

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

ON GROUNDHOG DAY

HON. WILLIAM F. CLINGER, JR.

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 1995

Mr. CLINGER. Mr. Speaker, it is with great joy that I rise on this, the 109th anniversary of Groundhog Day. Today, the fate of Old Man Winter has been sealed by one of our Nation's truly great prognosticators, Punxsutawney Phil.

While this great seer resides deep in his burrow at Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, PA, the rest of the Nation suffers from the icy blasts of winter. However, he has emerged from his abode today to proclaim the near end of this, the most dire of seasons.

1995 GROUNDHOG DAY PROCLAMATION

Punxsutawney Phil, King of Groundhogs, Seers of Seers, the Omniscient Marmot, Weather Forecaster Without Peer has responded to President Bud Dunkel's summons at 07:29:43 this February 2nd, 1995. His long time friend and handler, Bill Deeley placed him atop his regal stump. From there he wished the throng of thousands "Happy Groundhog Day." After brief, observation and contemplation he spoke in groundhogese which Bud quickly translated and selected the appropriate scroll.

Oh Bud Golly Gee
 Forgive me for acting giddee
 But everyone will love me
 Like Little Jack Horner
 Spring is just around the corner
 No shadow do I see, absolutely.

TRIBUTE TO THE AGRICULTURE ADVISORY BOARD

HON. JERRY F. COSTELLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 1995

Mr. COSTELLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of a group of individuals who have been of great service to me during the past 2 years. This group is the Agriculture Advisory Board for the 12th Congressional District of Illinois. The Ag Advisory Board met several times throughout the 103d Congress, including one meeting where members met with then-Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy.

The last 2 years were challenging ones for the agricultural community. In the summer of 1993, nearly every county in my district was declared a Federal disaster area due to severe flooding. The flood, of course, had a major impact on the agricultural community. While my office was helping individuals deal with the disaster associated with the flood, I was thankful for the vital role each advisory board member played in being an ambassador for me by sharing information about flood relief to other farmers in their community.

A major success for agriculture in the 103d Congress was the inclusion of ethanol in the

reformulated gasoline program. The increased use of ethanol in cities that are not in compliance with Clean Air Act standards will help increase the value of corn, our State's most abundant crop. The Ag Advisory Board members led their peers in contacting administration and congressional officials about elevating the role of ethanol.

I commend each member for giving of his time and insights to help me make well-informed decisions. The members of my Agriculture Advisory Committee during the 103d Congress were Mike Campbell of Edwardsville, John Deterding of Modoc, Lawrence Dietz of DeSoto, Edwin Edleman of Anna, Greg Guenther of Belleville, Craig Keller of Collinsville, Marion Kennell of Thompsonville, Vernon Mayer of Cutler, Dave Mueller of East Alton, Larry Reinneck of Freeburg, Bill Schulte of Trenton, Jim Tafinger of Cache, and Lyle Wessel of Columbia.

I am pleased that these gentlemen will be staying on the Ag Advisory Board during the 104th Congress. Because of a limited amount of Federal dollars, each member's input will be critical to me as I review the various Federal programs contained in the farm bill. I look forward to working with each member on agricultural matters during the 104th Congress. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing these individuals.

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CABLE AIRPORT

HON. JAY KIM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 1995

Mr. KIM. Mr. Speaker, I rise to salute the 50th anniversary of Cable Airport in Upland CA, located in the heart of the 41st Congressional District. This outstanding facility is the world's largest, privately owned airport used by the public. I would also like to take this opportunity to honor the Cable family for their many contributions and years of service.

Since 1945, three generations of the Cable family have committed hardwork and dedication to the building and preservation of this airport. At a time when most publicly used airports are owned by government or quasi-governmental agencies, founders Dewey and Maude Cable have demonstrated the successful spirit of entrepreneurialism and have bolstered private participation in aviation.

Smaller airports like Cable play an important role in the economic development of the surrounding region. Our communities have grown to rely on the benefits aviation facilities like this have to offer. Today, Cable Airport continues to faithfully serve the transportation needs of San Bernardino County and the State of California.

I congratulate Cable Airport and the Cable family on this memorable occasion and wish them continued success for years to come.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

HON. RON PACKARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 1995

Mr. PACKARD. Mr. Speaker, as a former dentist, I always stressed the importance of prevention as the best way to fight disease.

Last week Congress showed its commitment to better fiscal care with passage of the balanced budget amendment. Passing a Federal line-item veto gives the President the device he needs to prevent wasteful spending.

The line-item veto is one more prevention tool that will keep Congress under the watchful eye of the American people. It will make Congress more accountable to the people. The President can use his tool—the Federal line-item veto—to prevent Government's careless fiscal habits.

The American people demand a change in way business is done in Congress. A Federal line-item veto will change how business is done.

IMPACT OF THE SAN DIEGO SUPERCOMPUTER CENTER ON SAN DIEGO AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

HON. BRIAN P. BILBRAY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 1995

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, since 1985 approximately \$200 million has been invested in the San Diego Supercomputer Center [SDSC]. Of this amount, the National Science Foundation has contributed \$150 million, the State of California \$21 million, and a large number of other government agencies and industrial partners \$25 million—in cash and kind. This investment has

Caused businesses to invest their computing dollars in California.—MacDonnell Douglas has purchased a large subscription of supercomputer CPU time to do design work on its new passenger aircraft, the MD-12, and the space station *Freedom*. General Dynamics housed all of its advanced computing in SDSC.

Encouraged start-up businesses and research consortia to site their headquarters in California.—SDSC's presence was a key reason the international thermonuclear experimental reactor [ITER] project sited its headquarters in San Diego. This project, valued at \$1.2 billion, is a 10-year international collaboration among scientists in the United States, Germany, Russia, and Japan to develop a nuclear reactor design.

Similarly, Supertek, a producer of minisupercomputers, decided to site its operation in California. The company has since

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