

growth, discipline training, outreach, administration, new membership integration. Janie also trained in family learning for parents of children with disabilities and has facilitated and participated in support group settings to address addictive behaviors and dysfunctional relationships.

Janie is married to Dr. David Pfefferkorn. They are the proud parents of four beautiful girls, Molly, Corrie Jo, Abby and Maggie, and the proud grandparents of twins girls, Bylie and Kylie.

Congratulations, Janie, on your recognition by the "Daughters of Sunset." Your lifelong dedication your community of Sikeston, Missouri is an inspiration to us all.

MEXICO BEACH PROPERTY
BOUNDARY

HON. ALLEN BOYD

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. BOYD. Mr. Speaker, today, along with my Florida colleague Representative JOE SCARBOROUGH, I am introducing legislation that is intended to correct a boundary mistake made on a map in the Department of Interior's 1988 Report to Congress: Coastal Barrier Resources System. The map was subsequently adopted by Congress in the 1990 Coastal Barrier Improvement Act.

The St. Joe Company owns 45 acres east of the City of Mexico Beach, Florida. In 1988, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (the "Service") proposed certain additions and modifications to the Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS). This proposal was accompanied by maps which depicted the existing boundaries of the CBRS as well as the proposed additions and modifications. However, while the maps expressly reported to show the existing CBRS boundaries, at least one of them instead contained a boundary line that erroneously included about 45 acres of St. Joe property. Because the boundary was unintentionally misdrawn neither the property owner nor Congress was given notice of this action. In 1990, Congress enacted the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act. The CBRS maps adopted by Congress with the 1990 Act included the erroneous boundary line from the Service's proposed map.

Several years after the Mexico Beach property was mistakenly included in the CBRS, St. Joe representatives discovered the mistake while examining maps at the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Last year, representatives of St. Joe met with Department of Interior and Service officials to discuss the mistake. As a result of those discussions a letter was written to the Company from the Acting Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Gary Frazier, acknowledging that a boundary mistake had been made and stating that the Service would not object to legislation to correct the mistake. Specifically, Mr. Frazier stated:

The Service recognizes that in the 1988 Report to Congress the inclusion of the property in question was not identified as a boundary change for this unit, either in the accompanying map or text of the Report. Regrettably, this meant that neither the property owner nor Congress was provided with adequate notice of the boundary change re-

flected in the revised map for P-31. Therefore, because of this error in the Report and the equities associated with this specific situation, the Service would not oppose future legislative action to remove the 45 acres owned by the St. Joe Company from the System.

The St. Joe Company has taken the proper steps in approaching the Department of Interior and the Service about this problem. Representative SCARBOROUGH and I are taking the next step in this process by introducing legislation to correct this mistake. It has been over ten years since Congress enacted the legislation which adopted the new map misdrawing the boundary of the Mexico Beach property. Therefore, I urge the House to act expeditiously on this legislation.

SOUTHWIRE COMPANY'S 50TH
ANNIVERSARY

HON. BOB BARR

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. BARR of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it all started with one man's dream of bringing electricity to rural Georgia. Roy Richards, Sr. wanted to supply his mother and grandmother with electricity, and from that dream, he founded Southwire Company in Carrollton, Georgia, exactly 50 years ago. On March 23, 1950, Southwire started cranking out wire with 12 employees. Two years later, the company had shipped 5 million pounds of wire and had doubled its plant size. Southwire has continued to grow, and has become a world leader in the manufacture of wire and cable.

In 1992 Southwire opened the D.B. "Pete" Cofer Technology Center. For the past five years, the center has witnessed development of the next generation of power cables—superconductors. A trio of 30-meter cables now provides power to three of the company's manufacturing plants. Southwire continues on its path of quality assurance and will remain a giant in the world of wire and cable.

I salute Southwire Company on its 50th Anniversary, and I am proud to count it as an outstanding employer, business, and community citizen in the 7th Congressional District of Georgia.

HONORING THE DISTINGUISHED
CAREER OF JOHN ED MILLER

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding career of John Ed Miller, who is retiring from BellSouth on March 31 after working more than 30 years with the company. John Ed has not only had a distinguished career with BellSouth, but he has also been an outstanding civic leader in the Middle Tennessee area.

John Ed began his long telephone career with BellSouth soon after his graduation from Vanderbilt University in 1966. He progressed through a number of assignments in the Nashville and Birmingham offices before assuming his present position as BellSouth's corporate

and external affairs vice president for Tennessee.

John Ed has also taken an active role in his Middle Tennessee community. He serves and has served on numerous civic boards and organizations, demonstrating his concern and love for Middle Tennessee. His tireless dedication to these organizations has truly made Middle Tennessee a better place to live.

His leadership and vision at BellSouth will be sorely missed. I congratulate John Ed Miller on his outstanding career and wish him well in his retirement.

OIL PRICE REDUCTION ACT OF 2000

SPEECH OF

HON. MATT SALMON

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 22, 2000

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3822) to reduce, suspend, or terminate any assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Arms Export Control Act to each country determined by the President to be engaged in oil price fixing to the detriment of the United States economy, and for other purposes:

Mr. SALMON. Mr. Chairman, it is well known that, for close to a year, countries from the OPEC cartel and other oil-producing countries have conspired to steal from Americans by artificially inflating the price of oil. It has had a dramatic effect on the life of every American and threatens the state of our economy. It takes more to fill our gas tanks, it is more costly to fly, and even grocery prices have risen significantly. For example, we pay an extra \$10 every time we go to a gas station to fill our tanks. This year, increased gas and oil prices will cost the average family an alarming \$700. In my home state of Arizona, higher gas prices will cost the Paradise Valley Union School District up to \$60,000 more to bus kids to and from school this year.

Unfortunately, the President's response has been tepid at best. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson recently admitted, "it is obvious that the federal government was not prepared. We were caught napping. We got complacent." The Administration, which seems to have no problem attacking American companies they suspect of being a monopoly, refuses to use its current legal arsenal to sanction foreign countries that collude in monopolistic alliances to fleece the American people.

Last year, I requested that Congress look into OPEC's price fixing scheme. And last night, Congress took a small step towards helping American consumers by passing H.R. 3822, which encourages the President to use his current authority to stop OPEC from inflating gas prices. But, I believe we can, indeed we must, do more.

First and foremost we should have included a mechanism in this legislation to penalize countries for gouging our constituents. Secondly, we should have repealed the 4.3 cent gas tax that President Clinton and Vice-President GORE included in their tax increase package of 1993. And finally, we should have examined cost effective ways to increase domestic oil production.