

SALUTE TO HURRICANE
VOLUNTEERS AT DFW AIRPORT

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 26, 2005

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Today, I want to specifically thank the DFW Airport and their donation during Hurricane Katrina. Jeffrey Fegan, the CEO of DFW, and Ken Capps, the Vice President of Public Affairs, sent six DFW firefighters to relieve others at the New Orleans Airport. These firefighters were Adrian Garcia, Darren Himes, Jacob Evens, Terry Cole, Dan White and Sullivan McNulty.

I stand here today to sincerely thank the DFW Airport for their hard work and help during the devastation of Hurricane Katrina. It is people like them that I am proud to call fellow Texans. Through their contribution, they not only stand as devoted and giving American citizens, but they serve as an inspiration to others.

PROTECTION OF LAWFUL
COMMERCE IN ARMS ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. BOB ETHERIDGE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 20, 2005

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I voted against S. 397, the Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act. After careful consideration off the bill and its impact on the citizens of North Carolina and the United States, I determined that it would unacceptably infringe on their constitutional right to legal redress in our Nation's courts, as well as subvert North Carolina law, which already prohibits frivolous lawsuits against the firearms industry.

Although I voted in favor of similar legislation in the 108th Congress, S. 397 is a much different bill. This bill extends unprecedented immunity to many groups beyond federally licensed firearms dealers and manufacturers, and it sets the bar of proof so high as to prohibit meritorious suits against unscrupulous dealers and manufacturers. This bill allows the firearms industry to put profits ahead of safety; under this bill manufacturers do not have to ensure that the dealers and wholesalers to whom they sell weapons are acting in good faith and within the parameters of the law. Law-abiding gun owners do not want more gun control laws. What we need is more vigorous enforcement of the gun laws that are already on the books.

As a lifelong gun owner, I take seriously my commitment to upholding the Constitution and our Second Amendment right to bear arms. I am also committed to the right of individuals to freedom and safety, as well as their day in court, and this bill would subvert those rights.

IN TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF
BROTHER DELOCH

HON. WM. LACY CLAY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CLAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of Mr. Brother Deloch, a constituent of mine and well-beloved and respected husband of 75 years, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and uncle. I was saddened to recently learn of his passing on Friday evening, October 14, at the age of 97.

Mr. Deloch was born January 20, 1908 in Macon, Mississippi to the late Mr. Israel and Mrs. Cora (Grey) Deloch. After the death of his father, Brother Deloch, along with his mother and siblings, moved to Kinloch, Missouri. During the late 1920's Brother Deloch met Emma Lou Dailey and on January 22, 1930 they were joined in holy matrimony. He remained faithfully married his whole life; Brother and Emma Lou had nine children together. Brother and Emma Lou were together as husband and wife for 75 years, Mr. Speaker.

Soon after getting married and making it through the great depression, Brother Deloch worked for several years installing and repairing motors as an employee of the French, Gerleman Electric Company. From there, he became a clerk for the Missouri Kansas Texas (MKT, Katy) Railroad Company and later for the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company. He retired in 1973 and moved to Mulberry Grove, Illinois where he played a vital role in developing the infrastructure of the Royal Lakes Sub-Division. A little over a decade and a half later he returned to St. Louis where he served the pastor and the church family of Bostick Temple Church of God in Christ. He also worked in the Church Pantry and kept up his active and faithful service to the church and his community until his health began to fail earlier this year.

Brother Deloch leaves behind Emma Lou, his lovely wife of 75 years, four sons and three daughters: Marvell Aaron; Mozell Jr; Frederick Douglas; Walter James; Anetta Bernice Carter; and Annabelle Ireland of Flint, Michigan, and Anita Louise Hyshaw of St. Louis. He also leaves behind fourteen marvelous grandchildren, and twenty-four wonderful great grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask those assembled here today to pay tribute to Brother Deloch and celebrate his long life, his faithful and loving marriage of seven and half decades, and the family and friends who remember him with great affection.

IN HONOR OF MORRIS HABITAT
FOR HUMANITY OF NEW JERSEY

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Morris Habitat for Humanity of New Jersey, a vibrant organization I am proud to represent. On October 29, 2005 the Board of Directors celebrates its Twentieth Anniversary.

Through both volunteer labor and donations of money and materials, Morris Habitat for Humanity builds and rehabilitates houses in partnership with families in need. Hundreds of volunteers and partner families have allowed Morris Habitat for Humanity to provide affordable homeownership opportunities to low income families. There is no profit added to the sale price of the home and mortgage payments are returned to a revolving fund that is used to build more houses.

Morris Habitat for Humanity was formed in 1985 when a group of local residents traveled to New York City to hear former President Jimmy Carter and Millard Fuller, the founder of Habitat for Humanity International, speak at the first Jimmy Carter Work Project. The group returned and incorporated Morris Habitat for Humanity as a charitable nonprofit that same year, attaining, affiliate status in 1986.

Since its formation, Morris Habitat for Humanity has completed 26 homes in seven municipalities throughout the 11th Congressional District. The hard work and efforts donated by private corporations, non-profit organizations, local governing officials, schools, and citizens with whom Morris Habitat has built partnerships have contributed to the benefit of more than 110 individuals of which 70 are children.

Mr. Speaker, I urge you and my colleagues to join me in congratulating the members of Morris Habitat for Humanity on the celebration of its 20 years of service to the Morris County area. Special praise is due to their dedicated staff and active volunteers who work cooperatively to provide affordable housing to families in need.

IN HONOR OF DR. I. KING JORDAN
ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Dr. I. King Jordan upon his retirement as president of Gallaudet University on December 31, 2006. Dr. Jordan is an accomplished, respected leader and someone I consider a personal friend.

Dr. Jordan became the Nation's first deaf university president when appointed in 1988 and the first deaf president to preside over Gallaudet University. During his tenure there he has proven to be an able, caring leader propelling the university forward as well as becoming a strong advocate for deaf students on the Federal level.

Among his accomplishments, he led the university's first ever capital campaign, raising nearly \$40 million, which supported the construction of the state-of-the-art Student Academic Center and contributed to the extraordinary increase in the university's endowment, which paved the way for an increase in scholarships and more academic programs. He also established a fellows program to provide support for deaf college graduates to complete their terminal degrees and become faculty members.

Dr. Jordan was not only a strong advocate for the Gallaudet community, but for individuals with disabilities across this Nation. Another proud accomplishment of Dr. Jordan's is the work he did to assist with the passage of

the Americans with Disabilities Act, ADA, in 1990. He was a lead witness in support of the ADA during a joint session of Congress and delivered significant testimony in Congress and across the country during the deliberations of this bill.

Before coming to Gallaudet Dr. Jordan's life was filled with many other accomplishments. A native of Glen Riddle, PA, a small town near Philadelphia, Dr. Jordan earned a B.A. in psychology from Gallaudet University and M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Psychology from the University of Tennessee.

Upon receiving his doctorate, Dr. Jordan joined the faculty of Gallaudet's Department of Psychology. Before his appointment as President, Dr. Jordan served as Chair of Gallaudet's Psychology Department and as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. He has been a research fellow at Donaldson's School for the Deaf in Edinburgh, Scotland, and an exchange scholar at Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland.

Dr. Jordan holds 11 honorary degrees and is the recipient of numerous awards, among them: the Presidential Citizen's Medal, presented by Bill Clinton in 2001; the Washingtonian of the Year Award; the James L. Fisher Award from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, CASE; the Larry Stewart Award from the American Psychological Association and the Distinguished Leadership Award from the National Association for Community Leadership. President George H.W. Bush appointed Dr. Jordan vice chair of the President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities, PCEPD, in 1990, and President Clinton reappointed Dr. Jordan to that role in 1993. In the summer of 2005, Dr. Jordan was presented the George Bush Medal for the Empowerment of People with Disabilities from President George H.W. Bush.

Mr. Speaker, I wish Dr. Jordan much happiness in his retirement as he looks forward to traveling with his wife Lynda and spending more time with his family. His compassion and service will be greatly missed. I am proud to have had a chance to work with him these past years.

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Today, I want to specifically thank one woman, her organization and her donation. Bonnie Gardner, from Friends of the Library in Fort Worth, donated various books for all ages to Hurricane Katrina victims.

Friends of the Fort Worth Library is a non-profit membership organization which exists to improve the quality of life in the community by providing advocacy, funding, and volunteer

services to the Library. The organization also serves as a conduit for organizations and corporations which are restricted from making donations directly to government entities.

I stand here today to sincerely thank Bonnie Gardner for her donation. It is people like her that I am proud to call a fellow Texan. Through her contribution, she not only stands as a devoted and giving American citizen, but she serves as an inspiration to others.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JEANETTE
CANTRELL RUDY

HON. MARSHA BLACKBURN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. BLACKBURN. Mr. Speaker, Tennesseans have long been known for giving back more to their community than they take. Jeannette Cantrell Rudy exemplifies our State's proud tradition of contributing to the betterment of both community and country.

This year as Jeanette celebrates her 78th birthday, we should take a moment to recognize her good works and thank her for enriching our lives.

In 1985, Jeanette helped create and fund the Dan Rudy Cancer Center at Saint Thomas Hospital in honor of her husband. With her sisters' help, she honored her parents by founding the Felix A. and Edna L. Cantrell Endowment Fund. The fund has given nurses the opportunity to continue their education at Saint Thomas Hospital. As a former nurse, Jeanette knows just how important nurses are to our quality of life.

It's clear that Jeanette's work has had a tremendous impact on the lives of people across our State. Her life is a testament to the power each of us have to help others.

The list of Jeanette's achievements and interests is a long one. She's a sportswoman, a member of several boards including those serving the Nashville Zoo and Cumberland University. She's even written a book, *A Bend in the Cumberland*, chronicling the history of her longtime home community in the Pennington Bend area.

It's impossible to capture the many friendships and contributions Jeanette has been responsible for over the years, but we owe her a debt of gratitude for choosing to live in and serve our community. All our best to Jeannette and her family on her 78th birthday.

REGARDING THE INTRODUCTION
OF LEAD LABELING ACT LEGISLATION

HON. TOM UDALL

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 26, 2005

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico. I rise today to introduce an important piece of legislation designed to strengthen our existing laws regarding lead in consumer products.

Currently, we have laws that pertain to lead-containing paint and its many applications. The laws are explicit and focus mainly on the paint used in public housing around the United States. In the last three decades we have

seen the rate of lead poisoning plummet and than plateau. These laws, though effective, are specific only to paint. We must do more to protect our consumers.

That is why I am introducing the Lead Labeling Act of 2005 today, to direct the Consumer Products Safety Commission to establish regulations to require the labeling of dishware products sold in the United States that may contain hazardous amount of lead within them. Labeling these products will help consumers identify products that are potentially hazardous to their children through a simple labeling process.

Mr. Speaker, there are many products imported every year and these imports are a vital part of our economy, but because they are manufactured outside the United States, they are not subject to the same stringent regulations that our products must meet. This is a concern, because many of the products that we eat out of, drink out of, and cook with are made of materials that contain levels of lead that we do not normally ingest. These products can release these leads into our foods and our water and the affects can be very damaging, especially to the development of our children.

According to the National Institute of Health, lead, even in very low levels, can have damaging effects on our children. The Center for Disease Control states that approximately 310,000 U.S. children aged 1-5 years have blood lead levels greater than the CDC recommended level of 10 micrograms of lead per deciliter of blood. Also, lead can affect every system in our bodies. It has been linked to learning disabilities, behavioral problems, and, when our bodies are exposed to very high levels, lead causes seizures, coma, and even death.

Lead in our products is a concern in our households. Labeling products containing lead will help ease these concerns and allow consumers to make more informed decisions. I urge my colleagues in the House to support this legislation for the health of American consumers.

TRIBUTE TO VETERANS

HON. BEN CHANDLER

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 26, 2005

Mr. CHANDLER. Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I rise today to pay tribute to the veterans of this country. November 11, 2005 is Veteran's Day. On this day, there will be ceremonies across our Nation honoring the service and sacrifice of the men and women who have served in our armed forces. In honor of these heroes, there will be a ceremony at the VA Medical Center on Leestown Road in Lexington, KY.

Kentuckians have always been willing to make the ultimate sacrifice for their country. Currently, there are more than 370,000 veterans who call Kentucky home. These men and women have inspired our citizens for generations. As our men and women continue to return home from battle in Iraq and Afghanistan, we must honor their service and pay tribute to those who served before them.

Armistice Day, the original name of Veteran's Day, was established on the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice, which