

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### NO SUBSIDIES WITHOUT VERIFICATION ACT

SPEECH OF

**HON. KENNY MARCHANT**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 12, 2013*

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, the government has enough trouble ending waste, fraud, and abuse that is already currently occurring. We should not knowingly allow even more to occur.

This is why I am a cosponsor of H.R. 2775, legislation that we will soon vote on that will prohibit taxpayer funded subsidies to individuals without income verification. The Administration has had three and a half years to implement a system to verify that only those individuals who qualify for a taxpayer funded subsidy will receive them. Despite having significant time, the Administration has failed to safeguard taxpayers from even more waste, fraud, and abuse.

I urge all of my colleagues to join me in supporting this legislation that will protect taxpayers until the Administration can establish a better form of income verification than the honor system.

### CONGRATULATING ANDY CLARKE ON TEN YEARS WITH THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN BICYCLISTS

**HON. EARL BLUMENAUER**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 16, 2013*

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, the League of American Bicyclists has a long and storied history. Over 120 years ago, the League was in the forefront of introducing cycling to America. It was the leader of the good roads movement as the cycling craze swept the country, producing a demand for more and better quality roads. Over a century later, America is in the midst of a new cycling renaissance.

For the last 10 years Andy Clarke has been at the helm of the League of American Bicyclists helping promote cycling coast-to-coast and in every state. There is no one who has done more than Andy to lift our vision and our spirits. I will be forever grateful that the United States has given him a green card, not just for his accent, but for his global vision of the power of cycling to help rebuild and revitalize our communities.

Andy understands the need to deal with all of the cycling community: young and old, recreational bicyclists, cycling tourists, the hardcore mountain biker, the weekend road cyclists, the commuter, and everybody in between.

Andy has been part of an effort to bring together the wide range of cycling interests

which includes local government, people in the cycling community, and the businesses who benefit from cycling customers.

Cycling is not just the most efficient form of urban transportation ever designed, it is the key to fitness for our families, freedom for our children, and the easiest, quickest, and most inexpensive way to increase road capacity.

Andy, thank you for understanding these principles, for organizing the cycling community, and for providing vision, good humor, and leadership as we all navigate the tremendous opportunities that cycling presents for all Americans.

### AMERICA'S INFRASTRUCTURE

**HON. ED WHITFIELD**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 16, 2013*

Mr. WHITFIELD. Mr. Speaker, it is important that America's vital infrastructure be approved and constructed on a reasonable and predictable schedule. In that regard, I am concerned with some tactics that have emerged in some states to utilize federally delegated authority, most notably under the Clean Water Act, to stall and even deny the necessary permits or certifications for federally approved projects, frustrating federal licensing and permitting processes. It is my understanding that other states may try to use their authority under the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) to object to consistency approvals regarding federal projects, even though the facility has existed for years in the coastal zone and was previously found to be consistent with the state's Coastal Management Plan. Such an effort would appear to be an attempt to manufacture challenges to the federal proceedings.

In the case of States using federal delegated authority under the Clean Water Act to frustrate federally approved projects, the Congress has previously legislated and may well need to do so again. I intend to work with my colleagues to assess that need presently. As to consistency determinations under the CZMA, it is my understanding that the law is clear that a State has very limited authority to review an existing project a second time, if it underwent a previous federal consistency review. The Act and its legislative history show that these requirements were meant to apply primarily to new facilities, not to existing facilities. Our federally permitted and licensed domestic infrastructure is the backbone for a vibrant economy, and Congress should work diligently to ensure that it is not jeopardized.

### CELEBRATING THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DOORWAYS FOR WOMEN AND FAMILIES

**HON. JAMES P. MORAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 16, 2013*

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the founding of Doorways for Women and Families. Northern Virginia is home to four of the top ten wealthiest counties in the United States. Yet amidst this wealth are numerous homeless families.

Every year, hundreds of thousands of Americans become homeless, including thousands of families. A typical family who is homeless is comprised of a mother in her late twenties with two children. Over 1.6 million children in the United States are homeless, putting them at increased risk for moderate to severe health conditions. Nearly 50 percent of the homeless in Arlington County are families.

In 1978, a group of concerned community-minded residents set out to build Arlington's first shelter for homeless families and those fleeing domestic violence. Four years later, the group purchased a 1957 Cape Cod-style home that would become Arlington's first domestic violence shelter, and eventually Doorways for Women and Families. Since then, Doorways has gone on to assist thousands of families in need.

From its humble beginnings, Doorways has grown considerably. Last year, 120 families benefited from the group's host of services—including 162 children, who received physical, emotional and social support in order to help them heal from the traumatic effects of homelessness and domestic violence.

Doorways piloted the Virginia Address Confidentiality Program in Arlington, paving the way for 26 more counties to adopt the program. In 2009, the Washington Post awarded Doorways their Excellence in Nonprofit Management award for financial health and organization efficiency.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to take this opportunity to honor Doorways for Women and Families as it marks 35 years of dedicated service to the residents of Northern Virginia.

### IN HONOR OF JULIA LONGMORE

**HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 16, 2013*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, warmest wishes to Julia B. Longmore on your 100th birthday. May this day bring you as much happiness and love as you have brought to your family: your husband, Alfred, and sons, Alfred and Joseph, your nine grandchildren, seventeen great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

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