

To give up your two fine legs and arm . . .
 And not to worry about what may come to
 you . . . such harm!
 The . . .
 The Greatest Love!
 To come back home . . .
 As all of this pain and heartache, you now so
 own!
 As that most magnificent face of courage, to
 you now so belongs!
 As you rebuild, but with only your iron will!
 The Greatest Love!
 As you so Teach Us Todd, as you so would!
 As You So Beseech Us Todd, as you so could!
 As Out To All of Our Hearts, You So Reach
 Us Todd, create such good!
 As The Title of Hero Todd, you now so own!
 As our Lord God Walks with you, Todd your
 not alone!
 The Greatest Love!
 As you make me weep!
 With all of that splendid courage, all in your
 heart so very deep!
 For Heaven So Holds A Place!
 All For Such Magnificent Men as you, of
 such Grace!
 Who somehow will not so lose their faith!
 No matter what the darkest of all days!
 As you but bring tears to our face . . .
 As to Heaven one day Todd, you will come
 home . . . and fine your place!
 As an Angel in The Army of Our Lord . . .
 his blessed son for all you've faced!
 All because of you, and your Greatest Love!
 Amen!

REINTRODUCTION OF THE GEO-
 THERMAL PRODUCTION EXPAN-
 SION ACT

HON. JAY INSLEE

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, August 1, 2011

Mr. INSLEE. Mr. Speaker, today, Representative MIKE SIMPSON and I reintroduced the bipartisan Geothermal Production Expansion Act, a companion to S.1149, introduced by Senators WYDEN, CRAPO, RISCH and MERKLEY. Our bill will ensure that geothermal resources that are near federal lands are developed, creating American jobs in rural areas. I thank my colleagues for their leadership and working together on this important bill.

As we work to develop American energy resources and become more energy independent, it is extremely important that we remove barriers to the production of domestic, clean, renewable resources that have been

discovered and can be financed in the private market. This legislation will help remove a significant barrier to deploying geothermal energy and creating the accompanying jobs.

Currently, proven geothermal developers are not producing clean, reliable geothermal electricity, despite specific valid geothermal discoveries in the west that adjoin federal lands. The Geothermal Production Expansion Act would ensure that if a developer has made the upfront investments to discover and validate a geothermal resource that is adjacent to federal lands, there will be reasonable certainty that they will be able to secure a lease for a small parcel of the adjoining land necessary to develop and produce geothermal energy. Taxpayers would be compensated for the fair market value of the lease, and would receive increased royalties for the increased geothermal production.

Already under EPACK 2005 amendments, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is allowed to issue three different non-competitive leases for geothermal resources. Our legislation simply creates a fourth category whereby the BLM may issue a non-competitive geothermal lease for only these qualified companies who hold legal rights to develop geothermal leases on certain adjoining lands.

This legislation would spur immediate economic development in rural areas and ensure that developers who have invested substantial capital and made high risk investments can secure and develop geothermal discoveries. It will also add renewable, domestically produced energy resources to the American electricity supply. In the 111th Congress, the House Natural Resources committee held a hearing on the Geothermal Production Expansion Act, and I offered and passed this legislation as an amendment to the Consolidated Land, Energy, and Aquatic Resources Act of 2010 (H.R. 3534), but unfortunately did not reach the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives. I urge Congress to pass this bill into law this year.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. JACK
 MCKEON

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, August 1, 2011

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Jack McKeon, a native of South

Amboy, New Jersey and a member of the All-American Amateur Baseball Association (AAABA) Hall of Fame's Class of 2011. The AAABA established the Hall of Fame in 1994 and continues to induct a new class of prestigious individuals every August. This year they induct Mr. McKeon, an outstanding individual who has dedicated his life to the game of baseball. His performance on and off the field are worthy of this body's recognition.

Jack McKeon, nicknamed "Trader Jack", began his baseball career in 1948 as a participant in the AAABA Tournament and later signed with the Pittsburgh Pirates in 1949. Mr. McKeon nobly served in the United States Air Force from 1950 to 1951 but quickly returned to his baseball career in 1952 as a minor league player. He maintained a starting position with various minor league teams for three more years. By the age of twenty-four, Mr. McKeon began as a player's manager from 1956 through 1959 and continued managing in the minor leagues for the next seventeen years. As a result of his outstanding efforts, he was the recipient of four 'Manager of the Year' Awards for his performance in the Minor Leagues.

Jack McKeon made his Major League Baseball debut in 1973 as Manager with the Kansas City Royals and remained a member of this club for three consecutive seasons. He has also been recognized as Manager with the Oakland Athletics, Manager and General Manager of the San Diego Padres, and Major League Scout and Manager for the Cincinnati Reds. Mr. McKeon is most notably known for leading the San Diego Padres to a National League pennant win in 1984. He also led the 2003 Florida Marlins to the World Series, winning the Championship later that year. Consequently, he was named '2003 Manager of the Year'. Jack McKeon is the only manager in history to win 1,000 games in both the minor and major leagues. In 2005, Jack McKeon retired as Manager of the Florida Marlins and currently holds a position as special advisor to the owner.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in congratulating Mr. Jack McKeon for his numerous accolades and congratulate him for his acceptance as a member of the All-American Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame's Class of 2011.