

a time I had truly hoped would remain in the past. We must continue to be vigilant against anything that would impede the right to vote. We must also protect our democratic institutions for the people, and not just for a few wealthy interests.

The U.S. election system is complex and highly decentralized, encompassing approximately 10,000 local, county, and state election offices. States and local jurisdictions face a number of challenges in their administration of federal elections, including outdated and insecure technology. Most of us are on screens all day long and have become accustomed to the convenience. There are probably some young people that don't like to read on paper at all. However, when it comes to electronic voting systems, these same conveniences may be subject to technical malfunctions as well as significant cybersecurity risks that have already been shown, in real elections, to undermine Americans' constitutional right to vote.

The last major voting legislation was passed almost two decades ago. It created several new responsibilities for the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) to work with the Election Assistance Commission, election administrators, and manufacturers on voting systems technology standards development. The Science Committee was active in the development of that language.

Today's bill, H.R. 1, makes an effort at expanding NIST's role in voting and elections technology. While I support H.R. 1 overall, I do have some concerns with the proposed new scope of activities for NIST. NIST's core mission is measurement science and standards. Most people have never heard of NIST and don't understand what it does, but NIST plays a central and unique role in advancing U.S. competitiveness as well as in cybersecurity across the public and private sector. The agency has no regulatory authority, which allows it to win the trust of and work closely with industry and all kinds of stakeholders in the standards development process. The Science Committee has worked very hard to preserve this standards development function of NIST. NIST expressed concern to us that some of the language in this bill may compromise the agency's ability to work closely with states and counties on elections technology. In addition, while other provisions in the bill are better aligned with NIST's mission and worthy of support, we must ensure there is additional funding for NIST to accomplish these important goals. As this bill moves through the legislative process, I look forward to working with my colleagues in the House and Senate to address both of these issues.

Election and voting integrity and security are important to everyone in this Chamber on both sides of the aisle, and my colleagues on the Science Committee are eager to present legislative ideas for the role of NIST in voting and elections technology, as well as recommendations for sufficient levels of support to ensure the agency can succeed in this mission.

Mr. Chair, I support H.R. 1 and urge its passage.

IN RECOGNITION OF COLONEL
JOEL WARHURST'S CHANGE OF
COMMAND

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 2019

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Colonel Joel Warhurst's Change of Command.

Colonel Warhurst was commissioned in the Transportation Branch in 1994. Upon completion of the Transportation Officer Basic Course, he began his initial tour of duty at Fort Campbell, KY, where he served as a Platoon Leader in the 594th Transportation Company (Medium Truck) with the 129th Corps Support Battalion, 101st Corps Support Group; the Executive Officer and Arrival Departure Airfield Control Group OIC for the 372nd Transportation Company (Cargo Transfer); and the 129th CSB Operations Officer (S-3).

In 1998, he completed the Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course and Combined Arms Services and Staff School and was assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division, G-4. As a multifunctional logistician, he served as the Plans Officer and later the Operations Officer. Next, he served as Commander of the 546th Transportation Company Light/Medium Truck (Airborne), 1st Corps Support Command. Afterward, he completed a one-year assignment, Training with Industry with the Army Air Force Exchange Service in Dallas, Texas. Then, he served in the Combined Arms Support Command—CSS Battle Lab as a principle action officer. He attended the resident Command and General Staff School and was assigned to Army Sustainment Command as the Brigade Logistics Support Team Chief for 1st BCT-101st at Fort Campbell, KY. Later, he served as the Battalion Operations Officer and Executive Officer for 426th Brigade Support Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team (Bastogne), 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault). Afterward, he was selected as the Secretary General Staff, Headquarters Army Materiel Command followed by selection as the Assistant Executive Officer, Commanding General, and Army Materiel Command.

He served as Commander, DLA Distribution Red River, Texas; Deputy Commander and Commander of the 82nd Sustainment Brigade (Provisional), Fort Bragg, NC.

Prior to his arrival at Anniston Army Depot, he served as the ACOS J4/G4, Chief of Logistics at NATO Rapid Deployable Corps—Turkey and recently completed an assignment in the Army G-4 as a Readiness Officer.

On July 27, 2017, he became Anniston Army Depot's 35th commander.

His military education includes the Strategic Deployability Course (SDS), Strategic Unit Movements Planners Course, Hazardous Materials Preparer Course, Combat Developers Course, Air Assault School, Airborne School, and Jumpmaster Course. He is a graduate of the Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy at Fort McNair, VA.

He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Technology from the Technological University in Cookeville, TN and a Master of Science Degree from Florida Institute of Technology in Logistics Management, and National Resource Strategy from the Eisenhower

School, National Defense University, Washington, D.C.

Among his awards and decorations are the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (4th Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Commendation Medal (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster), and the Army Achievement Medal (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster), Meritorious Unit Citation (AAFES and 1st BCT, 101st), National Defense Medal (2nd Award), Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, and Overseas Service Ribbon.

Madam Speaker, please join me in thanking Colonel Warhurst for his service to our country.

NATHAN TAFOYA

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Nathan Tafoya for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Nathan Tafoya is a student at Arvada High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Nathan Tafoya is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Nathan Tafoya for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

IN MEMORY OF MR. W. PARKER
GREENE, SR.

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 2019

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a distinguished and staunch advocate for our nation's military, and dear friend of longstanding, Mr. W. Parker Greene, Sr. Sadly, Mr. Greene passed away on Tuesday, December 18, 2018, at the age of 86. He leaves behind an impeccable legacy of service that will never be forgotten. A memorial service will be held for Mr. Greene at Moody Air Force Base on Thursday, March 14, 2019, at 10 a.m.

Woodbridge Parker Greene, Sr. was born on December 3, 1932, to the union of the late Woodbridge and Mildred Parker Greene in Thomaston, Georgia. A product of the Upson County Public School System, he graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in 1951 and went on to attend the Georgia Institute of Technology. He later served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955. During that time, he was assigned to the Safety Education Division of the Georgia Department of Public Safety