

his remarkable service and contributions to our country.

TRIBUTE TO MOLLY LOVERN, 2010
STATE WINNER OF LETTERS
ABOUT LITERATURE COMPETITION

HON. SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO

OF WEST VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 28, 2010

Mrs. CAPITO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Molly Lovern and congratulate her as a state winner of the Library of Congress 2010 Letters About Literature competition.

Letters About Literature is a program developed by the Library of Congress in partnership with Target Stores and state Centers for the Book. It aims to promote reading and writing to young people in fourth through twelfth grades across the nation. Students are encouraged to read a book, then write a letter to the author, dead or alive, conveying their appreciation for the book and its impact on their lives. More than 70,000 students from across the nation that entered the contest, a 25% increase from last year's competition.

The Letters About Literature competition divided students into three divisions by age, and the top letter from each age level were chosen from the states. Level two included all students in seventh and eighth grades. Molly was chosen as the Level 2 winner for 2010 by West Virginia's panel of judges, comprised of authors, editors, publishers, librarians, and teachers. She addressed her letter to Jean-Dominique Bouby, about his book, *The Diving Bell and the Butterfly*. Molly is from Fairmont, West Virginia and attends Bluefield Middle School. Molly's teacher, Mrs. Putorek, submitted the winning letter.

It is an honor to pay tribute to Molly Lovern, a student that has committed herself to scholarship in reading and writing. Bright young minds such as hers are truly the future of the Mountain State, and I wish her congratulations.

RECOGNIZING THE HEROISM OF
EVAN LANGSTON

HON. JOHN BOOZMAN

OF ARKANSAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 28, 2010

Mr. BOOZMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Evan Langston, for his act of heroism. His call to action in an emergency situation saved the lives of his fellow citizens in Franklin County, Arkansas.

Mr. Langston was the first to arrive at an accident on highway 309 in April and helped the passengers get out of the burning car. He successfully helped a mother and her children get out of dangers way. By doing so, he saved their lives and I would like to ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Langston with the honor he deserves.

By acting as a good samaritan, he prevented a great tragedy within his community, and for that I wish to honor him with my appreciation. Mr. Langston's selfless actions have not gone unnoticed.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. PETER T. KING

OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 28, 2010

Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, I regret that I was unable to be in Washington from July 12 through July 15 and missed roll-call votes 434 through 466 due to illness.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS
ACT, 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. BOB ETHERIDGE

OF NORTH CAROLINA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 27, 2010

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 4899, the Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2010.

This Supplemental Appropriations Act provides funds to meet the needs of our troops abroad and our families at home. It provides emergency flood relief for those recently washed out of their homes, improves Federal mine safety for those risking their lives to get energy from American soil, and supports disabled veterans who have given so much to our nation.

This funding will reduce injuries and increase recovery in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. It will reduce injuries by replacing vulnerable military transports with mine-resistant ambush-protected vehicles, and provide ballistic protection for helicopters that are in the line of fire. Even with this additional protection, injury is inevitable, but this bill enhances the healing mission. It funds field medical equipment to help heal those who are injured in battle and it funds health care for soldiers when they come home. Veterans exposed to Agent Orange, and their survivors, will finally receive the disability payments they deserve. The promises kept in this bill fulfill our commitments to soldiers today and our veterans from past conflicts.

Unfortunately, this version of the bill leaves out necessary funding for priorities here at home. Our children need teachers. Our neighborhoods need first responders. I agree that ignoring the needs of our states and local communities is wrong. However, we cannot make that right by ignoring the needs of our troops, our citizens in the Gulf, and by leaving our citizens to face hurricane season with no possibility of help from FEMA. Without this funding, the President can still declare disaster areas. But those declarations need to be backed up with the people, the expertise, and the funds provided in this bill. The need to support our troops and keep them safe will not go away either.

The funding in this bill will assist America in our shared, but fragile recovery. Forest lands damaged by natural disaster can be restored. Coast Guard helicopters damaged in the line of duty can be replaced. Fisheries in the Gulf Coast can be helped towards recovery and restoration.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in voting "yes" on this bill.

TRIBUTE TO CARA LASWELL, 2010
STATE WINNER OF LETTERS
ABOUT LITERATURE COMPETITION

HON. SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO

OF WEST VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 28, 2010

Mrs. CAPITO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Cara Laswell and congratulate her as a state winner of the Library of Congress 2010 Letters About Literature competition.

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The contest divided students into three divisions by age, and the top letter from each age level were chosen from the states. The youngest division included students from fourth through sixth grades. Cara Laswell from Fairmont wrote the winning Level 1 letter from West Virginia. Her letter was addressed to Jerry Spinelli about his book *Stargirl*. Cara attends Fairmont Catholic Elementary School, and her letter was submitted by her teacher Cynthia Garcia.

It is an honor to pay tribute to Cara Laswell, a young student that has committed herself to scholarship in reading and writing. Bright young minds such as hers are truly the future of the Mountain State, and I wish her congratulations.

RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL
CONVENIENT CARE CLINIC WEEK

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 28, 2010

Mrs. CAPPS. Madam Speaker, today I rise in recognition of National Convenient Care Week and in support of the 1,100 retail-based convenient care clinics in our nation.

Convenient care clinics, which are based in retail outlets with pharmacy services across the nation, provide an extension to our traditional health care system. Primarily staffed by nurse practitioners, these clinics provide preventative services like vaccinations, as well as acute illness diagnosis and treatment. Furthermore, they can also provide needed services to help manage chronic illnesses.

Convenient care clinics are an important component of our health care system. Not only are they a way to relieve the stress on busy emergency rooms and primary care offices, but they also provide care to working families who benefit from their extended hours and walk-in policies.

For all of these reasons, I encourage my colleagues to support National Convenient Care Week.