost ratio of at least 2.5 to 1. As noted by the Corps of Engineers, the Delaware River Deepening is the only navigation project nationwide that had a benefit cost ratio less than the 2.5 minimum criteria. Previous Presidents, both Democrat and Republican, have not supported this project because it makes no economic sense.

Mr. Chair, there also continues to be an overwhelming number of serious environmental concerns raised by state and federal environmental protection agencies and experts about the project's impact on drinking water, commercial and recreational fish, shellfish, wetlands, wildlife, water quality—not to mention the hundreds of millions of dollars of economic revenue and jobs these natural resources support. This project is an economic loser and Congress should not be in the business of funding old earmarks.

REYNA CANTOR-GUTIERREZ

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Reyna Cantor-Gutierrez for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Reyna Cantor-Gutierrez is a 7th grader at Wheat Ridge 5-8 and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Reyna Cantor-Gutierrez is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Reyna Cantor-Gutierrez for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all her future accomplishments.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$15,728,112,402,859.92. We've added \$5,101,235,353,946.84 to our debt in just over 3 years. This is debt our Nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

PAYCHECK FAIRNESS ACT

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, with the Senate expected to consider the Paycheck Fairness Act today, it is imperative that the House get serious about addressing pay inequality for working women across the United States. The House version of the Paycheck Fairness Act, H.R. 1519, seeks to achieve this pay equality and fairness by holding employers accountable for sex-based pay discrimination.

On average, women earn only seventy-seven cents for every dollar earned by their male counterparts, and that disparity can fluctuate even further across professions. For African American and Latina women, they are paid only 62 and 54 cents respectively for every dollar paid to their male counterparts. For countless families and single mothers trying to make ends meet, this wage disparity threatens their financial stability, and negatively impacts the livelihood of these women and their dependents.

The Paycheck Fairness Act is a common-sense piece of legislation that will ensure equal pay for all hardworking Americans. There is no basis for which pay discrimination should ever exist, and allowing this to continue undermines our Nation's economic recovery and our commitment to equality.

Mr. Speaker, fairness and equality are basic fundamentals that we must promote as a democratic Nation. Allowing pay discrimination on the basis of sex is not consistent with those principles, and I urge this Congress to take action against it. The Paycheck Fairness Act will provide a solid foundation on which we can build to promote fairness and equality in the workplace. As an original cosponsor of this important piece of legislation, I will continue to advocate for the rights of women all across the country.

MIGUEL CALDERON

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Miguel Calderon for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Miguel Calderon is an 11th grader at Jefferson Senior High and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Miguel Calderon is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Miguel Calderon for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all his future accomplishments.

HONORING DR. THOMAS CHAFER
PRINCE, JR.

HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I wish today to honor one of the most well-known and selfless men in my District. Dr. Thomas Chafer Prince, Jr. passed away recently at the age of 85.

Dr. Prince was a well-known physician and surgeon in my District for 64 years, and he undoubtedly touched the lives of thousands of people in many positive ways.

He also served his country admirably in the Korean war in the United States Air Force and continued to fly throughout his life.

One of his favorite activities was to sing in a barbershop quartet called The Dignitaries, which was inducted into the Hall of Fame.

He was also a family man with a deep faith in God who studied biblical prophecy and was scheduled to preach at Harvest Christian Fellowship the week he passed away.

I offer my condolences to his wife, Gail; children, Thomas, III, Gayle, Gary, and Steven; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues and other readers of the RECORD to join me in celebrating the remarkable life of Dr. Thomas Chafer Prince, Jr.

I can think of no more fitting tribute to Dr. Prince than to request the proclamation by Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett honoring his life be reprinted into the RECORD.

A PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE
OF KNOX COUNTY

By His Honor The Mayor Tim Burchett To
Publicly Recognize

IN MEMORY OF THOMAS C. PRINCE, JR. M.D.

Whereas; On October 9, 2011, at the age of 85, Thomas C. Prince, Jr. passed away; and

Whereas; He graduated from Knoxville High School at the age of 15, the University of Tennessee at age 17 and the University of Tennessee Medical School at Memphis at age 19. Dr. Prince began practicing medicine at the age of 21 and practiced for 64 years until his death; and

Whereas; He served in the United States Air Force as a flight surgeon in the Korean War. Dr. Prince sang with his barber shop quartet, The Dignitaries, and was inducted into the Hall of Fame. He served as a physician for the University of Tennessee track teams under coaches Rohe and Huntsman. He was an avid runner and outdoorsman who taught bible classes and was a student of the scripture; and

Whereas; He was dedicated to his wife and four children; and

Whereas; Knox County wishes to memorialize Thomas Chafer Prince, Jr. M.D. for his lifetime of service and achievement.

Now, Therefore, I, Mayor Tim Burchett, Knox County Mayor do hereby proclaim this day in memory of Thomas C. Prince, Jr. M.D.

In Knox County, and urge all citizens to join in this observance.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT
AND RELATED AGENCIES
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2013

SPEECH OF

HON. RUSS CARNAHAN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 1, 2012

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5325) making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes:

Mr. CARNAHAN. Mr. Chair, I rise in support of the Moran Amendment.

The streams, lakes, and wetlands of America are in desperate need of protection. These areas provide citizens with clean drinking water, are essential to sports and recreation, and, importantly to my district in St. Louis, protect cities from floods. The Army Corps of Engineers, and the Environmental Protection Agency developed a guidance plan this past summer to clarify the jurisdiction of the Clean Water Act, the paramount piece of legislation protecting these important areas. This guidance will confirm the water protections we depend on to keep our water safe. Thus, I sup-

port the Moran Amendment which would eliminate Section 110. Section 110 prevents the Corps from doing a critical part of its job: maintaining our country's significant water resources.

The Corps has already proposed guidance that would significantly clarify the Clean Water Act and ensure the safety of American waterways. Without these clarifications, 20 million acres of wetlands will continue to be left without legal protections. The American public depends on this Act for clean drinking water, protection from flood waters, and maintaining the habitats of important wildlife. The American public depends on us to support the Corps and place safeguards to keep our water clean. I urge my colleagues to vote in support of the Moran Amendment and not prevent the Army Corp of Engineers from doing their job. We must allow the Army Corps of Engineers to clarify the scope of the Clean Water Act, so that Americans can trust their waterways are clean.

RYAN HOEFLER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Ryan Hoefer for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Ryan Hoefer is a 7th grader at Everitt Middle School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Ryan Hoefer is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Ryan Hoefer for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all his future accomplishments.

IN RECOGNITION OF MIDDLESEX
COUNTY RETIRED EDUCATORS
ASSOCIATION 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Middlesex County Retired Educators Association of New Jersey (MCREA) in celebration of their 50th anniversary. The organization continues to organize in support of various social, educational and financial issues concerning retired educators throughout Middlesex County and New Jersey. Their services to the constituents of New Jersey are worthy of this body's recognition.

The Middlesex County Retired Educators Association is dedicated to protecting the rights of many retired educators throughout