

IN RECOGNITION OF OFFICER  
ROBERT HORNSBY

**HON. JOHN R. CARTER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 17, 2013*

Mr. CARTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a fallen hero of the 31st District of Texas, Police Officer Robert "Bobby" Hornsby. Officer Hornsby, of the Killeen Police Department SWAT team, was fatally shot in the line of duty on Saturday, July 14, 2013. After four years of service on the force, he was accepted by the SWAT team in November of 2012. Officer Hornsby was a valued asset and one of Killeen's finest. He is described by his fellow officers as dedicated, patient man who was a strength to the department. Officer Hornsby is survived by his loving wife, daughter and son.

I am deeply saddened by this tragic loss; it is unfair whenever a young life is taken from us too soon. Officer Hornsby's bravery and commitment to the badge will be honored and remembered. My prayers are with Officer Hornsby's family, his brothers and sisters in blue at the Killeen Police Department, and the Killeen community as they mourn this remarkable life.

I would also like to recognize Officer Juan Obregon Jr. of the Killeen, Texas Police Department SWAT team. Officer Obregon was injured in the line of duty next to his fallen brother, Officer Hornsby. My prayers of healing are with him and his family as he begins his road to recovery.

I thank Officer Hornsby and Officer Obregon for their service, as well as all law enforcement. We are safe because heroic men, like Officer Hornsby and Officer Obregon, put themselves in harm's way to defend others. Their bravery and commitment to the badge will be honored.

HONORING MS. JAN N. ROCHE ON  
HER SELECTION TO THE NAFCU  
BOARD

**HON. JAMES P. MORAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Jan Roche on her recent election to the Board of Directors at the National Association of Federal Credit Unions (NAFCU).

Ms. Roche is the President and CEO of State Department Federal Credit Union headquartered in Alexandria, Virginia. She has served in this role for over 10 years and has used her extensive accounting and credit union management experience to ensure that the State Department Federal Credit Union remains wholly committed to serving its 68,000 members at home and abroad. Ms. Roche is a Certified Public Accountant and graduated cum laude from the University of Richmond.

In addition to her service on NAFCU's Board of Directors, Ms. Roche also serves on the Administrative Board of the Filene Research Institute and is the vice chair of the Richmond Fed's Community Development Institutions Advisory Board. Ms. Roche is active in the betterment of our local community

through her work supporting Credit Union Miracle Day, which helps plan the Cherry Blossom 10-miler each year benefitting the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals.

Undoubtedly, Ms. Roche will bring a tremendous amount of expertise to the NAFCU Board in navigating laws and regulations impacting the credit union community.

I wish Ms. Roche the best of luck in her new role on the NAFCU Board and look forward to working with her in this capacity. I ask that my colleagues join me today in congratulating her on this achievement.

**UNITED HEALTH FOUNDATION  
DIVERSE SCHOLARS INITIATIVE**

**HON. ERIK PAULSEN**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 17, 2013*

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, investing in the next generation of health care professionals to equip them with the tools and skills to improve the quality and delivery of health care is essential to the successful modernization of our nation's health care system. For the past six years, United Health Foundation has helped more than 1,000 multicultural students from across the country reach their higher education dreams while inspiring them to pursue careers in health care through their Diverse Scholars Initiative. This year's scholars represent an impressive group of individuals who are dedicated to creating a more culturally relevant and effective health care system, particularly in underserved communities. I would like to congratulate these individuals for their academic achievements and their commitment to enter the health care workforce.

Mycolette Anderson, Lukachukai, Arizona, 1st Congressional District of Arizona.

Kaitlyn Benally, Tuba City, Arizona, 1st Congressional District of Arizona.

Wilma Hunter, Chinle, Arizona, 1st Congressional District of Arizona.

Regis Maloney, Tonalea, Arizona, 1st Congressional District of Arizona.

Jeffery Sleppy, Chinle, Arizona, 1st Congressional District of Arizona.

Cecilia Espinoza, El Mirage, Arizona, 8th Congressional District of Arizona.

Lorenza Villegas-Murphy, Litchfield Park, Arizona, 8th Congressional District of Arizona.

Nancy Rivera, Davis, California, 3rd Congressional District of California.

Tria Vue, Sacramento, California, 6th Congressional District of California.

Brian Daniel, San Pablo, California, 11th Congressional District of California.

Ricky Vides, Moraga, California, 11th Congressional District of California.

Hannah Yemane, Danville, California, 11th Congressional District of California.

Lois Chen, Oakland, California, 13th Congressional District of California.

Jose Mata, Los Angeles, California, 28th Congressional District of California.

Angelyn Reyes, Los Angeles, California, 33rd Congressional District of California.

Elisa Parmentier, Sun City, California, 42nd Congressional District of California.

Sophia Jimenez, Imperial Beach, California, 51st Congressional District of California.

Blanca Pacheco, San Diego, California, 53rd Congressional District of California.

Kelly Sanchez, New Haven, Connecticut, 3rd Congressional District of Connecticut.

Dianelis Martin, Lehigh Acres, Florida, 19th Congressional District of Florida.

Emmanuel Adejo, Miami Gardens, Florida, 24th Congressional District of Florida.

Alison Morales, Key West, Florida, 26th Congressional District of Florida.

Karla Arevalo-Alas, Morrow, Georgia, 5th Congressional District of Georgia.

Sharmori Lewis, Hampton, Georgia, 13th Congressional District of Georgia.

Carolina González, Pocatello, Idaho, 2nd Congressional District of Idaho.

Jessica Smith, Chicago, Illinois, 7th Congressional District of Illinois.

Raymond Morales, Urbana, Illinois, 13th Congressional District of Illinois.

Christian Figueroa, Garden City, Kansas, 1st Congressional District of Kansas.

Marcus Rushing, Overland Park, Kansas, 3rd Congressional District of Kansas.

Stephen Igwe, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2nd Congressional District of Louisiana.

Julius Unamba, Upper Marlboro, Maryland, 4th Congressional District of Maryland.

Alba Ortega, Lynn, Massachusetts, 6th Congressional District of Massachusetts.

Erez Gueta, Bath, Michigan, 4th Congressional District of Michigan.

Linda Kerandi, Plymouth, Minnesota, 3rd Congressional District of Minnesota.

Victoria Okuneye, Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, 3rd Congressional District of Minnesota.

David Koffa, Hanover, New Hampshire, 2nd Congressional District of New Hampshire.

Quideest Sheriff, Blackwood, New Jersey, 1st Congressional District of New Jersey.

Naillah Cooper, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 1st Congressional District of New Mexico.

Tylene Billie, Crownpoint, New Mexico, 3rd Congressional District of New Mexico.

Lesley Eldridge, Gallup, New Mexico, 3rd Congressional District of New Mexico.

Ronald Sanchez, Queens, New York, 5th Congressional District of New York.

Xiang Mei Cao, Brooklyn, New York, 7th Congressional District of New York.

Emma Guzman, Brooklyn, New York, 11th Congressional District of New York.

Elliott Brea, New York, New York, 12th Congressional District of New York.

Rosario Jaime-Lara, New York, New York, 13th Congressional District of New York.

Gordon Wong, Geneseo, New York, 27th Congressional District of New York.

Joshua Pyant, Charlotte, North Carolina, 9th Congressional District of North Carolina.

Jessica Mack, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, 12th Congressional District of North Carolina.

Rashidah Weaver, East Cleveland, Ohio, 11th Congressional District of Ohio.

Shelah McMillan, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2nd Congressional District of Pennsylvania.

Vivienne Meljen, Scranton, Pennsylvania, 17th Congressional District of Pennsylvania.

Emily Gao, Galveston, Texas, 14th Congressional District of Texas.

Brian Ibarra, El Paso, Texas, 16th Congressional District of Texas.

Paula Ogbevoen, Houston, Texas, 18th Congressional District of Texas.

Rio Reyna Pilar, San Antonio, Texas, 20th Congressional District of Texas.

Cassandra Ragin, San Antonio, Texas, 20th Congressional District of Texas.

Brenda Tristan, Laredo, Texas, 28th Congressional District of Texas.

Leslie Cepeda-Echeverria, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2nd Congressional District of Utah.

Michelle Lewis, Richmond, Virginia, 3rd Congressional District of Virginia.

Beverly Sanchez, Alexandria, Virginia, 8th Congressional District of Virginia.

Tiffany Tran, Vancouver, Washington, 3rd Congressional District of Washington.

Harpreet Singh-Gill, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 4th Congressional District of Wisconsin.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. AL GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 17, 2013

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, yesterday I was unavoidably detained and missed the following vote: H.R. 2576—To amend title 49, United States Code, to modify requirements relating to the availability of pipeline safety regulatory documents, and for other purposes. Had I been present, I would have voted “yes” on this bill.

#### TRIBUTE TO DR. CLINTON M. PATTEA

#### HON. KYRSTEN SINEMA

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 17, 2013

Ms. SINEMA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and passing of Dr. Clinton M. Pattea, a lifelong advocate for Native American sovereignty, president of the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation, and former chairman of the Arizona Commission of Indian Affairs.

As a state legislator, I worked with Dr. Pattea on issues important to our local communities, where his passion for education and providing educational resources to the underserved was renowned. Dr. Pattea tirelessly sought to fund scholarships for native peoples across the state and in my district at Arizona State University, where I am an Adjunct Professor in the School of Social Work.

Elected to the Yavapai Tribal Council in 1960, Dr. Pattea thereafter led a decade-long campaign to stop construction of the Orme Dam, which would have flooded 17,000 acres of tribal lands. The victory is celebrated annually, as is Sovereignty Day, commemorating a peaceful standoff led by Dr. Pattea against federal agents seeking to seize Yavapai property. The non-violent protest led to the negotiation with Governor Fife Symington of a pact considered a national victory for Native self-determination.

Dr. Pattea will be missed by all who knew him, and will be remembered by his family, his Nation, the state of Arizona, and Native people everywhere. I ask that my colleagues join me in posthumously recognizing Dr. Pattea for his dedicated service to his community, as well as in grieving with his family and the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation at the passing of their leader.

IN MEMORY OF ARTHUR GLATFELTER, JR.

#### HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 17, 2013

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the late Arthur Glatfelter, Jr. Mr. Glatfelter was a pillar of his community, a kind and generous man, and a leader who sought to make the world a better place. In addition to his work with philanthropies, Mr. Glatfelter was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather.

Mr. Glatfelter fought for his country during World War II, serving in the United States Marine Corps in the Pacific. After the war he continued his life of service. Mr. Glatfelter was a leader in many philanthropic groups, and served on the boards of multiple organizations in his community. He was an original member of the board of directors as well as the founding director of the Congressional Fire Services Institute. Mr. Glatfelter remained an active member of the CFSI until stepping down in 2008. Other groups he worked with included the Cultural Alliance of York County, the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, the York Habitat for Humanity, and the Farm and Natural Lands Trust of York County. Mr. Glatfelter was also the founder of the Glatfelter Insurance Group.

Mr. Speaker, Art Glatfelter was a shining example of community service and family values. He was not only a good friend of mine, but an outstanding friend of the emergency services and first responder communities all across America. He will be missed.

#### LEGISLATION TO AMEND THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 TO PROVIDE FOR OFFSETTING CERTAIN PAST-DUE LOCAL TAX DEBTS AGAINST INCOME TAX OVERPAYMENTS

#### HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 17, 2013

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, today I am proposing legislation to establish a program that would mirror the existing law for states. The legislation would allow certain types of delinquent local tax debt to be collected through the reduction of federal tax refunds. Providing local governments access to these needed and due funds is important both in principle and for budgetary purposes. In this challenging and uncertain economic environment, it is especially important to assist cities and counties to collect the taxes they are owed. The alternatives would be a reduction in vital services and jobs at a time when the government safety net for poor families and the unemployed has weakened significantly and increases in poverty in these hard economic times. Failure to collect what is due will impose significantly higher demands on local governments for police, housing and shelter, food, and other vital services. This bill offers a unique opportunity not just to provide hundreds of millions of dollars of desperately needed assistance at no cost to federal tax-

payers but also to protect honest taxpayers from an increase in local property taxes. Under this legislation, the only cost is to the delinquent taxpayer, who would finally be made to pay his or her outstanding tax obligation.

This proposed program would have no additional cost to the federal government. Local governments would pay the federal government the fee of \$25 for each offset refund. It would alleviate the administrative burden to Department of the Treasury by requiring the state taxing authority to act as the clearinghouse. Therefore, the client base for the Department of the Treasury would not increase.

This concept of an offset originated as a way to assist states with securing child support arrearages. It was expanded to allow states to submit other delinquent claims against an individual's federal tax return. This program has been very successful for the states. This bill would expand its successful idea and concept to local governments in all states. Doing so could potentially result in several billion dollars annually for local governments by effecting the collection of delinquent taxes. Under this legislation, the following order of priority for payment of an offset would be: (1) past-due federal income tax, (2) past-due state child support, (3) past-due federal government agency debt, (4) past-due state income tax, and (5) local government tax. The state taxing authority for each state would act as the clearinghouse for the local government tax debts, so this will not be an additional burden to Financial Management Services (which is a division of the United States Department of the Treasury and administers the Federal Offset Program). Doing so could potentially result in several billion dollars annually for local governments by improving the collection of delinquent taxes.

The bill would instruct the Secretary of the Treasury, upon receiving notice from any eligible state on behalf of a local government, that a named person owes such local government a past-due, legally enforceable tax obligation and provide, consequently, for the reduction of the federal tax refunds payable to such person by the amount of such debt. That amount would be remitted to the state for payment to the affected local government, provide for notification to the state of the taxpayer's name, taxpayer identification number, address, and the amount collected; and notification of the person due the refund that it has been reduced by an amount necessary to satisfy a past-due, legally enforceable tax obligation.

This bill offers a unique opportunity to provide hundreds of millions of dollars of desperately needed assistance at no cost to federal taxpayers. For Virginia localities, it is estimated that this bill will bring in between 65–70 million dollars in revenue during the first year in the program. From its participation in the Federal Offset Program, for FY 2008 the Commonwealth of Virginia received over \$17 million dollars in offsets of federal income tax refunds and an additional \$5 million in offsets of the tax stimulus checks. This legislation earned the official support of the National Association of Counties, the Government Finance Officers Association, the National League of Cities, the Treasurers' Association of Virginia, the United States Conference of Mayors, the Association of Public Treasurers of the United States and Canada, and the Conference of State Court Administrators.