

Allen/Conrick family and the memory of a man who was truly loved by his family, his friends, and his community.

RECOGNIZING MR. HARRY H. CROHE

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 17, 2014

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I proudly recognize the dedicated service of Harry H. Crohe and his commitment to safety and security as the Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator and Training Officer of the Bucks County Emergency Management Agency. Harry Crohe has honorably served for the last 16 years during a period of the Agency's expansion and growth. In addition, he has a long history of volunteer service in his Bristol Borough community, having served for more than 50 years as a volunteer and officer with the Bucks County Rescue Squad and the American Hose Hook and Ladder. No. 2, where he continues to serve. Harry Crohe is an outstanding example of the dedication of Bucks County citizens and employees who are counted within the ranks of first responders. I gratefully acknowledge his leadership and service on behalf of the County of Bucks and his remarkable spirit of volunteerism and wish him a bright and healthy future.

EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO H.R. 4, THE JOBS FOR AMERICA ACT

HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 17, 2014

Mr. WAXMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong opposition to H.R. 4, the Jobs for America Act. H.R. 4 is not a new bill to be considered on the House floor. It is a compilation of bills, many of which have already been passed by Republicans on a partisan basis. Republicans claim the bill would create jobs and strengthen the economy. In reality, H.R. 4 would weaken meaningful reforms and regulations that protect American consumers, families and workers. In addition, the bill would add \$574 billion to the deficit. This bill does a disservice to the American people, the future of our economy and our environment.

H.R. 4 would impose numerous administrative hurdles that would degrade the regulatory process. Agencies would be required to conduct cost-benefit analyses and could be forced to adopt rules that are the least costly, not necessarily the most beneficial. Agencies would also have to calculate often unquantifiable effects of rules on small businesses, another costly and unnecessary use of time and resources. To further delay the rulemaking process, H.R. 4 would require agencies to submit rules to the Office of Management and Budget for review, post rules online for at least six months and seek approval from both the House and Senate before the rules may take effect. Requiring congressional approval on all major rules would allow members of Congress to prevent finalization of rules that have already received extensive public input.

A real life example can help demonstrate the impact of H.R. 4. Congress passed the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) in 2010 to improve the ability of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to police the food supply and protect consumers from dangerous contaminants. Foods we never would have imagined to be unsafe, from spinach to peanut butter, have harmed thousands of Americans. FDA has been working hard to comply with the mandate of the new law and is in the process of finalizing a number of rules that would implement some of the key pieces of the food safety legislation. The administrative hurdles that H.R. 4 establishes would severely delay the implementation of these rules, putting Americans at risk of foodborne illnesses, despite the law's obvious merits and public support.

Furthermore, H.R. 4 would undermine existing regulations and laws. The measure would limit the ability of citizens to hold agencies accountable for not adequately fulfilling their regulatory obligations. It would exempt private equity fund advisors from important disclosure requirements, jeopardizing the financial system and protections for investors and the public. The bill would threaten existing public land and environmental regulations by allowing increased logging in national forests. It would weaken the employer-sponsored insurance system and hurt American workers by increasing the definition of full-time work week under the Affordable Care Act from 30 hours a week to 40 hours a week. There is simply no evidence that the ACA has led to a shift in part-time work. In fact, since the ACA became law, we have added more than nine million private sector jobs and expanded health insurance coverage through the marketplaces to more than eight million Americans.

Today, the Republican majority brings to the floor a package of bills that have already passed the House and been rejected by the Senate. H.R. 4 would inhibit the ability of federal regulatory agencies to issue necessary health, safety, environmental and financial regulations. The measure does nothing to improve the economy, create jobs or protect Americans; it does everything to threaten the progress we have already made.

I oppose H.R. 4 and I urge my colleagues do the same.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 17, 2014

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 \$17,941,406,575,143.38. We've added \$7,314,529,526,230.30 to our debt in 5 years. This is over \$7.3 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

CONGRATULATING LUKE MAYOCK

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 17, 2014

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Luke Mayock for being named the Football Scholar-Athlete of the Year by the Touchdown Club of Houston. Mayock is a senior at Clements High School in my hometown of Sugar Land, Texas. This award recognizes Mayock's academic and athletic achievements.

He is among an elite group of high school athletes. In 2014, he recorded 50 receptions, 647 yards and five touchdowns in addition to serving as the team's punt returner and place-kicker. Mayock has also been recognized for his academic strength in English and math. He also coaches a youth league basketball team and supports his church's international retreats to assist underdeveloped communities.

On behalf of the residents of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Luke Mayock for receiving the 2014 Football Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award. We look forward to his continued success both on and off the field.

REMINDING AMERICANS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS AND CELEBRATING COMMUNITY FOUNDATION WEEK

HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 17, 2014

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, community foundations epitomize the philanthropic culture of the United States. Established in 1989, Community Foundation Week takes place from November 12–18th annually and honors the tremendous contributions of community foundations across our country. They hold a unique place in American society and provide hope and opportunity to millions of Americans. One hundred years ago, the world's first community foundation was established in Cleveland, Ohio. Since then more than 700 community foundations have been created in America inspiring millions of Americans to give back to this great country with their time, talent and treasure.

Today, I would like to recognize the work of Indiana's community foundations that operate under the definitions supported by the National Standards for Community Foundations. Indiana is blessed to have a community foundation in every county, including nine in my district: Community Foundation of Howard County; Community Foundation of Grant County; Blackford County Community Foundation; Tip-ton County Community Foundation; Madison County Community Foundation; South Madison County Community Foundation; Legacy Fund; Community Foundation of Boone County; and The Indianapolis Foundation.

These foundations are a model for how philanthropy can inspire communities to come together in support of a common cause. The Legacy Fund, the community foundation serving Hamilton County and an affiliate of Central

Indiana Community Foundation, is helping to meet the needs of at-risk students in the county through the Youth Assistance Program (YAP). This innovative program is serving as a critical connector to keep students and their families on the right track. In collaboration with the county judicial system, schools, youth programs, law enforcement, and city leaders, students displaying negative behavior or facing a challenging situation at home or school are referred to YAP. The program in turn connects students to appropriate programs, classes, mentoring relationships, emergency supports, or counseling services, and families may be referred to services as well. All of this leads to an ultimate goal of self-sufficiency for families and keeping youth out of the judicial system at a young age.

This is just one example of the extraordinary work of place-based philanthropy in local communities throughout the country. The spirit of generosity embodied by over 700 U.S.-based community foundations is a core American value. This week, I am honored to recognize these community foundations for their outstanding efforts.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF JERRY "JR" MCBRIDE

HON. PETER J. ROSKAM

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 17, 2014

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Jerry "JR" McBride, husband, father, and dedicated public servant.

JR McBride, who represented District 4 on the DuPage County Board, died October 24, 2014 after a long battle with cancer. He was just 47 years old. JR was the perfect definition of a public servant; dedicated to his constituents, above partisan politics, and devoted to doing the right thing for his community. He was chairman of the board's legislative committee and previously chaired the judicial and public safety, public transit, and technology committees.

He was extremely generous with his time and valued his community service. JR was actively involved in various organizations, such as the Metropolitan Family Services of DuPage, Rotary Club, DuPage Chapter of the American Cancer Society, and the Glenbard West High School Booster Club. He was also a founding member of the Jubilee Board which raised funds for Outreach Community Ministries in Wheaton, IL. In short, he was always looking for ways to help improve the communities he served.

JR graduated from Fenwick High School and earned a bachelor's degree from Loras College in Iowa. After graduation he joined his family's business, McBride Insurance Company. He eventually moved to Glen Ellyn in 1992.

Mr. Speaker, and Distinguished Colleagues, JR McBride was a man who understood well his duty to family and community. He is survived by his wife, Becky; four daughters, Lauren, Molly, Abigail and Sara; a son, Marty; his father, Jerry Sr.; two sisters, Kara Brophy and Joy Gibson; and a brother, Bill. Please join me in remembering him as a shining example of how a caring, committed public servant can make a positive difference in the lives of others.

HAPPY 90TH ANNIVERSARY TO
THE FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 17, 2014

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, November 11th marks the 90th anniversary of the Fleet Reserve Association (FRA). On this day, we should not only honor our veterans for their service and sacrifice, but also honor the FRA for their unwavering commitment to support the needs of our active duty, Reserves, and retired military members, veterans and family members of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard.

Founded by Navy Chief Yeoman George L. Carlin and chartered in 1924, the FRA is one of the oldest and largest enlisted organizations and a founding member of The Military Coalition. Its mission has been to serve as the premier "watch dog" group in maintaining and improving the quality of life for Sea Service personnel and their families.

As a veteran myself, I wish to express my immense gratitude for the hard work and dedication of the Fleet Reserve Association and their outgoing National President, Mr. Virgil P. Courneya and incoming National President, Mr. John Ippert.

Consistent with their motto, "loyalty, protection and service", for nearly nine decades, commitment to their members resulted in legislation enhancing quality of life programs while protecting rights and privileges.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF LARRY D. MORSE

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 17, 2014

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise in memory of Larry D. Morse, who passed away on October 28, 2014, at the age of 87. Larry was the founder of Morse, Morse & Morse law firm, and he was a longtime resident of Merced. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather, who cherished time with his family above all else. Larry was dutifully active and civically engaged in Merced as a Rotarian for more than 50 years, and he was a member on the board of directors of Merco Credit Union, the Merced College Foundation Board, and Merced Boosters.

While attending Hollywood High School in the 1940s, Larry began working as an usher for NBC Studios in Hollywood and was later promoted to supervisor. It was at NBC Studios where Larry met a new employee, Saranne Condon. Larry and Saranne would go on to spend the next 70 years in a romantic, loving, and nurturing relationship. After his time at NBC Studios, Larry attended Southwestern School of Law in Los Angeles and later began his successful career as an attorney and founder of the law firm Morse, Michelizzi & Wright in Lancaster, California. In 1973, Larry was appointed to the Los Angeles County Municipal Court Bench by Governor Ronald Reagan. After serving on the bench, Larry and his family relocated in 1977 to Merced, where

Larry began working at Allen, Van Winkle & Ivey law firm.

Larry adored his wife Saranne and their six children. Together, Larry and Saranne placed their children's education above all else, opting to send their children out of state for college so that they could experience life outside of California.

After his sons, Neil and Brian, graduated from law school, they united with their father to found the law firm Morse, Morse & Morse, located in Merced's historic Virginia Smith home. Practicing law with his sons was an immense source of pride for Larry.

Larry is survived by his beloved wife Saranne and the wonderful family they built with their life together.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Larry D. Morse. Throughout his life and career, Larry maintained an outstanding character and a commitment to his community. He will be greatly missed by many.

CELEBRATING THE VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK CENTENNIAL

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 17, 2014

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Village of Elmwood Park as they celebrate their Centennial. The historic election held on April 8, 1914, established Elmwood Park as an official village and was the catalyst to the village's remarkable transformation.

Thanks to the vision of Mr. John Mills, a Chicago area developer, the 1927 Westwood subdivision in Elmwood Park became one of the early "planned communities" in our nation. Mr. Mills' Westwood project was the largest residential program of its kind ever attempted in the State of Illinois. The \$25 million building program provided paved streets, sewers, sidewalks and plans for 1,679 bungalows spread over 245 acres in Elmwood Park.

Due to the ambitious project, the population increased over 700 percent growing from 1,380 to 11,270 people by 1930, making Elmwood Park the sixth fastest growing community in the nation at that time.

The Honorable Elmer W. Conti was elected Village President in 1953. Under his guidance, Elmwood Park was recognized for honorable mention in the All-American awards in 1954, 1955, and 1958 for its village administration, financial stability, citizen involvement and progress in education. Village President Conti served for 32 years, retiring in 1985.

In the last 25 years the Village of Elmwood Park has had outstanding leaders. Honorable Peter N. Silvestri served as Village President from 1989 to 2013 and the current Village President, Honorable Angelo "Skip" Saviano, elected in 2013.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the Centennial of the Village of Elmwood Park. I am truly honored to have such an outstanding community in my district.