

of a structural deficit caused by out-of-control spending. The balanced budget amendment will force the federal government to set priorities and then live within those priorities. The real culprit behind our national debt and yearly deficits is a process without discipline and virtually no mechanism to enforce discipline.

The liberals in Congress who demand a seven-year budget to chart our course to a zero deficit miss the point. They wish, obviously, to perpetuate a process that is as destructive to future generations as it is to our own.

#### CRIME PACKAGE FOR THE PEOPLE

### HON. RON PACKARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 14, 1995*

Mr. PACKARD. Mr. Speaker, the Republican Contract With America is committed to keeping its promise to fight crime. We continue to work to provide local police officers with the tools and resources they need to convict and confine criminals.

Our crime bill provides the flexibility and resources to get the job done. Local police officers know what their communities need—not the Federal Government. The Republican crime package enables local police officers to effectively respond to local crime problems.

The American people will no longer tolerate crime in their neighborhoods. They want real crime fighting tools, not big Government guidelines. Local government should have the resources to deal with crime because they are closest to it. The Republican crime bill gives them the resources they need while restoring local accountability.

Mr. Speaker, local government knows best how to fight crime on their streets—not Washington. Let's give them the resources and opportunity to do it. I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 728.

#### IN MEMORY OF FORMER CONGRESSMAN GEORGE MEADER

### HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 14, 1995*

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring to Members' attention the passing of former Congressman George Meader who served as a Republican Member of the House from the Second Congressional District of Michigan from 1950–64. Congressman Meader's daughter, Katherine Vandelly, and son-in-law, James E. Vandelly, are constituents of mine from the 10th Congressional District of Virginia. Congressman Meader passed away at the University of Michigan hospital on October 15, 1994, after a short illness. He was 87 years of age.

The son of a Methodist minister, Congressman Meader was born in Benton Harbor, MI, on September 13, 1907. He began his undergraduate studies at Ohio Wesleyan University and completed his A.B. degree at the University of Michigan in 1927. After marrying Elizabeth Faeth in 1928, he entered the University of Michigan Law School and earned his juris doctor degree in 1931.

Congressman Meader began his professional career as a practicing attorney in Ann Arbor during the 1930's, and was elected Washtenaw County prosecuting attorney in 1940. In 1943, he joined the famed Truman-Mead Senate War Investigating Committee in Washington, DC, serving first as assistant counsel, then as chief counsel. He returned to private law practice in 1947, then served as chief counsel to the Senate Fulbright Banking and Currency Subcommittee investigating FRC loans until his election to the 82d Congress in 1950. He represented the Second Congressional District of Michigan from 1950 to 1964, serving on the House Judiciary and Government Operations Committees.

After leaving Congress, Congressman Meader served as counsel to both the Joint Committee on the Organization of Congress and the Joint Committee on Congressional Operations before being elected president of the Former Members of Congress in 1974. He returned to private law practice in Washington, DC, and Ann Arbor until retirement. In the years following his service in the U.S. House of Representatives, Congressman Meader continued his ardent interest in improving the operations of Congress, as well as protecting the institutions of democratic government.

Congressman Meader was preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth Meader, formerly of Ashcaffenburg, Germany, and by his daughter, Barbara Meader of Ann Arbor. He is survived by a son, Robert Meader, and wife Nancy; daughter Katherine Vandelly, and husband James. He is also survived by five grandchildren: David Meader, and wife Judy; Richard Meader, Randall Meader, and wife Kami; Cynthia Vandelly, James M. Vandelly; and four great-grandchildren: James A. Vandelly; Christopher, Scott, and Craig Meader. He is also survived by his sister, Frances Way, and brothers Dr. Ralph G. Meader, and wife Olive; and Edwin Meader, and wife Mary.

I know all Members would join with me in expressing the sympathy of the House to Congressman Meader's family.

#### TRIBUTE TO BRYAN WITTMAN

### HON. JACK QUINN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 14, 1995*

Mr. QUINN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Mr. Bryan Wittman of Hamburg, NY.

It gives me great joy to share with everyone in the Congress the outstanding achievements of one of my constituents. Bryan is the son of Mrs. Norma Wittman of North Hampton Brook Drive.

Bryan, a native of my hometown of Hamburg, NY, attended St. Peter and Paul Grade School and St. Francis High School. He graduated from Ashland University with a bachelor of arts degree in radio and television.

Bryan began his career in 1976 for the Erie County Fair and as entertainment director of the Darien Lake Theme Park in New York. He then moved on to become promotions director for the Ice Capades.

In 1985, Bryan began his adventure with Disney. While serving as manager of advertising and promotions for Marriott's Great America Theme Park in Chicago, IL, Wittman was

recruited to Disney World in Orlando, FL, as senior promotions representative. In 1988 he was relocated to Disneyland in Anaheim, CA, where he became manager of promotions.

Continuing in his career advancement in 1991, Bryan became director of marketing for Disney.

As of February 2, 1995, he has been promoted to vice president for promotions, publicity, and special events.

Bryan's energy and imagination have been praised by Disney executives as his hard work and abundant successes are a testament to his strong character.

Speaking as a resident of Western, NY, and as a Member of Congress, I applaud the outstanding accomplishments of Bryan Wittman.

#### THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

### HON. PHILIP M. CRANE

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 14, 1995*

Mr. CRANE. Mr. Speaker, while we all support the concept of providing equal treatment and access for those with disabilities, I believe that Congress must take time to evaluate how the Americans With Disabilities Act [ADA] of 1990 embodies those concepts. We must decide how to maintain the benefits that ADA provides as well as eliminate the problems that it causes.

In pursuing this evaluation, I would recommend to my colleagues the following article, "Why the ADA Could Ruin the Superbowl." The author, Deborah K. Schlusel, has vividly illustrated the problems encompassing the ADA. She gives unmistakable proof that the ADA has imposed unnecessary barriers on American companies and professional sports teams.

It is our duty to proceed in making the correct and necessary alterations to the Americans With Disabilities Act, and I hope my colleagues will keep this article in mind as Congress considers this issue.

#### WHY THE ADA COULD RUIN THE SUPERBOWL

(By Deborah K. Schlusel, J.D.)

This year's Superbowl, the contest between football's top American Football Conference (AFC) and National Football Conference (NFC) teams, has come and gone. But the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a bill aimed at eliminating discrimination against the disabled, may change the Superbowl as we know it, and all professional sports competition, for that matter.

Though uncertain, it is conceivable that Title I of the ADA, a provision written to penalize private employers who discriminate based on disabilities, could make next year's Superbowl more closely resemble the Special Olympics, rather than the traditional contest between pro football's finest. The ADA prohibits employers from using "selection criteria that screen out or tend to screen out an individual with a disability or a class of individuals with disabilities unless the \* \* \* selection criteria" relate to "essential functions" of the job. The difficulty is that the courts (who may know nothing about the functions needed to be an inside linebacker), not the employers, ultimately decide the "essential functions" of the job.

Professional sports leagues, including the National Football League (NFL), National