

healthcare and education serving more than 30,000 Central Floridians. Jenna's background is in social work and teen pregnancy prevention. She previously served in Child Protective Services and as PPGO's Director of Education.

Jenna's accomplishments as President and CEO include implementing paperless medical records, expanding access to care for Medicaid and safety net populations, and adding new clinical services. She has expanded access to PPGO evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs throughout Central Florida. PPGO's education programs have been credited for contributing to a 35% reduction in teen pregnancies in Orange County.

Jenna attended the University of Florida where she received a Bachelor's degree in Political Science. She holds a Master's Degree in Political Science from the University of Central Florida (UCF), where she is also pursuing her Ph.D. in Public Affairs, Governance, and Policy Research. Jenna's dissertation research focuses on the impact of state policies restricting adolescents' access to reproductive health services on teen pregnancy outcomes.

A New York native, Jenna was raised on Long Island, and moved to Central Florida in 2001. Her husband Andrew is a Titusville native and UCF graduate. He founded a gaming and simulation company, GameSim, in 2007. They have a 4-year-old son, and live in Winter Park, where they attend First Congregational Church.

In addition to her work for Planned Parenthood, Jenna serves on the Orange County Healthy Start Board of Directors, the Equality Florida Political Action Committee Board, and the Board of the First Congregational Church Preschool & Kindergarten.

I am happy to honor Jenna Tosh, during Women's History Month, for her service to the Central Florida community.

TEMPORARY DEBT LIMIT EXTENSION ACT, S. 540

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 27, 2014

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of this legislation, which suspends the current statutory limit on federal borrowing until March 15th, 2015. This crucial legislation effectively increases the debt limit by \$1.2 trillion, ending the Republican manufactured crises, and includes \$2.2 trillion in deficit reduction according to the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office, without cutting Social Security, Medicare, or Medicaid. I want to commend House Republican leadership for bringing this legislation to the floor for a vote, which represents a dramatic shift since the disastrous debt ceiling brinkmanship we saw in the summer of 2011.

The 2011 debt limit "crisis" was a political choice—a dangerous and irresponsible political stunt—manufactured by Tea Party Republicans in Congress to prevent President Obama and Congress from focusing on top priorities like job creation and strengthening the economy. As we now know, these reckless actions had real consequences for our economy and global financial markets. Studies by the non-partisan Government Accountability

Office (GAO) and the Bipartisan Policy Center found that delays in raising the debt limit in 2011 cost taxpayers approximately \$19 billion over ten years in higher government borrowing costs. Consumer confidence plummeted, suffering the largest monthly decline (59.2 to 44.5) during the month of August that year, which was the most since the 2008 financial crisis. In addition, a Bloomberg survey of economists found that the debt limit brinkmanship "almost derailed the recovery." Lastly, a recent survey of the world's top economists by the University of Chicago's Booth School of Business found that 84 percent agreed that failure to raise the debt limit in a timely manner creates unneeded uncertainty and could significantly damage our financial markets. Although I am pleased that House Leadership has chosen not to repeat the same mistakes from 2011, it is worrying to see that the majority of House Republicans still oppose raising the debt limit, considering the economic damage they caused three years ago.

The legislation before us today is supported by a broad array of business leaders, including the Chamber of Commerce, the Business Roundtable, and American Bankers Association. Lastly, Federal Reserve Chairwoman Janet Yellen recently testified that failing to raise the debt limit would be "catastrophic" for the global economy. As our country continues to recover from the worst financial crisis since the Great Depression, it is Congress' duty to avoid any unnecessary brinkmanship that risks plunging our economy back into a recession.

I urge my colleagues to vote in favor of the Temporary Debt Limit Extension Act.

COMMENDING CHINA FOR CALLING UPON JAPAN TO "FACE UP TO HISTORY" REGARDING "COM- FORT WOMEN" ISSUE

HON. ENI F.H. FALEOMAVAEGA

OF AMERICAN SAMOA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 27, 2014

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend China for calling upon Japan to "face up to history" for forcing women and girls, many from countries including China, the Republic of Korea, Southeast Asia, and Pacific Islands, to sexually serve Japanese soldiers during World War II.

For too long Japan's government has tried to downplay and deny the crimes of its Imperial military. Such defiance goes against human conscience. How Japan chooses to face its past will determine how it goes into the future. Its history must not be forgotten and must not be denied and distorted.

I stand with China in urging the Japanese government to acknowledge its history and apologize for it with concrete actions that will win the trust of its Asian neighbors and the international community. I also commend the Chinese Foreign Ministry for denouncing Japan's enslavement of these women and young girls during World War II as "a serious crime against humanity."

I am appreciative of the work of Congressman MIKE HONDA and former Congressman Lane Evans for introducing bills calling upon Japan to apologize. As Chairman of the U.S. House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global

Environment, the first hearing I ever held was about this issue. The hearing, held on February 15, 2007, was the first time a hearing on this issue had ever been held in the history of the U.S. Congress, and I will always be grateful for the three women who testified.

Three survivors—Ms. Yong Soo Lee, Ms. Jan Ruff O'Herne and Ms. Koon Ja Kim—bravely testified before the Subcommittee and, consequently, their first-hand accounts of their suffering will stand forevermore on the official record of the Subcommittee as a witness against the abhorrent actions of the Japanese Imperial Armed Forces. After hearing the testimony of these three women, I have never been the same. I will never rest until justice is served.

And so, I commend my close colleague, Congressman MIKE HONDA, a Japanese-American, who also personally testified at the hearing about H. Res. 121, a resolution he introduced calling upon Japan to acknowledge, apologize and accept historical responsibility for its Imperial Armed Forces' coercion of young women into sexual slavery. H. Res. 121, which I co-sponsored, subsequently passed the House on July 30, 2007. I believe it passed because of the three survivors who testified as witnesses.

Regrettably, Japan is again about the business of trying to whitewash its crimes. But, it is my sincere hope that the international community will hold Japan accountable and insist on a formal apology. In this cause, all peaceful nations should hold together and this is why, once more, I publicly commend China for urging Japan to "face up to its history."

IN RECOGNITION OF ANTHONY J. ZIDICH

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 27, 2014

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Anthony J. Zidich for his 42 years of remarkable and professional service as the City Treasurer of Daly City. Tony is setting a record as the longest-serving elected official in the city's history. His perseverance, open-door policy and love of people, politics and baseball have made him a beloved institution in Daly City.

Tony was appointed City Treasurer of Daly City in December 1971 to fill the unexpired term of Joseph Lewkowicz and he assumed office the following January. He was then elected eleven consecutive times. Before that, he served on the Daly City Recreation Commission for two years. Under Tony's leadership, the Daly City treasury has been well safeguarded. In recent years, it was fashionable for some public treasurers to imagine themselves as miniature versions of Wall Street bankers. And many of these agencies suffered greatly during the Great Recession. Daly City stood up well because Tony had prudently managed the city's funds and decided to leave Wall Street banking to self-declared geniuses who, as history has since proven, were not as smart as Tony Zidich. The real genius of Tony Zidich is quite simple: He gets the job done in good times and bad, through thick and thin, and with complete integrity.

Tony was a founding member of the board of directors of the supporters of the Doelger