

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO WANDA ANITA GREEN

**HON. BARBARA LEE**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 25, 2001*

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of and to offer tribute to Wanda Anita Green, one of the many heroes on board United Airlines Flight 93, which was hijacked on September 11, 2001.

Wanda's parents, Francis and Aserene Smith, my constituents, moved to Oakland from Oceanside, California within the year of her birth on August 22, 1952. Wanda, her identical twin sister Sandra, and brother Tommy were raised in West and North Oakland California. Wanda's sister Sandra Jamerson now lives in Antioch, California and Wanda's parents and brother Tommy Smith still live in Oakland, California.

Wanda was loved and will be deeply missed by her daughter Jennifer R. Green, (age 21 years) and son Joe B. Green 11, (age 18 years) of Linden, New Jersey, and many other family and friends. Wanda's family deeply appreciates the expressions of love from the people of our nation and the comforting words of support from President George W. Bush as he personally received the family at the White House recently.

For 28 years, Wanda was living her childhood dream of earning her wings and working as a Senior Flight Attendant for United Airlines. The family has received communications from passengers that flew with Wanda earlier this year and they remember her as watching after them because "she cared, not because it was her job." Wanda loved to travel, she enjoyed meeting new people, and she had a great affection for exploring different cultures.

In celebration of Wanda's life, the family has formed the Wanda Anita Green Foundation in her honor that will assist urban youth in reaching their dreams by providing scholarships to support their education and career goals. Wanda loved children and was very active in her own children's lives. One of Wanda's most memorable volunteer jobs was when she served as President of her local PTA.

September 11, 2001 was a tragic day in the history of the world. Wanda, members of the crew, and passengers aboard United Airline Flight 93 gave their lives to save others and for that they are true American heroes and must be honored as such.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to stand before Congress on behalf of her family, friends and colleagues to honor the courage, spirit and legacy of this American Hero, Wanda Anita Green.

TRIBUTE TO HIS EXCELLENCY  
LKHAMSUREN ENEBISH

**HON. JOSEPH R. PITTS**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 25, 2001*

Mr. PITTS. Mr. Speaker, I wish to bring to the attention of my colleagues the sudden death of His Excellency Lkhamsuren Enebish, Chairman of the State Great Hural of Mongolia. He was, in effect, the Speaker of the Mongolian Parliament and Secretary General of the ruling Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party. He was considered one of the most significant leaders of modern Mongolia.

I know my colleagues will join me in expressing our condolences to President Natsagiin Bagabandi, Prime Minister Nambar Enkhbayar, and the people of Mongolia.

Mr. Speaker, I had the privilege of meeting Mr. Enebish and knew personally of his commitment to strengthening U.S.-Mongolian relations. Indeed he was in Washington, D.C. only a few months ago with Prime Minister Enkhbayar and other officials to engage U.S. officials on a range of bilateral issues.

Mr. Enebish had a distinguished career in public service, beginning in the early 1970s as an engineer and director at the Architecture Bureau in Ulaanbaatar. He served in many capacities in city government until he was elected Mayor of the capital city Ulaanbaatar in 1990. He also held the positions of Deputy Prime Minister, First Deputy Prime Minister and Head of the Government Privatization Commission.

We all recognize what a great loss this is to Mongolia and wish to extend our sympathy and best wishes.

### ECONOMIC SECURITY AND RECOVERY ACT OF 2001

SPEECH OF

**HON. HEATHER WILSON**

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 24, 2001*

Mrs. WILSON. Mr. Speaker, "let's get to work . . ."

I believe that the Economic Security and Recovery Act of 2001 is a growth package that will help put Americans and New Mexicans back to work, and it's what we need today. We need to provide help to individuals who are feeling the crunch and we need to help the businesses who employ them get back on their feet.

People in New Mexico have felt the effects of our continued economic slowdown. At least two of the phone company call centers in Albuquerque have laid off good, solid employees, and southern New Mexico lost 650 jobs in the mining industry just today. EMCORE Corp., a high-tech manufacturing company, also announced layoffs earlier this week. The

travel and hospitality industries say they've seen a decline in people traveling and eating out.

Our economy has been drastically impacted by the evil that struck America on September 11. Both the people who create jobs, and the individuals who form the backbone of our economy, have been affected. And they will continue to feel the pain of a slowed economy if the Congress doesn't act quickly. We need to do everything we can to keep our economy strong and help middle America, and this stimulus package does that. This bill addresses the very human needs we have in New Mexico, in New York, and throughout our country.

Working families will get immediate help by advancing the effective date of the 25 percent marginal rate cut from last spring's relief bill.

Individuals who received a partial rebate will have their payments topped off to \$300 for individuals and \$600 for couples. People who filed a tax return in 2000 but weren't eligible for a rebate will now get a payment.

And there will be help for people who have lost their jobs in the wake of the September 11th attacks. States with a spike in unemployment rates will be given the flexibility to supplement current unemployment and health benefits. We'll channel \$3 billion for health benefits, and \$9 billion for cash benefits for people who lose their jobs.

It's estimated that my home state of New Mexico will receive \$45 million in unemployment cash assistance for people hurt by today's lagging economy, and our state will have the flexibility to decide exactly how to use these dollars to really help New Mexicans.

Nineteen million dollars for New Mexico will help with health insurance needs for people who lose their jobs. This could include things like paying Cobra premiums or expanding Medicaid.

We also offer incentives for employers to create jobs, spur innovation, and invest in our country's future.

While this bill doesn't contain everything that I would like to see, and contains some things that I question, I think it is important to move it forward. There are some elements of the companion legislation that the Senate is working on that I am hopeful will be included in a conference on this economic stimulus package. I would like to see the final bill that we send to the President focused more on displaced workers, and the needs of their families, including health care.

From my perspective, the House bill is tilted toward large corporations and I would like to see the final bill we pass and send to the President address the issues faced by small and mid-sized businesses who provide the bulk of the jobs in New Mexico and this country.

The entire focus of the final bill we send to the President must be helping people who have been hurt by the slowdown and providing a spark to get us back to growth. Now, more than ever, America's economy needs a boost. Let's get to work.

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