

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE CAREER OF MR. D. SCOTT WELKER

HON. DAVID LOEBSACK

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Mr. LOEBSACK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to extend my congratulations to Mr. D. Scott Welker on his retirement after 33 years of public service.

As Executive Director of the U.S. Joint Munitions Command at the Rock Island Arsenal, Mr. Welker has dedicated his career to improving the safety and security of our Iowa communities and our nation as a whole. His work has directly contributed to the development and success of the Arsenal, the U.S. Army, and all of those privileged to work alongside him.

I am proud to recognize Mr. Welker, thank him for everything he has done for our country, and wish him the best in his well-earned retirement.

TRIBUTE TO MR. JAMES E. DORA

HON. TODD ROKITA

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a personal friend, Sigma Chi brother, and prominent Hoosier, Mr. James E. Dora, who passed away on June 27, 2016.

Jim was born in Vincennes, Indiana and graduated from Purdue University where he was a member of the Delta Delta Chapter of Sigma Chi Fraternity. He gave back to his alma mater serving as Chairman to the President's Council, Vice Chairman of the Vision 21 Capital Campaign, as an Old Master and on the Advisory Board for the RHIT Hotel School. Purdue honored him in kind with the Purdue Order of the Griffin and an Honorary Doctorate Degree, and honor he also received from Vincennes University.

Jim's commitment to Sigma Chi, its Purdue Chapter, and his brothers are reflected in his actions. He was co-chair of a complete renovation of the chapter house, including a \$7.4 million fundraising campaign to achieve it. Jim was recognized by Sigma Chi earning the Significant Sig of Sigma Chi, Sigma Chi Hall of Fame, and the Order of the Constantine honors. He also received the Purdue Chapter Ben Taylor Award.

As a businessman, Jim founded and chaired General Hotels Corporation, a developer and operator of award winning hotels throughout Central Indiana, including the upscale Crowne Plaza Holiday Inn at Union Station in Downtown Indianapolis. He served as Chairman of the International Association of Holiday Inn Owners and on the Board of Directors for American United Life Insurance Company, First Chicago, NBD, Bank One and the Mayflower Corporation.

Jim was also a selfless advocate for the City of Indianapolis. He was a member of numerous boards and committees, including the Capital Improvement Board of Managers from 1971–1993 and served as President from 1985–1993. His service coincided with and was instrumental in the growth and development of Downtown Indianapolis and the Colts relocation to our city in 1984. Jim also served on the Educational CHOICE Charitable Trust, Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Indy, Inc. and more. Jim was twice named a Sagamore of the Wabash, the state's highest honor for a citizen.

Jim and I shared a love for aviation, our home state of Indiana and public service. His whole-hearted support of my public service efforts and the efforts of those like me has been invaluable as I served Hoosiers for the past 13 years. Jim leaves behind his beloved wife of 57 years, Shirley, four children, and 11 grandchildren. I believe this world is a better place because of his compassionate service to our community, state and nation. In this sign you will conquer (In hoc signo vinces) Jim, you will not be forgotten.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE DUBLIN COFFMAN HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD TEAM

HON. PATRICK J. TIBERI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dublin Coffman High School for winning the Girls 4 × 200 Meter Relay at the Division I Ohio High School Track and Field State Championship.

For over a century, the Ohio High School Athletic Association has provided Ohio's finest student athletes with the opportunity to earn a state championship. Each year young men and women spend countless hours practicing and training in an effort to join the ranks of Ohio's elite athletes. Although many strive to earn the title of state champion, only a select few will achieve this honor.

Dublin Coffman's victory caps a tremendous season. This sort of achievement stands as a testament to their hard work. Shaunqueza Stevens, Shannon Downie, Wambui Watene, and Abby Steiner have set a new standard for future athletes to reach. Everyone at Dublin Coffman High School can be extremely proud of their performance.

On behalf of the citizens of Ohio's 12th Congressional District, I congratulate Dublin Coffman High School's Girls Track and Field on their state championship. I wish their team continued success in their future athletic endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LEHIGHTON 150TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Borough of Lehigh as it marks its 150th anniversary. Lehigh was founded in 1866, and the town celebrated its sesquicentennial for eight days from June 25 to July 2. Festivities included a street fair, music, naming the Citizen of the Century, and burying a Time Capsule.

Located on the Lehigh River in Carbon County, Pennsylvania, Lehigh was originally established in 1746 as the German Moravian Brethren mission station, "Gnadenhuetten." In 1755, during the French and Indian War, the village was destroyed with only a few of the missionaries surviving. Lehigh had several developing industries in the 19th Century, such as lace and silk mills, meat packing, and foundries. The town was also home to a major repair facility for the Lehigh Valley Railroad. The advent of the railroad proved to be an economic boost for the town, employing thousands of workers to operate and maintain the new system of transportation. By 1900, its population had grown to over 4,600, and it reached its peak in 1940 with 6,600 residents. Today, Lehigh is witnessing a revitalization of its downtown as residents find a new appreciation for its central location and historic architecture.

It is an honor to recognize such an important milestone for Lehigh; I am proud to represent this historic city. As the town celebrates 150 years, I share its pride about its historic past, and I look forward to a bright future for all of its residents.

IN HONOR OF REVEREND HORACE CLINTON BOYD

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart and solemn remembrance that I rise today to pay tribute to outstanding spiritual leader and man of God, a brave man, and dear friend, the Reverend Horace Clinton Boyd. Sadly, Reverend Boyd passed away on Saturday, June 25, 2016. A home-going celebration was held in his honor on July 2, 2016 at 10 a.m. at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Albany, Georgia followed by a brief memorial at Macedonia Baptist Church in Ludowici, Georgia.

A Georgia man through and through, Reverend Boyd was born on November 28, 1926 in Long County, Georgia and was the fifth of ten children to the late Deacon Earnest Franklin and Mrs. Eula Wright Franklin. He studied

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at the public schools in Long County, Georgia before attending college and seminary training at Morehouse College of Atlanta, GA. Reverend Boyd also served his country courageously as a World War II veteran before he was honorably discharged.

Reverend Boyd began preaching on October 13, 1946 at Engineer Chapel—Schofield Barracks on the Island of Ohau, Hawaii. He has pastored at many churches in Georgia, including the Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, the birthplace of the 1960s Albany Civil Rights Movement. Despite threats to his person, his family, his home and his church, he allowed a mass meeting to be held at Shiloh that organized local Civil Rights marches. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. addressed the overflowing crowds from the pulpit of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church and now a trail of footprints originating in the front of the church leading to the Albany Bus Station commemorates the Albany Civil Rights marches.

Dr. George Washington Carver once said, "No individual has any right to come into the world and go out of it without leaving behind distinct and legitimate reasons for having passed through it." We are so blessed that the Reverend Horace Boyd passed this way and shared with us his legacy of service that will stand the test of time. Surely, the wealth of wisdom that Reverend Boyd has given to his listeners will forever resonate in their hearts and spirits.

Reverend Boyd has been repeatedly acknowledged for his outstanding achievements, service and public distinction. He served as Dean of the Albany Seminary Extension Center for 25 years, Commissioned Board Member of the Dougherty County Family and Children Services for 27 years and as a past Moderator of the Hopewell Missionary Baptist Association from 1961–1994. He has achieved numerous successes in his life, but none of this would have been possible without the grace of God and his loving wife of sixty years, Ms. Barbara Mae Riles Boyd, who was called Home to be with her Savior in 2010. They have two children, William and Dolores.

Mr. Speaker, my wife Vivian and I, along with the more than 730,000 people in the Second Congressional District of Georgia, would like to extend our deepest sympathies to Rev. Boyd's family, friends, and followers during this difficult time. May we all be consoled and comforted by an abiding faith and the Holy Spirit in the days, weeks and months ahead.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. PETER A. DeFAZIO

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Mr. DeFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, on July 5, 2016, I missed votes due to personal business in my district and was unable to be present and missed the following votes:

On Roll Call vote 343, I would have voted No.

On Roll Call vote 344, I would have voted No.

On Roll Call vote 345, I would have voted No.

On Roll Call vote 346, I would have voted No.

On Roll Call vote 347, I would have voted No.

On Roll Call vote 348, I would have voted No.

On Roll Call vote 349, I would have voted Aye.

On Roll Call vote 350, I would have voted Aye.

H.R. 5456

HON. VERN BUCHANAN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Mr. BUCHANAN. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following extraneous materials on H.R. 5456, the Family First Prevention Services Act of 2016:

ALLIANCE FOR STRONG FAMILIES
AND COMMUNITIES,
Washington, DC, June 14, 2016.

Hon. KEVIN BRADY, *Chair*,
House of Representatives,
Ways and Means Committee.

Hon. VERN BUCHANAN, *Chair*,
House of Representatives,
Human Resources Subcommittee.

Hon. ORRIN HATCH, *Chair*,
U.S. Senate,
Senate Finance Committee.

Hon. SANDER LEVIN, *Ranking Member*,
House of Representatives,
Ways and Means Committee,

Hon. LLOYD DOGGETT, *Ranking Member*,
House of Representatives,
Human Resources Subcommittee.

Hon. RON WYDEN, *Ranking Member*,
U.S. Senate,
Senate Finance Committee.

DEAR CHAIRMAN BRADY AND RANKING MEMBER LEVIN, CHAIRMAN BUCHANAN AND RANKING MEMBER DOGGETT, AND CHAIRMAN HATCH AND RANKING MEMBER WYDEN: The Alliance for Strong Families and Communities thanks you for your leadership and for introducing the Family First Prevention Services Act of 2016. The legislation promotes numerous policy priorities that are consistent with our network's guiding principles for improving child and family safety, permanency and well-being.

We appreciate efforts you have made to address past concerns and to include components that are informed by effective practices in states and localities, technology updates, and current research. These include:

Permitting the use of federal funds to pay for programs across the evidence-based spectrum, and to continue knowledge formation in what works;

Making Title IV-B funds available to states so that they may modernize their Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC) services so that so that children may be more quickly and effectively placed in appropriate homes across state lines;

Supporting the National Commission to Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities' recommendation that a 21st Century Child Welfare system require states to develop a statewide plan to prevent child abuse and neglect fatalities;

Requiring the use of an age-appropriate, evidence-based, validated needs assessment to help determine a child's need for behavioral health support through a therapeutic residential treatment setting; and

Engaging families in a child's residentially-based trauma-informed behavioral health treatment to strengthen the likelihood of their success, including establishing a family and permanency team in the initial needs assessment and ongoing progress monitoring.

We are very pleased with the bipartisan, bicameral effort to address child welfare reforms, and specifically, the longstanding policy priority to expand Title IV-E for prevention so that children and parents/caregivers may have access to services and interventions that ensure child safety and build family stability.

While the Alliance enthusiastically supports the Family First Prevention Services Act of 2016, we do believe we have identified a significant technical misalignment within the definition of the Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTTP) that, if addressed, would strengthen the bill, increase its effectiveness and mitigate against what we believe to be unintended consequences for children to whom we want to receive the right treatment, at the right time in the most appropriate setting. We fully support the requirement for a QRTTP to use a trauma-informed treatment model, but are concerned about the rigid aspects of the language for QRTTP staffing. The prescription of nursing and clinical staff being onsite during business hours is not consistent with Congress' desire to use evidence in its requirements on states and moves further away from a system that is child- and family-centered and community-based. We believe that QRTTPs must abide by the fidelity elements of the approved, trauma-informed treatment model that they elect to use in accordance with the requirements in the bill and that the current language regarding staffing is inconsistent with the bill's treatment model requirement.

For example, if the fidelity elements of the selected treatment model require licensed or registered nurses to be onsite during business hours and available 24/7, then a QRTTP must meet that requirement. Likewise, if fidelity to an approved model requires a different staffing composition and pattern, then the QRTTP must meet that model's requirements and needs the flexibility to do so.

Therefore, rather than requiring the staff to be onsite during business hours, we recommend an amendment that aligns the treatment model requirement with the staffing requirement. The amendment would require staff to be onsite according to the trauma-informed treatment model being used by the QRTTP. Our commonsense amendment acknowledges that high quality trauma-informed treatment models prescribe staffing patterns that are designed to achieve the outcomes proven by the program model. And, it strengthens the bill's effectiveness toward the greatest chance of success and normalcy for children provided in the most family-like settings possible.

The Alliance's wholehearted support of the Family First Prevention Services Act of 2016 is unqualified and not contingent upon inclusion of the recommended amendment but, if the bill is passed without this amendment we intend to work to build a coalition to change this aspect of the QRTTP requirements prior to implementation of these provisions in Title II in 2019.

Thank you very much for your hard work. We look forward to working with you and encourage you to contact Marlo Nash, Senior Vice President of Public Policy and Mobilization with questions or to request additional information.

Sincerely,

SUSAN DREYFUS,
President and CEO.

AAP STATEMENT SUPPORTING THE FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT

[6/13/2016 by Benard P. Dreyer, MD, FAAP, president, American Academy of Pediatrics]

"The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) commends House Ways and Means