

would make the distribution of funding more equitable and would ensure that the bill accomplishes its environmental purposes.

(2) Water Resources and Development Act (WRDA)/Everglades Restoration

We support the authorization of environmentally friendly flood control and water projects, particularly work to restore the Everglades. Such projects are expected to be included in the WRDA bill, which will be drafted by the House Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, chaired by Congressman Boehlert. Boehlert is also heading up an effort to increase funding for water infrastructure by beefing up the state revolving funds under the Clean Water Act.

(3) Environmentally Sound Electric Deregulation

We support efforts to ensure that electric deregulation benefits the environment. Done properly, electric deregulation can improve the environment while lowering utility rates. But deregulation must include provisions to limit emissions from coal plants and to encourage the use of renewable sources of energy. Congressmen Rick Lazio (R-N.Y.), Jim Greenwood (R-Pa.) and Sherry Boehlert are leading the effort to ensure that such provisions are included in any legislation to reduce limits on sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides to prevent acid rain. Boehlert is also pressing to control all four utility pollutants.

(4) Credit for Voluntary Action (H.R. 2520)

We support Congressman Rick Lazio's bill to create credits for companies that are reducing emissions of greenhouse gases. Credits would encourage voluntary reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and could be used as part of any future regulatory regime.

(5) Beaches Environmental Assessment, Clean Up and Health Act (H.R. 999)

We support legislation to ensure that our coastal waters do not pose a health threat to bathers, boaters and surfers. This bill, introduced by Rep. Brian Bilbray (R-CA) and approved by the House, would require states to update their water quality standards to protect human health in coastal recreation waters. The bill would provide grants to states to implement the program.

(6) The Estuary Habitat Restoration Partnership Act (H.R. 1775)

We support legislation introduced by Rep. Wayne Gilchrest (R-Md.) that would restore and protect our nation's estuaries, which harbor ecosystems that are vital to environmental health and the fishing industry.

(7) The Long Island Sound Restoration Act (H.R. 3313)

We support legislation, introduced by Reps. Nancy Johnson (R-Conn.) and Rick Lazio, which would authorize additional funds to clean up the pollution in the Long Island Sound, a critical estuary and one of the nation's most populous coastal areas. The bill addresses the non-point source pollution that may be causing the dramatic decreases in lobster and other shellfish populations in the Sound.

(8) Promoting cleaner, more efficient transportation

We support efforts to promote fuel efficiency and to reduce auto emissions. Congressmen Boehlert and Jim Greenwood are circulating a letter, urging the President to work with the congress to tighten Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards for Sport Utility Vehicles (SUVs). In addition, Congressman Brian Bilbray has a bill (H.R. 1976) requiring labeling on automobiles so that consumers know the emission levels of the cars they are purchasing.

(9) Promoting alternative-fueled vehicles

We support efforts to promote alternative-fueled vehicles. As part of AIR-21, the Presi-

dent signed into a law a measure introduced by Congressman Boehlert that will provide grants for airports in non-attainment areas to purchase clean vehicles, such as natural gas and hybrid-electric buses. This builds on alternative fuel vehicle programs that were included in "TEA-21." Boehlert also worked with the U.S. Postal Service, Ford Motor Co. and Baker Electromotive to engineer the largest purchase of electric vehicles in history—up to 6,000 vehicles. Additional bills are being drafted to help more municipalities purchase clean vehicles.

(10) Superfund Reform/Brownfields Redevelopment

We support broad Superfund reform that will eliminate needless litigation that has delayed the clean-up of Superfund sites and prevented the redevelopment of brownfields. Superfund must have a rational liability system that exempts small businesses that contributed little to Superfund sites and must facilitate the redevelopment of brownfields, which are a blight in so many of our cities. One moderate approach to this bill is embodied in Congressman Boehlert's H.R. 1300, the Recycle America's Land Act, which has support from a wide range of groups including the National Association of Manufacturers and the U.S. Conference of Mayors, and the National Federation of Independent Business.

HONORING ANDREW BRENNAN  
FROM THE FIRST CONGRES-  
SIONAL DISTRICT OF INDIANA

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 13, 2000

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to pay tribute to an outstanding citizen of Indiana's First Congressional District, Mr. Andrew Brennan. On Saturday, April 15, 2000, Mr. Brennan will be honored for his exemplary and dedicated service to our community. His praiseworthy efforts will be recognized at the Trade Winds Gala 2000 banquet at the Radisson Hotel at Star Plaza in Merrillville, Indiana.

A longtime resident of Northwest Indiana, Andrew Brennan has been an active member of the TradeWinds Board of Directors for more than 13 years. TradeWinds Rehabilitation Center, Inc. is a private, not-for-profit entity that provides services to children and adults with disabilities and functional limitations to enhance independence, productivity and community participation. In April of last year, the TradeWinds Executive Board asked Mr. Brennan to serve as its full-time Interim Executive Director while they searched for a permanent director. Mr. Brennan graciously accepted the position.

Prior to volunteering his time at TradeWinds as the Interim Executive Director, Mr. Brennan owned and operated Viking Engineering Company with two plants in Northwest Indiana and one in Chicago, Illinois. In July of 1998 he sold two of the plants, but continued to work for the new owner. Mr. Brennan's expertise in manufacturing and production as well as his exceptional management and aggressive motivational style has proven successful within the TradeWinds organization. During the past year, he has done a marvelous job in mending strained relationships, opening lines of communication, and organizing and running an ef-

ficient organization. To date, Mr. Brennan has dedicated over 1,000 volunteer hours and has provided continuity, leadership, diplomacy and encouragement to staff, clients and the community.

While Mr. Brennan has dedicated considerable time and energy to this work, he has always made an extra effort to give to the community. Throughout the years, Brennan has served in many different leadership positions and has been very involved in several organizations including: Hoosier Boys Town, St. Margaret Merch Hospital, Hammond Chamber of Commerce, the Northern Indiana Arts Association and the Boy Scouts.

Though Mr. Brennan is dedicated to his career and community, he has never limited his time and love for his family. He and his wife Sarah, have three children: Sally, Susan and Jeffrey, of whom they are immensely proud.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating Mr. Andrew Brennan for his outstanding devotion to Northwest Indiana. His dedicated service is commendable and admirable. Indiana's First Congressional District is proud to count such a committed and conscientious citizen, Andrew Brennan, among its residents.

IN HONOR OF THE ROBINSON SECONDARY SCHOOL'S DECA CHAPTER AND THEIR EFFORTS TO RAISE PUBLIC AWARENESS ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AED)

HON. THOMAS M. DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 13, 2000

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise and pay tribute to the members of the Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) Chapter at Robinson Secondary School in Fairfax, Virginia. The three hundred forty-one members of the Robinson DECA chapter have launched a dual campaign to not only educate the public about the benefits of Automatic External Defibrillators (AED), but to also increase support in Congress for the lifesaving bill H.R. 2498, the Cardiac Arrest Survival Act.

Robinson's DECA Chapter recognized that a group of potential sudden cardiac arrest victims have been ignored by the public: teenagers. These energetic members sought to rectify this situation by initiating a public relations campaign to raise general awareness about the benefits of AED's and to outfit high schools with these valuable devices. In a school as large as Robinson Secondary School, with 5,000 teachers, students, administrators, and community members, the need for an AED is particularly evident. In order to acquire the first student-purchased AED in the country, Robinson DECA held the Heart Start Shopping Night and raised the needed \$3,500.

In working with the American Heart Association and a professional adult advisor committee, Robinson DECA realized that not every state currently has legislation to provide Good Samaritan protection for operators of the AED. This motivated DECA to work in support of the passage of H.R. 2495, the Cardiac Survival Act. This important piece of legislation, of