House of Representatives, Committee on Homeland Security Washington, DC, April 11, 2013.

Hon. MIKE ROGERS,

Chairman, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN ROGERS: On April 10, 2013, the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence ordered H.R. 624, the "Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act", reported favorably to the House with certain provisions in the legislation that fall within the Rule X jurisdiction of the Committee on Homeland Security. Specifically, this legislation identifies the Department of Homeland Security's National Cybersecurity and Integrations Communications Center (NCCIC) as a principal entity for sharing cybersecurity information with the Federal government and amongst stakeholders.

The NCCIC partners with all Federal departments and agencies, State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments, as well as private sector and international entities. The Center works with critical infrastructure owners and operators to reduce risk, coordinates national response efforts to significant cyber incidents, and shares cybersecurity threat and vulnerability assessment information throughout the Federal government. These actions, along with the cybersecurity information provided through the NCCIC, trigger the jurisdiction of the Committee on Homeland Security over functions of the Department of Homeland Security relating to integration, analysis, and dissemination of homeland security information.

In the interest of permitting your committee to proceed expeditiously with consideration of this important legislation, the Committee on Homeland Security will not request a sequential referral over provisions within our jurisdiction. However, I do so with the mutual understanding that the Committee's jurisdictional claims over subject matters contained in this and similar legislation are in no way diminished or altered. I request that you urge the Speaker to name members of this Committee to any conference committee for consideration of provisions that fall within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Homeland Security in the House-Senate conference on this bill or similar legislation.

Finally, I ask that you place this letter and your response into the committee report on H.R. 624 and into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD during consideration of the measure on the House floor. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{MICHAEL T. McCAUL,} \\ \textbf{\textit{Chairman.}} \end{array}$

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, PER-MANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON IN-TELLIGENCE,

Washington, DC, April 12, 2013. Hon. MICHAEL T. MCCAUL,

Chairman, Committee on Homeland Security, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN McCaul: This responds to your letter dated April 11, 2013 concerning H.R. 624 the Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act (CISPA). Specifically, you noted the provision contained in the legislation relating to the Department of Homeland Security's National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC).

I appreciate your decision to forego requesting referral of H.R. 624 to the House Homeland Security Committee in the interest of expediting floor consideration of this legislation. I also acknowledge that this decision will not diminish or alter the Homeland Security Committee's jurisdictional claims over subject matters contained in this and similar legislation. I will also sup-

port your request that the Speaker name members of the Homeland Security Committee to any conference committee for consideration of provisions that fall within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Homeland Security in the House-Senate conference on this bill. Finally, I will include a copy of your letter and this response letter in the Committee's report on H.R. 624 and in the Congressional Record during consideration of H.R. 624 on the House Floor.

Sincerely,

MIKE ROGERS, Chairman.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES,

Washington, DC, April 18, 2013. Chairman MIKE ROGERS,

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN ROGERS: I am writing to raise concerns relating to amendment #42 to the Cyber Intelligence and Sharing Protection Act (CISPA), H.R. 624, as modified and introduced by you, Chairman McCaul, and Ranking Members Ruppersberger and Thompson.

First, I am concerned about the possible impact of this amendment on current cyber threat information sharing programs with the Department of Defense (DOD). Based on the short amount of time we have had to review and comment on the amendment, we have not had an opportunity to fully assess the potential effects on DOD activities. In particular, we must ensure that there is no "chilling effect" on sharing between the Defense Industrial Base and DOD that is so critical to our national security.

Second, I am also seeking to clarify the intent behind a specific change proposed by the modified amendment. The amendment would alter the current text, which states that a cybersecurity provider may share cyber threat information "with the express consent of a protected entity" with any entity, "including, if specifically designated, the Federal Government." The amendment would change the reference from "Federal Government" to the Departments of Homeland Security and Justice. I seek to confirm that the intent of the amendment is not to preclude sharing of cyber threat information with the Department of Defense when a cybersecurity provider has received the consent of a protected entity.

More generally, we must ensure that there is no time delay or other obstructions to passing cyber threat information critical for our national defense to DOD.

I am seeking a commitment from you to work with the Armed Services Committee to determine if any further changes to the legislation might be needed, and if possible incorporate those changes when this bill is conferenced with the Senate.

Sincerely,

HOWARD P. "BUCK" MCKEON, Chairman.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE,

 $Washington,\ DC,\ April\ 18,\ 2013.$ Hon. Buck McKeon,

Chairman, Committee on Armed Services, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: This responds to your letter about an amendment I co-sponsored with Chairman McCaul, and Ranking Members Ruppersberger and Thompson during floor consideration of H.R. 624, The Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act (CISPA).

I understand you have concerns about a possible "chilling effect" of this amendment

on current cyber threat information sharing programs with the Department of Defense, and about changing the reference to "Federal Government" to the Departments of Homeland Security and Justice. I confirm that the amendment is not intended to, and does not, preclude sharing of cyber threat information with the Department of Defense when a cybersecurity provider has received the consent of a protected entity.

Additionally, I understand your concerns about the application of (b)(3)(A) and section 941(c)(3) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013. I commit to working with you in an effort to identify a mutually agreeable approach to this matter. Sincerely,

RECOGNIZING MS. CAMILLE GLAZER

HON. DANIEL WEBSTER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 18, 2013

Mr. WEBSTER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to recognize Ms. Camille Glazer of Orlando, Florida, upon her accomplishment of being named to the first ever National Youth Orchestra of the United States, NYO-USA. As a student at William R. Boone High School and member of the Florida Symphony Youth Orchestra, Camille is most deserving of this distinguished accomplishment.

The National Youth Orchestra will reflect the breadth, diversity, and quality of musically gifted young people throughout our nation. Those selected to represent the National Youth Orchestra are among a group of 120 of the finest young musicians in this country aged 16–19. Camille was chosen based on her musical, technical and personal qualities. Beginning in July, Camille will have the opportunity to rehearse with the orchestra for two weeks in New York before embarking on an international tour that includes Washington, DC; Moscow and St. Petersburg, Russia, and London, England.

On behalf of the citizens of Central Florida, I am honored to congratulate Camille Glazer on her selection to the National Youth Orchestra hosted by Carnegie Hall, and I wish her great success as she represents our country around the world.

HONORING WYATT SHAY

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 18, 2013

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Wyatt Shay. Wyatt is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 264, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Wyatt has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Wyatt has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Wyatt

has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Wyatt Shay for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

ON THE TRAGIC BOSTON MARATHON BOMBING

HON. AL GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, April 18, 2013

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I would like to express my deepest sympathies for the victims and their families of the horrific Boston Marathon Bombing, which took place on Monday, April 15, 2013.

To date three people have been killed, including an eight-year old boy, and many were also wounded in this senseless violence as people sought to athletically express the power of perseverance, while their loved ones cheered them on. The glory and the innocence of athletic achievement as well as supporting one's families and friends in such a pursuit must not be desecrated by this trag-

While we will never truly understand what causes someone to seek to maim and kill others in cold blood, faith will console where reason cannot. We can find some solace in the extraordinary heroism displayed by runners who finished the race after the bombing and continued running to the nearest hospital to give blood, as well as the spectators who rushed to the aid of the wounded immediately after the blast.

Those responsible for this heinous deed will be brought to justice, and the singular stead-fastness of our great nation to punish the wrongdoers and support the victimized will once again be apparent.

HONORING THE MILESTONES OF JAMES AND CONNIE MCCARTY AND VERNON AND GENEVA GIBBS

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, April 18, 2013

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, today I wish to recognize the parents and grandparents of a constituent of the sixth district of Kentucky by the name of Jim McCarty.

Mr. McCarty's parents, James and Connie McCarty, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on December 22, 2012 this past year. I would like to extend to them my best wishes and congratulations on such a great accomplishment.

In 2013, Jim celebrated the anniversary of his grandparents Vernon and Geneva Gibbs who have been together for 70 years. Their anniversary occurred on January 30, 2013. I want to wish Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs congratulations as well and recognize the steadfast devotion they have for each other.

Mr. Speaker, clearly in Mr. McCarty's family when you say I do, you stand by your word.

I wish Jim and his family all the best, and again congratulations.

COMMENDING MAJOR BRYAN T. TAYLOR OF NORTH CAROLINA

HON. HOWARD COBLE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 18, 2013

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, America has the strongest military in the world because it is composed of patriotic volunteers—the men and women who put their lives in harm's way to keep our country safe. I want to recognize and congratulate a young North Carolinian who was recently promoted to Major in the U.S. Army. I have known Bryan T. Taylor since he was a child, and I served with his father in the North Carolina General Assembly and the United States House of Representatives.

Bryan was appointed to the United States Military Academy by the late Sen. Jesse Helms. At West Point, he served as captain of his senior class and on the West Point honor guard during the difficult year of 9/11/2001. He graduated in 2003 near the top of his class and was physics mentor in his third year. From West Point, Bryan took additional training as a combat engineer and was stationed in Korea near the DMZ. From there, he entered combat in Iraq and spent 12 months in Ramadi, where constant battle was waged by both the U.S. Army and U.S. Marines.

He was promoted to 1st Lieutenant during that combat and returned home. After his promotion to Captain, he served in Central America, and in 2008 he returned to Iraq. His Major promotion service was held at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Sgt. Karen Vannov and Lt. Col. Jeff Moran conducted the promotion service. Present at the ceremony were Bryan's wife, Sgt. Miriana Perez Taylor, his parents Charles and Elizabeth Taylor, bringing prayers and greeting from his mother-in-law and father-in-law Lucia Macias and Leoncio A. Perez.

I have nominated many young men and women to our service academies during my tenure in Congress. And I have known many brave men and women who have served their country with honor. On behalf of the citizens of the Sixth District of North Carolina, I would like to thank Major Bryan T. Taylor and the other hundreds of thousands of our military for their service and sacrifice in keeping our country free. May God bless them one and all.

CONGRATULATING LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY—SHREVE-PORT DEBATE TEAM

HON. RODNEY ALEXANDER

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, April 18, 2013

Mr. ALEXANDER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Louisiana State University—Shreveport (LSUS) Debate team for finishing its season with a combined total of nine International Public Debate Associations (IPDA) National Championship titles after four days of competition at the 2013 IPDA's National

Championship Tournament hosted by the University of Arkansas at Monticello.

Under the great leadership of Coach Trey Gibson, the LSUS team won nearly 60 percent of their preliminary rounds earning 14 spots in the elimination rounds. As a program, the team earned four national tournament titles, including the National Tournament Overall Championship title, the Scholastic Championship, and Founders title. Finance majors Cody King and Christian Juneau each made it to the final round in their respective divisions. King lost in the professional division final on a 2–1 decision. Things were different for Juneau as he defeated his opponent and took the Novice National Tournament Championship title.

Before the tournament began, the team had already earned five national championship titles for competition throughout the season. The LSUS team was the top ranked program in the Nation in the Varsity, Professional and Scholastic division season rankings. Success in those categories contributed to the Founders' Cup title making LSUS the top ranked program in the Nation for the 2012–2013 competitive season. Individually, senior Psychology major Chelsea Anthony won the season ranking title in the Varsity division.

The Season Ranking National title is the fifth in a row for LSU Shreveport. The National Tournament title is the team's second in a row and third in the last five years.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in offering congratulations to the LSUS Debate Team, Coach Trey Gibson, and to each member for all of their wonderful successes.

HONORING WESLEY HARRIS

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 18, 2013

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Wesley Harris. Wesley is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 264, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Wesley has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Wesley has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Wesley has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Wesley Harris for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING FRANCIS J. SAVAGE

HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES $Thursday,\,April\,\,18,\,2013$

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Francis J. Savage. A resident of Olean, New York, Mr. Savage served