

about discrimination against Native Americans conducted under color of federal and state law. NIYC has long been concerned about racism and derogatory stereotypes in sports. For example, the NIYC Chapter at the University of Oklahoma was responsible for the 1970 removal of the racially offensive football mascot, "Little Red." NIYC is deeply concerned about the issues in this case as racism in sports adversely affects all Native Americans, including youth.

TICAR is a broad-based coalition founded by American Indians from the 39 Indian Nations in Oklahoma. TICAR works closely with Indian Nations and Native and non-Native social justice, religious, civil rights, and educational organizations. TICAR was organized around the issue of eliminating the "Redskins" name and images from the public schools in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and supports similar efforts statewide and nationwide, as well as efforts to end the use of racial stereotypes in sports generally.

#### NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS,

*Washington, DC, March 21, 2013.*

Hon. ENI FALEOMAVAEGA, House of Representatives, Washington DC.

DEAR REPRESENTATIVE FALEOMAVAEGA: On behalf of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI), the nation's oldest and largest tribal government advocacy organization in the country, we applaud you for sponsoring the "Non-Disparagement of Native American Persons or People in Trademark Registration Act of 2013". This legislation will accomplish what Native American people, nations, and organizations have tried to do in the courts for almost twenty years—end the racist epithet that has served as the mascot of Washington's pro football franchise for far too long.

The NCAI membership has been an active part of ending these types of derogatory stereotypes for several decades. The NCAI was one of many native and non-native organizations in support of the original court cases on this matter, *Harjo et al v. Pro Football, Inc.*, and we support the current case, *Blackhorse et al v. Pro Football, Inc.* to cancel existing trademarks.

We are proud of all our people who struggle for dignity and fight against stereotypes, including Native and non-Native students, families, teachers, and others who have worked together to retire over 2,000 "Indian" names, logos, mascots, and behaviors in schools across the land. The use of Native Peoples as mascots is offensive and unjustifiable. We will continue to call for an end to this practice until the remaining stereotypes are gone from the American landscape.

Thank you and your co-sponsors for your leadership and courage in introducing this important legislation. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me or the NCAI Deputy Director, Robert Holden, at the National Congress of American Indians.

Respectfully,

JEFFERSON KEEL,  
*President.*

#### SUMMER OF SURVEILLANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas (Mr. POE) for 5 minutes.

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker:

The administration puts forward a false choice between the liberties we cherish and the security we provide. No more illegal wiretapping of citizens. No more ignoring the law when it is convenient. That is not who we are. That is not what is necessary to

defeat the terrorists. We will again set an example for the world that the law is not subject to the whims of stubborn rulers and that justice is not arbitrary. This administration acts like violating civil liberties is the way to enhance our security. It's not.

Mr. Speaker, that was candidate Obama in the year 2007 when he was attacking another administration, but that was then and this is now. How times have changed. Flash forward to the summer of 2013, the Summer of Surveillance. The Department of Justice seized information from 20 different Associated Press phone lines. The Department of Justice seized phone records of FOXNews reporter James Rosen, his parents, and several FOXNews phone lines.

The NSA, which I call the National Surveillance Agency, seized from Verizon Business Network Services millions of telephone records, including the location, numbers, and time of domestic calls. Thursday, we learned about another secret government program called PRISM that allows the NSA to search photos, emails, and documents from computers at Apple, Google, and Microsoft, among many other Internet sources.

Mr. Speaker, the American people have lost trust in this government. Do you think? The government spooks are drunk on power, and it's time for Congress to intervene to prevent the invasion of privacy by government against the citizens.

The administration says its snooping activities are lawful. Well, not so fast. Let's start with the PATRIOT Act, which needs to be reviewed, but let's look at it as it now stands. The PATRIOT Act requires "a statement of facts showing that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the tangible things sought are relevant to foreign intelligence, international terrorism or espionage investigation."

I see no way that the National Surveillance Agency could be lawfully conducting such a widespread and intrusive fishing expedition based on the PATRIOT Act or FISA. They're supposed to be justifying each individual search based on lawful grounds, not snooping, prying, and spying through tons of data hoping to find a hit on some bad guy. In other words, the government should only be able to collect phone records with a court order for someone they have reasonable suspicion to be connected with a terrorist. Government cannot use a Soviet-style dragnet approach hoping to catch a big fish while also catching the endangered species of freedom.

What the PATRIOT Act does not allow is widespread, warrantless invasions of privacy where government blindly snoops around looking for some mischief. But the government claims it got some bad guys—two or three terrorists, it says. Well, if so, show us the cases. Those cases should be public if charges were filed. But that still doesn't justify the invasion of privacy.

Let me continue. The administration could also be seizing emails of citizens

over 6 months old without a warrant in its snooping frenzy. Unfortunately, the law allows this to occur. This needs to be changed.

Representative ZOE LOFGREN and I are trying to fix that with legislation to reform the outdated Electronic Communications Privacy Act by requiring a warrant for government to search and seize emails. Such a basic constitutional requirement should be made the law when government wants to arbitrarily take people's emails.

The bullying and badgering of the Fourth Amendment must cease. The Federal Government tries to scare the citizens and arbitrarily redlines the Fourth Amendment.

Mr. Speaker, technology may have changed over the years, but the Constitution just does not. We can have security, but not at the cost of losing individual freedom because to quote the constitutional law professor, there should be no "choice between the liberties we cherish and the security we provide."

But the Summer of Surveillance continues.

And that's just the way it is.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 2 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 25 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WOMACK) at 2 p.m.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:

Eternal God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

As the days grow warmer throughout our land, major legislative issues loom with the potential of warmer debate and disagreement.

Bless the Members of the people's House with the graces they need to engage one another as colleagues of the 113th Congress, entrusted by America's citizens to forge solutions to the major issues facing our time, be they in agriculture, immigration, or areas of national security.

Grant to each an extra measure of wisdom and magnanimity, that all might work together for a better future for our great Nation.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the

last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms. FOXX) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. FOXX led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### IGNORING BROKEN POLICIES IS NOT AN OPTION

(Ms. FOXX asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, broken Washington policies are making it harder for families in this country to find good work and plan for the future. Outdated laws and regulations, the Federal overhaul of personal health care through ObamaCare, and energy policies that tie the hands of small businesses stand directly opposed to job creation, affordable living, and economic growth.

We hear of these sad effects every day, and we've been warned, by the unlikely sources, of a coming Washington train wreck. Thus, we have a responsibility to remove these Washington barriers.

The House of Representatives has acted to expand energy production through the Keystone pipeline and generate new American jobs. We have acted to keep student loan interest rates from doubling. We have voted to stop ObamaCare from increasing family health insurance premium costs.

But our actions on behalf of jobs and family savings have been met by Senate inaction. Ignoring broken policies is not an option, not when jobs are at stake.

#### 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF MILLBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

(Mr. MCGOVERN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate the town of Millbury, Massachusetts, on their 200th anniversary.

Millbury has grown tremendously since its inception in 1813 as a small New England mill town. To celebrate their bicentennial, the people of Millbury have come together to facilitate a series of community events to honor this historic day.

Millbury's rich history can be traced back to the 18th century when John Singletary built the oldest continuously running mill in the United States. The historic Blackstone River

powered the mill and helped propel the town into the Industrial Revolution as a leading textile producer.

Millbury's significance is further demonstrated as the historic childhood summer home of President William Howard Taft. President Taft even celebrated alongside of residents as they rang in their first 100 years.

Continuing with tradition, Millbury celebrated this occasion with a period ball and is looking forward to the parade this weekend.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the town of Millbury on their 200th anniversary. May this great American town continue to celebrate its rich history for years and years and years to come.

#### GLOBAL WARMING

(Mr. BRIDENSTINE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BRIDENSTINE. Mr. Speaker, global temperatures stopped rising 10 years ago. Global temperature changes, when they exist, correlate with Sun output and ocean cycles.

During the Medieval Warm Period from 800 to 1300 A.D.—long before cars, power plants, or the Industrial Revolution—temperatures were warmer than today. During the Little Ice Age from 1300 to 1900 A.D., temperatures were cooler. Neither of these periods were caused by any human activity.

Even climate change alarmists admit that the number of hurricanes hitting the U.S. and the number of tornado touchdowns have been on a slow decline for over 100 years.

But here's what we absolutely know. We know that Oklahoma will have tornadoes when the cold jet stream meets the warm gulf air. And we also know that this President spends 30 times as much money on global warming research as he does on weather forecasting and warning.

For this gross misallocation, the people of Oklahoma are ready to accept the President's apology, and I intend to submit legislation to fix this.

#### STUDENT LOAN RELIEF ACT

(Mr. COURTNEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, in 19 days, unless Congress acts, the subsidized Stafford student loan program interest rate is going to double from 3.4 percent to 6.8 percent. Six years ago, we cut that rate from 6.8 percent to 3.4 percent.

So far, the House Republican majority has issued a bill which the Congressional Budget Office yesterday determined would actually be worse than if we did nothing and allowed the rate to double to 6.8 percent. It would add \$4 billion in added higher interest rate costs to students. The Senate Republican bill would add \$16 billion in interest costs, from the Congressional Budget Office.

It is obvious what we must do. We must pass H.R. 1595, my bill, which has 150 cosponsors, and extend the lower rate of 3.4 percent. It obtained 51 votes in the Senate. Last time I checked, that's a majority.

It's time to stand up for college students and families all across America, protect the lower interest rates, and get off this kick that a variable rate somehow is a solution to the problem. CBO told us yesterday it's not. It's worse than doing nothing.

#### SECRETARY SEBELIUS CONTINUES TO VIOLATE CONGRESS

(Mr. BURGESS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, last month, it was learned that the Secretary of Health and Human Services, Kathleen Sebelius, has been calling executives from private groups asking them to fund the Affordable Care Act by donating money to a private organization called Enroll America. Her actions then were questionable and have left us to wonder what the Secretary is promising executives in exchange for their support.

Last Tuesday, Secretary Sebelius disclosed that she solicited three additional companies, all of which provide services regulated by her agency: a drug maker, Johnson & Johnson; a health care system, Ascension Health; and a health insurance provider, Kaiser Permanente.

And so it begs the question: How far will this administration go to promote their flawed takeover of the country's health care?

Agencies that have already been engrossed in scandal, like the IRS, will be directly administering major provisions of the Affordable Care Act. Along with them, the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Labor, and the Treasury, these agencies will be involved in sharing and tracking consumer information to implement the President's law.

Do you really want to entrust this administration with the responsibility of controlling your health care and controlling your health care information?

#### STOPPING GOVERNMENT ABUSE OF TAXPAYER INFORMATION ACT

(Mr. HOLDING asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HOLDING. Mr. Speaker, we are all familiar with the recent IRS scandal involving the agency targeting conservative groups. As if this institutional arrogance wasn't troubling enough, the IRS will soon become the primary enforcer of ObamaCare.

Mr. Speaker, today I rise to support legislation introduced by my friend from Tennessee, Congresswoman DIANE BLACK. H.R. 2022, the Stopping Government Abuse of Taxpayer Information