

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999

SPEECH OF

HON. FLOYD SPENCE

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 21, 1998

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3616) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes:

Mr. SPENCE. Mr. Chairman, during the colloquy between Mr. HANSEN and myself during today's consideration of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 a statement was inadvertently made in error. In the colloquy, which concerned the development of fiber optic sensor technology in the Navy's anti-submarine warfare program, I stated that the committee fully funded the Navy's budget request for the development of fiber optic technology, including \$11.3 million to complete the development of the All Optical Deployable System. The reference to the budget request "including \$11.3 million to complete the development of the All Optical Deployable System" was incorrect. Accordingly, I would like to clarify that the committee has fully funded the Navy's budget request for anti-submarine warfare research and development and the increased emphasis in that program on the development of fiber optic sensor technology for submarine, surface ship, and surveillance system sonar and other applications.

HONORING ROBERTA AND
ORVILLE TONSING

HON. BOB SCHAFFER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 1998

Mr. BOB SCHAFFER of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Orville and Roberta Tonsing, owners of Holyoke Cleaners, for their business excellence and commitment to public service. Holyoke Cleaners has been operating successfully in Holyoke, Colorado for many years, and been a genuine asset to the community.

In addition to running their business, the Tonsings have donated many dollars and countless hours to their community. Roberta has served on the City Council since 1985, and also lent her time to several town boards including the Variance Board, Cemetery Board, Housing Authority Board, Tree Board and Library Board. Orville, too, has been active, serving on the Holyoke Volunteer Fire Department and the Rural Fire Board. In addition, Orville also heads up "BeCause," a group of residents helping other residents in times of need.

It is for these reasons I happily rise today to honor Orville and Roberta Tonsing, and hold

them up in the House, and to all Americans, as a shining example of the best of America's businesses. They exemplify the industrious spirit, can-do attitude, and community involvement that made America great.

IN HONOR OF DR. XIE XIDE

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 1998

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Dr. Xie Xide for receiving a Doctor of Humane Letters from Cleveland State University.

Dr. Xide is a distinguished physicist, educator and internationalist. She has served as Professor and Director of Modern Physics at Fudan University, Adjunct Director of the Shanghai Institute of Technical Physics, and Vice President of the Chinese Physical Society. She is also a member of the Presidium of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and Chair of the Twenty-first International Conference of Semiconductor Physics. Dr. Xide has published seventy-six papers in prestigious international scientific journals. She was inducted as a Fellow of the American Physical Society and the Third World Academy of Sciences. Dr. Xide was also elected as an honorary member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Physical Society. In addition, she has also served as both Vice President and President of Fudan University.

Dr. Xide's efforts to foster international dialogue have been recognized by twelve universities in Canada, England, Hong Kong, Japan and the United States which have awarded her honorary degrees. Currently, as Adviser to Cleveland State University and Director of its American Studies Center, Dr. Xide promotes the international exchange of scholars and students. She has developed Fundan's present faculty exchange program with Cleveland State University's Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. Dr. Xide has made many outstanding contributions to scientific research, education and international understanding.

My fellow colleagues, please join me in congratulating Dr. Xide on receiving the Doctor of Humane Letters from Cleveland State University.

INTRODUCTION OF A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION FOOD QUALITY PROTECTION ACT (FQPA)

HON. RAY LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 1998

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, today I am introducing a House Concurrent Resolution calling for heightened Congressional oversight over the implementation of the Food Quality Protec-

tion Act (FQPA). As you know, Mr. Speaker, FQPA was unanimously enacted in the 104th Congress with bipartisan support. By its enactment, Congress intended to ensure the use of sound science in federal regulation of pesticides, replace the "Delaney Clause" with a unified standard, and institute workable protections of infants and children. FQPA's enactment was hailed, by Republicans and Democrats alike, as a remarkable bipartisan effort, after more than a decade of effort. The implementation of FQPA's goal ensures that the proper use of safe pesticides is a critical element in protecting public health and making for a safe, abundant, and affordable supply of food. Conclusively, FQPA provided the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with wide latitude to adapt its regulatory system to incorporate constantly improving scientific information as it becomes available.

Unfortunately, Mr. Speaker, EPA's interpretation of Congressional intent has many in production agriculture calling for increased oversight of EPA actions. Congress never intended nor expected FQPA to result in major disruptions to U.S. agriculture or other activities which require pest control tools. EPA's actions have also led many to conclude that EPA was proceeding with unilateral cancellations of some pesticides which could harm the production of certain crops on millions of acres of U.S. cropland.

As grower concerns heightened, the Administration responded with a Memorandum to both the EPA and the USDA. The "Memo" outlined four principals which would guide EPA and USDA as they work together on FQPA implementation. The four principals are: Sound Science in Protecting Public Health; Transparency; Reasonable Transition for Agriculture; and Consultation with the Public and Other Agencies.

While the effort is laudable and has produced new dialogue, Mr. Speaker, it is time, once again, for Congress to make its wishes known on this truly historic legislative achievement. Consequently, I am introducing a House Concurrent Resolution (H. Con. Res.) incorporating the goals of the "Memo", along with other guiding principals. The Resolution is meant to re-affirm Congress' commitment to a fair FQPA implementation. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the support of my colleagues and for its eventual adoption.

HONORING JOHN CHATWORTHY
AND CHATWORTHY MOTORS

HON. BOB SCHAFFER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 1998

Mr. BOB SCHAFFER of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, Fort Morgan, Colorado is a city rich with tradition and history. Set on the plains of Eastern Colorado, it is a symbol of the West.

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Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

The spirit of this town is embodied in a business that can proudly claim to be the oldest existing business in Fort Morgan—this business is Clatworthy Motors. I rise today to honor Clatworthy Motors, and its owner John Clatworthy, for business excellence and a commitment to public service.

John Clatworthy, owner of Clatworthy Motors, is a man who carries on his family tradition of upholding commendable business practices as well as extensive community involvement. John recognizes the importance of youth as our future and donates his time to supporting 4-H and Future Farmers of America. His community involvement is not limited to any one area, and he is also an active member of the Cattleman's Association, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Colorado Automobile Dealers Association. Further, Clatworthy Motors has been recognized as Colorado's only automobile dealer nominated for Time Magazine's "Dealer of the Year".

John Clatworthy is a man who embodies the western tradition of giving back to the community. It is for these reasons I happily rise today to honor Mr. Clatworthy. I hold him up to the House, and to all Americans, as a shining example of the best of America's businesses. He exemplifies the industrious spirit, can-do attitude, and community involvement that made America great.

IN MEMORY OF JOSEPHINE
VOINOVICH

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 1998

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Josephine Voinovich, a very special woman who, in her own words, endeavored to live life as "an adventure, not an assignment." Josephine's adventure cast her in a number of different roles as a social worker, librarian, scout leader, and mother of six, but was always marked by her untiring service towards others.

A graduate of Collinwood High School and the College for Women of Western Reserve University, Josephine intended on a career in education. However, with teaching positions scarce during the Great Depression, she became a social worker. Josephine would later become a volunteer librarian at Saint Aloysius Elementary School. In 1993, the school honored Josephine's eighteen years of service in this capacity by naming the library after her.

As a wife and mother of six, Josephine's daily adventures didn't stop at home. Initially serving as a den leader for her son's and daughter's scout troops, Josephine would go on to work with the Girl Scouts for 36 years, a span in which she acted as an adult trainer, day-camp director, and president of the Lake Erie Girl Scout Council. Josephine's dedicated service as part of the council garnered her the coveted "Thanks Badge." In 1993, she was named the council's Woman of Distinction.

A 1992 inductee of the Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame and recipient of the Margarine Ireland Award from the Cleveland Women's City Club, Josephine's proud legacy is one of compassion and caring. Always offering a helping hand to those in need and guidance to individuals looking for a role model, she never

sought recognition or respite from her labors, saying simply, "I'm going because I'm needed."

My fellow colleagues, let us recognize the adventure of Josephine Voinovich. That the adventure is now over only reinforces how much we all needed her.

TRIBUTE TO THE U.S. ARMY ON
ITS 221ST BIRTHDAY

HON. CHET EDWARDS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 1998

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. Speaker, on June 14, 1775, the Second Continental Congress, representing the citizens of the thirteen American colonies, authorized the establishment of a Continental Army with the expressed purpose of providing for the defense of a fledgling democracy and its bedrock principles and values. The next day, Congressman George Washington became General George Washington and prepared to take command of the new Army. The collective expression of the pursuit of personal freedoms that caused the authorization and organization of the United States Army, subsequently led to our Nation's Declaration of Independence and the codification of our bedrock principles and values in the Constitution of the United States. The birth and growth of that Army led to the birth of our great Nation. Today we celebrate the birthday of the United States Army, in recognition of 221 years of continuous, selfless, and valorous service to the citizens, principles, and values of the United States of America.

For 221 years, our Army's central purpose has been to fight and win our Nation's wars. In years past, those wars have typically been fought and won on distant, foreign battlefields, while at home, the Army has provided for the security of a growing population. The Army's contributions include the development of our Nation's rail and water transportation networks, and innumerable medical and scientific achievements that have markedly improved the quality of life of our citizenry. Whatever the mission, the Nation turns to its Army for decisive victory, regardless of whether those victories are measured in the defeat of foreign armed forces or the timely delivery of humanitarian assistance at home or abroad. The 172 battle streamers carried on the Army flag are testaments to the valor, commitment, and sacrifice of those who have served and fought under its banner. Valley Forge, New Orleans, Mexico City, Gettysburg, Verdun, Bataan, Normandy, Pusan, Ia Drang Valley, Grenada, Panama, and Kuwait are but a handful of the places where American soldiers have won extraordinary distinction and respect for our Nation and our Army.

Soldiers of character are today, as they have been throughout the Army's glorious history, the heart and soul of our Army. "Duty, Honor, Country" are more than mere words—they are the creed by which the American soldier lives and serves. Today's Army is without equal, not in terms of its size, but in the quality and dedication of the young men and women who have chosen to selflessly serve the Nation, at home and abroad, in peace and war, to accomplish the tasks directed by the Nation's leaders. Our young men and

women—who receive tough, realistic training and are equipped with the finest equipment—are the envy of the world's nations. The Army's strength always has been, and always will be, the American soldier. Intelligent, physically fit, highly motivated and educated, and well trained and supported, soldiers are our Army's capital asset. While no one can predict the cause, location, or magnitude of future battles, there is one certainty—American soldiers of character, selflessly serving the Nation, will continue to be the credentials of our Army.

The Army is prepared to answer the Nation's call, and such calls have been increasing in number and disparity in recent years. These wide-ranging missions highlight the complex global security environment our Nation faces today. The threats are less distinct and less predictable than in the past, but more complex and just as real and dangerous. Rising sophistication among terrorists and rogue states, the standing armed forces of potential adversaries, and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction portend increasing challenges for the future. Our Army will continue to serve the central role in the Nation's response to these challenges.

Our Army—the world's most capable and respected ground force—is in the midst of an unparalleled transformation as it prepares for the new challenges of the next century and a different world. The Information Age is already bringing rapid changes in the conduct of warfare. Future forces will be prepared to conduct quick, decisive, highly sophisticated operations anywhere, anytime. America's 21st Century Army will integrate emerging information technologies with sound doctrine, flexible organizations, and soldiers of character and commitment to make out Nation's land force more versatile, deployable, lethal, and survivable.

Our Army was ready at Lexington and our Army is ready today. Our Army will be ready to fight and win our Nation's call to service at home and abroad. Whenever the time, whenever the place, whatever the mission, America can count on her Army.

HONORING ORIN LAGREE AND THE
BRUSH MARKET

HON. BOB SCHAFFER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 1998

Mr. BOB SCHAFFER of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Orin LaGree, owner of the Brush Market, for business excellence and a commitment to public service. Most Brush residents would agree that Orin LaGree is a strong supporter of the community. But many of those people are not truly aware of the extent of his generosity because much of his giving is done anonymously. Sometimes his gift is the gift of survival. He gives to people down on their luck who need food to carry them through a tough time. Brush Market also donates food to S.H.A.R.E., a local shelter for victims of domestic violence.

Brush youth have also benefited significantly from Orin's generosity. He regularly supplies recipe ingredients to the school's cooking classes. In fact, last Thanksgiving, his staff cooked and delivered turkey dinners to needy families as part of a high school cooking class