

I urge my colleagues and citizens of the Seventh Congressional District to join with me in congratulating Dr. Wilson on 23 years of providing soul energizing, gospel music to more than 40 million homes around the nation.

NATIONAL COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND DISASTERS REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. JAMES L. OBERSTAR

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 20, 2010

Mr. OBERSTAR. Madam Speaker, I submit the attached exchange of letters on H.R. 5266, the "National Commission on Children and Disasters Reauthorization Act of 2010" between the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on Homeland Security.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY,
Washington, DC, July 20, 2010.

Hon. JAMES L. OBERSTAR,
Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN OBERSTAR: I write to you regarding H.R. 5266, the "National Commission on Children and Disasters Reauthorization Act of 2010."

H.R. 5266 contains provisions that fall within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Homeland Security. I recognize and appreciate your desire to bring this legislation before the House in an expeditious manner and, accordingly, I will not seek a sequential referral of the bill. However, agreeing to waive consideration of this bill should not be construed as the Committee on Homeland Security waiving, altering, or otherwise affecting its jurisdiction over subject matters contained in the bill which fall within its Rule X jurisdiction.

Further, I request your support for the appointment of an appropriate number of Members of the Committee on Homeland Security to be named as conferees during any House-Senate conference convened on H.R. 5266 or similar legislation. I also ask that a copy of this letter and your response be included in the Congressional Record during floor consideration of this bill.

I look forward to working with you as we prepare to pass this important legislation.

Sincerely,

BENNIE G. THOMPSON,
Chairman.

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
AND INFRASTRUCTURE,
Washington, DC, July 20, 2010.

Hon. BENNIE G. THOMPSON,
Chairman, Committee on Homeland Security, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN THOMPSON: I write to you regarding H.R. 5266, the "National Commission on Children and Disasters Reauthorization Act of 2010"

I agree that provisions in H.R. 5266 are of jurisdictional interest to the Committee on Homeland Security. I acknowledge that by forgoing a sequential referral, your Committee is not relinquishing its jurisdiction and I will fully support your request to be represented in a House-Senate conference on those provisions over which the Committee on Homeland Security has jurisdiction in H.R. 5266.

This exchange of letters will be inserted in the Congressional Record as part of the consideration of H.R. 5266 in the House.

I look forward to working with you as we prepare to pass this important legislation.

Sincerely,

JAMES L. OBERSTAR, M.C.,
Chairman.

HONORING THE MORRIS COUNTY 4-H FAIR

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2010

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Morris County 4-H Fair, celebrating its 40th anniversary this year.

The 4-H organization began at the start of the 20th century with a group of individuals who wanted to promote the idea of practical, "hands-on" learning. In a society where young people were beginning to gravitate toward city living, this group felt the desire to create an organization focused on country life. Ever since, their ideas have grown from a need to initiate new agricultural technology and techniques on the nation's farms to creating a safe and fun environment where any young person can be involved.

4-H officially came to New Jersey in 1915. The first Morris County 4-H boys were involved with Corn Clubs. Girls worked in Tomato and Canning Clubs. It was World War I that gave them a practical purpose. Clubs adopted the slogan "Feed A Fighter" by raising livestock and growing vegetables to help feed United States soldiers.

Morris County 4-H, as we know it today, began in the early 1940s adopting to "pledge my Head to clearer thinking, my Heart to greater loyalty, my Hands to larger service, and my Health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world." The club began with boys and girls participating in a variety of project areas ranging from traditional livestock and home economics to wood working, conservation and fashion. Today, Morris County 4-H members learn leadership, citizenship and life skills through a variety of projects related to science to healthy living.

The annual 4-H Fair has filled the gap left by the disappearance of many of the old country fairs. It began as a few tables in the middle of Rockaway Town Square Mall, and with borrowed tents and personal dedication, evolved into a modern-day country fair with 25,000 visitors. Today, area residents can see the accomplishments of the Morris County 4-H youth first hand as they exhibit their handiwork in everything from food and nutrition to model cars and rockets. In a world overrun by videogames and television, 4H teaches the youth of our community the value of hard work by creating contests and rewards for each club. The 4-H Fair provides the outlet for these young people to display their projects

Madam Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Morris County 4-H Fair as they celebrate 40 years of dedicated years of service to the youth of Morris County!

HONORING ROBERT FOZIO

HON. BETTY SUTTON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 22, 2010

Ms. SUTTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to pay tribute to Robert Fozio, who passed away on April 17, 2010 after a courageous battle with cancer. Robert played a very active role in the Northeast Ohio community and that is how I became acquainted with him.

Robert was a bricklayer, an avid outdoorsman, devoted husband, loving father, grandfather, and brother. Robert always taught his family that wherever you are, to be 100% there. He also emphasized the importance of never forgetting who you are and where you came from. Whether it was through his longstanding membership with Bricklayers Local 5, the Northern Ohio Administrative District Council, the International Union of Bricklayers, the Allied Craftworkers, or his time serving with the U.S. Navy in Vietnam, Robert was a fixture in the community.

At the young age of 17, Robert received special permission from his mother to join the U.S. Navy so that he could bring in additional income for his family. Robert joined the Local 5 in 1963 shortly after returning from his naval tour in Vietnam. Robert quickly ascended through the ranks in the allied crafts and was a superintendent and foreman for the majority of his career. He was a brilliant man, which was demonstrated by his own professional success, as well as his efforts to improve the lives of other tradesmen.

In 1998, Robert was named interim director of the District Council and was elected full-time director in 2001 until his retirement in 2009. His tireless work for the industry was rewarded when the Robert A. Fozio Regional Training Center for all craft apprentices and journeyman upgrading was opened in May 2005. The Training Center was a model in innovation, training all facets of the allied crafts under one roof, which provided a higher standard and level of expectation for contractors in the area. This center came to be known as the best training center in the United States for apprentices in allied crafts and for journeyman upgrading.

In his free time, Robert was an avid hunter and fisherman and spent several years as a professional archer. In recent years, he developed a love for sporting clubs and spent his free time shooting with friends and family. In fact, Robert went on a hunting expedition in 2008 with the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Society and appeared in a video shooting white-tailed deer, which still appears on many outdoors programs.

He was a respected and beloved member of the greater Brunswick community, and his presence will be remembered by the entire area. His legacy of community, friendship, family, and hard work will continue for many years.

Robert leaves behind not only those whom he served, but also a loving family—his wife Dorothy, his daughters Tiffany Yohman and Theresa Berthold, his sisters Rose Marie Friend, Marilyn Seltzer, and Carolyne Fozio, his brothers Donald and Patrick Fozio, his grandchildren, as well as many other close family members and friends. Robert will truly