

concepts. In parallel with the command's deliberate, strategic initiatives, BG Doyle served as the single mission command focal point synchronizing and integrating TSG/CG, MEDCOM command guidance for the command despite geographic dispersion across five continents and supporting roles to COCOMs and ASCCs. This superb operational coordination/synchronization was accomplished through the Army's largest Direct Reporting Unit, a complex, integrated Army-wide health service system. BG Doyle's bold, transformational leadership was the driving force for the brilliant translation of command intent and communication throughout the staff and major subordinate commands and was affected in an extremely dynamic environment immediately following OTSG/MEDCOM OneStaff reorganization. His passionate desire to lead the preeminent healthcare force in the world: the best led, trained and equipped for without peer, has raised the collective skill level and efforts of the entire headquarters. As a result of tireless, direct engagement on the part of BG Doyle, the command now functions with superior efficiency in establishing core or functional crisis action teams and integrated process action teams to respond to a wide array of complex problem sets. All of Army Medicine's System for Health efforts are grounded in the imperative to optimize performance. Every provider to patient interaction will be viewed through the lens of improving the development, performance, resilience and accelerated rehabilitation of the Professional Soldier Athlete. Through his efforts BG Doyle has established the MEDCOM G-3/5/7 function as the preeminent staff element of its kind in support of the Army's largest direct reporting unit. He has ensured the success of the MEDCOM through the essential task of synchronizing the efforts of the command and communicating the mission, vision and intent of the commander. His impact on this command and the Army is immeasurable. BG Doyle represents the very best of Army and Nation.

Brigadier General Doyle's distinctive accomplishments reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Department of Defense."

FORECLOSURE PROTECTION FOR MILITARY SERVICEMEMBERS LEGISLATION

HON. STEPHEN LEE FINCHER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Mr. FINCHER. Mr. Speaker, as our economy continues to recover, some military servicemembers, particularly those leaving active duty, are facing financial challenges, such as finding new employment, among other things. Additionally, a slow recovering real-estate market in some areas of the country can make it difficult for military members to sell their homes or purchase new ones upon receiving new orders.

That's why I'm introducing legislation today, with the gentleman from Washington, Mr. DENNY HECK, to provide a one year extension of foreclosure protection for military servicemembers leaving active duty. In 2014, Congress extended the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act protection against foreclosure for

military personnel to a year post-military service to help give servicemembers time to get on their feet financially and avoid the stress of potentially losing their home. These financial challenges still exist for many servicemembers, particularly those reacclimating to civilian life after serving abroad.

Our nation's military personnel are the best in the world, willingly putting their lives on the lines to protect our freedoms every day. The least we can do for them is to ensure they have a home when they leave active duty service.

The gentleman from Washington, Mr. HECK, and I are pleased to be introducing this bill today. I encourage my colleagues to join me in supporting this legislation.

TRIBUTE TO NORA TRAMPE

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Nora Trampe upon winning the Congressional Art Competition in the 3rd Congressional District of Iowa. Nora, a senior at Roosevelt High School, is the daughter of Dr. Kate Garst of Des Moines, Iowa.

The Congressional Art Competition, "An Artistic Discovery," is open to high school students nationwide. Since 1982, the competition has been an opportunity for Members of Congress to encourage and recognize the artistic talents of their young constituents. The winner is selected by a panel of 16 judges, one from each county in Iowa's 3rd District.

Nora's piece, "100% Awesome," was named the winner out of over 75 entries. It is a unique and creative piece that symbolizes all the things that make Iowa such a special place. Nora's creativity and dedication to her craft is admirable. The example set by this young woman demonstrates the rewards of harnessing one's talents and sharing them with the world. "100% Awesome" will be displayed in the halls of the Capitol for all to admire and enjoy.

I commend Nora for her artistic talents and I know that my colleagues in the United States Congress will join me in congratulating her for being chosen as the winner of the Congressional Art Competition in the 3rd Congressional District of Iowa. It is an honor to serve Iowans like Nora and I wish her the best of luck in her future academic and artistic endeavors.

THANKS JIM CARR FOR YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE TO SPRING VALLEY LAKE

HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank James H. Carr aka "Jim Carr" who is being recognized for his many years of service to the Spring Valley Lake Community and the Spring Valley Lake Country Club.

1980 was the beginning of the Carr family's life at Spring Valley Lake and Spring Valley Lake Country Club. After completion of Jim's "SVL weekend home" in 1980 the first 8 years of weekends were like "mini-vacations" of fishing, and golf with little thought as to the ramifications of both national and local political decisions being made.

Decisions made in 1988 would force Jim to become involved and protective of his "golf and fishing paradise" when it was learned George AFB would be closed. Then in 1990 the Country Club lost more members with the departure of the "Wild Weasel" Air Force squadron from George AFB.

Jim became concerned the Country Club would not survive and had several conversations with the new general manager Greg Davis. In one of the conversations Greg Davis stated his mission directed by Mr. Dedman Sr. was to turn the club around or it would be sold by ClubCorp. It was at that time Jim was asked to Chair the Board of Governors of the Club.

In late 2002 Jim became more active in the Spring Valley Lake Home Owners Association when contacted by a small group of residents that had become aware of deficit spending by the Association. The only solution was to find and elect people to the Association Board with financial/business experience and the will to make tough financial decisions. It took several years, but with the help of many concerned citizens the Association became financially sound and well managed.

I wish Jim the best in his retirement. The Eighth District of California and Spring Valley Lake are thankful for your service.

IN HONOR OF JAMES T. POWELL

HON. GEORGE HOLDING

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Mr. HOLDING. Mr. Speaker, we have all had teachers who were inspirations as well as educators. For twenty seven years, James T. Powell was that kind of teacher at my alma mater, Wake Forest University. I would like to pay personal tribute to Professor Powell—who is retiring this year.

I can say, from personal experience, the years a young man or woman spends at Wake Forest shapes the rest of their lives—whether they're recalling burning the midnight oil, pouring over the literature of "The Ancients," or watching Rodney Rogers race down the basketball court.

Back when I was a student, studying the "Iliad" and "Odyssey" were not the most popular subjects on campus—but Professor Powell always kept packed lecture halls.

He was not only applauded and revered by his students and fellow professors—he was also formally recognized for his service, being awarded the Reid-Doyle Prize for Excellence in Teaching in 1996, the Award for Excellence in Advising in 2003, and the Kulynych Family Omicron Delta Kappa Award for Contributions to Student Life.

Professor Powell was also a leader in many campus groups—Phi Beta Kappa, Secretary to the Faculty, the Judicial Council—where he

served as Chairman—the Reynolds Scholarship Committee, the First-Year Seminar Committee, Divinity School Accreditation Committee and Dean of the College Search Committee.

Mr. Speaker, like many young men and women who attended Wake Forest, I am honored and proud to say I studied under Professor James Powell.

H.R. 2408, THE USA FREEDOM ACT

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to H.R. 2048, the USA Freedom Act. This bill makes important improvements to the PATRIOT Act, including to Section 2154, which is the underpinning of the National Security Agency's (NSA) nationwide bulk collection program.

Yet a ruling last week by the Second Circuit found that the bulk collection of phone records under this section violated the law. The right to privacy is a fundamental American value. And it is clear that the practice of unconstitutional bulk data collection endangers that right. Last week's court decision underscores this—and makes clear that more robust surveillance reforms are needed. While the USA Freedom Act is a good step forward, it does not go far enough. And I recognize the hard work of my good friend and colleague, Ranking Member JOHN CONYERS, JR., on this important bill. More than thirteen years after the passage of the PATRIOT Act, Congress must do more to balance our national security with the protection of our civil liberties.

The USA Freedom Act should include more robust protections to prevent the surveillance of individuals with no nexus to terrorism or any specific investigation. This would ensure adequate protections against indiscriminate surveillance from the government and ensure that Section 215 cannot be used to collect Americans' records unrelated to any specific investigation. We should also be working for more robust minimization procedures to ensure that information collected under Section 215 is not stored in databases for years. This type of provision was included in a previous version of this bill and must be restored. We should also work to limit additional authorities outside of Section 215 that have been used to collect Americans' records in bulk. We know that the government has used other authorities—such as administrative subpoena laws—to collect Americans' records in bulk. And finally, H.R. 2048 should be amended to ensure that the government does not use authorities under Section 702 as a backdoor to conduct surveillance on Americans. Section 702 allows the government to intercept contents of Americans' electronic communications with individuals abroad—and stores them in a database—without a warrant. Reforms to Section 702 should be included in this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud my colleagues for working in bipartisan manner on this bill. Yet I believe that additional reforms were needed to adequately protect Americans' fundamental right to privacy. More than 13 years after the PATRIOT Act was first passed into law, it is time for Congress to let Section 215 expire

and work toward serious and meaningful surveillance reform.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, on May 18, 2015, my flight was delayed and I was unable to vote on H.R. 91.

If present, I would have vote "yea" on H.R. 91.

H.R. 36

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong opposition to H.R. 36. This bill would ban abortions after 20 weeks without an adequate exception to protect a woman's health—a violation of *Roe v. Wade*—and would impose unreasonable burdens on rape and incest survivors. The legislation is the latest attack by House Republicans on women's health, and what's even more insulting is that they brought it to the floor during Women's Health Week.

H.R. 36 would deny a woman the right to an abortion even if she is experiencing serious medical complications from pregnancy, or her physician is unable to diagnose her fetus with severe and lethal anomalies until after 20 weeks. These anomalies frequently lead to fetal death before or shortly after birth. Moreover, by imposing criminal penalties on physicians who provide abortion care, the bill would eventually lead to the deterioration of the critical patient-doctor relationship.

As you know, Republicans pulled an earlier version of this after a clash in their caucus over the exception for adult rape survivors which would require women to report the crime to law enforcement before they could get an abortion. That language has been modified to require rape survivors to seek and provide documentation of medical treatment or counseling 48 hours prior to an abortion. The bill also includes unfair reporting and documentation requirements for minors who have survived rape and incest. Without a doubt these barriers are deliberately designed to restrict a women's right to choose.

I'm pleased to see a range of organizations voice strong opposition to this bill including the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, American Nurses Association, American Public Health Association, NARAL Pro-Choice American, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, National Organization for Women, National Women's Law Center, National Council of Jewish Women, and others.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to stand up for women's health and oppose this bill.

RECOGNIZING THE VOLUNTEERS OF THE SHEPHERD'S CENTER OF OAKTON-VIENNA

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the volunteers of the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna and to thank them for their many contributions to the Northern Virginia community. Organized in 1997, the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna (SCOV) is a non-profit that provides services to help older adults continue living independently, and it offers programs that supply opportunities for enrichment, learning, and socialization.

Every year, approximately 200 volunteers support older residents who want to age in place in their homes and stay engaged in social activities. Services are available free of charge to anyone age 50 or older who resides in the local community.

Last year was a particularly successful year for SCOV. In 2014, drivers provided over 1100 round-trip rides for medical reasons and other errands. Volunteers made regular contact with individuals who may have limited interaction and may feel isolated in their homes. "Handy Helpers" made minor home repairs to help older adults keep their homes safe and livable. The Health Team provided individual health counseling, referral to community resources, and blood pressure readings. Volunteers also run programs such as Lunch n' Life, Adventures in Learning, trips and outings, special events, and caregivers' support groups. All told, SCOV served more than 3000 individuals in 2014. For these accomplishments, SCOV was recognized as 2014 Outstanding Volunteer Caregiving Program by the National Volunteer Caregiving Network.

The services and programs offered by this extraordinary organization help to ensure that our seniors stay connected to the community through promotion of active lifestyles, ongoing social integration, and availability of resources for older residents to use their experience, training, and skills in significant roles in society.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing the Shepherd Center of Oakton-Vienna for its work to enable older adults in our community to age in place and enjoy their golden years with dignity and independence. I thank the many volunteers who generously dedicate their time and efforts to the welfare of our neighbors. The value of their contributions cannot be overstated and are deserving of our highest praise.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF VIRGINIA AIR NATIONAL GUARD BRIGADIER GENERAL WAYNE A. WRIGHT

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and thank Brigadier General Wayne A. Wright for his 34 years of service to our nation and to congratulate him on his announced retirement.