

“Weldon has drawn on his experience as a former volunteer firefighter and as founder of the Congressional Fire Services Caucus and put into the 2002 and 2004 defense authorizations provisions for the transfer of military technology to firefighters and other first responders, our "domestic defenders" as he calls them, and he called for speedily transferring spectrum from non-digital television to first responders.”

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“He has been the House's strongest advocate of the Marine Corps's V-22 Osprey, one of whose prime contractors, the Boeing helicopter division, is located in Ridley Park in Delaware County.”

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“He is one of our nation's best informed and articulate champions of science and technology funding in the Pentagon.”

Graham B. Spanier, President, Penn State University, May 4, 2000

Source: [http://president.psu.edu/speeches/articles/dod\\_research.html](http://president.psu.edu/speeches/articles/dod_research.html)

“Weldon is nothing short of remarkable... It was Weldon who actually came up with the framework for peace which the United States backed at the last moment which averted an all out ground war in Yugoslavia...”

*Paul Weyrich, President of the [Free Congress Foundation](#), 12/4/2000*

“Congressman Curt Weldon is one of the most pro-education, technically astute and globally minded political leaders in the United States.”

Da Hsuan Feng, vice president for research and graduate education at University of Texas at Dallas, June 11, 2002

<http://www.utdallas.edu/news/archive/2002/weldon.html>

“As a strong advocate of U.S. military readiness, he prioritizes efforts to improve relations with Russia, particularly a link between the Congress and the Duma, Russia's national legislature. Championing concerns for the environment and the protection of our oceans both inside and outside Congress, he stands as a member of the science committee and serves as the only House Republican on the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission which approves funding for national wildlife refuges. “

Dickinson College, 2/5/2001

<http://alpha.dickinson.edu/cgi-bin/newsshow.cgi>

"Curt Weldon is a hardworking, independent-minded Republican who ranges ably from local to global issues... His brain-storming has helped this region become a technological pacesetter. He is a level-headed workhorse who has shown some vision."

-- The Philadelphia Inquirer

"Weldon has worked hard hard to create jobs in the region and has proposed an innovative four-state technology consortium to vie for federal projects now going to the Sunbelt. He is a key proponent of adequate military spending and is also an expert on Russian affairs. Closer to home, Weldon has championed funding to make the Paoli Battlefield a national historic site."

-- The Daily Local News

"Let's face it: Weldon is an irresistible force, a political Energizer Bunny who never stops working. His level of sheer activity seems to merit his return to the well of the House."

-- The Delaware County Daily Times

"Weldon has established a solid record representing his diverse urban-suburban district. He has proposed innovative economic programs using computer technology and has advocated a strong national defense policy... We don't think Weldon's support for lower taxes, deficit reduction, more stringent welfare rules, and elimination of wasteful bureaucracies is something to be ashamed of."

-- The Daily Local News

Curt Weldon "has been the best thing since canned beer or sliced bread (pick one) for the voters. He's an idea man. A leader. A consensus builder. He's good for business without being insensitive to working men and women or the environment. He embraces family values, educational opportunity, and the rule of law. He consistently demonstrates an unrivaled vision of the future for not only his district but for the region. And, perhaps most importantly, he cares -- personally, professionally, and passionately -- about the people he represents... Curt Weldon is just to good a congressman to do without. Curt Weldon is not an option. He is a must for Congress from the 7th District."

-- The Delaware County Daily Times

"Weldon, quite simply, is good at his job. We admire his grasp of government and foreign policy, his dedication to regionalism (he has a feel for Philadelphia concerns unique among our suburban politicians).. And his astonishing energy... A guy like this you don't turn out of office. Curt Weldon deserves re-election to the U.S. Congress."

-- The Philadelphia Daily News

"I think Curt is leadership material, because he is the most focused and tenacious guy I have ever seen in my life."

-- Congressman Norman Sisisky (D-VA) in National Journal

"His determination to end our vulnerability to missile attack is practically without peer in Congress today. Few people bring the raw energy to the issue that Curt does, and in that regard he's been influential in shaping the issue and a real catalyst to moving it to the top of the agenda."

-- Frank J. Gaffney, President of the Center for Security Policy

"Weldon led a delegation of 10 other lawmakers to a series of meetings in Vienna with members of the Duma, Russia's parliament, in which the parties agreed on the basic principles of a peace settlement in Kosovo. The agreement later became the blueprint for



the negotiations between NATO and Yugoslovian strongman Slobodan Milosevic."

-- Congressional Quarterly's 50 Most Effective Legislators

"Weldon is a local Congressman first: attending Eagle Scout inductions in the district, seeking out work for the closed Philadelphia Navy Yard, and promoting the V-22 Osprey tilt-rotor aircraft. But he also works hard on national issues. As chairman of the Armed Services Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, he favors missile defense and attacked the Clinton Administration for slowing down its development by fudging intelligence estimates and ignoring congressional dictates... He is concerned about ocean dumping, especially dumping of nuclear waste by Russia. He also has criticized the Clinton Administration for weakening national defense by overextending military forces and equipment with a record number of deployments. In the 104th Congress, he urged Speaker Newt Gingrich to back \$3.5 billion in education block grants to the states, and they were included in the final budget deal."

-- National Journal's Almanac of American Politics 2000