

Magazines like Rolling Stone, Elle and Glamour carry these ads. People around the country are getting samples in the mail. These ads are appearing in newspapers that are in the homes of families, families with children. Faced with a multi-million dollar ad campaign that glamorizes addiction, how can parents teach their children it is not cool to try drugs?

Mr. Speaker, we need a tremendous public outcry against Dior's campaign to glamorize the disease of addiction—the same public outcry that would result if Dior tried to glamorize other deadly diseases like cancer or AIDS.

We need to put public pressure on Dior to pull the "Addict" campaign and rename the product.

We need to let Dior know their "Addict" campaign shows careless disregard for families who have lost a child to addiction.

Dior needs to know they are doing great harm to parents trying to each their children not to use drugs or alcohol.

Dior needs to know they are doing a tremendous disservice to people in recovery. Dior's marketing campaign is a slap in the face of each and every brave young person in recovery.

Mr. Speaker, the frequency and intensity of these ads will increase as we enter the Christmas shopping season. The city Council of Detroit has just condemned this marketing campaign. There are diverse coalitions working from coast to coast to protect the health and safety of our children and retain the dignity of people who are doing the hard work of recovery.

We must expose Dior's outrageous and irresponsible marketing campaign.

Mr. Speaker, it is my hope this body will join me in condemning this ad campaign which attempts to glamorize addiction. Please join me in using our leadership to send a clear message that addiction is not fashionable.

CELEBRATING THE EFFORTS OF  
THE MACOMB COUNTY INTER-  
FAITH VOLUNTEER CAREGIVERS  
ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR  
10TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. SANDER M. LEVIN**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 14, 2002*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the efforts of the Macomb County Interfaith Caregivers as they celebrate their 10th Anniversary on November 19, 2002.

This celebration will bring together a variety of local support agencies, faith-based congregations, and residents to provide information on their programs and services available to the citizens of Macomb County and recently added areas in Oakland County.

The Macomb County Interfaith Caregivers was started in 1990 by a group of religious leaders from southeast Michigan who saw a need for a program that could reach out to a rapidly growing population of older and disabled adults. These older residents of our communities were struggling to maintain their independence and preserve their health and safety in their own homes. By 1994 the program was an independent, community-owned charitable organization.

The agency's mission is to provide essential support services like transportation, household

assistance, meal preparation, home repairs and yard work. They also provide an important emotional support system through a respite program for full-time family caregivers, socialization visits, and ongoing communication with the participants.

The work of the Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers has touched the lives of more than 850 residents in the last ten years and has been made possible through the work of hundreds of volunteers, eighty local businesses and seventy local congregations.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in commending the passion and hard work of all of the individuals involved with the Macomb County Interfaith Caregivers. It has been my pleasure to work with them and to see first hand the value of their efforts. They have improved the lives of the elderly and strengthened the fabric of their community.

TRIBUTE TO DURANGO FIRE &  
RESCUE AUTHORITY

**HON. SCOTT McINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 14, 2002*

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to recognize the Durango Fire & Rescue Authority for their service and dedication during one of Colorado's most formidable fire seasons. Last summer, the Fire & Rescue Authority played an integral role in containing the Missionary Ridge forest fire that burned over 70,000 acres in Southwestern Colorado. Today, I would like to pay tribute to their heroic efforts before this body of Congress and this nation.

When the Missionary Ridge fire first erupted last June, the citizens of Durango, Bayfield and the surrounding communities called upon the Durango Fire & Rescue Authority to protect their loved ones, homes, and communities from what would become the worst fire in area history. The fire began in a ditch beside Missionary Ridge Road just 15 miles northeast of Durango and grew to consume more than 70,000 acres, 56 residences, and 27 out-buildings.

Although the Missionary Ridge fire was a devastating reminder of how destructive forest fires can be, it also served to remind us of the men and women who risk their lives to protect their fellow citizens on a daily basis. The newly formed Durango Fire & Rescue Authority consolidated the efforts of the Hermosa Cliff Fire District, Animas Fire District, and the City of Durango Fire Department to serve the citizens in the Durango area and oversees 440 square mile region with a population of 29,700. The Durango Fire & Rescue Authority relies on a host of volunteer firefighters, paramedics, and support staff prepared to fight fires or provide medical assistance on a moment's notice.

Mr. Speaker, it is with sincere admiration that I recognize the Durango Fire & Rescue Authority of Durango before this body of Congress and this nation. I want to commend all of the Durango Fire & Rescue Authority's firefighters for their determination, courage, and resolve during last summer's efforts on Missionary Ridge. Without the help of the Durango Fire & Rescue Authority and others, the added devastation to our community, environ-

ment, and quality of life would have been unimaginable. Their tireless commitment throughout the summer's fire season has served as an inspiration to us all and it is an honor to represent such an outstanding group of Americans in this Congress.

HONORING JEAN WORTHAM

**HON. KEN BENTSEN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 14, 2002*

Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Jean Wortham, who was recently honored for her commitment to public service and her continuous efforts to better the communities of Harris County. Jean Wortham has been a community activist for well over 40 years, and her dedication and enthusiasm have energized both the Democratic party and the people of Harris County. For this reason, she has been recognized at a special event entitled "Salute to Jean Wortham," and I believe that this distinction could not be bestowed on a more deserving individual.

Jean Wortham maintains strong family roots in Oklahoma, but has resided in Pasadena, Texas for over forty years, during which time she began a distinguished career in public service. She was employed for fourteen years by State Representative Erwin Barton, who represented District 144, a constituency that included Pasadena. From there, Jean Wortham went on to work for Justice of the Peace Mike Parrott, where she demonstrated outstanding service, upholding the constitutional laws of Texas relating to the Transportation Code as well as the Texas Penal Code in misdemeanor cases, and Small Claims and Justice Court. Her professional public involvement then expanded to the labor movement when she moved on to work as Secretary to the International Vice President of the Boilermakers, where she has been employed since 1996.

Although Jean Wortham has had a notable professional career in public service, volunteer efforts have proved to be a major outlet for much of her community involvement. Her desire to further the Democratic cause is reflected in her years of fervent political activism, which began in 1976 when she took over as the Area 5 Democratic Headquarters Manager in Pasadena. While actively volunteering as a leader in the Area 5 Democratic Club, Jean also took on the position of Manager for Erwin Barton's campaign. Her energetic dynamic continued even after these positions ended. In 1984, she became involved in national politics as the coordinator for Walter Mondale for President in Texas' State Senate District 11.

Jean's public service stretched to many areas other than politics, as she became a driving force behind the success of the American Red Cross when she was appointed as Chair of Volunteers for the organization's Pasadena Service Center. During this same time, Jean Wortham kept up her political involvement, serving as a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee from State Senate District 11. More recently, Jean Wortham continued her drive to better the lives of others by establishing the first-ever Native American Caucus at the Texas State Convention in El Paso earlier this year.

Mr. Speaker, I commend the tireless devotion that Jean Wortham has pledged to the advancement and success of our community. Jean's extensive volunteer endeavors combined with her exceptional professional political career have distinguished her as a committed individual, who is extremely deserving of such a salute.

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NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK

**HON. NICK LAMPSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 14, 2002*

Mr. LAMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize National Family Week and the importance of strong families to the future of our communities and our country.

The purpose of National Family Week, November 24–30, 2002, is to recognize that Connections Count when it comes to strengthening families and communities. Strong families are at the center of strong communities. Everyone has a role to play in making families successful, including neighborhood organizations, businesses, non-profits, policymakers, and, of course, families themselves.

Families thrive when they are connected to the opportunities, networks, support, and services that enable them to succeed. This includes everyday access to high-quality transportation, technology, education, and child care; opportunities to build solid financial foundations; and positive social relationships within and among families, as well as quality support from community networks and institutions.

National Family Week is a great time to honor the connections that support and strengthen families year-round. These connections can be as simple as the neighbor who watches the kids while parents work; the placement center that connects parents to new jobs; the place of worship or neighborhood organization that connects the family to others in the community; the community leader or policymaker who initiates policies, practices, and resources to better benefit families, and the parents who listen to their children and always have time for big hugs.

For 32 years, the Alliance for Children and Families and its non-profit members have promoted National Family Week throughout the nation. Every day these child- and family-serving organizations make a difference for families of all shapes and sizes.

National Family Week is a great time for all of us to recommit to enhancing and extending all families' connections. As we gather with our families this Thanksgiving, let us remember the special connections that help our families thrive, and encourage one another, our neighbors, our businesses, and our organizations to reach out to families in new ways, and honor the special gifts each can bring to our communities and to one another.

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HOMELAND SECURITY ACT OF 2002

SPEECH OF

**HON. RON PAUL**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 13, 2002*

Mr. PAUL. Mr. Speaker, when the process of creating a Department of Homeland Security

commenced, Congress was led to believe that the legislation would be a simple reorganization aimed at increasing efficiency, not an attempt to expand federal power. Fiscally conservative members of Congress were even told that the bill would be budget neutral! Yet, when the House of Representatives initially considered creating a Department of Homeland Security, the legislative vehicle almost overnight grew from 32 pages to 282 pages and the cost had ballooned to at least \$3 billion. Now we are prepared to vote on a nearly 500-page bill that increases federal expenditures and raises troubling civil liberties questions. Adding insult to injury, this bill was put together late last night and introduced this morning. The text of the bill has not been made available and the only place members and their staff can access a copy of the bill is on the Rules Committee's website. Unfortunately, the location of the bill is not widely published: thus, many members and staffers are unaware of how to access a copy.

The last time Congress attempted to similarly ambitious reorganization of the government was with the creation of the Department of Defense in 1947. However, the process by which we are creating this new department bears little resemblance to the process by which the Defense Department was created. Congress began hearings on the proposed Department of Defense in 1945—two years before President Truman signed legislation creating the new Department into law! Despite the lengthy deliberative process through which Congress created the new department, turf battles and logistical problems continued to bedevil the military establishment, requiring several corrective pieces of legislation. In fact, Mr. Speaker, the Goldwater-Nicholas Department of Defense Reorganization Act of 1986 (P.L. 99-433) was passed to deal with problems steaming from the 1947 law! The experience with the Department of Defense certainly suggests the importance of a more deliberative process in the creation of this new agency.

H.R. 5710 grants major new powers to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) by granting HHS the authority to "administer" the smallpox vaccine to members of the public if the Department unilaterally determines that there is a public health threat posed by smallpox. HHS would not even have to demonstrate an actual threat of a smallpox attack, merely the "potential" of an attack. Thus, this bill grants federal agents the authority to force millions of Americans to be injected with a potentially lethal vaccine based on nothing more than a theoretical potential smallpox incident. Furthermore, this provision continues to restrict access to the smallpox vaccine from those who have made a voluntary choice to accept the risk of the vaccine in order to protect themselves from smallpox. It is hard to think of a more blatant violation of liberty than allowing government officials to force people to receive potentially dangerous vaccines based on hypothetical risks.

While this provision appears to be based on similar provisions granting broad mandatory vaccination and quarantine power to governors from the controversial "Model Health Emergency Power Act," this provision has not been considered by the House. Instead, this provision seems to have been snuck into the bill at the last minute. At the very least, Mr. Speaker, before Congress grants HHS such

sweeping powers, we should have an open debate instead of burying the authorization in a couple of paragraphs tucked away in a 484 page bill!

H.R. 5710 also expands the federal police state by allowing the attorney general to authorize federal agency inspectors general and their agents to carry firearms and make warrantless arrests. One of the most disturbing trends in recent years is the increase in the number of federal officials authorized to carry guns. This is especially disturbing when combined with the increasing trend toward restricting the ability of average Americans to exercise their second amendment rights. Arming the government while disarming the public encourages abuses of power.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 5710 gives the federal government new powers and increases federal expenditures, completely contradicting what members were told would be in the bill. Furthermore, these new power grabs are being rushed through Congress without giving members the ability to debate, or even properly study, this proposal. I must oppose this bill and urge my colleagues to do the same.

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TRIBUTE TO FARMINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

**HON. SCOTT McINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 14, 2002*

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Although the Missionary Ridge fire was a devastating reminder of how destructive forest fires can be, it also served to remind us of the men and women who risk their lives to protect their fellow citizens on a daily basis. The Farmington Fire Department has served its citizens and community since 1924 and serves the entire Farmington area. The department relies upon a personnel of 72 firefighters who remain on call, prepared to fight fires, conduct rescue operations, or provide medical assistance on a moment's notice.

Mr. Speaker, it is with sincere admiration that I recognize the Farmington Fire Department before this body of Congress and this nation. I want to commend the department's fire fighters for their determination, courage, and resolve during last summer's efforts on Missionary Ridge. Without the help of the Farmington Fire Department and others, the