

HONOR VETERANS BY FULLY FUNDING GOVERNMENT

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I am submitting this statement for the RECORD to show the sentiments of two of the greatest generation war heroes that breaking up the veterans funding does not serve veterans.

Today, Congressman John D. Dingell, Democrat of Michigan, and Former Senator Robert Dole, Republican of Kansas, issued the following statement urging Congress to take immediate action to re-open the entire federal government:

"As two proud World War II veterans blessed also to serve this great nation in Congress, we consider our bipartisan work together in helping to create a National World War II Memorial to be among our greatest accomplishments and a true honor to our brothers-in-arms. If this Congress truly wishes to recognize the sacrifice and bravery of our World War II veterans and all who've come after, it will end this shutdown and re-open our government now. The current shutdown has slowed the rate at which the government can process veterans' disability claims and, as the VA has stated, it is negatively impacting other services to our nation's veterans. Piecemeal or partial spending plans do not adequately ensure that our veterans—and indeed all Americans—have access to the system of self-government established to serve and protect them."

SILVER DOLLAR CITY'S "OUTLAW RUN" GOLDEN TICKET AWARD

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the Branson, Missouri theme park, Silver Dollar City, for winning the Golden Ticket Award for "Best New Ride" in the theme park industry for their new wooden roller coaster, Outlaw Run.

This prestigious \$10 million wooden roller coaster was also ranked seventh among the Top 50 Wooden Coasters Worldwide by Amusement Today magazine's awards on September 7, 2013, at Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk in California. Silver Dollar City was also voted as one of the Top 10 Best Theme Parks in the world—a first for Missouri.

As an economic driver to the famous entertainment town of Branson, Missouri, Outlaw Run created an additional 100,000 visitors during summer 2013.

These awards are a huge honor to Silver Dollar City. Silver Dollar City wanted to leave a worldwide footprint when it comes to family friendly destinations, and through hard work and determination was beyond successful.

HONORING FLETCHER GRANT HOKE

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Fletcher Grant Hoke. Fletcher is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 247, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Fletcher has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Fletcher has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Fletcher has earned the rank of Warrior in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say while serving as his troop's Patrol Leader. Fletcher has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Fletcher extended a path towards the Butterfly Garden at Hodge Park Living History Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, making it more easily accessible.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Fletcher Grant Hoke for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

TELLER STREET GALLERY AND STUDIOS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Teller Street Gallery and Studios for receiving the 2013 Wheat Ridge Cultural Commission Award.

This award recognizes a business which has made an impact on our community by promoting culture and the arts, and supporting opportunities in art education for all ages.

Teller Street Gallery and Studios has been in business for a little over one year and is a member of the Wheat Ridge Business Association. Being in the business of fun and creativity, they love participating in local events, such as hosting kids' art activities at the 2012 Carnation Festival, Ridge at 38 Event, and Wheat Fest. Teller Street made the backdrop for the photo booth for the August 15th Cruiser Crawl, and the trophies for the 2013 Carnation Festival Chili Cook-Off. They also have the privilege of providing after-school art programs for kids from the Wheat Ridge 5-8 School, and judging the Everett Middle School art show last spring.

In addition to encouraging art in the community, they enjoy supporting local charities and organizations such as the Wheat Ridge Feed the Future Backpack Program and hosting fundraisers like the painting party for Saints Peter and Paul School's silent auction kick-off.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Teller Street Gallery and Studios for this well deserved recognition by the City of Wheat Ridge and the Wheat Ridge Business Association.

Thank you for your dedication to our community.

TRIBUTE TO EUGENE "GENE" B. GLICK

HON. TODD ROKITA

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and salute a remarkable Hoosier, Eugene "Gene" B. Glick, who passed away on October 2, 2013. I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for his leadership and service to our community, state, and country.

Mr. Glick was born in Indianapolis and had an early foray into business as both advertising salesman for the Daily Echo at Shortridge High School and as the operator of a charter bus service at Indiana University. He went on to earn his bachelor's degree in business from Indiana University.

Mr. Glick served his country in the Army during World War II. After returning to Indianapolis, his Gene B. Glick Co. became one of the largest privately held real-estate development firms in the country. He also went on to launch many philanthropic efforts in our community. To many in Indianapolis, Mr. Glick was a smart businessman and generous philanthropist. To his peers, he was a thorough boss who taught them about responsibility and accountability.

Mr. Glick, and his late wife Marilyn, were deeply committed to the greater Indianapolis community. Signs of their extensive philanthropy efforts are spread generously throughout Central Indiana. Among them, the Glick Eye Institute at the Indiana University School of Medicine, the Indianapolis Cultural Trail, the Arthur M. Glick Jewish Community Center, the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center, the Indianapolis Museum of Art, and more. The couple also supported several charitable organizations such as the Indiana Authors Award, Eugene & Marilyn Glick Family Foundation, Gene B. Glick Family Housing Foundations, the Glick Fund of the Central Indiana Community Foundation, and more.

Mr. Glick was devout in the Jewish faith, a wonderful family man, leaving four daughters and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His legacy is more than I am able to fit into this memorial. Indianapolis, Indiana, and our nation is a better place because of the imprint of Mr. Glick.

RECOGNIZING DR. ARVID C. JOHNSON

HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to recognize Dr. Arvid C. Johnson as the ninth president of the University of St. Francis, located in Joliet, Illinois.

Dr. Johnson earned a doctorate in management science from the Stuart School of Business at the Illinois Institute of Technology. Before joining the University of St. Francis, Dr.

Johnson served as the Dean of the Brennan School of Business and as a Professor of Management at Dominican University. He is also the recipient of many prestigious awards and grants, including the International Academy of Business and Public Administration Disciplines Research Award and the Business Ledger's Entrepreneurial Excellence Award.

In addition to his impressive academic record, Dr. Johnson has over 15 years of experience in engineering, manufacturing, and senior management in a variety of business environments ranging from start-ups to Fortune 500 companies.

As a scientist, engineer, businessman and educator, Dr. Johnson brings an immense amount of knowledge and experience to the St. Francis community. I am sure that under his direction, St. Francis will continue to thrive.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Dr. Johnson on his outstanding achievements and I look forward to working with him and all of the faculty, students, and alumni to build upon the University's proud tradition of excellence.

NATIONAL MANUFACTURING DAY

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on National Manufacturing Day to recognize the importance of manufacturing in the great Commonwealth of Kentucky, and specifically in the Sixth Congressional District.

With over 212,000 manufacturing jobs, manufacturing employs 12 percent of Kentucky's workers.

Manufacturers are drawn to Kentucky because of the highly educated workforce, diverse economy, and relatively low energy costs. These factors contribute to the Bluegrass Region consistently ranking in the Top Ten by Forbes Magazine as one of "Best places to Start a Business."

My district is home to great manufacturers such as Toyota, Lexmark, Double Star, Big Ass Fans, 3M, and Hitachi. These employers make important contributions to both the local and national economies, while creating thousands of jobs for my constituents back home.

To promote policies that help American manufacturers, I have joined the Congressional Manufacturing Caucus. In Congress, I remain focused on advancing an agenda that promotes economic growth, and increasing the competitiveness of our manufacturers will always be central to that goal.

LORETTA DiTIRRO

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Loretta DiTirro for receiving the 2013 Wheat Ridge City Council Partnership Award.

This award recognizes a company or individual for their overall contributions to the City. It incorporates business achievements as well

as contributions in volunteerism, leadership, and community investment and involvement.

Loretta DiTirro has been an active part of Wheat Ridge for many years. She currently is the President of the Wheat Ridge Business Association where she guides the mission of the organization and is the leading force behind its success. She is also a member of the Wheat Ridge Business District and sits on the Board of Directors, assisting businesses through a grant and loan program.

Additionally, Loretta DiTirro is a key figure in the Wheat Ridge Foundations "Feed the Future" program providing books, backpacks, food and assistance to the less fortunate children of Wheat Ridge. She can be seen volunteering at almost every event in Wheat Ridge and truly is a beacon of goodwill for the community.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Loretta DiTirro for this well deserved recognition by the City of Wheat Ridge and the Wheat Ridge Business Association. Thank you for your dedication to our community.

TAIWAN'S NATIONAL DAY

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, on October 10th our good friends in Southeast Asia, Taiwan, will celebrate their 102nd year. Known to the people of Taiwan as Double Ten day since it falls on the tenth day of the tenth month. This is Taiwan's National day and is revered and celebrated with as much excitement and fanfare as we celebrate the Fourth of July here in the United States.

Taiwan has been a strong ally and economic partner for many years; and remains as such today. The two way trade between Taiwan and the United States is around \$63 billion per year. Taiwan was the United States' 11th largest trading partner and the 7th largest purchaser of agricultural exports from America in 2012.

Due to this high volume of trade between our two countries, it is in our best interest to see Taiwan remain competitive in the global arena. There are two areas that would help Taiwan in this regard.

It would be beneficial to both the United States and Taiwan if both countries would sign a Bilateral Investment Agreement (BIA). With this agreement in place, there would be greater protections for investors from both countries allowing these investors have greater confidence.

Additionally, Taiwan should be included in the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP). The TPP is a multi-nation trade agreement which is currently being discussed by countries such as Australia, Canada, Japan, Mexico and the United States (among others) to "enhance trade and investment". Since Taiwan is a vital part of the Asian economy and an APEC (Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation) member, they should be able to join the TPP as well.

Please join me in wishing Taiwan a successful National Day with the hopes that they can remain competitive on the world stage by moving forward with these agreements.

IN HONOR OF EDWARD O. DuBOSE

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding leader, Edward O. DuBose, State President of the Georgia State Conference National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). Mr. DuBose will be stepping down as State President at the NAACP 71st Annual Georgia State Convention and Civil Rights Conference on Saturday, October 5, 2013 in Columbus, Georgia.

Mr. DuBose was born in Atlanta, Georgia, the third of ten children to Carnell and Margie DuBose. After graduating from Harper High School in 1976, he joined the United States Army. Mr. DuBose served his country proudly and honorably for 21 years.

Mr. DuBose has an Associate Degree in General Education, a Bachelor's in Business Administration and a Master's in Clinical Mental Health Counseling.

The Owner of Everlasting Peace Counseling and Consulting Services, Mr. DuBose is a Licensed Professional Counselor, National Certified Counselor, and Certified Anger Management Specialist. Mr. DuBose is also registered as a Neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution and has received certificates in Civil as well as Family and Domestic Relations Mediation.

A man of many hats, Mr. DuBose served as President of the Columbus, Georgia Branch of the NAACP from 1997 to 2005. From 2000 through 2005, he also served as 2nd Vice President of the Georgia State Conference NAACP. He has also served as Georgia State NAACP Veterans Affairs Chairman and as District Coordinator for District 21 of the Georgia State Conference NAACP.

On October 11, 2005, Mr. DuBose made history in Columbus, Georgia when he became the only resident and NAACP member from Columbus to be elected to the office of State President of the Georgia State Conference NAACP. He made history again on February 21, 2009 when he became the first Georgia State Conference NAACP President in its 69-year history to be elected to the NAACP National Board of Directors.

Under Mr. DuBose's leadership, the Georgia State Conference NAACP has achieved a higher level of influence and a more prominent presence. He negotiated the only NAACP radio show in Georgia, helped to start the first Black History Month Parade in Columbus, Georgia, and coordinated the largest protest march in Columbus history by rallying over 15,000 people to call for justice for the 2003 shooting death of Kenneth Walker. He also assisted the Douglas County, Georgia branch of the NAACP in conducting the first protest march in the county in its history, rallying over 5,000 people seeking justice in the case of the "Douglasville Six."

Mr. DuBose had been steadfast and committed to leading the State of Georgia "By Any Means Necessary" to raise awareness, promote justice, and establish equality and respect in all aspects of life.

Mr. DuBose has been honored with many awards and has achieved numerous successes in his life, but none of this would have