

IN RECOGNITION OF THE IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 100th Anniversary of the Izaak Walton League of America (IWLA), an association of dedicated fishermen, outdoorsmen and women, hunters and conservationist that have fought relentlessly to maintain and improve our environment.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in recognizing the accomplishments of the Izaak Walton League of America. May God bless the next 100 years of their conservation work, and I look forward to seeing their excellence for many years into the future.

CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

HON. FRANK J. MRVAN

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

Mr. MRVAN. Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I rise to celebrate Women's History Month and its 2022 theme—Providing Healing, Promoting Hope.

Each year, the National Women's History Project selects a unifying theme to recognize and promote Women's History Month. Generations of women of every race, class, and ethnic background have worked tirelessly to make our Nation more resilient.

Today, I would like to honor Sandra Noe, Executive Director of the Meals on Wheels in Northwest Indiana, who has notably brought healing and hope to Indiana's First Congressional District during the COVID-19 pandemic.

During the pandemic, Sandra was on the frontlines delivering hot meals and making at-home check-ins to seniors and other homebound individuals. As the demand for services increased over the past year, Meals on Wheels rose to the challenge.

Sandra is also a member of the Nutrition Fellow Leadership Institute, an Alumnus of Leadership Northwest Indiana, and serves on numerous local boards focused on improving the quality of life for the people of Northwest Indiana.

Madam Speaker, as we recognize Women's History Month, please join me in thanking Sandra and everyone at Meals on Wheels for

the extraordinary services they provide to Northwest Indiana.

Let us recommit to continuing to support their invaluable work and recognize this month and every day the invaluable ways that women continue to provide healing and promote hope not just in caregiving, but in all aspects of our society.

RECOGNIZING DIANE VAN PARYS IN HONOR OF WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

HON. MARIO DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Madam Speaker, in honor of Women's History Month, I rise today to recognize Diane Van Parys whose dedication towards bettering Florida and giving back to her community has had a significant impact on Southwest Florida.

Born in Naples, Florida, Diane moved away to attend Boston College majoring in Political Science. Diane continued her education at the University of Massachusetts achieving a master's in business. Upon completion Diane began her professional career working in human resources, as well as sales and marketing for several prominent companies.

Diane's drive to continue her involvement in her community, specifically in Collier County speaks volumes. She was elected by her peers to serve as the President of Republican Women of SWFL in 2015, a leadership role that she still currently holds.

Madam Speaker, as a lifelong public servant, Diane has proven time and time again her unwavering commitment to the community and it is truly a privilege to know and work with her. With that being said, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing this outstanding individual.

COST ESTIMATE FOR H.R. 4374, BROADBAND INTERNET CONNECTIONS FOR RURAL AMERICA ACT

HON. DAVID SCOTT

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I include in the RECORD the cost estimate prepared by the Congressional Budget Office for H.R. 4374, the Broadband Internet Connections for Rural America Act. The cost estimate was not available at the time of the Committee report filing.

U.S. CONGRESS, CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE, Washington, DC, November 29, 2021.

Hon. DAVID SCOTT, Chairman, Committee on Agriculture, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 4374, the Broadband Internet Connections for Rural America Act.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Jon Sperl.

Sincerely,

PHILLIP L. SWAGEL, Director.

Enclosure.

H.R. 4374, BROADBAND INTERNET CONNECTIONS FOR RURAL AMERICA ACT AS REPORTED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE ON AUGUST 6, 2021

Table with 4 columns: By fiscal year, millions of dollars—, 2022, 2022-2026, 2022-2031. Rows include Direct Spending (Outlays), Revenues, Increase or Decrease in the Deficit, and Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays).

Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply? No.

Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2032? No.

Mandate Effects:

- Contains intergovernmental mandate? No. Contains private-sector mandate? No.

H.R. 4374 would establish or reauthorize programs administered by the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to increase broadband connectivity in rural areas and would authorize the appropriation of specific annual amounts over the 2022-2029 period.

On net, H.R. 4374 would authorize the appropriation of about \$42.3 billion. Using historical spending patterns for similar activities and information provided by USDA, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 4374 would cost \$9.0 billion over the 2022-2026 period, \$33.5 billion over the 2022-2031 period and \$7.0 billion after 2031, assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts.

The costs of the legislation, detailed in Table 1, fall within budget function 450 (community and regional development).