

Compared to the approximately \$159 billion budgeted in Fiscal Year 2011 for wars, the \$6 billion Congress budgeted for the Workforce Investment Act—primary federal program supporting workforce development—is paltry.

We have nearly 23 million Americans either unemployed or underemployed, and about 5.5 million who are who have been unemployed for 27 weeks or more. Wake up America, wars are ruining our economy.

On tax day, remember our government has a responsibility to use our money wisely, not to waste hard-earned tax dollars on unnecessary wars.

The answer to war and economic decline is peace and prosperity.

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SUPPORTING PROTECT YOUR  
PHARMACY NOW! WEEK

**HON. PETER T. KING**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2012*

Mr. KING of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the fifth annual Protect Your Pharmacy Now! week. With pharmacy crime on the rise, it is important to acknowledge this problem and reflect on ways to improve safety measures.

The Protect Your Pharmacy Now! initiative offers resources to help pharmacies protect themselves and deter criminal activity. I applaud the National Community Pharmacists Association for making these resources available and for engaging and educating local pharmacies on this important issue.

As we have seen most recently with the tragic incident in my district, it is essential to protect pharmacies and the general public from these dangerous situations. While there is no one-size-fits-all approach to eradicating these crimes, I am committed to working with pharmacies, law enforcement and my colleagues to address and eradicate this growing problem.

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CONGRATULATORY REMARKS FOR  
OBTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE  
SCOUT

**HON. SANDY ADAMS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2012*

Mrs. ADAMS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate Andrew Ryan McKelvey for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

For his Eagle Scout project, Andrew organized the collection and distribution of thousands of pairs of socks and underwear for men, women, and children in need. Throughout the history of the Boy Scouts of America, the rank of Eagle Scout has only been attained through dedication to concepts such as honor, duty, country and charity. By applying these concepts to daily life, Andrew has proven his true and complete understanding of their meanings, and thereby deserves this honor.

I offer my congratulations on a job well done and best wishes for the future.

RECOGNIZING ALEXANDRIA CITY'S  
25TH ANNIVERSARY OF DAYS OF  
REMEMBRANCE, YOM HASHOAH

**HON. JAMES P. MORAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2012*

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Alexandria City's 25th anniversary of Days of Remembrance, Yom HaShoah, for the victims of the Holocaust. We are reminded by the words of Elie Wiesel, that "for the dead and the living, we must bear witness." Bearing witness means standing by the victims of the monstrous event that was the Holocaust, and doing everything possible to ensure it doesn't happen again.

There is a moral imperative for those of us who, but for the luck of birth, benefit from peace and prosperity. Thus we also have the responsibility to speak out for those who face the atrocities of starvation and oppression. In honoring the victims, and by lifting up the survivors, we bear witness to all victims of genocidal aggression and violence by states or transnational agents of terror.

Unfortunately, genocide has not been eradicated. In the Sudan, the crisis continues. Sudan President Omar al-Bashir is currently blocking humanitarian and food aid to the South Kordofan, Blue Nile, and Abyei regions along the border of South Sudan. Military action in the region has prevented the Sudanese people from growing and planting food, threatening starvation.

The Government of Sudan's serious human rights violations have continued across different parts of the country over the last decade. It is a tragedy, and an atrocity, and we must stand together to stop what is occurring.

"Never again" is a declaration of personal commitment. We can do nothing, and nothing will change. Likewise, we can stand up, to fight back—to make things better. On this, the 25th Anniversary of Alexandria's Days of Remembrance, let us rededicate our resolve to ending this modern day genocide, as one of the best ways to honor those who perished decades ago from the inhumanity of their fellow man.

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RECOGNIZING MS. LUVENIA  
BREAUX

**HON. CEDRIC L. RICHMOND**

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2012*

Mr. RICHMOND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Luvenia Breaux, a New Orleans resident and a member of the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps during World War II. Today, I wish to publicly pay tribute to Ms. Breaux's service to our country as her family celebrates her life and mourns her passing at the age of 94.

Members of the Women's Army Corps were the first women other than nurses to serve within the ranks of the United States Army. Their contributions to the war effort are widely heralded. After completing her service in the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps, Ms. Breaux returned to Louisiana and dedicated her life to serving the children of New Orleans. De-

scribed as "the kind of person who saw a need and was aggressive enough to act on it," as the cafeteria manager in the 1950s, Ms. Breaux instituted a free breakfast program for students at McDonogh No. 24 Elementary School because she realized that a proper breakfast would increase the students' ability to learn. She also went to the homes of students who were falling behind academically to encourage and support their academic development. Ms. Breaux was a member of the Second Free Mission Baptist Church for 90 years. Family and friends fondly remember her striking hats that she wore to church.

Ms. Breaux successfully raised and mentored five children, ten grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. She is also survived by ten grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Her powerful legacy will live on in each of her surviving relatives and will continue to inspire the many members of the community whose lives she touched.

I wish to join with Ms. Breaux's family in celebrating her exemplary life.

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A TRIBUTE TO NICK A. KELLER

**HON. TOM LATHAM**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2012*

Mr. LATHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Nick Keller of Ames for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

The Eagle Scout rank is the highest advancement rank in scouting. Only about five percent of Boy Scouts earn the Eagle Scout Award. The award is a performance-based achievement with high standards that have been well-maintained over the past century.

To earn the Eagle Scout rank, a Boy Scout is obligated to pass specific tests that are organized by requirements and merit badges, as well as completing an Eagle Project to benefit the community. Nick's project was to build a covered shelter along Ada Hayden Lake's highly traveled pedestrian trail on the outskirts of Ames. The work ethic Nick has shown in this project, and every other project leading up to his Eagle Scout rank, speaks volumes of his commitment to serving a cause greater than himself and assisting his community.

Mr. Speaker, the example set by this young man and his supportive family demonstrates the rewards of hard work, dedication and perseverance. I am honored to represent Nick and his family in the United States Congress. I know that all of my colleagues in the House will join me in congratulating him in obtaining the Eagle Scout ranking, and will wish him continued success in his future education and career.

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TRIBUTE TO ERLEEN DIDIER

**HON. HOWARD P. "BUCK" McKEON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2012*

Mr. McKEON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the passing of Mrs. Erleen Didier, a beloved community leader, wife, mother, great grandmother, great-great grandmother, and friend to all in my Congressional district of Lancaster, California.