HOUSE CHAPLAIN SEARCH

HON. TOM BLILEY

OF VIRGINIA

EARL POMEROY

OF NORTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. BLILEY. Mr. Speaker, as co-chairs of the chaplain search committee we are announcing to Members that we have begun our initial stages of the search. We encourage Members to recommend qualified candidates to the search committee. They may do so by forwarding applicant materials to the Speaker's office, H–232 Capitol, House of Representatives, Washington, DC 20515, Attention: House Chaplain Search Committee. Applicant materials should include a cover letter and resume.

As you know, the House Chaplain prepares and delivers the daily prayer in the House of Representatives; coordinates the use of the Prayer Room; speaks to visiting groups and gives invocations at events; assists Members in contacts with religious groups; conducts wedding ceremonies, visits hospitals and conducts memorial services; and is available at all times for pastoral counseling to Members and staff.

The chaplain is one of five elected officers of the House of Representatives. The chaplain is paid $132,100 per year.

The other members of the search committee are: LOIS CAPPS, HELEN CHENOWETH, JAY DICKEY, CAL DOOLEY, ANNA ESHOO, STEVE LARGENT, JOHN LEWIS, JOE PITTS, RALPH REGULA, CIRO RODRIQUEZ, ROBERT SCOTT, JOHN SHIMKUS, TED STRICKLAND, ZACH WAMP, HENRY WAXMAN, and DAVE WELDON.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANTHONY D. WEINER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. WEINER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 212, had I been present, I would have voted ''aye.''

HONORING THE LIFE OF GOVERNOR BOB BULLOCK

HON. GENE GREEN

OF TEXAS

HON. JIM TURNER

OF TEXAS

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

HON. CHET EDWARDS

OF TEXAS

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

HON. LLOYD DOGGETT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today, my colleagues and I and the State of Texas lost a legend. Lt. Governor Bob Bullock passed away at the age of 69.

Before coming to Congress, we served with Governor Bullock as members of the Texas State Senate. No Texan stood taller than Bob Bullock in his knowledge of Texas Government, his influence over the affairs of Texas and his deep commitment to our State.

His love for our state was legendary. Each time he spoke of Texas, the feeling of his pride was very clear. He always said, ''I have no agenda but what's good for Texas. And I have no love, but Texas.''

Governor Bullock was born in Hillsboro, Texas on July 10, 1929. He was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1956 and was reelected in 1958. While still in the Texas Legislature, Governor Bullock enrolled in law school. He earned a law degree from Baylor University as well as a bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University. He was also a graduate of Hill College in his hometown.

Governor Bullock also served as an assistant attorney general, heading up the first antitrust and consumer protection division in that office. He won several historic cases including a multi-million dollar recovery from five large drug companies that conspired to fix prices. Bob Bullock held other positions in Texas State government, serving on the Texas Historical Commission, on the staff of former Governor Preston Smith, and as the Texas Secretary of State.

In 1974, Bullock was elected Comptroller of Public Accounts. He would serve four terms as the state's chief tax collector. His tenure as Comptroller was marked by innovation and efficiency. He became the first elected state official to adopt an equal employment opportunity program. He was among the first elected officials to use computer technology in state government to cut costs and improve productivity. He developed a Taxpayer Bill of Rights to guarantee that Texas taxpayers were treated with fairness, courtesy and common sense.

In 1990, Bob Bullock was elected Lieutenant Governor, a job considered the most powerful in the State of Texas. In this position, he presided over the Texas Senate, made committee appointments, sat on key government boards, and controlled the flow of legislation in the Senate.

As the presiding officer of the Texas Senate, Governor Bullock overhauled the ethics laws in an effort to restore public confidence in state government. He created the Texas Performance Review to analyze spending at state agencies and recommend cost-saving alternatives. He pushed through a constitutional amendment requiring voter approval before a state personal income tax could be enacted and if the voters approved the tax, requiring the money be earmarked for education.

Governor Bullock is survived by his wife, Jan; a son, Robert D. (Bobby) Bullock, Jr. of Austin; a daughter and her husband, Lindy and Phil Ward of Austin; a grandson, Grant Bullock Robinson of Austin; a stepdaughter and her husband, Kimberly and Jeff Ader of Houston; and a brother and his wife, Tom and Jane Bullock of Brenham. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Two sisters, Sara Read and Louisa Bond preceded him in death. We would like to offer our sincere condolences to Jan and the rest of his family.

Governor Bullock's accomplishments were shaped by his desire to make Texas the best state in the union. Governor Bob Bullock always ended his speeches with, ''God bless Texas.'' Today, we would like to add, ''God bless Bob Bullock.''

TRIBUTE TO DR. J. DANIEL STEWART

HON. JOE SCARBOROUGH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. SCARBOROUGH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a man who has dedicated 25 years of his life to protecting the people of this great nation and ensuring the American way of life. This gentleman has distinguished himself as a community leader, a dedicated family man, and a decorated civil servant in the United States Air Force. The man I speak about today is Dr. J. Daniel Stewart, Executive Director, Air Force Development Test Center at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.

I could praise Dr. Stewart for his many successes as an engineer, an innovative manager and leader, or his demonstrated commitment to doing what it takes to get our warfighters the weapon systems they need. I could mention his many academic accomplishments earning multiple advanced degrees from some of our most prestigious institutions. Or I could applaud his decorations including the Presidential Rank Award ranking him in the top one per cent of civil servants in recognition to his contributions to National Defense. But I'm sure Dr. Stewart would say that those accomplishments were just part of his duty.

Mr. Speaker, these accomplishments only begin to describe the caliber of a man like Dr. Stewart. Ralph Waldo Emerson once said that what people say about you behind your back is the true measure of your character. The words said about Dr. Stewart behind his back include: honest, loyal, dedicated, courageous, honorable, hard working, and a true gentleman. From the time he entered federal service at the Air Force Rocket Propulsion Laboratory at Edwards Air Force Base in 1974 until today, when he leaves Eglin AFB to assume his new responsibilities as Executive Director of the Air Force Material Command, Dr. Stewart has shown a standard of excellence and dedication to duty that made him stand out as a man of intellect, skill, and integrity.

Dr. Stewart's dedication to his country serves as a model in the lives of the hundreds of civil servants, Air Force officers and enlisted personnel he has trained, supervised, and encouraged. The legacy Dr. Stewart leaves behind at Eglin Air Force Base as Executive Director, Air Force Development Test Center, will remain an inspiration to the men and women that were fortunate enough to serve under his leadership.

TRIBUTE TO WEST POINT GRADUATE RALPH WARE

HON. BOB SCHAFFER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 18, 1999

Mr. SCHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize a young man dedicated to excellence in the service of his country. On May 29,