minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SISISKY. Mr. Speaker, we have already heard about the tragic accident that happened to the USS Cole. I am sorry the gentlewoman from Florida (Mrs. FOWLER) is leaving, but I would also like to pay tribute to her, and I do it in the vein that both she and I and many members of the Committee on Armed Services spent a good deal of our time trying to tell people what a dangerous world we live in, and sometimes it is pretty hard to explain to them that we still live in a dangerous world.

I was advised early this morning by the Chief of Naval Operations and by the commander in chief of the Atlantic Fleet, both of them, of what happened as well as they know. The ship is just sitting there. They are trying to repair it as best they can. Four lives were lost. There were 12 missing and 36 were already hospitalized. Certainly our prayers, the prayers of the Members of Congress, go out to the families of the deceased and, of course, the injured.

What is more important is that we always remember that these people are serving us and this Nation and we should always pay tribute to them.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD REVEALS LARGE PROFITS

(Mr. STEARNS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STEARNS. Mr. Speaker, as the appropriation process continues here in Congress, I want to bring attention to Planned Parenthood's 1998/1999 annual report. The report shows the inordinate amount of profits made from their operation. In 13 years, their profits have totaled $356 million and not once, not once in that time, did they report a loss. In fact, their annual report stated they currently have net assets totaling $536 million.

This is an increase of $131 million in just one year. Even dot-com companies would be envious of such profits. These numbers might be wonderful if Planned Parenthood was just a normal business, but the organization claims to be a charity. They are subsidized by the United States Government through grants; and they also want special deals, including reduced rates of advertising in the media.

It is time, Mr. Speaker, that the American public saw Planned Parenthood for what it is, a business intent on making profits at taxpayers' expense.

ATTACK ON THE U.S.S. ''COLE''

(Mr. PICKETT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PICKETT. Mr. Speaker, as has been reported, the Norfolk-based destroyer *Cole* suffered a terrorist attack earlier today while in the process of refueling at the Port of Aden in Yemen. This cowardly sneak attack has left four brave American sailors dead, 36 injured, and 12 missing. The survivors courageously and successfully sought to save and stabilize their ship.

Once again, we are reminded of the terrible price that some of our military members pay in defense of our country. We extend our profound sympathy and condolences to the families and friends of those honored defenders of our country who suffered in this tragic attack. May God give them the peace, strength, and understanding to sustain their grief and suffering of this terrible loss.

TOP DOLLAR SHOULD NOT BE DEMANDED TO BUILD NEW SCHOOLS

(Mr. GIBBONS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to urge my colleagues to vote for H.R. 4656, which will sell 8.7 acres of land at fair market value for the use as an elementary school in Incline Village, Nevada. This bill which was debated Tuesday night will be voted on today and will give every Member on both sides of the aisle an opportunity to keep their promises to support education and school construction for our children.

The present elementary school there has more than 40 students in each classroom because there is simply nowhere else for them to go. But H.R. 4656 will solve this education problem. The land will be sold, and I say sold, not given away, to the school district for construction of a school to provide over 400 students with a quality education.

Mr. Speaker, this administration is demanding 800 percent, that is more than 8 times, the limited-use value as a school site. This administration's greed is an unconscionable effort to deny these children an education. Obtaining top dollar for the land seems to be more important to them than the education of our children.

I urge everyone to vote for H.R. 4656.

BREAST CANCER

(Ms. WOOLSEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, in Marin County, California, just north of the Golden Gate Bridge, the district that I represent, 150 women out of every 100,000 were diagnosed with breast cancer between 1991 and 1996. A 1994 Northern California Cancer Center study showed that Marin County has the highest breast cancer rate in the country. An alarming number of women are dying in Marin and across this country. We need to know why, and we need to make sure that all women have the care they need to survive this disease.

The Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Act would help protect women and save lives. This bill should not be encumbered by the words that the gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN) will try to add to the debate this morning or this afternoon. This bill has 270 cosponsors. It should be passed as it was presented.

DEBT REDUCTION

(Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland. Mr. Speaker, 30 days have passed and there still has been no response or commitment from the Clinton-Gore administration to lock away 100 percent of the Social Security and Medicare surpluses and to dedicate at least 90 percent of next year's surplus to paying off the debt.

We now have a real chance to do just that and President Clinton has failed to embrace it. Worse, almost every day the administration introduces a new last-minute spending request, further complicating debt reduction. The truth of the matter is that President Clinton is not part of the spending problem. He is the spending problem. It is time the President recognized that the surplus is not the Government's money; it is the people's money.

Mr. Speaker, we have paid off approximately $354 billion in debt since taking majority control in Congress. The Republican Congress made tough choices necessary to get our Nation's book on track. The winners are the hard-working American people. Interest rates are low and the economy is booming. With continued discipline, things will only get better.

It is time President Clinton stops playing politics by accusing Republicans of engaging in a spending spree and sign our letter calling on him to dedicate at least 90 percent of next year's surplus to paying off the debt while locking away 100 percent of the Social Security and Medicare surpluses.

HATE CRIMES

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it is very important that what we do in this Congress is understandable, and it is important to clarify the information that goes out to the American people. Might I set the record straight on hate crimes, a legislative initiative that is very close to my heart, and one that many of us have worked very hard on. We will leave this Congress without passing a real hate crimes bill because the Republican majority will not allow us to

vote on a hate crimes bill; not hate crimes for one ethnic or religious group in America but hate crimes for Americans, so that if one is disabled or if they come from a different background or live in a different way and someone attacks them because of their difference, we have a law that says we abhor hate.

Mr. Speaker, let me set the record straight. It is clear that the hate crimes bill in Texas is not the bill that the family of James Byrd begged for; that bill the governor of Texas did not sign, did not support, even though there was massive support for it. We do not have a real hate crimes bill in Texas. Let us set the record straight.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 111, FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 627 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 627

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order without intervention of any point of order to consider in the House the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 111) making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes. The joint resolution shall be considered as read for amendment. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the joint resolution to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations; and (2) one motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). The gentleman from Georgia (Mr. LINDER) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to my friend, the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MOAKLEY), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 627 is a closed rule providing for consideration of House Joint Resolution 111, a resolution making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2001.

H. Res. 627 provides for 1 hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, as is the right of the minority.

Mr. Speaker, the current continuing resolution expires at the end of the day on Saturday, and a further continuing resolution is necessary to keep the government operating while Congress completes its consideration of the remaining appropriations bills.

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Mr. Speaker, House Joint Resolution 111 is a clean continuing resolution which simply extends the provisions included in House Joint Resolution 109 through October 20.

Mr. Speaker, as my colleagues know, we have been working hard to pass remaining appropriations bills as soon as possible. Honest disagreements remain on both sides of the aisle.

However, the House has made progress at resolving these differences over the past 2 weeks, passing the interior, agriculture, energy, and transportation conference reports. We are now very close to completing the appropriations process.

I share the disappointment of many of my colleagues that the negotiations have stretched on this long. However, we have a responsibility to stay the course and pass sensible and fiscally responsible appropriations bills. So, because we refuse to bend our principles, we will stay here in Washington for another week, away from our families, our districts, and our homes.

This fair, clean, continuing resolution will give us the time we need to fulfill our obligations to the American people and finish the appropriations process in an even-handed and conscientious manner.

The rule was unanimously approved by the Committee on Rules yesterday. I urge my colleagues to support it so we may proceed with the general debate and consideration of this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, this is the third concurrent resolution we have done this year. It will push back the appropriations deadline once again for my Republican colleagues, and this time it will push it back to October 20.

The 1974 Budget Act requires that the 13 appropriation bills be signed into law by October 1. The beginning of the fiscal year. But despite repeated promises to the contrary by the Republican leadership, very little appropriation work is finished, even as we speak. Today only two out of 13 appropriation bills have been signed into law, Military Construction and Defense. Three more are on the way to the President, Transportation, Interior, and Agriculture. The others are in various stages of incubation.

Part of the reason for the lack of progress, Mr. Speaker, is my Republican colleagues' budget, which did great things for the very rich and failed to set aside enough money for middle-class tax cuts or social security preservation or medical prescription drug benefits, or any of the other issues that are so important to the working American families.

My Republican colleagues should have passed a minimum wage increase. They should have passed a bill to help us repair our schools, or passed a bill to hire new teachers. They should have passed the Patients' Bill of Rights, Medicare prescription drug benefits, gun controls, gun safety legislation.

But Mr. Speaker, my Republican colleagues have had plenty of time to finish these appropriation bills and a lot more, but they did not. Now, in order to keep the Federal government open, we must pass this third continuing resolution.

The administration asked for a shorter continuing resolution in order to get more things done. I believe they were right to do so. But nonetheless, I will support this longer continuing resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the resolution.

The previous question was ordered.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on House Joint Resolution 111, and that I may include tabular and extraneous material.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Florida?

There was no objection.

FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS, FISCAL YEAR 2001

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 627, I call up the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 111) making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the joint resolution.

The text of House Joint Resolution 111 is as follows:

H.J. RES. 111

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Law 106–275, is further amended by striking ''October 13, 2000'' in section 106(c) and inserting in lieu thereof ''October 20, 2000''.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 627, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. YOUNG) and the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. OBEY) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida (Mr. YOUNG).

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mr. YOUNG of Florida asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, the continuing resolution before us is