The things that you called for then, Rev. Jackson, in your leadership, still exist today. Thank you for standing up, for speaking out, for being the man that God intended that you be. We love you.

HONORING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR BOBBY PARKER

(Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a leader in my community, Miami-Dade County Police Department Director Bobby Parker. After serving honorably in the Army, Director Parker joined the Miami-Dade Police Department in 1976 and worked his way up the ranks, culminating in his promotion to director in April, 2004.

The Miami-Dade Police Department is the eighth-largest in the Nation, with over 4,700 personnel, serving almost 2.5 million residents and countless visitors to our community. Under Director Parker's leadership, the department has been at the forefront of effective law enforcement, and he's implemented numerous programs that have had a major effect in ensuring the safety and quality of life of our citizens.

Director Parker retired from the department earlier this month. His leadership and vision will be sorely missed, but his standard of excellence will surely carry on. On behalf of a grateful community, I wish to thank Director Parker for his outstanding service and wish him well in his future endeavors. May you long enjoy your retirement with family and friends, Director Bobby Parker.

RECOGNIZING PLEASANTON MILITARY FAMILIES

(Mr. MCNERNEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MCNERNEY. I rise today to commend the tireless efforts of the Pleasanton Military Families on behalf of the brave men and women in our Armed Forces. Created in 2004, the Pleasanton Military Families is a support group for active military personnel and their families based in my hometown of Pleasanton, California. The Pleasanton Military Families leads a public recognition program for our servicemembers by hanging yellow streamers along Main Street marked with the names of residents serving in our Armed Forces.

My family was honored that the Pleasanton Military Families hung a yellow pennant for my son, Michael, when he was serving in the Air Force. In addition, the Pleasanton Military Families hold warm welcome home ceremonies and sends packages to troops overseas.

All of these efforts to support our active duty personnel and their families give due honor to the sacrifice and service of these young men and women. I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the Pleasanton Military Families for their dedication and commitment to our men and women in uniform.

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NETWORKS IGNORE PRESIDENT'S REVERSAL

(Mr. SMITH of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, during the Presidential campaign, then-Senator Obama made a ''firm pledge'' that he would not raise taxes on any family ''making less than $250,000 a year.'' President Obama reversed himself on that pledge by supporting a health care bill that imposes, ''new taxes on people who don't buy qualified health insurance, including those making (much) less than $250,000 a year,'' according to the Associated Press.

Not a single network news report mentioned the President's flip-flop in the days following his reversal, according to an analysis by the Business and Media Institute, and BMI found that less than one-third of the health care stories on the three networks even mentioned the $550 million in new taxes in the health care bill.

The national media should give Americans the facts, not ignore the truth. And, Mr. Speaker, if you'll indulge me for a second more, I have noticed that several individuals today have rightfully made speeches honoring the Reverend Jesse Jackson. I think it is very appropriate and fitting that his son, a Member of Congress, is presiding over the Chamber right now as temporary Speaker. I appreciate both his presence and his father's contributions.

THE REVEREND JESSE JACKSON, OUR CAPTAIN

(Mr. CLEAVER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CLEAVER. Mr. Speaker, back during the time when I played football in high school and college, I ended up on the corner. And it was at that time that most teams ran what was called ''student body right'' and ''student body left,'' which meant that there would be a sweep around the end and you would have a pulling guard, a pulling tackle, a wide receiver who was in motion, a fullback all leading a running back. The only people who could play that position were those who were willing to run into this interference. Now, the person who ran into the interference would rarely ever make a tackle, and only people who understood football would understand the job that this cornerback played. So playing that position, I never led my team in tackles, but my team elected me as its captain. They understood football.

And so, on the 25th anniversary of the Presidential run of the Reverend Jesse Jackson, Mr. Speaker, I nominate him as our captain. He is our captain because he was willing to go in and knock down the interference so that somebody else would make the tackle and get the recognition.

RECOVERY.ORG

(Mr. PITTS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PITTS. Mr. Speaker, I represent the 16th Congressional District of Pennsylvania. I'm not quite sure who represents the 23rd District or the 65th District, since these districts don't actually exist. They only exist in the fictional world created by recovery.gov, the administration's Web site that shows how many jobs were ''saved or created'' by the billions of dollars in so-called stimulus money.

For $18 million, the Treasury Department has produced a Web site that creates new congressional districts and then places saved jobs in those fictional districts. In one case, the purchase of a single riding lawnmower supposedly saved 50 jobs. Some companies have claimed that they have saved and created more jobs than the number of employees that they actually have. Now the leaders are talking about yet another stimulus package. We are about to spend our way into a fiscal tsunami, not economic recovery.

HONORING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REVEREND JESSE JACKSON'S PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

(Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join my colleagues in recognizing the 25th anniversary of Rev. Jackson's candidacy for President. He is a strong iconic voice for civil rights and social justice. It was his unwavering determination and leadership that inspired me to take action, first volunteering in 1984 and then again in those cold, snowy days in New Hampshire 4 years later.

Rev. Jackson's historic campaigns forever changed the political and social landscape of this country. He brought people together across the rainbow, regardless of social and economic status, race or religion, who shared a common vision for this country where everyone could achieve the American dream. Without question, Rev. Jackson's run 25 years ago laid the foundation for us to realize the rainbow in 2008 by electing Barack Obama.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Rev. Jackson. And I salute his efforts