

² Per section 402 of S. Con. Res. 95, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2005, provisions designated as emergency requirements are exempt from enforcement of the budget resolution. As a result, current level excludes the following amounts: outlays of \$19,902 million from 2004 budget authority provided in the Defense Appropriations Act, 2005 (P.L. 108-287); outlays of \$622 million from funds provided in the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act, 2004 (P.L. 108-303); outlays of \$444 million from funds provided in the Continuing Resolution, 2005 (P.L. 108-309); and budget authority of \$14,528 million and outlays of \$6,995 million from the Military Construction Appropriations Act, 2005 (P.L. 108-324).

Source: Congressional Budget Office.

Notes: n.a. = not applicable; P.L. = Public Law. Numbers may not sum to totals because of rounding.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. FRANK) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

TRIBUTE TO CONGRESSMAN WILLIAM O. LIPINSKI

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 7, 2003, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. COSTELLO) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. COSTELLO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the subject of this Special Order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

Mr. COSTELLO. Mr. Speaker, as we come to the final days of this session of Congress, I want to recognize the service of our colleague and dear friend, Congressman BILL LIPINSKI from Chicago.

BILL decided not to seek reelection in this past general election after serving the people of his district for 22 years. BILL LIPINSKI has been a tireless advocate for the people of his district and the people of the Chicago area. BILL has been the go-to person to get things done for the City of Chicago.

As a senior member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, he has delivered for Chicago and for the State of Illinois. BILL has secured funding for every major transportation project in the Chicago area for the past several years. From the southwest transit line to the Central Avenue bypass to the expansion of Midway and O'Hare airports, it was BILL LIPINSKI who was there to move the projects forward.

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BILL has been an effective leader for his district, his city, and his State because he studies the issues and he rolls up his sleeves to get the job done. BILL always worked in a bipartisan manner, and in fact has as many friends on the Republican side of the aisle as he does on his own side of the aisle.

I have been privileged to serve on the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with BILL LIPINSKI for the last 16 years. He was always there to help me and to help any other member of the committee seeking his advice and his wisdom.

I have always admired BILL's ability to get things done for his district and the City of Chicago. I appreciate his service not only to the people of his district and the State of Illinois but the people of this great Nation. And, more importantly, I appreciate his friendship.

I wish BILL, his wife, Rose Marie, and their family the very best and know that his successor, his son DAN LIPINSKI, will serve the people of his district very well.

Mr. Speaker, I would now like to yield to my colleague from the City of Chicago, the gentleman from Chicago, Illinois (Mr. RUSH).

Mr. RUSH. Mr. Speaker, I certainly want to concur with the remarks of my friend from the southern part of Illinois (Mr. COSTELLO), and I want to stand here and really speak a few words about a gentleman who comes from a different part of town, of Chicago, but someone who I identify with immeasurably, and someone who has been both a friend and someone who has been a mentor to me since I arrived here in this Congress.

Mr. Speaker, a familiar phrase that sometimes we speak about or we discuss in the city of Chicago, a phrase coined by the first Mayor Richard Daley, Mayor Daley I, Richard J. Daley, went something like: "Don't send me nobody, nobody's sent." And I think that that really kind of captures the attitude, the political attitude of BILL LIPINSKI.

BILL LIPINSKI was a person who cared about people, cared about people not only in his district but about people across this Nation. Even though he rose to heights here in Washington, D.C., in this Congress, he never forgot his role as a Democratic ward committeeman, a ward committeeman who handled the political affairs of the 23rd ward in the City of Chicago. And to a great extent his remarkable career here in this Congress, and the many things he was able to accomplish here not only for his district but for the people of the State of Illinois and also for the City of Chicago, was really a reflection of his true calling as a Democratic ward committeeman there in the City of Chicago. He was an old-time politician who understood how to work a precinct and how to get others to work a precinct and how to deliver a vote in the City of Chicago. And as a result of that, he achieved remarkable success.

Mr. Speaker, BILL LIPINSKI was somebody that was sent. He was sent and he represented the true nature of the people of his district, the Third Congressional District in Illinois. His nickname, which some of us tease him with, was "Bungalow Bill," because he represented the bungalow folks, people who lived in the bungalows in his dis-

trict. The true grit, or the common, ordinary person. And BILL LIPINSKI never forgot who sent him. So he indeed was somebody who was sent not only to Washington, D.C., but prior to that, he was sent to the Chicago City Council, and prior to that he was sent to work at the Chicago Park District.

When I arrived here in Washington, he befriended me. I did not know what to expect. He and I did not share or come from the same political sector. We competed quite often in terms of local politics. But when I arrived here in Washington, he befriended me, he advised me, he helped me out, he gave me real true counsel, and we shared many stories about our similar activities there in the City of Chicago.

He is somebody who I really call a friend and someone who will always be my friend. Mr. Speaker, I will miss him so much when he retires from this Congress. I will miss him. I will miss his counsel, his friendship, and his advice. I will miss sitting on this floor just reminiscing about some of the good political battles that we engaged in in the inner city of Chicago.

And to BILL: BILL you were sent. You were somebody that was sent, and you made everybody proud. And I am sure your family is proud and DAN is proud and Rose Marie is proud. And I really will miss you and look forward to working with you as a fellow ward committeeman within the City of Chicago.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back to my colleague.

Mr. COSTELLO. Mr. Speaker, I would now like to yield to my friend and colleague, the gentleman from the City of Chicago, Illinois (Mr. DAVIS).

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to join with my colleagues as we all come to pay tribute to our good friend, BILL LIPINSKI.

BILL has served as a Member of Congress for over 20 years and is the senior Democratic member of the Illinois delegation. Of course, I first met him when we were both members of the Chicago City Council, although he found that a good place to be away from, and he got away just as quickly as he could and came to Congress.

BILL LIPINSKI has earned the well-deserved reputation for fairness among his colleagues in the Illinois delegation and in the House as a whole. He never hesitates to reach out to his colleagues across the aisle to help serve our Nation's interests. He has done much for Illinois' Third Congressional District, the City of Chicago, and our country as a whole.

As a member of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, he has ensured that Chicago's area transportation system has gotten the funding it needs to continue to serve the residents of the region. He has also