provisional ballots will not alter the outcome of this special election.

To the best of our knowledge, there is no pending litigation that would alter the outcome of this contest.

As soon as official results are certified to this office by the boroughs of Richmond and Kings in the City of New York, constituting the 11th Congressional District, our official Certification of Election will be prepared and transmitted, as required by law.

Sincerely,
ROBERT A. BREHM
TODD D. VALENTINE.

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SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE DANIEL M. DONOVAN, JR., OF NEW YORK, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from New York, the Honorable Daniel M. Donovan, Jr., be permitted to take the oath of office today.

His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. Will Representative-elect Donovan and the members of the New York delegation present themselves in the well.

All Members will rise and the Representative-elect please raise his right hand.

Mr. DONOVAN appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations, you are now a Member of the 114th Congress.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from New York (Mr. DONOVAN), the whole number of the House is 433.

REGULATORY INTEGRITY PROTECTION ACT OF 2015

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to House Resolution 231 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 1732. Will the gentleman from Iowa (Mr. YOUNG) kindly resume the chair.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1732) to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States, and for other purposes, with Mr. Young of Iowa in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Chair. The Committee of the Whole rose earlier today, amendment No. 2 printed in part B of House Report 114–98 offered by the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. KILDEE) had been disposed of.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 OFFERED BY MS. EDWARDS

The CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, the unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Maryland (Ms. EDWARDS) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The CHAIR. This will be a 2-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 167, noes 248, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 217]