

Tancredo	Upton	Weller	Davis (CA)	Jackson (IL)	Northup	Tauscher	Upton	Weller
Tauscher	Van Hollen	Westmoreland	Davis (FL)	Jackson-Lee	Norwood	Taylor (MS)	Van Hollen	Westmoreland
Taylor (MS)	Velázquez	Wexler	Davis (IL)	(TX)	Nunes	Taylor (NC)	Velázquez	Wexler
Taylor (NC)	Viscosky	Whitfield	Davis (KY)	Jefferson	Nussle	Terry	Viscosky	Whitfield
Terry	Walden (OR)	Wicker	Davis (TN)	Jenkins	Oberstar	Thompson (CA)	Walden (OR)	Wicker
Thompson (CA)	Walsh	Wilson (NM)	Davis, Jo Ann	Jindal	Obey	Thompson (MS)	Walsh	Wilson (NM)
Thompson (MS)	Wamp	Wilson (SC)	Davis, Tom	Johnson (CT)	Olver	Thornberry	Wamp	Wilson (SC)
Thornberry	Wasserman	Wolf	DeFazio	Johnson (IL)	Ortiz	Tiaht	Wasserman	Wolf
Tiaht	Schultz	Woolsey	DeGette	Johnson, E. B.	Osborne	Tiberi	Schultz	Woolsey
Tiberi	Waters	Wu	DeLauro	Johnson, Sam	Otter	Tierney	Watt	Wu
Tierney	Watt	Wynn	DeLauro	Jones (NC)	Owens	Towns	Waxman	Wynn
Towns	Waxman	Young (AK)	DeLay	Jones (OH)	Pallone	Turner	Weiner	Young (AK)
Turner	Weiner	Young (FL)	Dent	Kanjorski	Pascrell	Udall (CO)	Weldon (FL)	Young (FL)
Udall (CO)	Weldon (FL)		Diaz-Balart, L.	Kaptur	Pastor	Udall (NM)	Weldon (PA)	
Udall (NM)	Weldon (PA)		Diaz-Balart, M.	Keller	Paul			

NAYS—2

Flake

Paul

NOT VOTING—9

Buyer

Langevin

Tanner

Deal (GA)

Marchant

Thomas

Evans

McCrery

Watson

□ 1940

So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CONGRATULATING NASA ON THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST FLIGHT OF THE SPACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 366.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. CALVERT) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 366, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 422, nays 0, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 99]

YEAS—422

Abercrombie	Blunt	Capps	Harman	McKinney	Scott (GA)
Ackerman	Boehert	Capuano	Harris	McMorris	Scott (VA)
Aderholt	Boehner	Cardin	Hart	McNulty	Sensenbrenner
Akin	Bonilla	Cardoza	Hastings (FL)	Meehan	Serrano
Alexander	Bonner	Carnahan	Hastings (WA)	Meek (FL)	Shadegg
Allen	Bono	Carson	Hayes	Meeks (NY)	Shaw
Andrews	Boozman	Carter	Hayworth	Melancon	Shays
Baca	Boren	Case	Hefley	Mica	Sherman
Bachus	Boswell	Castle	Hensarling	Michaud	Sherwood
Baird	Boucher	Chabot	Hergert	Millender-	Shimkus
Baker	Boustany	Chandler	Herseht	McDonald	Shuster
Baldwin	Boyd	Chocoma	Higgins	Miller (FL)	Simmons
Barrett (SC)	Bradley (NH)	Clay	Hinchee	Miller (MI)	Simpson
Barrow	Brady (PA)	Cleaver	Hinojosa	Miller (NC)	Skelton
Bartlett (MD)	Brady (TX)	Clyburn	Hobson	Miller, Gary	Slaughter
Barton (TX)	Brown (OH)	Coble	Hoekstra	Miller, George	Smith (NJ)
Bass	Brown (SC)	Cole (OK)	Holden	Mollohan	Smith (TX)
Bean	Brown, Corrine	Conaway	Holt	Moore (KS)	Smith (WA)
Beauprez	Brown-Waite,	Conyers	Honda	Moore (WI)	Snyder
Becerra	Ginny	Cooper	Hooley	Moran (KS)	Sodrel
Berkley	Burgess	Costa	Hostettler	Moran (VA)	Solis
Berman	Burton (IN)	Costello	Hoyer	Murphy	Souder
Berry	Butterfield	Cramer	Hulshof	Murtha	Spratt
Biggert	Buyer	Crenshaw	Hunter	Musgrave	Stark
Billirakis	Calvert	Crowley	Hyde	Myrick	Stearns
Bishop (GA)	Camp (MI)	Cubin	Inglis (SC)	Nadler	Strickland
Bishop (NY)	Campbell (CA)	Cuellar	Inslae	Napolitano	Stupak
Bishop (UT)	Cannon	Culberson	Israel	Neal (MA)	Sullivan
Blackburn	Cantor	Cummings	Issa	Neugebauer	Sweeney
Blumenauer	Capito	Davis (AL)	Istook	Ney	Tancredo

NOT VOTING—10

Deal (GA)

Oxley

Waters

Evans

Radanovich

Watson

Langevin

Tanner

McCrary

Thomas

□ 1952

So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 4542, H.R. 4881 and H.R. 2646

Mr. FORD. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my name be removed as a cosponsor to three pieces of legislation: H.R. 4542, H.R. 4881 and H.R. 2646.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SODREL). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Tennessee?

There was no objection.

PROVIDING FOR AN ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE TWO HOUSES

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a privileged concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 382) providing for an adjournment or recess of the two Houses and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the concurrent resolution, as follows:

H. CON. RES. 382

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the House adjourns on the legislative day of Thursday, April 6, 2006, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 25, 2006, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first; and that when the Senate recesses or adjourns on any day from Thursday, April 6, 2006, through Sunday, April 9, 2006, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand recessed or adjourned until noon on Monday, April 24, 2006, or such other time on that day as may be specified by its Majority Leader or his designee in the motion to recess or adjourn, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 2. The Speaker of the House and the Majority Leader of the Senate, or their respective designees, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the

House and the Minority Leader of the Senate, shall notify the Members of the House and the Senate, respectively, to reassemble at such place and time as they may designate if, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2006

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today pursuant to this order, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2006, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its concurrence in House Concurrent Resolution 382, in which case the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

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

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2006

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, April 26, 2006.

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

There was no objection.

RECOGNIZING AND HONORING FIREFIGHTERS FOR THEIR MANY CONTRIBUTIONS THROUGHOUT THE HISTORY OF THE NATION

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it shall be in order at any time to consider in the House the resolution (H. Res. 764); that the resolution shall be considered as read; and that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution and its preamble to its adoption without intervening motion except 10 minutes of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the order of the House today, I call up the resolution (H. Res. 764) recognizing and honoring firefighters for their many contributions throughout the history of the Nation, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 764

Whereas in 1736 Benjamin Franklin founded the Union Fire Company, the first volunteer fire company;

Whereas there are more than 1,100,000 firefighters in the United States;

Whereas approximately 75 percent of all firefighters are volunteers who receive little or no compensation for their heroic work;

Whereas career and combination fire departments protect 3 out of 4 Americans;

Whereas there are more than 30,000 fire departments in the United States;

Whereas approximately 100 firefighters die in the line of duty each year;

Whereas Congress recognizes that Christopher Nicholas Kangas was a heroic firefighter;

Whereas more than 340 firefighters died responding to the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001;

Whereas firefighters respond to more than 24,000,000 calls during an average year;

Whereas firefighters also provide emergency medical services and life safety education; and

Whereas it is estimated that on April 6, 2006, more than 2,000 firefighters will attend the 18th Annual National Fire and Emergency Services Dinner and Seminars: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives honors and recognizes the more than 1,100,000 firefighters in the United States for their contributions to and sacrifice for the Nation.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of today, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. TOM DAVIS) and the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER) will each control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Virginia.

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H. Res. 764. Each year in this country heroic firefighters respond to more than 24 million calls. These brave men and women provide all kind of lifesaving services such as emergency medical care, life safety education and fire prevention education. Many of these firefighters are volunteers and risk their lives every day. For this reason it is important that we adopt this resolution and honor the bravery and perseverance of these individuals that they show on a daily basis.

I congratulate the gentleman from Pennsylvania on bringing forth H. Res. 764.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. WELDON).

(Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to thank my distinguished friend and chairman, Mr. DAVIS, who is a cosponsor of this legislation, and my good friend and partner, the distinguished minority whip, Mr. HOYER, for their leadership in bringing forth the resolution to pay proper tribute to the 1.1 million men and women across the country in 32,000 departments that protect our communities.

The Fire Service of America is older than America as a country. The fire service is in every community, both

large and small. They are the backbone of our country, the heart and soul of the Nation. They are the people that make this country great.

Tonight, 2,500 of these brave leaders are assembled at the Washington Hilton, and they are looking forward to this recognition, which we will take to them as Mr. HOYER and I travel to the Washington Hilton and pay our respects.

In addition, this resolution goes one step further. In recognizing a recent Federal court decision that junior firefighters are in fact fire fighters, this resolution is affirming the Court decision that a junior firefighter is in fact recognized when the States in this country allow junior firefighters to be so designated. This is an important piece of legislation.

In honor of one of my constituents, Christopher Kangas, I am happy to have this bill come up so that all of us can provide true support for all of those men and women, including those younger junior firefighters, who aspire to take over the protection of our towns and cities across America.

I thank my colleagues for their support.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank my good friend, Mr. DAVIS, the chairman of the committee, for bringing this resolution to the floor in such a timely fashion.

I certainly want to thank my good friend, CURT WELDON, the cochair of the Fire Service Caucus, who has been the leader of the Fire Service Caucus, and the Fire Service of America and emergency medical response teams have no better friend than CURT WELDON in the Congress of the United States or, frankly, in any place else.

□ 2000

I am pleased to rise in support of our Nation's firefighters on this day that 2,100 of them from around the country are gathered in Washington for the annual National Fire and Emergency Services Dinner.

As Mr. WELDON said, we will be bringing them this resolution in just a few minutes as we go down to the Hilton to address them. I am proud to have cosponsored this resolution.

And I want to say that the Fire Caucus has long championed initiatives to improve the safety and well-being of our Nation's firefighters. Specifically, we have worked to establish and fund the assistance to the Firefighters Grant program, which has provided more than \$3 billion in equipment and training grants for career and volunteer departments across the country.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. JACKSON-LEE).

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great honor to enthusiastically stand before you, Mr. HOYER, and to join with the two outstanding co-Chairs of the Fire Caucus to acknowledge our brothers and sisters who are now being hosted at the