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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, December 10, 2012, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2012

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
December 7, 2012.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ANDY HARRIS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:
Gracious God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

You have blessed us with all good gifts, and with thankful hearts we express our gratitude. You have created us with opportunities to serve other people in their need, to share together in respect and affection, and to be faithful in the responsibilities we have been given.

In this moment of prayer, please grant to the Members of this people's House the gifts of wisdom and discernment that, in their words and actions, they will do justice, love with mercy, and walk humbly with You.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 6, 2012.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 6, 2012 at 9:42 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1947.

That the Senate passed S. 3254.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 6, 2012.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 6, 2012 at 5:22 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 6582.

That the Senate passed S. 3666.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 6, 2012.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 6, 2012 at 3:46 p.m.:

This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 6634.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 6, 2012.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 6, 2012 at 12:42 p.m.:

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 4310.

That the Senate requests a conference with the House and appoints conferees.

That the Senate passed S. 3331.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 6156.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by the Speaker on Thursday, December 6, 2012:

H.R. 6634, to change the effective date for the Internet publication of certain financial disclosure forms;

S. 2367, to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes;

S. 3486, to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. KLINE (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for December 4 and 5 on account of the passing of his mother, Litta Kline.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1947. An act to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture; in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

S. 3331. An act to provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

S. 3666. An act to amend the Animal Welfare Act to modify the definition of "exhibitor"; to the Committee on Agriculture.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 6634. An act to change the effective date for the Internet publication of certain financial disclosure forms.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 2367. An act to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes.

S. 3486. An act to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until noon on Tuesday, December 11, 2012, for morning-hour debate.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 5 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, December 11, 2012, at noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

8629. A letter from the Acting Principal Deputy, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral David J. Venlet, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

8630. A letter from the Acting Principal Deputy, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral John T. Blake, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

8631. A letter from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a report on transactions involving U.S. exports to United Arab Emirates pursuant to Section 2(b)(3) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended; to the Committee on Financial Services.

8632. A letter from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a report on transactions involving U.S. exports to South Korea and China pursuant to Section 2(b)(3) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended; to the Committee on Financial Services.

8633. A letter from the Acting Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting a report entitled, "Merger Decisions 2011", in accordance with Section 18(c)(9) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act; to the Committee on Financial Services.

8634. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Safety Standard for Infant Swings [CPSC Docket No.: CPSC-2012-0011] (RIN: 3041-AC90) received November 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8635. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, trans-

mitting the fourth annual report on the Prevention and Reduction of Underage Drinking; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8636. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting report prepared by the Department of State concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8637. A letter from the Chairman, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2012; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8638. A letter from the Administrator, Agency for International Development, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period April 1, 2012, through September 30, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8639. A letter from the Director of Management, Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8640. A letter from the Chief Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting the Inspector General's semiannual report to Congress for the reporting period April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8641. A letter from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Safety Board, transmitting the Board's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2012; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8642. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Inspector General's semiannual report to Congress for the reporting period ending September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8643. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Fiscal Year 2012 Agency Financial Report; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8644. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Labor, transmitting the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act), section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8645. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2012; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8646. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Permits and Regulations, Division of Migratory Bird Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Migratory Bird Permits; Delegating Falconry Permitting Authority to Seven States [FWS-HQ-MB-2012-0084; 91200-1231-9BPP] (RIN: 1018-AZ16) received November 29, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8647. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Listing, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for the Southern Selkirk Mountains Population of Woodland Caribou [Docket No.: FWS-R1-ES-2011-0096] (RIN: 1018-AX38) received November 29, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.

801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8648. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Listing, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revised Critical Habitat for the Riverside Fairy Shrimp [Docket No.: FWS-R8-ES-2011-0013] (RIN: 1018-AX15) received November 29, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8649. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; [Docket No.: 111207737-2141-02] (RIN: 0648-XC277) received November 28, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8650. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fraser River Sockeye Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Orders (RIN: 0648-XC222) received November 28, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8651. A letter from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 610 in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No.: 111207737-2141-02] (RIN: 0648-XC295) received November 28, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8652. A letter from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; "Other Rockfish" in the Aleutian Islands Subarea of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No.: 111213751-2102-02] (RIN: 0648-XC312) received November 28, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8653. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 610 in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No.: 111207737-2141-02] (RIN: 0624-XC301) received November 28, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8654. A letter from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries Off West Coast States; Modifications of the West Coast Commercial and Recreational Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Actions #22 through #26 [Docket No.: 120424023-1023-01] (RIN: 0648-XC282) received November 29, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8655. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Monitoring and Enforcement Requirements in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Freezer Longline Fleet [Docket No.: 120416007-2464-01] (RIN: 0648-BB67) received November 29, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8656. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; Revised Limits on Sea Turtle Interactions in the Hawaii Shallow-Set Longline Fishery [Docket No.: 120416010-2476-01] (RIN: 0648-BB84) received November 29, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

8657. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the final report required by Section 1201(c) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) detailing the Department's progress; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8658. A letter from the Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance — Stillborn Child Coverage (RIN: 2900-AO30) received November 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

8659. A letter from the Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Authorization for Non-VA Medical Services (RIN: 2900-AO47) received November 28, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

8660. A letter from the Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Rules Governing Hearings Before the Agency of Original Jurisdiction and the Board of Veterans' Appeals; Repeal of Prior Rule Change (RIN: 2900-AO43) received November 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

8661. A letter from the Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — VA Acquisition Regulation: Electronic Submission of Payment Requests (RIN: 2900-AN97) received November 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

8662. A letter from the Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Informal Entry Limit and Removal of a Formal Entry Requirement [USCBP-2011-0042] (RIN: 1515-AD69) received November 29, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8663. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 2013 Section 127A CPI Adjustments (Rev. Rul. 2012-33) received November 29, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8664. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Guidance on regulations to be issued regarding the deduction and capitalization of expenditures related to tangible property [Notice 2012-73] received November 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8665. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Modification of Revenue Procedure 2077-44 (Rev. Proc. 2012-50) received November 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8666. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue

Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Extension of Deadline to Amend for Section 436 [Notice 2012-70] received November 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. BRADY of Texas:

H.R. 6642. A bill to reauthorize customs trade facilitation and enforcement functions and programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, and the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FATTAH:

H.R. 6643. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide authority to increase the debt limit when an Act of Congress provides budget authority or reduces revenues, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. POMPEO (for himself, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. FINCHER, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. HUELSKAMP, Mr. JONES, Mr. LANDRY, Mr. LANKFORD, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. OLSON, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. TERRY, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. FLORES, Mr. MULVANEY, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. BRADY of Texas, and Mr. NUNNELEE):

H. Con. Res. 144. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that a carbon tax is not in the economic interest of the United States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

320. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of California, relative to Assembly Joint Resolution No. 35 urging the President and the Congress to restrict the transshipment for waterborne export of coal for electricity generation to any nation that fails to adopt rules and regulations on the emissions of greenhouse gases; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Foreign Affairs.

321. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of California, relative to Assembly Joint Resolution No. 30 memorializing the President and the Congress to enact appropriate legislation that would add comprehensive, preventative dental care coverage to Medicare benefits; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. BRADY of Texas:

H.R. 6642.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. FATTAH:

H.R. 6643.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Congress shall have Power to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 1418: Mr. CURSON of Michigan.

H.R. 6087: Mr. SCHIFF.

H.R. 6157: Ms. DEGETTE.

H.R. 6174: Mr. YOUNG of Indiana.

H.R. 6504: Mr. PETERS, Mr. RICHMOND, Ms. CHU and Mr. SCHRADER.

H.R. 6587: Mr. BACA, Mr. BILBRAY, Mrs. BONO MACK, Mr. SHERMAN and Ms. SPEIER.

H. Res. 220: Mr. PETERS.

H. Res. 774: Mr. WAXMAN and Ms. SCHKOWSKY.

H. Res. 801: Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia, Mr. COBLE, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. ROSS of Florida and Mr. NUNNELEE.

H. Res. 826: Mr. GRAVES of Georgia, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. COLE, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. DENHAM, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee and Mr. FINCHER.

DISCHARGE PETITIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XV, the following discharge petition was filed:

Petition 6, December 4, 2012, by Mr. TIMOTHY WALZ on H.R. 15, was signed by the following Members: Timothy J. Walz, Sander M. Levin, David N. Cicilline, Janice Hahn, Nancy Pelosi, Steny H. Hoyer, James E. Clyburn, Xavier Becerra, Joseph Crowley, Steve Israel, Sheila Jackson Lee, Gerald E. Conolly, Frank Pallone Jr., Ben Chandler, Russ Carnahan, Chris Van Hollen, José E. Serrano, Dennis J. Kucinich, John A. Yarmuth, Joe Courtney, Al Green, Henry C. "Hank" Johnson Jr., Doris O. Matsui, Steve Cohen, Earl Blumenauer, Jason Altmire, Peter Welch, Jerry McNerney, Niki Tsongas, Ed Perlmutter, G. K. Butterfield, Jerrold Nadler, Jared Polis, Lucille Roybal-Allard, Lynn C. Woolsey, Henry A. Waxman, John W. Olver, Bruce L. Braley, John Garamendi, Eddie Bernice Johnson, Anna G. Eshoo, George Miller, Jim McDermott, David Scott, Janice D. Schakowsky, John F. Tierney, Lois Capps, Carolyn B. Maloney, Paul Tonko, Fortney Pete Stark, Rubén Hinojosa, Betty Sutton, Norman D. Dicks, David Alan Curson, Leonard L. Boswell, Zoe Lofgren, Melvin L. Watt, Barbara Lee, Dale E. Kildee, Diana DeGette, Gene Green, Adam B. Schiff, Rush D. Holt, Gregory W. Meeks, Larry Kissell, Silvestre Reyes, Mark S. Critz, Charles A. Gonzalez, Stephen F. Lynch, Robert A. Brady, Karen Bass, Ron Barber, Ed Pastor, Mike Quigley, Suzanne Bonamici, Robert E. Andrews, Sam Farr, John B. Larson, Nick J. Rahall II, Susan A. Davis, Rick Larsen, John D. Dingell, Maxine Waters, Rosa L. DeLauro, Donna F. Edwards, Marcia L. Fudge, John Conyers Jr., Louise McIntosh

Slaughter, Yvette D. Clarke, Hansen Clarke, André Carson, Kathy Castor, Ben Ray Lujan, Tammy Baldwin, Charles B. Rangel, C. A. Dutch Ruppersberger, Grace F. Napolitano, William L. Owens, Suzan K. DelBene, William R. Keating, Theodore E. Deutch, Colleen W. Hanabusa, Laura Richardson, Sanford D. Bishop Jr., Terri A. Sewell, Michael H. Michaud, James P. McGovern, Betty McCollum, John Lewis, Timothy H. Bishop, Marcy Kaptur, James A. Himes, Gwen Moore, Shelley Berkley, Keith Ellison, James R. Langevin, Elijah E. Cummings, Michael M. Honda, Albio Sires, Nita M. Lowey, Kurt Schrader, Judy Chu, Donald M. Payne Jr., Allyson Y. Schwartz, Cedric L. Richmond, Loretta Sanchez, Ron Kind, Bobby L. Rush, Wm. Lacy Clay, Bill Pascrell Jr., Bennie G. Thompson, Brad Sherman, Edward J. Markey, Linda T. Sánchez, Corrine Brown, Michael F. Doyle, Frederica S. Wilson, Daniel Lipinski, Kathleen C. Hochul, Chellie Pingree, John P. Sarbanes, Michael E. Capuano, Mike Thompson, Jackie Speier, Mike Ross, Dan Boren, Heath Shuler, Chaka Fattah, David E. Price, Henry Cuellar, Nydia M. Velázquez, Debbie Wasserman Schultz, Adam Smith, John C. Carney Jr., David Loebsack, Jim Costa, Jim Cooper, Tim Ryan, Brad Miller, Steven R. Rothman, Mazie Hirono, Tim Holden, Eliot L. Engel, Emanuel Cleaver, Maurice D. Hinchey, Barney Frank, Danny K. Davis, Raúl M. Grijalva, Peter A. DeFazio, Martin Heinrich, Collin C. Peterson, Gary C. Peters, Brian Higgins, Lloyd Doggett, Howard L. Berman, Luis V. Guterrez, Christopher S. Murphy, Richard E. Neal.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING GEORGIAN VETERAN
EUGENE ABT

HON. TOM PRICE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in honor of fellow Georgian, Eugene Abt. A veteran of World War II, Eugene served in the infantry under General George Patton's 3rd Army. Originally from Pennsylvania, Eugene was born on June 24, 1926. After leaving the military, Eugene began a career at Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation. He worked his way up the ladder to become a department head, after starting out as a ditch digger.

Eugene currently resides in Sugar Hill, Georgia with his daughter, Deborah, who is his caregiver. Through the years, Eugene has been highly active in the community. He was a squire in the Elks and a Eucharistic minister in the local Catholic Church. A few years ago, Mae Louise, his beloved wife, passed away. One of his grandchildren, Sgt. Nicholas A. Collins, has followed the tradition started by Eugene when he also decided to join the military. He is currently in the 2nd Marine Division based out of Camp Lejeune and may consider being stationed at an American embassy after his current deployment.

Eugene is currently undergoing serious health challenges. At present, he is undertaking numerous tests to determine treatment plans and has remained in good spirits. Mr. Speaker, considering all he has done for his community and his nation, let's keep Eugene and his family in our thoughts and prayers as he battles this terrible disease.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. ANN
STUART

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an acclaimed educator, Texas Woman's University's chancellor and president, Dr. Ann Stuart. Dr. Stuart has many years experience in education and has served as the first chancellor and tenth president of the university for more than 12 years. Under her supervision, Texas Woman's University has transformed into an outstanding university that promotes exceptional higher education for all students.

Dr. Stuart has not only devoted her life to the teaching of others but was equally as zealous about learning herself. Dr. Stuart earned her undergraduate degree in education from the University of Florida. She also received a master's degree in English from the University of Kentucky, and her doctorate in English from Southern Illinois University. As a first-generation graduate of higher education, Dr. Stuart's

educational pursuits have enabled her to promote the same opportunities for students of Texas Woman's University.

Before joining Texas Woman's University, Dr. Stuart held numerous positions at several different institutions. She previously served as president of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute's Graduate School in Hartford, Connecticut. In addition, she served as provost and vice president for academic affairs at Alma College in Michigan, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at East Stroudsburg University in Pennsylvania, and in several facilities at the University of Evansville in Indiana.

Under Dr. Stuart's leadership, Texas Woman's University's enrollment has grown 85%. The university has received national recognition for its significance and diversity in student class from national publications such as U.S. News and World Report. The university has also experienced advancements in technology and teaching tools that have greatly advanced students' academic experience. Texas Woman's University has also been a leader in the advancement of a greener campus and region via its Redbud tree campaign, which has implemented a continuing reforestation plan in Denton, Texas.

Dr. Stuart has also influenced other areas beyond the campus itself. Her impact on the university can be distinguished through new amenities in Denton, Dallas, and Houston, such as the TWU Institute of Health Sciences—Houston Center, the TWU T. Boone Pickens Institute of Health Sciences—Dallas Center, the Ann Stuart Science Complex in Denton, and the Fitness and Recreation Center in Denton. All of these contributions have positioned Texas Woman's University at the head of workforce expansion.

Among Dr. Stuart's lasting impressions are the financial contributions she made to the university. She established the annual Ann Stuart and Ray R. Poliakoff Celebration of Science event to promote women in science. Also, she created the Chancellor's Alumni Excellence Award, which allows outstanding alumni to visit the university to speak about their experiences. Lastly, she implemented the Ann Stuart and Ray R. Poliakoff Endowed Scholarships for Texas Woman's University's undergraduate students. Due to Dr. Stuart's dedication and public service, students at the university have the opportunity to prosper in an exceptional environment.

Last month, Dr. Stuart announced that she will be retiring from Texas Woman's University in 2014. Her departure will leave a legacy of excellence at Texas Woman's University and the Denton community at large. Her valuable contributions to the pursuit of higher education will not soon be forgotten. I am pleased to recognize Dr. Ann Stuart and am privileged to represent Texas Woman's University in the U.S. House of Representatives.

RECOGNIZING CAPT. CRAIG DOYLE
ON HIS PROMOTION IN THE
NAVY RESERVE TO THE LEAD
POSITION IN THE GLOBAL
LOGISTICAL SUPPORT CENTER

HON. DAVID SCHWEIKERT

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. SCHWEIKERT. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure and esteem that I congratulate Captain Craig Doyle on his promotion in the Navy Reserve to the lead position in the Global Logistical Support Center. As noted in recent congratulations, this movement in position is a highly contested declaration of the Navy's 'Total Force' concept. This testament to Capt. Doyle's ability is only the most recent recognition.

Capt. Doyle is no stranger to valor and success, having notably served in the U.S. Navy, including a deployment to Iraq, and Yokosuka, Japan, along with a special assignment to Macdill Air Force Base, Special Operations Command.

Capt. Doyle is a long time resident of Arizona with a family as dedicated to the United States as he is, graciously supporting his service in the Navy. It is with much enthusiasm that I congratulate Captain Craig Doyle on this great achievement, and Captain Weidner from the Navy Cargo Handling Battalion 14 on his incoming role.

COMMEMORATING THE LEMON
STREET HERITAGE GROUP AND
THE LEMON STREET SCHOOL

HON. DAVID SCOTT

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding efforts of the Lemon Street Heritage Group—and to reflect on just how far we have come since those dark days of segregation. The Lemon Street Heritage Group has been working tirelessly to increase awareness of the Lemon Street School, which was built as the school for black children in Marietta, GA. When the City of Marietta established an independent school district in 1892, the idea that white children and black children could have equal access to education in separate schools was widely prevalent, as it was in many places throughout the country.

While the city built a brick school house for the white students, the Lemon Street School was a wooden structure, and offered only seven years of education until the 1920s. Eventually, a distinct Lemon Street High School was built, but the original school continued to be utilized as an Elementary School. By the time the Marietta City Council toured the facility in 1947, they discovered how dangerous it had become. The building lacked indoor plumbing, was poorly lit and depended

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on a single coal stove for heating. The old wooden structure was condemned as a fire trap and demolished, with plans for a new structure in place.

Everyone knew “separate but equal” was a failure. Not just a failure, but a fundamentally dishonest proposition—a dereliction of the duty we have towards our children to provide them with a brighter future than our own. But for sixty years this was the reality of *Plessy v. Ferguson* that educators all over the country had to face. Despite these struggles, principals and teachers like A. Tolliver, Luke B. Norris, Mrs. Louella Patterson and Professor M. J. Woods worked hard to make the Lemon Street school a success. Professor Woods was also the principal of the neighboring Lemon Street High School, which went on to gain accreditation and distinction for its academics, its athletic program and its marching band.

I commend the Lemon Street Heritage Group for their efforts to acknowledge and celebrate this history, and I am extremely proud of the principals and teachers of the Lemon Street School who devoted their lives to furthering the education of African Americans. I hope this school will serve as both an inspiration and a reminder to all of us—of the battles we have won and those still to come.

ISAAC GARB

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and memory of Judge Isaac Garb who passed away late yesterday at the age of 83.

As Bucks County, Pennsylvania’s longest-serving judge, he remained a dedicated public servant throughout his career, still hearing cases until the week before Thanksgiving.

Judge Garb was a true advocate for juvenile justice, recognizing the importance of the protection the court system could afford to young offenders.

He always believed that most children who appeared before him in court had simply made a mistake and still had a life full of true potential in front of them.

A truly brilliant legal mind, Judge Garb presided over more than five decades of cases in my home of Bucks County, completely re-vamping the criminal court division. Judge Garb served several terms as President Judge of our esteemed Court.

In a ritual still practiced to this day, each morning the criminal court is in session in the County Seat of Doylestown, Judge Garb took it upon himself one day to call out defendant’s names and assign them to their courtroom, tired of waiting for assignments by the District Attorney’s office.

Judge Garb’s reforms transformed Bucks County criminal court into the most efficiently run system in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Judge Garb has left a lasting impression on the careers of so many in Bucks County, and he has earned the respect and admiration of those around him. His reputation as Bucks County’s most admired jurist is well-deserved and his passing represents a true loss to our community.

I am honored to have called Judge Garb a friend, as we discussed and negotiated many issues of mutual concern between the Office of Commissioners and the Bucks County Court of Common Pleas, and my thoughts and prayers are with his family in these difficult times.

A TRIBUTE TO HONOR THE LIFE OF EDWARD PATRICK MCGOVERN

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an extraordinary man, Edward Patrick McGovern, who was born in San Francisco on December 26, 1927, and died on November 6, 2012.

A proud American who was also proud of his Irish heritage, Ed served his country during World War II. He and his beloved wife of 56 years, Maggie, founded Knight’s Restaurant and Catering, a business which they loved and fostered for more than forty years. Ed was a devoted member of many organizations to which he gave generously of his time and resources, including San Francisco’s Irish Cultural Center, the Pearse and Connelly Fife and Drum Band, the St. Vincent De Paul Society, Catholic Charities, and the Knights of the Holy Sepulcher.

Ed and Maggie loved to travel, and visited six continents, but their favorite trips were “home” to Ireland. In 2005 they moved from San Francisco to Sonoma, and became active members of their new community.

Ed and his beloved wife Maggie, who survives him, raised a large and loving family. He leaves eight children: Moira McGovern; Deirdre and Doug Muller; Eileen and Andrew Patania; Kevin and Lori McGovern; Brian and Theresa McGovern; Maureen Kelly; Margaret and Frank van Beuningen; and Ed and Tina McGovern. He was beloved Poppi to Katie, Claire, Meagan and Jack; Molly, Danny, and Grace; Brian, Christopher, Thomas, Stephen and Elizabeth; Rosie; and Devin and Ryan.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing our deepest condolences to the immediate and extended family and many friends of Edward Patrick McGovern. He will be remembered and missed by all who had the honor and privilege to know him. I feel blessed to have had the honor to know him and call him my friend.

CONGRATULATING MARTIN AND RHODA ELLNER ON THEIR 60TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and congratulate Martin and Rhoda Ellner, the parents of one of my constituents, on reaching a true marital milestone today: their 60th wedding anniversary.

An anniversary such as this shows us all the power of love, but also serves as a reminder that a marriage takes patience, re-

spect, and understanding. Each day that Martin and Rhoda go forward they remind us of the commitment they have made to one another, and also serve as an inspiration to those who know them with their remarkable dedication to each other.

According to their son, Andrew, Martin is a “concentration camp survivor who’s proud to be an American” and Rhoda is a “Brooklyn born superhero who’s proud to have survived raising Martin and her 4 sons.” These are two truly remarkable people who have demonstrated to the world what a loving partnership looks like.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Martin and Rhoda Ellner on 60 years of wedded bliss, and wish them many more happy years together.

CONGRESS SALUTES CHARLES GREENE, A TRUE PUBLIC SERV- ANT

HON. BILL POSEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. POSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the life and service of Colonel Charles H. Greene, U.S. Army (Ret) for his distinguished service to the United States Army and his nation. Colonel Greene honorably served his country in Korea and Vietnam.

Colonel Greene served as the Unit Commander with the 467th Military Intelligence Detachment from October 1982 through April 1985 and retired from the United States Army on September 23, 1990.

After retiring from the Army, Charles held the position of Engineer for Lockheed Martin and was co-owner of a lapidary shop in Melbourne, Florida. He was an active member of the Crossroads Community Church UCC and the Melbourne Elks Lodge #1744.

Beginning in 1975, Charles served as the 15th District of Florida General Chairman for nominations to our nation’s military service academies until his death on November 30, 2012. I applaud his commitment to our community, military and the future of our Armed Services. Charles embodied the true meaning of public service.

“Charlie loved his job as Chairman of the nominating committees. He enjoyed talking with prospective candidates and he had a gift for making them feel comfortable before their interviews. Although he was from a different generation, he understood today’s teens and the changing Academy and military environment. His goal was always to select the most qualified individuals and to encourage students who were interested in attending our nation’s service academies and serving in the military. I will have big shoes to fill as I assume the position of Chair, District 15 Academy Nominating Committee,” said Angelika Evangelist, Captain, United States Navy Reserve (Ret).

Charles is survived by his wife Jackie; son Stephen (Pat); daughters Diane (Tim) Benson; Karen (Craig) Schenck; Leslie Hodgkins; Susan (Greg) Reeves; 6 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Charles took up the flag and served this great nation selflessly. He is a great credit to our community, the United States Army and

our nation. He will be deeply missed by his family, his community and his nation.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends that knew and loved him.

I am honored to rise today to draw the attention of the U.S. House of Representatives upon Colonel Charles Greene so that a grateful nation can honor him for his service to our nation. We are proud of his commitment to the cause of liberty, freedom and public service.

HONORING JUDGES THOMAS AND LINDA TEODOSIO FOR RECEIVING THE 2012 BISHOP COSGROVE JUSTICE AWARD

HON. BETTY SUTTON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate two outstanding public servants who have dedicated their lives to serving others and working for social justice in our community. Judges Thomas and Linda Teodosio will receive the 2012 Bishop Cosgrove Justice Award, which will be presented by the Catholic Commission of Summit County. This award is bestowed upon exemplary individuals and organizations that demonstrate a strong commitment to social justice in accordance with biblical values.

I have known the Teodosio family for many years and I am honored to call them my friends. Over the years, they have so generously given of their time, talent, and resources to numerous organizations in our community. What strikes me the most in this moment is how the Teodosios have chosen to use tragedy to make a positive impact. I will never forget where I was the day I learned of that terrible accident that took Andrea's life back in February 2011. Andrea Rose Teodosio was a beautiful woman whose kindness enveloped you like a warm ray of light. Her smile always beamed brightly.

Andrea lived her life with compassion and selflessness. She always looked for opportunities to help others, and would do so in a manner that preserved their dignity. Her mother, Linda, recounted a story of how Andrea at age 16 asked if she could give their pizza to a homeless man. Andrea tapped the man on the shoulder and said, "My mom and I have all these packages and can't carry this pizza. Do you mind taking it?"

Andrea helped others, but never elevated herself in the process. She treated people with dignity.

Today, Andrea's memory and legacy lives on through the Andrea Rose Teodosio Foundation, which was established by Judges Thomas and Linda Teodosio and is administered by their son Christopher. Now, the Andrea Rose Foundation has already made a significant impact on the lives of so many. This organization works to demonstrate the values that Andrea held so dear—assisting the underprivileged and the elderly, actively addressing environmental issues, and promoting community service and education.

The Teodosio Family's service to our community is truly commendable and their exam-

ple will continue to inspire others to give of their time, talent, and resources to those who are in need. Judges Tom and Linda Teodosio deserve our recognition and appreciation for their diligent work to bring the Andrea Rose Teodosio Foundation to fruition. I congratulate them both for receiving the 2012 Bishop Cosgrove Justice Award and thank them for all that they do to make our community stronger.

HONORING THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SAINT PAUL PORT AUTHORITY

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 80th anniversary of the Saint Paul Port Authority. For decades, the Port Authority has successfully managed the Port of Saint Paul, Minnesota, at the head of navigation on America's greatest river. Additionally, this regional industrial redevelopment organization has redeveloped major tracts of polluted industrial land in Saint Paul, Minnesota, resulting in more than \$150 million of private investment, new job creation and tax revenue for the metropolitan area.

The Saint Paul Port Authority was created by the Minnesota Legislature in the early 1930s as a direct result of Congress' decision to dredge a nine-foot channel in the Mississippi River from Saint Paul to New Orleans. As the manager of the Saint Paul Harbor, the Port Authority continues to foster a thriving commodities transportation network that has created thousands of jobs, increased the city's population, and has made St. Paul a major hub for agricultural and commodity shipping.

Over time, the Saint Paul Port Authority's role was expanded to include revitalization. Today, the Saint Paul Port Authority specializes in restoring polluted and vacant properties, remediating Brownfields, and financing small and large business ventures. Through their knowledge, expertise, and ability to partner with key players, the Port Authority has become a major economic development force in our city, creating 22 business centers, and generating more than \$33 million a year in real estate and property tax revenue.

As noted in the June 26, 2012, New York Times article titled, "Reconciling History and Hope at 3M's Old Home," the Saint Paul Port Authority's most recent development of the 61-acre abandoned 3M manufacturing site is a redevelopment success story and a testimony to their expertise. Because of the Port Authority's work, the old 3M home has been reborn into a private commercial development, committed to employing local residents with good-paying jobs and an eye towards preserving the local history that complements the city's unique and diverse East side neighborhoods.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to submit this statement for the RECORD commemorating the Saint Paul Port Authority's 80th anniversary, and commending its vital role in promoting economic development and fostering growth in

the Saint Paul areas for the past eight decades.

CONGRATULATING THE KING OF THAILAND ON HIS 85TH BIRTHDAY

HON. HOWARD COBLE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, on December 5, 2012, His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand celebrated his 85th birthday. I would like to take this opportunity to express my well wishes to him and join the people of Thailand in commemorating this important occasion.

King Bhumibol acceded to the throne in Thailand on June 9, 1946. During his reign, Thailand has transformed into a prosperous, modern state, with a strong and growing economy. Thailand today boasts a robust agricultural sector, modernized manufacturing and services industries, and is increasingly becoming an influential participant in the global marketplace. King Bhumibol has played an instrumental leadership role in moving Thailand in this modernizing direction.

King Bhumibol has used his position to advocate for causes such as sustainable, human-centered development. Since the early 1950s, he has helped Thailand modernize by working hard to address critical development issues facing people, particularly those living in remote, rural areas. He travelled to virtually all corners of the country to meet and learn about people's problems and work with them on solutions. In addition to key projects in areas, such as public health, education, environmental preservation, and reforestation, King Bhumibol has specifically been focused on improving agricultural development, applying scientific knowledge to initiate development projects that have helped improve Thailand's agricultural output, and increase the food security and welfare of the Thai people, thereby contributing to the strength of the country's agricultural exports.

His hard work on behalf of the Thai people has not only earned him their love and respect, but the respect of leaders throughout the region and the world.

The end of this year brings much to celebrate. As we celebrate the King's birthday, we look forward to next year's marking the 180th anniversary of the U.S.-Thailand Treaty Alliance. Thailand was the United States first friend in the region and has remained a loyal ally for almost 200 years. President Obama recognized the importance of this partnership in his visit to Thailand in November. After his audience with King Bhumibol, he stated that the King is "a leader of wisdom and dignity who embodies the identity and unity of this nation."

On behalf of the citizens of the Sixth District of North Carolina, we are pleased to congratulate our great friend His Majesty King Bhumibol of Thailand, and on behalf of the people of the United States of America wish him the happiest of 85th birthdays.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, on Wednesday, December 5, 2012 I had a previous engagement that necessitated my involvement. I was speaking to students from Lakeland College during one of their American Government Classes. The Professor's name is Shane Roger and his class was American National Government. I missed procedural votes on the following votes—S. Con. Res. 50, which is a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multi-stakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived; H.R. 6602, which would make revisions in title 36, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current and make technical corrections and improvements; and finally on S. 2367 the 21st Century Language Act of 2012, which removes references to the word "lunatic" from rules of construction of the U.S. Code and banking law provisions concerning: (1) trust powers of banks, and (2) bank consolidations and mergers.

Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on the above stated bills.

A WORK OF ART IN MEMORY OF
ART MODELL AND HIS GIFTS TO
OUR WORLD

HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following.

A WORK OF ART
(By Albert Carey Caswell)

A . . .
A Work of Art this day . . .
A man of faith,
whose fine heart portrayed . . .
Who on this day,
up in Heaven has so found his place . . .
Who in those early days . . .
So helped to set the stage!
For a new league to become all of the
rage . . .
The NFL, as history now so tells!
What so in this man's heart so dwelled . . .
A pioneer so very clear
who a league held up so very dear!
As an innovator,
such a creator who'd so cast his spell . . .
But, In The Game of Life his greatest touch.
Was that he was a man who gave so much!
For Thou Art was of such!
And though most of his life's work . . .
Was so given to and in Ohio first!
To Cleveland and The Cleveland Browns,
as he so gave so many gifts to this blue col-
lar town . . .
Until his heart would burst!
But the hardest break up's of all,
are first love's as we saw!
As there was another blue collar town!
Who so needed Art, so now!
As it was one of those other teams,
that which so made all of The NFL's dreams!
Where Johnny It's U,
brought the NFL into the modern age!
For there has never been any greater NFL
fan's,

than Baltimore's on any given Sunday who
would rock those stands!
As they so invented the word SELL
OUT! . . . understand!
And the way they were cheated was a shame!
When, in came riding on a white horse to
stake his claim . . .
Was a man of such a great heart . . . as
Modell was his name!
And Baltimore may have lost their name,
but in the end regained a team . . .
As Art said, quote The Raven . . .
about losing your team . . . it won't happen
"Never More!"
As a city which once "pondered so weak and
wearily",
"once upon a midnight of Sundays dreary"
over their lost loves for sure!
As all around this State,
suddenly upon each face a smile appeared!
And you know that in the end,
I'm sure for Cleveland he shed a tear!
But, if you really wished to see all in what
Art so believed!
Look to his charities!
For his greatest of all life's work,
was that one that which he would not so
shirk!
Was to give to you and me!
For this man's heart,
In God and Country Tis of Thee so believed!
Living by,
Making The World a better place when you
leave!
As was his selfless motto for all to see!
Now, up in Heaven Art and Vince on angels
wings are watching the games on flat
screen!
So as we now so look back at all of the
facts . . .
Yes Art,
a better world you so left indeed!
As Art,
your life was but a Work of Art for all to see!

EXPRESSION OF CONDOLENCES TO
THE FILIPINO PEOPLE

HON. EDWARD R. ROYCE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. ROYCE. Mr. Speaker, on December 5, 2012, Typhoon Pablo (international name Bopha) swept across the southern Philippines, devastating Mindanao and parts of the Visayas. 450 Filipinos are dead and more than 750 injured or missing. Over 10,000 homes were destroyed and over 300,000 people have been displaced and are seeking shelter at evacuation centers.

I would like to express my deepest condolences to the harmed individuals and families in the Philippines. Given the close relationship the United States has with the Philippines, it is essential that we assist the Filipino people as best as we can in their time of desperate need.

I commend the ongoing rescue and relief efforts. The search for the missing becomes more critical as time progresses and focusing on rebuilding will be the next vital step in helping the Filipino people restore their communities.

Again, I express my sincerest condolences to the Filipino people. As the holiday season approaches, we extend our support as the nation heals from this devastation.

PALM BAY CHRISTMAS
EXTRAVAGANZA

HON. BILL POSEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. POSEY. Mr. Speaker, on December 15, 2012, Palm Bay families, businesses and local community organizations will gather together to celebrate the Fourth Annual Christmas Extravaganza. This wonderful event, which will take place at the Max K. Rodes Park in West Melbourne, will provide an uplifting message of hope during this Christmas season as so many families are still facing difficult challenges.

"The House" of Palm Bay (House of Prayer International), Brevard County Parks & Recreation and their partners have recognized the importance of providing a positive venue for residents and children to celebrate Christmas.

What makes the Christmas Extravaganza so special is that there is no cost to attend—everything is free to the public. From cotton candy and hot dogs, to live music and fun activities for kids, the sponsors of this annual event have committed to serving others during this Christmas season and giving back to their community in order to make a difference in someone's life.

This year, over forty local businesses and organizations have made donations of food, gift certificates, equipment, cash and goodie bags. Toys for Tots donated hundreds of books for local children while police and firemen have volunteered their time. Even "Chagy the Clown", a former Ringling Brothers & Barnum and Bailey Circus clown, will be in attendance.

Pastor Ken Delgado of The House of Palm Bay said, "At this time, especially at this season, when economic difficulty has been rampant, there's only a small window of opportunity to bring out the smiles in children's faces. To see the business community come together and create a venue where families can find hope and joy—it's really an example of the kind of peace and love as expressed to us through the life of Jesus Christ 2000 years ago."

I commend all those who have given so much to make the Annual Christmas Extravaganza possible, and applaud all the communities across our great nation who have seized upon this opportunity to spread the Christmas spirit through good deeds and charitable acts.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday, December 4, 2012 I had a meeting with my constituents from Shelby, Douglas and Cole counties in Illinois and I missed procedural votes on approving the Journal and motion to adjourn. I also missed one Suspension vote on H.R. 6582, which would allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired energy efficiency goals, and to make technical corrections to existing Federal energy efficiency laws to allow

American manufacturers to remain competitive.

Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on the above stated votes.

A TRIBUTE TO HONOR THE LIFE
OF MICHAEL D. NEVIN

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 7, 2012

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a great public servant and longtime friend, Michael D. "Mike" Nevin, a native of San Francisco. He died at the early age of 69 and leaves his wife Kathleen; his sons Mike Nevin Jr. and Tim Nevin; his daughter Michelle Nevin Levine; his father Edward J. Nevin and five grandchildren.

Mike Nevin was a proud American, and a man who loved his native city and his adopted county of San Mateo. He rejoiced in his Irish heritage, and this ancient culture, with its po-

etry of love and loss, which influenced him in his lifelong devotion to helping others less fortunate than he was, and to teaching others to live life as he did, in love, faith, friendship and service.

He had public service in his blood, and his constituents were the beneficiaries. He joined the San Francisco Police Department after graduation from City College and USF, and served with the Department for 27 years. Mike served as a Daly City Planning Commissioner, was elected to the Daly City Council, and was twice the City's Mayor. In 1992 he was elected to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, serving 12 years, and twice as President of the Board. He served on several boards and commissions and received many awards and commendations, including the Citizen of the Year Award from Daly City and the Papal Medal Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice.

Mike Nevin was an ardent and tireless advocate for universal health care, for better transportation, and for a ban on gun shows. He took on unpopular issues and had a vision of how things could be. He was able to lift others up and empower them to work with him in

pursuit of important policies. After learning how marijuana helped relieve the pain of a cancer patient, Mike advocated for medicinal use of the drug. He fought hard to protect funding for mental health services, always fighting for those who are overlooked by society. At the time of his death, Mike was the Executive Director of the Service League, a non-profit organization that provides services to inmates, helping to rebuild their lives and become productive citizens. It was a perfect fit for a man of compassion.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in extending our deepest sympathy to Mike Nevin's family and his wide circle of friends. Former St. Ignatius College Preparatory School, San Francisco, President Anthony P. Sauer, S.J. said "Mike truly was a great man of a marvelous, wonderful, happy, very intelligent, giving, gracious, generous, social justice-oriented Catholic family. We will miss him terribly."

Mike Nevin loved his family, his faith, his community and his country, and he bettered us all by his life of meaning and purpose.

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, December 10, 2012.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 6642–6643; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 144, were introduced. **Page H6679**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H6680**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Harris to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6677**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H6677–78.

Senate Referrals: S. 1947 was referred to the Committees on Agriculture and the Judiciary; S. 3331 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs; S. 3666 was referred to the Committee on Agriculture; S. 3254 was held at the desk. **Page H6678**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine the state-sanctioned marginalization of Christians in Western Europe, focusing on the origins, methods, and implications of such a movement and its relation to religious freedom rights as they are protected in major international human rights agreements, 2 p.m., B318, Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
2 p.m., Monday, December 10

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 noon, Tuesday, December 11

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to exceed beyond 5 p.m.), Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3637, Transaction Account Guarantee Program, and at 5:30 p.m., vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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