

FY2014 BUDGET RESOLUTION

HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 14, 2013

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, by re-affirming this year's across-the-board cuts and slashing even more deeply into critical priorities like schools, roads and bridges, and medical research, the House budget resolution is a blueprint for stalled growth, joblessness, and abandonment of American families.

Since 2010, Congress has cut discretionary spending by \$1.5 trillion over ten years. The Fiscal Year 2011 Appropriations bills lowered Congressional Budget Office (CBO)-projected spending by \$550 billion over 10 years, and the Budget Control Act (BCA) of 2011 lowered future spending by an additional \$900 billion over 10 years.

Congress' failure to replace this year's across-the-board budget cuts mandated through sequestration with a balanced alternative slashed an additional \$68 billion in discretionary services and investments in Fiscal Year 2013. The nonpartisan, independent Congressional Budget Office (CBO) reported this will result in 750,000 fewer American jobs this year alone.

The Republican budget resolution would further exacerbate these dangerous cuts. Under the caps already in place, spending on non-defense discretionary services and investments, relative to the size of the economy, will fall to the lowest level on record—and records go back to 1962. Nevertheless, the Ryan budget would cut an additional \$1 trillion over 10 years from funding levels agreed to by Democrats and Republicans through the Budget Control Act.

With proposed funding levels this irresponsible and dangerous, it is not surprising that Republicans failed to identify the services they would cut. This budget presents a false choice between services and assistance that Americans rely on, like veterans' benefits, homeland security, schools, medical research, law enforcement, and Pell Grants.

Despite unprecedented discretionary spending cuts since 2010, the Republican budget proposal would continue to inflict wounds on our economy by deepening cuts to initiatives that support job growth and help middle class families.

IN RECOGNITION OF WHTB RADIO

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 14, 2013

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize WHTB Radio. For the past twenty five years, WHTB has provided a vibrant forum for the Portuguese-speaking community in Southeastern Massachusetts.

WHTB has its roots in a weekend radio program on Portuguese topics, and has been broadcast from sister station WSAR in Fall River. Mr. Frank Baptista was at the microphone for that first broadcast on March 17, 1988. Mr. Baptista's program allowed residents of Portuguese heritage to connect with one another and discuss politics, culture, and

neighborhood matters. He has guided the station through the years and still provides a lively voice as WHTB works to expand its programming. One of WHTB's programs, Radio Voz Do Emigrante (or "Voice of the Immigrant") is widely recognized as a premier ambassador of Portuguese culture in the region. WHTB's efforts truly enrich the lives of its listeners and provide a link home for Fall River's latest residents hailing from Brazil, the Azores, Cape Verde, Madeira, and beyond.

Mr. Speaker, it brings me great pride to congratulate WHTB's dedicated staff, passionate volunteers, and gracious community supporters for a quarter century of broadcasting excellence. I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring this greatly admired radio station.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 14, 2013

Mr. COFFMAN. 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 \$16,700,634,854,470.52. We've added \$6,073,757,805,557.44 dollars to our debt in 4 years. This is \$6 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 14, 2013

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor and pleasure to extend my sincere congratulations to the congregation of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Columbus, Georgia, as the church's membership and leadership celebrates 50 years of providing spiritual guidance and moral counseling to the residents of Muscogee County, Georgia. The congregation of Bethlehem Lutheran Church will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Saturday, March 16, 2013, at the Columbus Convention and Trade Center.

This upcoming anniversary ceremony will enable church members, local religious leaders, elected officials and other individuals throughout the Columbus, Georgia, metropolitan area to pay tribute to the members of Bethlehem Lutheran Church who have positively contributed to the spiritual maturation and personal development of those in the Columbus, Georgia, metropolitan area and beyond.

The Bethlehem Lutheran Church traces its historical roots back to 1963. It was founded by the Reverend Robert Collins, who canvassed the entire city in search of members for his new congregation and conducted Confirmation classes in his home as the church was being built. The first Confirmation class consisted of Henry and Lydia McCullough,

Joann Doleman, Thomas Mathis and Robert Sherald. Sadly, Mr. McCullough, Ms. Doleman, and Mr. Sherald have passed away but Mrs. McCullough and Mr. Mathis remain faithful to the congregation today.

Over the years, Bethlehem Lutheran Church has seen many great spiritual leaders come and go, each having a lasting impact in their own way. In 2001, the Reverend Bradley Arnholt answered the calling to minister to the good people of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, and he still serves as pastor today.

Also in 2001, the church was blessed to remodel the multi-purpose room and significantly increase their outreach programs. Today, the church continues to support the community and leans on the declaration in 1 Corinthians 2:9 that, "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love Him."

The story of Bethlehem Lutheran Church is a truly inspiring one of the dedication and perseverance of a faithful congregation of people who put all their love and trust in the Lord. They have put to practice the Word of Hebrews 10:24: "And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near."

Mr. Speaker, today I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Columbus, Georgia, for all the many things this church's members have done and will continue to do to positively impact the lives of those seeking spiritual guidance and in need of charitable assistance.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. JIRO JERRY KANEKO

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 14, 2013

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Dr. Jiro Jerry Kaneko, who passed away on January 18th, 2013 at the age of 88. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the service and contributions of Dr. Kaneko to his country, his immediate community and the field of veterinary medicine.

Jerry Kaneko led a life of service and dedication that has made him an inspiring role model in our community. Dr. Kaneko was the son of Japanese immigrants who operated a family farm in French Camp, CA. Shortly after Jerry completed high school, the family was ordered to a World War II internment camp in Arizona. Even when faced with the injustice and humiliation of internment and loss of the Kaneko family farm, Jerry Kaneko joined the United States Army and at the end of the war served in occupied Japan.

After returning from the war, Dr. Kaneko entered UC Davis where he graduated with a doctorate in veterinary medicine and an another doctorate in comparative biochemistry. Dr. Kaneko was invited to join the faculty of the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine where he co-authored a seminal textbook that is now in its sixth edition, has been translated into several languages and serves as a standard reference in the field. Dr. Kaneko's research and instruction has reached institutions of veterinary science around the world. Even

as an Emeritus Professor, he remained active in international veterinary research, writing, speaking and consulting in international scientific societies.

In retirement Dr. Kaneko became active in public service. In 1994 he was elected to the Davis City Council for a term of four years. He served on the Area Four Agency on Aging Advisory Board and the Board of Directors for Davis Community Meals & Shelter, among a number of organizations, representing his community on the local and state levels. Shortly before his passing Dr. Kaneko received a Board of Directors Recognition Award from the Yolo County Mexican-American Concilio, an organization that provides educational scholarships and grants to students in need. In every endeavor Jerry Kaneko was revered for his generosity, quick smile and infectious enthusiasm.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize a man who had a powerful positive impact on his profession and his community. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Kaneko's life and many achievements.

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY WISHES
TO ANNA HUBBARD

HON. STEVE STIVERS

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 14, 2013

Mr. STIVERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to wish a very special constituent, Anna Hubbard, a happy 100th birthday.

Hubbard was born March 13, 1913, to Jordan Hager and Malinda Arizona Coleman in Jamboree, Kentucky. She was one of ten children, nine of whom survived, living in a three-room house with no living room. Her family used any means at their disposal to put food on the table, such as selling the excess vegetables from their garden.

After eighth grade graduation, Anna took a couple years off before moving on to Phelps High School, where she cooked, cleaned, and laundered bed clothes to earn her \$12 monthly room and board fee. She graduated in three years.

Anna raised her four children by herself after she was widowed when her husband, Pike County Deputy Sheriff Home Wolford, was shot and killed in the line of duty. To help support her family, she opened up a lunch room called Cozy Corner.

In 1944, Anna married Dewey Hubbard. He worked in the mines for the next 20 years, and they were able to buy a nice home. She moved to London, Ohio, two years ago to be closer to her son, Bill.

Anna's hard work and perseverance serve as a lesson to us all. Despite her hardships, she always provided for her children and, above all, valued family and education. I would again like to congratulate Anna Hubbard on her 100th birthday, and I ask that all Members of Congress stand with me to congratulate her for her hard work and exceptional life. She is an outstanding example of the accomplished people who make Ohio's 15th Congressional District truly exceptional.

TRIBUTE TO WARREN COUNTY'S
BICENTENNIAL

HON. WILLIAM L. OWENS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 14, 2013

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Bicentennial Celebration of Warren County, NY.

Established on March 12, 1813, by the New York State Legislature, Warren County was named in honor of General Joseph Warren, an American Revolutionary war hero at the Battle of Bunker Hill.

The county's history includes many periods in our nation's history—such as the French-Indian War, the American Revolution, the Civil War (nearly 20,000 people from the county served), the coming of the industrial age and the construction of the transcontinental railroad. In 1901, it was then Vice President Theodore Roosevelt, commuting from the summit of Mount Marcy to Buffalo to see President William McKinley, who received news of the President's death at the North Creek Train Station, leading to his becoming our nation's youngest president. Now, Warren County lives on in the 21st century, amidst globalization and the information age.

In its time, Warren County has successfully grown, balancing progress and modernization while cherishing and preserving its natural beauty and heritage. Today, the county boasts four mountain ranges and seven major lakes, drawing visitors and tourists from all over the world to the fresh mountain air for boating, camping, hiking and other recreational activities. The county has grown to contain 11 towns, one village, and one city, with vibrant cultural, educational, social, and historic offerings and attractions.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the people of Warren County on this remarkable milestone in their community's proud history, and wishing them all the best in the many years ahead.

RECOGNIZING PAT MOODY

HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 14, 2013

Mr. UPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a legend in Michigan broadcasting, Pat Moody, on forty remarkable years of service to the greater Michiana area.

A native of Grand Rapids, Michigan, Pat came to Berrien County in 1973 as news director of WSJM Radio. We didn't let him get away. Now four decades later, Pat is the area's most well-recognized on-air personality and host of the popular "Moody in the Morning" radio show.

Thousands of households and commuters tune in every morning as Pat informs, enlightens, and entertains. Like that first cup of coffee or newspaper over breakfast, Pat has become a morning staple for folks in Michigan's Great Southwest.

While perhaps best known as the area's favorite radio personality, Pat is also widely recognized as a passionate and engaged member of his community and an outspoken champion of all things Michigan.

Pat has served as Executive Vice President of the Cornerstone Chamber of Commerce for nearly two decades; authors a weekly business column, "Moody on the Market;" and has participated in a diverse array of civic organizations and boards, including Lake Michigan College, the Lakeland Regional Health Foundation, Michiana public broadcasting, and the Berrien Community Foundation, just to name a few.

Pat's hard work and selfless commitment to make Southwest Michigan a better place to live, work, and play has rightfully earned him the respect and admiration of the entire region.

It is truly an honor to recognize Pat Moody on reaching this tremendous milestone; to have worked alongside him on so many issues and to call him friend for so many years. Well done and congratulations! He is a local treasure, and we look forward to many, many more years of waking up to his welcoming voice.

But, he's more than just a voice . . . he's a Friend.

INTERNATIONAL CONSERVATION
CORPS ACT OF 2013

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 14, 2013

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, today I join Representative ANDER CRENSHAW in introducing the "International Conservation Corps Act of 2013" (ICCA), legislation that will mobilize our large and growing community of retired conservation experts, in a voluntary capacity, to support the efforts of developing countries to sustainably manage their natural resources.

There is a significant deficit in the capability of most developing countries to successfully manage their natural resources, which is fundamental to sustainable development, poverty alleviation, conflict avoidance, good governance, and regional security. Countries with a great wealth of natural resources are often cursed with devastating poverty, corruption and civil war arising from disputes over control and distribution of these resources.

The International Conservation Corps Act will harness the vast experience of the United States in natural resource management and direct it to developing countries to help them operate and develop more sustainable programs. Modeled after the Peace Corps, the ICCA program would offer retired land managers, geologists, biologists, and park rangers the opportunity to volunteer their services to the foreign country. The ICCA would cover the expenses necessary to deploy volunteers in other countries such as airfare, food, and lodging. The program will utilize volunteers who have long practical experience and are respected in their fields, and who are enthusiastic about opportunities to apply their knowledge and skills to assist other countries.

Under this proposal, the State Department would screen foreign government requests for assistance. Cleared requests would be forwarded to the Interior Department which would craft a prospectus that awards competitive grants to the nonprofit that assemble the best volunteer teams and most meritorious applications. Federal administrative costs would be