

H. RES. 42

Resolved, That the following named Members be and are hereby elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

(1) COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.—Mr. Courtney.

(2) COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET.—Mr. Schrader.

(3) COMMITTEE ON ETHICS.—Mr. Pierluisi, Mr. Capuano, Ms. Clarke, and Mr. Deutch.

(4) COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND GOVERNMENT REFORM.—Mr. Danny K. Davis of Illinois, Mr. Cárdenas, Mr. Horsford, and Ms. Michelle Lujan Grisham of New Mexico.

(5) COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS.—Mr. Barber, Ms. Kuster, and Mr. Murphy of Florida.

(6) COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS.—Mr. Walz.

Mr. BECERRA (during the reading). Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be considered as read and printed in the RECORD.

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

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ADJOURNMENT TO FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 2013

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Friday, January 25, 2013, and when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, January 29, 2013.

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

There was no objection.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to sections 5580 and 5581 of the revised statutes (20 U.S.C. 42-43), and the order of the House of January 3, 2013, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution:

Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Texas

Mr. COLE, Oklahoma

APPOINTMENTS—OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 4(d) of House Resolution 5, 113th Congress, and the order of the House of January 3, 2013, of the following individuals to serve as the Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics:

Nominated by the Speaker with the concurrence of the minority leader:

Mr. Porter J. Goss, Florida, Chairman

Mr. James M. Eagen, III, Colorado

Ms. Allison R. Hayward, Virginia
Mr. Bill Frenzel, Virginia, Alternate
Nominated by the minority leader
with the concurrence of the Speaker:

Mr. David Skaggs, Colorado, Co-Chairman

Mrs. Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, California

Ms. Karan English, Arizona

Mr. Mike Barnes, Maryland, Alternate

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MARCH FOR LIFE

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, Friday marks the annual March for Life, and I look forward to joining the thousands of constituents that will journey to Washington to be the voice of the unborn and champions for their protection. Without abortion, we can only imagine what cures, innovations, and discoveries we would have today from those aborted babies who did not grow up to fulfill the purpose that God had for them.

Our country is founded on the principles of Judeo-Christian ethics, including dignity of human life and life is an unalienable right. If we do not respect and protect the born and the unborn, all other values and morals are meaningless.

The dignity of human life is the first principle of any civilized society. Abortion is contrary to one of the basic foundations in this great Nation of equal rights for all and special exemption for none. Abortion is contrary to the beliefs held by most Americans that it is right and moral to help those who are in need and vulnerable. The innocent unborn are among the most vulnerable.

Thank you to the hundreds of thousands who will be in Washington on Friday to march for this country's most vulnerable, the unborn.

THE PAYCHECK FAIRNESS ACT

(Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the Paycheck Fairness Act, which is being introduced today by its long-time champion, Congresswoman ROSA DELAURIO.

I am proud to join her and my colleagues in supporting this critical legislation which now protects women in the workforce by strengthening the Equal Pay Act by banning retaliation against workers who discuss their wages, helping employees challenge unequal pay and making available remedies for discriminatory practices.

We all know that women make 77 cents for every dollar earned by men.

The number has been repeated often, especially in this House, which has passed Paycheck Fairness twice to correct this injustice.

And in this tough economy, now more than ever before, women are the last line of economic defense for themselves and their children, working to keep a roof over their family's heads and food on the table.

That is why we need the Paycheck Fairness Act without delay. It is time for the Congress to act and give women a fighting chance to receive fair pay for their hard work. It's time to get this legislation to the President's desk.

NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK

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

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize National School Choice Week, which has grown from 200 organizations and 150 events in 2011 to 500 organizations and more than 3,500 events this year.

National School Choice Week highlights the benefits of school choice and the need to provide meaningful school options to students and families across this country. The school choice movement is based on one essential truth: that when parents have a choice, kids have an opportunity. School choice programs empower parents so they can send their kids to schools that best meet their needs.

As the former president of School Choice Indiana, I am proud of the more than 10,000 Hoosier children who have better opportunities today because of Indiana's school choice programs. Those programs work, and I will work for their continued expansion as a member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

Mr. Speaker, school choice is an idea that transcends ideology and party affiliation, providing opportunities that every child deserves.

EXPORT LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS

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

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, there is good news about energy. We have untapped natural resources here at home. In the United States, we have natural gas that can be turned into liquefied natural gas. Other nations don't have this. We have so much natural gas that we can export it by selling it as LNG. Not only will exporting LNG bring money and energy back home; it will create jobs. This means jobs and capital for Americans and American companies.

Even the Department of Energy says that expanded export of LNG will benefit the United States economy. In 2010, the oil and natural gas industry added \$476 billion to our economy. To