

and I have been with one of her sons, Michael, who was in my office a year ago in March when we talked about our strategy to clear the names of these two Marine pilots. I never will forget that Michael leaned up after we talked, about five adults, including his mom in there, and he leaned up and he said, May I say something? And we all said, Certainly, whatever you'd like to say. And he said, Will you please let me clear my father's name.

Madam Speaker, the ball is in the Marine Corps' court. All of the evidence and all of the experts have joined in this effort to clear the names of the two pilots. On these charts, you can see the faces of the two Marine pilots. Right immediately close to me is Colonel John Brow, the pilot; and beside him is Major Brooks Gruber, who was the copilot. I think about what I have said to the wives and to their sons and daughters: It's time that the Marine Corps salute Colonel John Brow and Major Brooks Gruber and say, Colonel and Major, you may rest in peace. Don't ever worry about your name again. We have done everything we can as the United States Marine Corps to make sure that the public knows that you two, pilot and copilot, were not at fault for that tragedy on April 8 of 2000.

Madam Speaker, just a couple more minutes and I will bring my comments to a close.

I had someone send to me a quote by Voltaire that says, "To the living, we owe respect; to the dead, we owe the truth." And that's why I wanted to be on the floor tonight to share just a few comments by the experts, not by me. I am no expert. I'm just one man who believes what the wife said, Connie Gruber:

My husband and John Brow cannot speak for themselves. Someone has to speak for these two men to clear their names.

The lawsuits are over. They were settled out of court. It was a closed settlement. Nobody knows the figures except the families. I've never heard a figure, so I have no idea. But I know one thing. When a firm as large as Bell-Boeing, which manufactured the V-22, when they settle out of court, they must feel some responsibility for the accident.

I hope and pray that soon the Marine Corps will close the chapter on the tragedy in the life of Trish Brow and Connie Gruber. The reason they want the letter, Madam Speaker, is so their children, 10, 15, 20 years from now, whenever there's another article written about the V-22 crash in Arizona in the year 2000 and they misstate that this was pilot error, that the families will have an official letter from the Commandant of the Marine Corps that will clearly state that John Brow and Brooks Gruber were not at fault.

Madam Speaker, I'm going to close in about 2 minutes.

I want to call on the United States Marine Corps to come forward and give the families what they are asking. The three investigators, as I said earlier,

have joined in this. Jim Shaffer, Madam Speaker, who was in the air at the same time as this crash, he was flying a V-22 when the other two were flying and before Nighthawk 72 crashed. He was a friend of John Brow and Brooks Gruber. He has joined in this effort. He believes that the right thing to do, based on the circumstances of the time, that the right thing to do is to say that the two pilots were not at fault.

Madam Speaker, I want to thank you for staying a little bit later tonight to give me this time. I'm not going to take the full 30 minutes. There is a lot more I could say, but I think that I've done the first step of what is going to be many steps in coming to the floor and talking about these two pilots and their families until we get the letter from the Commandant that is just one paragraph that clearly states that Lieutenant Colonel John Brow, Major Brooks Gruber, pilot and copilot, were not at fault for the crash that happened on April 8, 2000, in Arizona.

So with that, Madam Speaker, I will ask God to please bless the families of these two pilots and the families of the 17 Marines who were in the back of the V-22 that crashed and 19 died, to bless those families as well. I will ask God to please touch the heart of the United States Marine Corps so that these two Marines can rest in peace.

Madam Speaker, with that, I yield back the balance of my time.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 1710. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, as the James M. Fitzgerald United States Courthouse.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. JONES. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 48 minutes p.m.), under its previous order and pursuant to House Resolution 571, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 7, 2012, at 10 a.m., for morning-hour debate, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Honorable DONALD M. PAYNE.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

5181. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of Captain Hugh D. Wetherald, United States Navy, to wear the authorized insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5182. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of Colonel Cedric T. Wins,

United States Army, to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5183. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Exceptions or Alternatives to Labeling Requirements for Products Held by the Strategic National Stockpile [Docket No.: FDA-2006-N-0364] received February 13, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5184. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Group Health Plans and Health Insurance Issuers Relating to Coverage of Preventive Services Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act [CMS-9992-F] (RIN: 0938-AQ74) received February 14, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5185. A letter from the Chief Operating Officer/President, Financing Corporation, transmitting a copy of the Financing Corporation's Statement on the System of Internal Controls and the 2011 Audited Financial Statements; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5186. A letter from the Senior Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; BAE SYSTEMS (Operations) Limited Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0908; Directorate Identifier 2010-NM-251-AD; Amendment 39-16870; AD 2011-24-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 16, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5187. A letter from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting a statement of actions with respect to the GAO report entitled: "NASA: Key Controls NASA Employs to Guide Use and Management of Funded Space Act Agreements are Generally Sufficient but Some Could Be Strengthened and Clarified"; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

5188. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report entitled, Engagement in Additional Work Activities and Expenditures for Other Benefits and Services, April-June 2011: A Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Report to Congress; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5189. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Application of Section 267 to Section 304 Transactions [Notice 2012-15] received February 13, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5190. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Physical Inspection Pilot Program [Notice 2012-18] received February 13, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5191. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Department's final rule — Section 51 — Work Opportunity Tax Credit; Section 52 — Special Rules; Section 3111(e) — Credit for Employment of Qualified Veterans [Notice 2012-13] received February 14, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5192. A letter from the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting Community Living Assistance Services and Supports Program: 2011 Report to Congress; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

5193. A letter from the Special Inspector General For Iraq Reconstruction, transmitting the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction (SIGIR) January 2012 Quarterly Report and Semiannual Report; jointly to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Appropriations.

5194. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting fourth quarterly report of FY 2011 on the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act; jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Veterans' Affairs.

5195. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Report to Congress: Under the Temporary Payroll Tax Cut Continuation Act of 2011 Section 501(b)(2) Concerning the Presidential Permit Application of the Proposed Keystone XL Pipeline; jointly to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Foreign Affairs, Energy and Commerce, and Natural Resources.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. BACHUS: Committee on Financial Services. Supplemental report on H.R. 3606. A bill to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies (Rept. 112-406, Pt. 2). Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed.

Mr. SESSIONS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 572. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies (Rept. 112-409). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. BACA:

H.R. 4144. A bill to amend the State Small Business Credit Initiative Act of 2010 to allow participating States to provide program funds to community development housing organizations for development of affordable housing; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. CHABOT:

H.R. 4145. A bill to reform the program for rental assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. ELLISON (for himself, Mr. PAULSEN, and Mr. WALZ of Minnesota):

H.R. 4146. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Army to take actions to manage the threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in the State of Minnesota, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MORAN:

H.R. 4147. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide States an op-

tion to cover a children's program of all-inclusive coordinated care (ChiPACC) under the Medicaid Program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. PETRI:

H.R. 4148. A bill to establish the Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. SOUTHERLAND:

H.R. 4149. A bill to amend title XVI of the Social Security Act to clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources under the supplemental security income program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey:

H. Res. 571. A resolution expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Donald M. Payne, a Representative from the State of New Jersey; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. WOOLSEY (for herself, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. MOORE, Mr. OLVER, Ms. BORDALLO, Ms. NORTON, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. RICHARDSON, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. FARR, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. REYES, Mr. KIND, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. CARNAHAN, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. SIREs, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H. Res. 573. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Women's History Month; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. BACA:

H.R. 4144.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. CHABOT:

H.R. 4145.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The U.S. Constitution, Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 and The U.S. Constitution, Article I, Section 8, Clause 18: The Congress shall have power to provide for the general Welfare of the United States [and] To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof.

By Mr. ELLISON:

H.R. 4146.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

Article I, Section 8, Clause 14 of the United States Constitution.

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. MORAN:

H.R. 4147.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This legislation, which amends the Social Security Act, title XIX relating to the Med-

icaid program is authorized by Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1, which grants Congress authority regarding Defence [sic] and general Welfare of the United States; and Clause 3 regarding the regulation of commerce among the states.

By Mr. PETRI:

H.R. 4148.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution.

By Mr. SOUTHERLAND:

H.R. 4149.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Social Security Act has been upheld under the power to tax and spending under Article I Section 8, Clause 1 of the U.S. Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 31: Mr. MCCOTTER.

H.R. 32: Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. KISSELL, and Ms. BONAMICI.

H.R. 157: Mr. LUETKEMEYER and Mr. AMODEI.

H.R. 192: Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H.R. 303: Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. BERG, and Mr. AMODEI.

H.R. 333: Ms. HOCHUL and Ms. CHU.

H.R. 431: Mrs. LUMMIS.

H.R. 450: Mr. JONES, Mr. BENISHEK, and Mr. WALSH of Illinois.

H.R. 452: Mr. ADERHOLT and Mr. HASTINGS of Washington.

H.R. 469: Ms. NORTON and Mr. SMITH of Washington.

H.R. 578: Mr. BUCHANAN.

H.R. 854: Mr. RYAN of Ohio.

H.R. 870: Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey and Mr. BISHOP of Georgia.

H.R. 925: Mr. HINOJOSA.

H.R. 972: Mr. MANZULLO.

H.R. 1176: Mr. ISRAEL.

H.R. 1179: Ms. GRANGER.

H.R. 1190: Mr. PIERLUISI.

H.R. 1206: Mr. RIGELL, Mrs. BLACK, and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska.

H.R. 1236: Mr. COURTNEY.

H.R. 1265: Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, Mr. WEBSTER, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, and Mr. LUETKEMEYER.

H.R. 1267: Mr. SCHRADER.

H.R. 1288: Ms. HAHN, Mr. BACA, Mr. HONDA, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. BOSWELL, and Mr. LATTA.

H.R. 1443: Mr. MANZULLO.

H.R. 1488: Ms. BONAMICI.

H.R. 1505: Mr. GUTHRIE.

H.R. 1509: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.

H.R. 1614: Mr. ALEXANDER.

H.R. 1639: Mr. BARTLETT.

H.R. 1681: Mr. CLARKE of Michigan and Ms. BONAMICI.

H.R. 1697: Mr. TIBERI, Mr. GIBBS, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. FARENTHOLD, and Mr. WOLF.

H.R. 1704: Ms. HAHN and Mr. PERLMUTTER.

H.R. 1718: Mrs. CAPPS.

H.R. 1738: Mr. CLARKE of Michigan and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 1742: Mr. TOWNS, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. LATHAM, and Mr. PLATTS.

H.R. 1746: Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California.

H.R. 1760: Mrs. CAPPS.

H.R. 1802: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 1903: Ms. CLARKE of New York and Mr. SIREs.

H.R. 1922: Mr. ROSS of Florida.

H.R. 1956: Mrs. MYRICK.

H.R. 1964: Mr. DUFFY.

H.R. 1971: Mr. KISSELL.