

Bilbray Supports Set Aside For Minority Defense Contractors

Congressman Jim Bilbray is working to include small and economically disadvantaged businesses which are pursuing U.S. defense contracts.

If passed, HR 2461 would set a goal of a five percent set aside for minority small businesses. Bilbray recently spoke on the house floor in support of the bill saying, "As a member of both and the Armed Services and Small Business Committees, I am well aware of the difficulties minority and economically disadvantaged small business have when competing for valuable Federal procurement contracts, especially within the Department of Defense. The Pentagon has historically been one of the worst Federal agencies that minority small businesses have had to deal with."

In his remarks to his colleagues on the floor of the House of Representatives, Bilbray went on to make note of the fact that, during a recent five year period, the

Department of Defense granted only an average of two percent of its prime contracts to small disadvantaged businesses.

The bill went on to pass a vote by members of the House, and similar legislation has been approved by the Senate. A select group of conferees are working to settle differences in the measures passed by each house.

Said Bilbray, "I hope that we can come to an equitable agreement, this legislation is a reasonable request for participation in defense contracts that are making the big companies a lot of money. It only fair that the small businessman, particularly the disadvantaged small businessman be given a shot at competition."

Art & Gift Shop Reception Held

The Art and Gift Shop celebrated "A Year and A Half and Growing" with 100

C-Span Airs Address By Muslim American Leader

C-Span will air a speech by Imam W. Deen Mohammed at a meeting of the first annual United Islamic Cultural Convention in Chicago on Saturday, September 9, at 5pm ET.

Imam Mohammed's address is titled "The Truth About Al-Islam--An Overlooked Role For Muslims In World Leadership."

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well-wishers at an art show champagne reception Sunday. Indrane Clark, daughter of Dr. Angela Clark, exhibited her original works. Guest were treated to a viewing of prints by boxing great Muhammed Ali from the collection of Mr. & Mrs. Akbar Muhammad.

Art works by Ernie Barnes, Paul Goodnight, Mel Holston, and Brenda Joysmith were featured along with imports from Kenya, courtesy of Edesuwa, and Tanzania, courtesy of Stanley Hines and his niece, Sula.

New York visitors Dorothy Sinclair, Robert Evans, and Fred Gray were guests of Cathy Moore. Jacqueline Newton was busy photographing attendees Marti Williams-Woodruff, Christine Chambliss, Gloria Crockett, Helen Toland, Benny Scott, and Charles and Norma Hagan.

Utilizing the networking opportunity were Assemblyman Wendell P. Williams, singer Bobby Jonz, Henry P. Miller, and William H. Morgan. Dr. Norma Porter, Rosa January, and Delores Johnson served as hostesses.

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Dr. Charles W. Faulkner



Stop Holding Yourself In Public

"Dear Dr. Faulkner:

I have two really different questions to ask you. I went to see Richard Pryor perform at a club a year ago. There is a part of his routine where he says that everytime he goes to a black neighborhood and sees fellows standing on the corner these fellows have one of their hands between their legs holding on to something that is between them and they seem to be squeezing and squeezing. Richard Pryor makes fun of it and says that they look like animals in heat. What do you think is the reason that they do this? Since Richard Pryor mentioned it I have seen dozens of vulgar men do the same thing.

My second question concerns the Republican Party and the political ugliness that they are using. Lee at-water, Chairman Committee, helped get Bush elected by making a big deal of the black man who committed

murder and was convicted for it. But after they released him on parole, he killed somebody else. The Republicans said that the Democrats were too easy on black people. Then, another Republican tried to say that Tim Foley, majority leader of Congress was a homosexual. This was a big lie. My question is, how should black people react to this kind of behavior since the Republicans are trying to get blacks to join their party?

Ms. W., Cleveland."

Dear Ms. W.:

I'll answer your second question first since it is the easiest. African Americans should stand back and observe the Republicans in action. These are the people who have presented themselves as a viable, caring alternative to the Democratic Party. Their behavior, that is intended to turn American against the Democrats, could very well be used against

African Americans, as it has been in the past. Don't forget the tactics that the FBI's J. Edgar Hoover used against Martin Luther King. (Lies, innuendos, surveillance, set-ups and possibly assassination). President Bush is fully aware of the unethical tactics of the guitar strumming, blues-singing, barbecue rib Chairman of the Republican National Committee. But he has taken no steps to stop it.

Why do men hold themselves between their legs? I really can't answer that question and I doubt if they could either. It seems to be a form of conditioned behavior that is automatic. They have done it for such a long time that perhaps even they don't realize when they are doing it. Any man with any sense of decency will refrain from such a blatant public display of sexual desire (if this is what that behavior represents). If Pryor makes fun of it, you know it must be terrible.

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