

them. The CBO staff contact is Mark Grabowicz.

Sincerely,

KEITH HALL, *Director*.

RECOGNIZING THE GRADUATION  
OF THE FAIRFAX COUNTY FIRE  
AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT  
143RD RECRUIT CLASS

**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 3, 2018*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and the graduates of the 143rd Recruit Class. As they prepare to join the ranks of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, I encourage the thirty-two graduates to reflect on the history of the department, and the contributions and dedication of the brave men and women who have served before them to protect our community.

The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department's Recruit School consists of an extensive and demanding twenty-four-week program. In addition to two weeks of orientation, recruits complete seven weeks of EMT training and fifteen weeks of fire suppression training. Upon graduation, these recruits will be certified at the level of Firefighter I/II by the Virginia Department of Fire Programs.

These recruits have the distinct honor of joining one of the best Fire and Rescue Departments in the United States. The efforts of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department have been recognized across this country. Members from the Department serve on the elite VA Task Force I, which is among the first units called to disaster zones to provide search and rescue support. Members of that Task Force were recognized by the International Association of Fire Chiefs with the Benjamin Franklin Award for Valor, as a result of their efforts in the aftermath of the devastating earthquakes that struck Nepal in 2015. Recently, they have seen extensive work in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands as part of disaster relief and rescue efforts in the aftermaths of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria.

Fairfax County is fortunate to have such excellent ambassadors for our community, and I commend them for all they have done to protect lives and property not only here in Fairfax County, but around the world. As the newest members of the Fire and Rescue Department, the 143rd Recruit Class graduates join the department as integral parts of our community's emergency response and public safety team. I am confident this graduating class will serve the residents of Fairfax County with honor and distinction. It is my great honor to include in the RECORD the names of the 143rd Recruit Class:

Melissa A. Berkowitz, Richard N. Burton, Jasper R. Cooper, Megan E. Field, Heather A. Funkhouser, Danny E. Gallardo, Graham K. Gilbert, Matthew C. Harris, Shawn M. Jaret, Jacob W. Johnson, Aria Khodabakhchian, Juan D. Lopez, Daniel J. Mechling, Andrew L. Mullinax, Sarah M. Murphy, Luke F. Nuar, Christian S. Perdue, Natalie J. Potell, Jose L. Ramos Castro, Sean L. Sack, Jessica L. Salpini, Tyler T. Sevener, Matthew R. Sher-

wood, Corey J. Smith, Armando T. Solano, Thien H. Tran, Katherine L. Tripp, William H. Turk, William A. Wagner, Jonathan L. Wallace, Stephen M. Williams, Andrew T. Wycheck.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the newest members of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department. I thank them for their service to their community, and to all members of the Fire and Rescue Department, past and present, I say, "Stay safe."

RECOGNIZING THE 150TH BIRTHDAY  
OF BISMARCK, MISSOURI

**HON. JASON SMITH**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 3, 2018*

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the sesquicentennial birthday of Bismarck, Missouri, which was founded in 1868. City fathers named the town for Prince Otto Von Bismarck, the 'Iron Chancellor' of Germany, in hopes they'd lure German immigrants to live there. Bismarck became a shipping center for the St. Louis Iron Mountain and Southern Railway. Today, the 100-year-old train depot is a treasured landmark.

Bismarck is proud of its community spirit. The desire to serve prompted dozens of residents to join the military in wartime. The drive to succeed helped the town recover from a fire that destroyed its business district in 1901. And the determination to overcome challenges has kept the city working to meet the ever-changing needs of its citizens.

Today, Bismarck's leaders are working to increase services and add businesses. Mayor Seth Radford describes Bismarck as a place that "looks out for its neighbors," offering a family-friendly community that brings people together. They look to the future with optimism, but maintain a strong connection to their past.

It is my great privilege to recognize Bismarck, Missouri before the United States House of Representatives to mark the town's 150th birthday. I celebrate the community spirit, sense of duty and pride that thrives in this St. Francois County town located in the heart of America.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. EARL BLUMENAUER**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 3, 2018*

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, had I been present for the vote on the Motion on Ordering the Previous Question on the Rule providing for consideration of H. Res. 970, I would have voted "no."

A TRIBUTE TO BECKY AND ROGER  
MICK

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 3, 2018*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Becky and

Roger Mick of Bedford, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary on June 29, 2018.

Their lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa's values. As the years pass, may their love continue to grow even stronger and may they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many more years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60 years together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

RECOGNIZING THE 2018 UNITED  
STATES PARK POLICE VALOR  
AWARD RECIPIENTS

**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 3, 2018*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an outstanding group of men and women in Northern Virginia. These individuals have demonstrated superior dedication to public safety and have been awarded the prestigious Valor Award by the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

This is the 40th Annual Valor Awards sponsored by the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce. This event honors the remarkable heroism and bravery in the line of duty exemplified by our public safety officers. Our public safety and law enforcement personnel put their lives on the line every day to keep our families and neighborhoods safe. This year's ceremony will present ninety-one awards to recognize extraordinary actions above and beyond the call of duty in a variety of categories including the Lifesaving Certificate, the Certificate of Valor, and the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Medal of Valor.

Sergeant Mark Asmussen of the U.S. Park Police is being honored this year for his exceptional service with the Certificate of Valor, and it is with great pride that I include his name in the RECORD.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Sergeant Asmussen and all of the 2018 Valor Award Recipients, and extend my thanks to all of the men and women who serve in the United States Park Police. Their efforts, made on behalf of the citizens of our community, are selfless acts of heroism and truly merit our highest praise. I ask my colleagues to join me in applauding this group of remarkable citizens.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 120TH AN-  
NIVERSARY OF DOWD INSUR-  
ANCE

**HON. RICHARD E. NEAL**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 3, 2018*

Mr. NEAL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize and congratulate Dowd Insurance on the occasion of its 120th anniversary. Established in 1898, Dowd is one of the oldest, largest, and most experienced insurance agencies in Massachusetts. Since

its founding, the group has been under continuous Dowd family ownership for four generations, providing counsel and insurance protection for a diverse range of clients.

In 1865, James J. Dowd, an immigrant from County Kerry, Ireland, arrived in Holyoke, Massachusetts with his wife and fourteen children. He began working in a textile mill in hopes of building a better life for himself and his family. A few decades later, one of his sons, who bore his name, went on to found Dowd Insurance—laying the foundation for a family legacy that has spanned multiple generations and continues to flourish today. James J. Dowd, II gave up his career as a professional baseball player and joined the firm in 1916 after his father passed away, and James J. Dowd, Jr. and John E. Dowd entered the family business in 1947 and 1951 respectively after each serving in World War II. The fourth generation of the Dowd family was ushered into the business in 1974 when James J. Dowd, III became a member of the agency. He was then joined by John E. Dowd, Jr., Dowd Insurance's current President and CEO, in 1982. After more than a century of operation marked by profound growth and success, including having joined the International Network of Insurance and opening multiple new branch offices, it is evident that Dowd Insurance has made numerous positive contributions to the community of which it takes pride in being an integral part.

Mr. Speaker, over the course of its history Dowd Insurance has demonstrated exemplary service, leadership, and dedication. Those traits are hallmarks of the agency's long and admirable tradition of service in western Massachusetts, and are certainly worthy of recognition. On the occasion of Dowd Insurance's 120th anniversary, I wish the Dowd family, the agency's partners, and the dedicated men and women who work with them all the best and much continued prosperity.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Tuesday, July 3, 2018

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to be present during roll call vote numbers 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312 and 313 on June 28, 2018. Had I been present, I would have voted: on roll call vote no. 306 I would have voted NO; on roll call vote no. 307 I would have voted NO; on roll call vote no. 308 I would have voted NO; on roll call vote no. 309 I would have voted YES; on roll call vote no. 310 I would have voted YES; on roll call vote no. 311 I would have voted NO; on roll call vote no. 312 I would have voted YES; and on roll call vote no. 313 I would have voted NO.

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that H.R. 5766 will be enacted near the start of fiscal

RECOGNIZING THE 2018 VOLUNTEER RESTON AWARD RECIPIENTS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Tuesday, July 3, 2018

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize a group of individuals who have selflessly dedicated themselves to the betterment of their community. Each year, the Reston Association recognizes individuals who have gone above and beyond with the Volunteer Reston awards. Reston is well known to be a shining example of civic engagement. This event, held during National Volunteer Week, honors those who have made significant impacts on the lives of others and the community. In Fairfax County, we are blessed with an incredible abundance of generosity of spirit, and the individuals who are being honored with these awards are the embodiment of that spirit.

It is my honor to include in the RECORD the names of 2018 Volunteer Reston award winners:

Kelley Westenhoff—Volunteer of the Year  
Iman Hadji—Youth Volunteer of the Year  
Patricia Wagner—55+ Volunteer of the Year  
Jay Steinberg—Our Everyday Hero

Group Volunteer of the Year—Nature Center Welcome Desk Attendants: Anne Cannizzaro, Barbara Paolucci, Brenda van Doom, Ellen Perrins, Freya De Cola, Janine Greenwood, Jim Seret, June Ferrera, Marilyn Dicke, Paulette Lincoln-Baker, Sharon McHugh, Terri Ostrowski, Verna Webb.

Adult Group Volunteer of the Year—Stream Monitoring Team: Bob Bidwell, Bob Ryder, Bob Speegle, Bob Parker, Dick Christensen.

Community Partner of the Year—Friends of Reston: Carol Nahorniak, Bonnie Haukness, Glenn Walker, Fran Lovaas, Janine Greenwood, Sherri Hebert.

Work Group of the Year—Reston Annual State of the Environment Report (RASER) Working Group: Doug Britt, Sue Beffel, Don Coram, Robin Duska, Linda Fuller, Carl Mitchell, Lois Phemiste.

Mr. Speaker, civic engagement is at the heart of a healthy community, and it is clear from these awardees that Reston remains one of the healthiest communities in Northern Virginia. I congratulate all of the recipients on their awards, and thank them for their service to our community. I ask my colleagues to join me in wishing them great success in all their future endeavors.

year 2019 and that necessary funds will be appropriated each year.  
Using information from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), CBO estimates that ongoing costs to meet new

COST ESTIMATE ON H.R. 5766, THE SECURING PUBLIC AREAS OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES ACT OF 2018

HON. MICHAEL T. MCCAUL

OF TEXAS  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Tuesday, July 3, 2018

Mr. MCCAUL. Mr. Speaker, the following cost estimate for H.R. 5766, the Securing Public Areas of Transportation Facilities Act of 2018, prepared by the Congressional Budget Office was not made available to the Committee at the time of filing of the legislative report.

U.S. CONGRESS,  
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,  
Washington, DC, June 28, 2018.  
Hon. MICHAEL MCCAUL,  
Chairman, Committee on Homeland Security,  
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.  
DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 5766, the Securing Public Areas of Transportation Facilities Act of 2018.  
If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Megan Carroll.  
Sincerely,

KEITH HALL, Director.  
Enclosure.

H.R. 5766—SECURING PUBLIC AREAS OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES ACT OF 2018  
As reported by the House Committee on Homeland Security on June 22, 2018

SUMMARY  
H.R. 5766 would direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a working group to develop, in collaboration with public and private stakeholders, recommendations for enhancing the security of public areas of transportation facilities. The bill also would authorize the secretary to provide technical assistance to owners and operators of surface transportation systems and facilities and specify a variety of administrative and reporting requirements.  
Assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 5766 would cost \$23 million over the 2019–2022 period. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.  
CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 5766 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2029.  
H.R. 5766 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA).  
ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
The estimated budgetary effect of H.R. 5766 is shown in the following table. The costs of the legislation fall within budget function 400 (transportation).

By fiscal year, in millions of dollars—

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2019–2023
INCREASES OR DECREASES (–) IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Estimated Authorization Level	5	5	5	5	5	25
Estimated Outlays	3	5	5	5	5	23

and expanded duties under H.R. 5766 would require appropriations totaling about \$5 million annually. That amount includes: