

drives for children's wards in various metropolitan Boston hospitals."

Mr. Speaker, I recently had the great honor of being invited to attend an inspirational worship service at which the torch was passed from Pastor Howard M. Haywood, who has for years been a pillar of the Newton community, to a new, vigorous pastor, whose presence has been greatly welcomed, Pastor Brandon T. Crowley.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that the work of the Daughters of Myrtle is an inspiration from which many in our country can learn, and I ask that the 90th Anniversary of this important organization be noted here.

RECOGNIZING DR. ROBERT  
"BOBBY" FONG

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 8, 2011*

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Robert "Bobby" Fong for his outstanding contributions to Butler University and Indianapolis. Dr. Fong has served as President of Butler for the past 10 years. During his tenure he has been instrumental to the overall success of the university.

Dr. Fong was born to working-class immigrant parents. Despite facing many hardships, he persevered and overcame adversity by getting a quality education. He graduated magna cum laude from Harvard University in 1973 before earning his doctorate in English Literature from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1978. Dr. Fong immediately turned around and used his education and experiences to inspire others through teaching.

When he came to Butler as president in 2001, Dr. Fong took an active approach to leadership by implementing and completing successful strategic and budgetary plans. In addition, Dr. Fong oversaw improvements to Butler's infrastructure and student housing, which have had positive impacts on the university and the surrounding communities.

After 10 years of leadership at Butler, Dr. Fong has accepted a new position as president of Ursinus College in Pennsylvania where he will undoubtedly be successful in shaping the lives of even more students in pursuit of higher education. On behalf of the Seventh District of Indiana, I would like to thank Dr. Fong for his contributions and dedication to education. It is with a grateful heart that the Indianapolis community bids Dr. Fong farewell and wishes him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

HONORING CODY DANIEL  
DETERDING

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 8, 2011*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Cody Daniel Deterding. Cody is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active

part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 351, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Cody has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Cody has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Cody has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Cody Daniel Deterding for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL  
RESOURCES RULES

HON. DOC HASTINGS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 8, 2011*

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 2(a)(2) of House of Representatives Rule XI, I hereby submit the rules of the Committee on Natural Resources.

RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, 112TH CONGRESS, ADOPTED JANUARY 26, 2011

RULE 1. RULES OF THE HOUSE; VICE CHAIRMEN

(a) Applicability of House Rules.

(1) The Rules of the House of Representatives, so far as they are applicable, are the rules of the Committee on Natural Resources (hereinafter in these rules referred to as the "Committee") and its Subcommittees.

(2) Each Subcommittee is part of the Committee and is subject to the authority, direction and rules of the Committee. References in these rules to "Committee" and "Chairman" shall apply to each Subcommittee and its Chairman wherever applicable.

(3) House Rule XI is incorporated and made a part of the rules of the Committee to the extent applicable.

(b) Vice Chairmen.—Unless inconsistent with other rules, the Chairman shall appoint Vice Chairmen of the Committee and the Subcommittees. If the Chairman of the Committee or Subcommittee is not present at any meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee, as the case may be, the Vice Chairman shall preside. If the Vice Chairman is not present, the ranking Member of the Majority party on the Committee or Subcommittee who is present shall preside at that meeting.

RULE 2. MEETINGS IN GENERAL

(a) Scheduled Meetings.—The Committee shall meet at 10 a.m. every Wednesday when the House is in session, unless canceled by the Chairman. The Committee shall also meet at the call of the Chairman subject to advance notice to all Members of the Committee. Special meetings shall be called and convened by the Chairman as provided in clause 2(c)(1) of House Rule XI. Any Committee meeting or hearing that conflicts with a party caucus, conference, or similar party meeting shall be rescheduled at the discretion of the Chairman, in consultation with the Ranking Minority Member. The Committee may not sit during a joint session of the House and Senate or during a recess when a joint meeting of the House and Senate is in progress.

(b) Open Meetings.—Each meeting for the transaction of business, including the markup of legislation, and each hearing of the

Committee or a Subcommittee shall be open to the public, except as provided by clause 2(g) and clause 2(k) of House Rule XI.

(c) Broadcasting.—Whenever a meeting for the transaction of business, including the markup of legislation, or a hearing is open to the public, that meeting or hearing shall be open to coverage by television, radio, and still photography in accordance with clause 4 of House Rule XI. The provisions of clause 4(f) of House Rule XI are specifically made part of these rules by reference. To the maximum extent practicable, the Committee shall provide audio and visual coverage of each hearing or meeting for the transaction of business in a manner that allows the public to easily listen to and view the proceedings, and maintain the recordings of such coverage in a manner that is easily accessible to the public. Operation and use of any Committee Internet broadcast system shall be fair and nonpartisan and in accordance with clause 4(b) of House Rule XI and all other applicable rules of the Committee and the House.

(d) Oversight Plan.—No later than February 15 of the first session of each Congress, the Committee shall adopt its oversight plans for that Congress in accordance with clause 2(d)(1) of House Rule X.

RULE 3. MEETING AND HEARING PROCEDURES IN GENERAL

(a) Notice and Information for Members and the Public.

(1) The Chairman shall publicly announce the date, place and subject matter of: (i) a Committee hearing, which may not commence earlier than one week after such notice; or (ii) a Committee meeting, which may not commence earlier than the third day on which Members have notice thereof.

(2) A hearing or meeting may begin sooner if the Chairman, with the concurrence of the Ranking Minority Member, determines that there is good cause to begin the meeting or hearing sooner, or if the Committee so determines by majority vote. In these cases, the Chairman shall publicly announce the meeting or hearing at the earliest possible time. The Chief Legislative Clerk of the Committee shall promptly notify the Daily Digest Clerk of the Congressional Record and shall promptly make publicly available in electronic form the appropriate information as soon as possible after the public announcement is made.

(3) To the extent practicable, a background memorandum prepared by the Majority staff for the Majority Members and the Minority staff for the Minority Members summarizing the major provisions of any bill being considered by the Committee, including the need for the bill and its effect on current law, will be available for the Members of the Committee no later than 48 hours before the meeting.

(b) Public Availability of Markup Text.—At least 24 hours prior to the markup of any legislation (or at the time of an announcement under paragraph (a)(2) above made within 24 hours before such meeting), the Chairman shall cause the text of such legislation to be made publicly available in electronic form.

(c) Meetings and Hearings To Begin Promptly.—Each meeting or hearing of the Committee shall begin promptly at the time stipulated in the public announcement of the meeting or hearing.

(d) Addressing the Committee.—A Committee Member may address the Committee or a Subcommittee on any bill, motion, or other matter under consideration or may question a witness at a hearing only when recognized by the Chairman for that purpose. The time a Member may address the Committee or Subcommittee for any purpose or