dent to develop relationships with western nations.

Mr. Friedman has said that he invested millions of dollars to promote free enterprise in Mozambique. Accordingly. I am told that Mr. Friedman established the first direct foreign investment with Overseas Private Investment Corporation insurance in the country of Mozambique.

Mr. Friedman continued investing in the country until Mozambique held its first multi-party elections and, as a result, Joaquim Chissano was elected President of the Republic of Mozam-

bique.

As a U.S. Senator, it is such an honor to serve the great people of West Virginia and to bring attention to their special efforts. I always say that the people of West Virginia are some of the most patriotic in the country.

The resolution follows:

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 74

[By Delegates Canterbury, Armstead, T. Campbell, Carmichael, Evans, Gearheart, Hamilton, C. Miller, Nelson, Sigler, Sumner and Waltersl

[Adopted by the Legislature, March 9, 2012] Requesting the Congressional Delegation from the State of West Virginia to ask the United State Department of State to make certain demands on the government of the United Arab Emirates

Whereas, The Government of Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates is in arrears on cer-

tain of its sovereign obligations; and Whereas, Some West Virginians are in possession of bonds issued by the Government of Abu Dhabi, bonds that are now in arrears and at risk of default; and

Whereas, Repayment of these bonds by the Government of Abu Dhabi would result in significant tax revenues to the State of West Virginia and also return investors' capital for reinvestment in significant new projects in West Virginia; and

Whereas, Members of the West Virginia Congressional Delegation have attempted to resolve this matter with the Embassy of the United Arab Emirates in Washington, D.C, but without result; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia: That West Virginia Congressional Delegation be requested to communicate further to the United State Department of State; and,

Further Resolved, That, pursuant to the United States Constitution, Article 1, Section 8, Paragraph 3, which bestows on the United States Congress the duty to regulate commerce with foreign nations, the Congressional Delegation from the State of West Virginia should renew their resolve and ask their Congressional colleagues and every United States legislator, on a bipartisan basis, to ask the United States Department of State to demand that the government of the United Arab Emirates honor and pay their sovereign financial obligations that are guaranteed by the Government of Abu Dhabi as evidenced by bonds signed by their own of-

ficials.

I, Gregory M. Gray, Clerk of the House of Delegates, and as such Clerk, Keeper of the Rolls of the Legislature of West Virginia, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of House Concurrent Resolution 74, which was adopted by the Legislature on the 9th day of March, 2012.

## TRIBUTE TO DR. JULIAN DAVIDSON

• As a huge crowd gathered on February 4, 2013, at the memorial service

for my good friend, Dr. Julian Davidson of Huntsville, AL, in the magnificent Davidson Center for Space Exploration that bears his name, beside the Saturn V rocket. I had to take a moment to consider its power and the impact its development made on the world. Our space program is the world's greatest technological achievement.

Less appreciated is the monumental technological achievement of our Nation's National Missile Defense System along with all the other shorter range missile systems that now protect the Nation from attack and accidental launch. Sixteen years ago, campaigning, I would ask people what we would do if a nuclear missile were launched at us. Usually, someone would say we would shoot it down. That is the correct answer today, but not then. No such system had then been deployed but people were working on it.

Former Secretary of State Dean Acheson wrote a book, Present at the Creation, about the creation of our long lasting foreign policy framework. My friend, Dr. Julian Davidson, was present and creating at the creation of our colossal, highly technical and effective global missile defense system. It is accurate to call him the "father of missile defense." And, like a good father. he nurtured the program to maturity for 50 years. As an Army Civilian and as a business professional, he was a constant and leading force for this amazing accomplishment. Launch vehicles in Alaska and California, radar detection systems worldwide, and incredibly complex computer systems allow this Nation to identify, track, and hit to kill a hostile or accidental missile aimed to damage our Nation.

People doubted it would work, mocked it as Star Wars, but the political center held and aided by the scientific and political skills of Julian and others the system is now in place. Trust me—it was a near run thing. Since Ronald Reagan, it has remained a sore spot for Vlademir Putin and a major strategic development.

This modest, unassuming, gentle but brilliant, strong and determined man carried the day. And, blessedly, he could take pride and satisfaction in actually seeing it proven and deployed. This was a truly historic achievement.

As a new Senator, elected in 1996, I was aware of Julian's importance to Huntsville and national defense. But as the years passed, I came to understand more about his remarkable career and why he was so loved and respected. For me, and for so many, his importance transcends the leadership he has provided to science and technology, to our Nation's being dominant in the world in missile defense technology and systems, and to our national security—it is personal. He touched so many lives in positive and important ways. My respect for his knowledge, his unbiased, sound insight, just continued to grow. I was in awe of this small man who had done so much, knew so much, and who was so admired in the Defense Department, the defense industry, and in

Huntsville. I was honored that he became a true friend and he gave me his time and insight as he did for so many others.

Last year, I talked with Admiral Syring about his appointment to be the new MDA Commander, the agency Julian first directed. When I met with Admiral Syring, I asked that he do only one thing. I asked him to have a good visit with Julian and promised him he would enjoy and benefit from it. Admiral later said they had a wonderful afternoon.

Now, Julian did love politics and there was an unusual purity about his politics. It was an extension of his love for America, I think. First and foremost, Julian was a patriot. He was passionately committed to classical American values.

Julian felt that his country had been good to him, that it was a positive force in the world, and that it required civic support and direction. He was always there to give that support and direction.

Julian was proud of Davidson Technologies and the 200 engineers and people who worked with him there. He made it a premier missile technology and systems engineering firm in a very short time. His main goal was for the company to meet and exceed contract requirements, to be successful, and, importantly, so his people could prosper and be fulfilled and do their work with integrity. He was very proud that he had created a work environment second to none in Huntsville. The company was good to him and he was grateful.

Julian was exceedingly generous to Huntsville, the place he called home. The Davidson Center for Space Exploration is a dramatic example of that generosity. He and Dorothy were also great friends of the arts-making major gifts to the Davidson Center for the Arts, the Huntsville Symphony, the Child Advocacy Center and many other good causes. Their long and true partnership was exceedingly important in business and civic affairs. Extremely talented in her own right, Dorothy loved and admired Julian as he did her. This bond was a key to his success.

Dr. Deborah Barnhart, CEO of the Space and Rocket Center said, "Dorothy and Julian Davidson are renaissance people who care passionately about the advancement of technology, the arts, and the Huntsville community." Truly so.

So, the gentle, humble man from Oakman, Walker County, AL, son of a store owner, went forth and accomplished great things. And he did it without bluster, without ego, and without selfishness. He did it with skill, hard work, good judgment, honest dealing and respect for his fellow man. He did it all with a full dose of that critical quality—integrity. He believed in work. He was blessed to continue his productive work until his last days.

We live in a magnificent universe, ordered by providence—too wondrous to relate. To an unusual degree, Julian Davidson was given the ability and will to develop complex systems that utilize the rules of the natural world to make our lives better and to actually control the missiles that protect us from attack, even a nuclear attack.

It is important for the Nation to celebrate Julian's marvelous life and accomplishments.●

ECONOMIC REPORT OF THE PRESI-DENT DATED MARCH 2013 WITH THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVIS-ERS FOR 2013, RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE ON MARCH 15, 2013—PM 6

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report, which was referred to the Joint Economic Committee:

To the Congress of the United States:

This year's Economic Report of the President describes the progress we have made recovering from the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression. After years of grueling recession, our businesses have created over six million new jobs. As a nation, we now buy more American cars than we have in 5 years, and less foreign oil than we have in 20 years. Our housing market is healing, and consumers, patients, and homeowners enjoy stronger protections than ever before.

But there are still millions of Americans whose hard work and dedication have not yet been rewarded. Our economy is adding jobs, but too many of our fellow citizens still can't find full-time employment. Corporate profits have reached all-time highs, but for more than a decade, wages and incomes for working Americans have barely budged.

Our top priority must be to do everything we can to grow our economy and create good, middle-class jobs. That has to be our North Star. That has to drive every decision we make in Washington. Every day, we should ask ourselves three questions: How do we attract more jobs to our shores? How do we equip our people with the skills needed to do those jobs? And how do we make sure that hard work leads to a decent living?

We can begin by making America a magnet for new jobs and manufacturing. After shedding jobs for more than a decade, our manufacturers have added about half a million new jobs over the past 3 years. We need to accelerate that trend, by launching more manufacturing hubs that transform hard-hit regions of the country into global centers of high-tech jobs and manufacturing. We need to make our tax code more competitive, by ending tax breaks for companies that ship jobs overseas, and rewarding companies

that create jobs here at home. And we need to invest in the research and technology that will allow us to harness more of our own energy and put more people back to work repairing our crumbling roads and bridges.

These steps will help entrepreneurs and small business owners expand and create new jobs. But we also need to provide every American with the skills and training they need to fill those jobs. We should start in the earliest years by offering high-quality preschool to every child in America, because we know kids in programs like these do better throughout their academic lives. We should redesign America's high schools to better prepare our students with skills that employers are looking for right now. And because taxpayers can't continue subsidizing the soaring cost of higher education, we should take affordability and value into account when determining which colleges receive certain types of Federal aid.

We also need to reward hard work and declare that no one who works fultime should have to live in poverty by raising the minimum wage so that it's a wage you can live on. And it's time to harness the talents and ingenuity of hardworking immigrants by finally passing commonsense immigration reform—continuing to strengthen border security, holding employers accountable, establishing a responsible path to earned citizenship, reuniting families, and attracting the highly-skilled entrepreneurs, engineers, and scientists that will help create jobs.

As we continue to grow our economy, we must also take further action to shrink our deficits. We don't have to choose between these two important priorities—we just have to make smart choices.

Over the last few years, both parties have worked together to reduce the deficit by more than \$2.5 trillion, which puts us more than halfway towards the goal of \$4 trillion in deficit reduction that economists say we need to stabilize our finances. Now we need to finish the job. But we shouldn't do it by making harsh and arbitrary cuts that jeopardize our military readiness, devastate priorities like education and energy, and cost jobs. That's not how you grow the economy. We shouldn't ask senior citizens and working families to pay down the rest of our deficit while the wealthiest are asked for nothing more. That doesn't grow our middle

Most Americans—Democrats, Republicans, and Independents—understand that we can't just cut our way to prosperity. That's why I have put forward a balanced approach to deficit reduction that makes responsible reforms to bring down the cost of health care for an aging generation—the single biggest driver of our long-term debt—and saves hundreds of billions of dollars by getting rid of tax loopholes and deductions for the well-off and well-connected. And we should finally pursue bipar-

tisan, comprehensive tax reform that encourages job creation and helps bring down the deficit.

The American people don't expect their government to solve every problem. They don't expect those of us in Washington to agree on every issue. But they do expect us to put the Nation's interests before party interests. They do expect us to forge reasonable compromise where we can. Our work will not be easy. But America only moves forward when we do so together—when we accept certain obligations to one another and to future generations. That's the American story. And that's how we will write the next great chapter—together.

BARACK OBAMA. THE WHITE HOUSE, March 2013.

## MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:41 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 803. An act to reform and strengthen the workforce investment system of the Nation to put Americans back to work and make the United States more competitive in the 21st century.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 4(b) of the World War I Centennial Commission Act (Public Law 112–272), and the order of the House of January 3, 2013, the Speaker appoints the following individual on the part of the House of Representatives to the World War I Centennial Commission: Mr. TED POE of Humble. Texas.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 313 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2001 (2 U.S.C. 1151), as amended by section 1601 of Public Law 111-68, and the order of the House of January 3, 2013, the Speaker appoints the following Member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Board of Trustees of the Open World Leadership Center: Mr. FORTENBERRY of Nebraska.

## MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 803. An act to reform and strengthen the workforce investment system of the Nation to put Americans back to work and make the United States more competitive in the 21st century; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 582. A bill to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline.

S. 583. A bill to implement equal protection under the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution for the right to life of each born and preborn human person.