

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SMUCKER). Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY NEBRASKA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2017, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Nebraska (Mr. FORTENBERRY) for 30 minutes.

Mr. FORTENBERRY. Mr. Speaker, for 150 years now, Nebraska has held a special place in the history of America. We Nebraskans rightly pride ourselves on the values of hard work, on the values of community life, on the proper value of the good stewardship of our precious resources. The mystique of the Great Plains, the nobility of the family farm, and the vibrancy of our people create the conditions for the good life.

Our story is one of strength, it is one of dignity, and I am proud to celebrate our 150th anniversary.

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Mr. Speaker, a number of years ago, a gift of land donation enabled the expansion of the Homestead National Monument, which is near Beatrice, Nebraska. Run by the National Park Service, their personnel were kind enough to invite me to the dedication ceremony; and during that event, a young woman who was from a seventhgeneration farm family—in high school at that time, as I recall—got up to speak. She gave a beautiful talk about our Nebraska values, our connectedness to the land, the deeper meaning of living on the plains, and the ideal of maintaining the continuity of family

Her remarks, Mr. Speaker, moved me so much that I literally tossed my own speech aside and spoke off the cuff, and I said something like this: Perhaps it was on a day just like this where that settler family came over the hill there, and they looked at the great expansion of the plains before them.

Perhaps that day they felt the warm, spring sun on their cheeks, and they heard the chirp of the western meadowlark in the air, and they watched as the beautiful bluestem prairie grass swayed in the wind. Perhaps it was then that they made their decision: We stay right here. Nebraska will be our home.

Mr. Speaker, when I finished that, I was very proud of myself, so I sat down. And then the next speaker came up, another political figure, and he had this to say: Well, my family came here because they were horse thieves. We all shared a little laugh, but really, Mr. Speaker, Nebraska's colorful history and droll wit were simultaneously captured in that moment.

Nebraska's official motto is "Equality before the law," but our unofficial

motto is "Nebraska nice." It is true. Nebraskans are generally nice. But beneath that friendly veneer is an unmistakable, unvarnished realism.

Nebraskans have a unique ability to look at a situation and size it up accurately, if often humorously. "Git r done" is an often-used phrase that I think can be safely attributable to us.

Now, sometimes, Mr. Speaker, Nebraska has been pejoratively described in the popular imagination of our country, first as the "Great American Desert" because it was thought that nothing would grow there. Today, we have the largest amount of acreage under irrigation in the country, including the fact that we are the largest grower of popcorn in America. We are a leader in livestock production and multiple types of commodity production, as well as specialty crops.

We were sometimes castigated as "flyover country." I hear that around here sometimes, that is, until you come to Nebraska and realize that it is a wonderful place to live and to work and to raise a family relatively free from crime, except even horse thieves, congestion, as well as pollution.

Nebraska has, routinely, the highest graduation rate in the country and the lowest unemployment rate in the coun-

And, though, in true Nebraska fashion, self-effacing Cornhuskers would cringe at the term, we have had our fair share of celebrities as well, including Father Ed Flanagan, who founded Boys Town, now known as Boys Town and Girls Town; Civil Rights pioneers, Chief Standing Bear being one of the most prominent; Malcolm X; authors Mari Sandoz and Willa Cather; professional athletes Bob Gibson and Gale Sayers; and entertainers, Henry Fonda, Marlon Brando, Montgomery Clift, Johnny Carson, and Dick Cavett.

Moreover, Mr. Speaker, our singular, unicameral legislature is a model for bipartisanship and frugality. And I would be remiss if I didn't say our runit-up-the-gut offense with a few option twists, it may not have been flashy, but it helped the University of Nebras-ka's football team win five national championships.

I am proud to serve in the United States congressional seat once held by Williams Jennings Bryan, who along with Senator George Norris perhaps are the most famous, though controversial in some ways, politicians in our State's history.

As we celebrate the 150th anniversary of Nebraska's admission to the United States of America—by the way, the first State admitted after the Civil War—I recall Representative Bryan's words from over 100 years ago. It is a quote that actually is outside of our football stadium, known as Memorial Stadium, on Tom and Nancy Osborne Field. It says this: "Destiny is no matter of chance. It is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved."

And perhaps, Mr. Speaker, we can add to that quote today: And that the choice to be good makes the destiny arrive well.

Happy birthday, Nebraska.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. FORTENBERRY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 37 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, March 2, 2017, at 9 a.m.

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. DEFAZIO (for himself and Mr. Massie):

H.R. 1265. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to make modifications to the passenger facility charge program administered by the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER (for himself and Mr. BUCHANAN):

H.R. 1266. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to assist units of local government in developing and implementing plans, known as Vision Zero plans, to eliminate transportation-related fatalities and serious injuries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SMITH of Missouri (for himself, Mr. KIND, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. BISHOP of Michigan, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. SESSIONS, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Ms. SINEMA):

H.R. 1267. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat certain amounts paid for physical activity, fitness, and exercise as amounts paid for medical care; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SMITH of Nebraska (for himself, Mr. Kind, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Yoho, Mr. Abraham, Ms. Jenkins of Kansas, Ms. Brownley of California, Ms. Delbene, Mr. Garamendi, Mr. Harper, Mr. Loebsack, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Rogers of Alabama, Mr. Rodney Davis of Illinois, and Mrs. Davis of California):

H.R. 1268. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an exclusion for assistance provided to participants in certain veterinary student loan repayment or forgiveness programs; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LAMALFA (for himself and Mr. GARAMENDI):

H.R. 1269. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take actions to support non-Federal investments in water infrastructure improvements in the Sacramento Valley, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. NADLER (for himself and Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER):

H.R. 1270. A bill to promote and protect from discrimination living organ donors; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, House Administration, Education and the Workforce, and Financial Services, 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. JOHNSON of Ohio (for himself and Ms. MATSUI):

H.R. 1271. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to prevent the abuse of dextromethorphan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. RUSH:

H.R. 1272. A bill to provide for the expeditious disclosure of records related to civil rights cold cases, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. NEWHOUSE (for himself, Mr. Gosar, Mr. Pearce, Mr. Harper, Mr. Cramer, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Chaffetz, and Mr. Tipton):
H.R. 1273. A bill to amend the Endangered

H.R. 1273. A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to require publication of the basis for determinations that species are endangered species or threatened species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. NEWHOUSE (for himself, Mr. TIPTON, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. HARPER, Mr. YOHO, Mr. JONES, Mr. MARSHALL, and Mr. CRAMER):

H.R. 1274. A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to require making available to States affected by determinations that species are endangered species or threatened species all data that is the basis of such determinations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. SESSIONS:

H.R. 1275. A bill to eliminate the individual and employer health coverage mandates under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, to expand beyond that Act the choices in obtaining and financing affordable health insurance coverage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Education and the Workforce, 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.

Ny Ms. ADAMS (for herself, Mr. McGovern, Ms. Fudge, Ms. DeLauro, Mr. Evans, Ms. Plaskett, Ms. Delbene, Ms. Norton, Ms. Kaptur, Ms. Lee, Mr. Larsen of Washington, Ms. Velázquez, Mr. Hastings, Mr. Cicilline, Ms. Moore, Mr. Conyers, Ms. Shea-Porter, Mr. Deutch, Mr. Grijalva, Mr. Meeks, Mr. Norcross, Ms. Jackson Lee, Mr. Butterfield, Mrs. Watson Coleman, Mr. Rush, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Cohen, Ms. Clarke of New York, Mr. Lewis of Georgia, Ms. Jayapal, and Mr. Langevin):

H.R. 1276. A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to require that supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits be calculated with reference to the cost of the low-cost food plan as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN:

H.R. 1277. A bill to permit indefinite extensions for certain previously extended Medicaid managed care waivers; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ESPAILLAT (for himself, Mr. Schneider, Mrs. Watson Coleman, Ms. Norton, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Raskin, Mr. Deutch, Mr. Blumenauer, Mr. Cicilline, Mr. Gutiérrez, Ms. Velázquez, Mr. Cárdenas, and Mr. Swalwell of California):

H.R. 1278. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to require firearm assembly kits to be considered to be firearms; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. ESTY (for herself, Mr. King of New York, Ms. McCollum, and Mr. Costello of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 1279. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish within the Department of Veterans Affairs a center of excellence in the prevention, diagnosis, mitigation, treatment, and rehabilitation of health conditions relating to exposure to burn pits; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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. FORTENBERRY:

H.R. 1280. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the maximum contribution limit for health savings accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN:

H.R. 1281. A bill to extend the authorization of the Highlands Conservation Act; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. GARRETT (for himself and Mr. McCaul):

H.R. 1282. A bill to amend the Homeland Security of 2002 to establish Acquistion Review Boards in the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. HULTGREN (for himself, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, and Mr. MESSER):

H.R. 1283. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require the disclosure of the annual percentage rates applicable to Federal student loans; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. JENKINS of Kansas (for herself and Mr. THOMPSON of California):

H.R. 1284. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the recognition of attending physician assistants as attending physicians to serve hospice patients, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. KILMER:

H.R. 1285. A bill to designate and expand wilderness areas in Olympic National Forest in the State of Washington, and to designate certain rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park as wild and scenic rivers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. KIND:

H.R. 1286. A bill to require the Secretary of Education to use the excess revenue generated from the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program to carry out the Federal Pell Grant Program; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI (for himself, Mr. Blumenauer, Mr. Grijalva,

Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN. SWALWELL California, of ESPAILLAT, Ms. LEE, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. NADLER, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. Frankel of Florida, Mr. Veasey, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. QUIGLEY, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. CORREA, Mr. PERL-MUTTER, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Mr. Serrano, Mr. Keating, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. Tonko, Mr. Price of North Carolina, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. PETER-SON, Mr. VELA, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. CLARK of Massachu-O'HALLERAN, setts. Mr. PLASKETT, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mr. Peters, Mr. Gonzalez of Texas, Mr. Brown of Maryland, Mr. Danny K. Davis of Illinois, Mrs. Torres, Mr. PANETTA, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. THOMP-SON of California, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. Nolan, Mr. Evans, Mr. Suozzi, Ms. California, BROWNLEY of Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. CLAY, Mr. NEAL, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. Garamendi, Ms. Hanabusa, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Brendan F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, MCEACHIN, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. Welch, Ms. Barragán, and Mrs. Bustos)

H.R. 1287. A bill to require that any Executive order be published on the White House website not less than 72 hours before the Executive order is signed; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire (for herself, Mr. Garamendi, Ms. Clark of Massachusetts, Mr. Grijalva, and Mr. Sean Patrick Maloney of New York):

H.R. 1288. A bill to direct the Secretary of Education to carry out a grant program for early childhood STEM activities; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. LEE (for herself, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. BORDALLO, Miss RICE of New York, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. DINGELL, and Mr. SOTO):

H.R. 1289. A bill to establish the Social Work Reinvestment Commission to provide independent counsel to Congress and the Secretary of Health and Human Services on policy issues related to recruitment, retention, research, and reinvestment in the profession of social work, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. LEE (for herself, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. McCOLLUM, and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H.R. 1290. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to mental health services under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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 Ms. NORTON (for herself, Ms. Adams, Ms. Bass, Mrs. Beatty, Mr. Beyer, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Mr. Blumenauer, Ms. Bonamici, Ms. Bordallo, Mr. Brady of Pennsylvania, Mr. Brown of Maryland, Ms. Brownley of California, Mr. Butterfield, Mr. Carson of Indiana, Mr. Cartwright, Ms. Judy Chu of California, Mr. Cartwright, Ms. Judy Chu of California, Mr. Cicilline, Ms. Clark of Massachusetts, Ms. Clarke of New

York, Mr. Clay, Mr. Cleaver, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. COHEN, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Courtney, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DANNY K. Davis of Illinois, Mr. Defazio, Ms. Mr. DEGETTE. Delaney. Mr. DESAULNIER, DELAURO, DEUTCH, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. ESHOO, Ms. Frankel of Florida, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. AL GREEN Texas, Mr. GRIJALVA, of Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Ms. HANABUSA, Mr. HAS-TINGS, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. JEFFRIES, Ms. EDDIE BER-NICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. KILMER, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Ms. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. LIPINSKI. Ms. Lofgren. Mr. Lowenthal, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Ms. McCollum, Mr. McGovern, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. MOORE, Mr. Nadler, Mrs. Napolitano, Mr. Nolan, Mr. O'Rourke, Mr. Pallone, Mr. Pascrell, Mr. Payne, Mr. Perl-MUTTER, Mr. PETERS, Ms. PLASKETT, Mr. Pocan, Mr. Polis, Mr. Price of North Carolina, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. RUSH, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. SABLAN, Ms. Sánchez, Mr. Sarbanes, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. Slaughter, Ms. Speier, Mr. Takano, Mr. Thompson of Mississippi, Mr. Tonko, Ms. Tsongas, VARGAS, Mr. VEASEY, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. WALZ, WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. WELCH, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. QUIGLEY, and Mr. LARSEN of Washington):

H.R. 1291. A bill to provide for the admission of the State of Washington, D.C. into the Union; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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. POSEY (for himself, Mr. THOMAS J. ROONEY of Florida, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, and Mr. TROTT):

H.R. 1292. A bill to amend the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 to allow for the use of certain assets of foreign persons and entities to satisfy certain judgments against terrorist parties, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROSS:

H.R. 1293. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to require that the Office of Personnel Management submit an annual report to Congress relating to the use of official time by Federal employees; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. RUTHERFORD (for himself and Mr. McCaul):

Mr. McCaul):
H.R. 1294. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for congressional notification regarding major acquisition program breaches, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. SIRES (for himself and Mr. Young of Iowa):

H.R. 1295. A bill to amend the Peace Corps Act to allow former volunteers and officers and employees to use the seal, emblem, or name of Peace Corps on death announcements and grave stones; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. TIBERI (for himself, Mr. NEAL, Mr. RENACCI, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. KIND, and Mrs. BEATTY):

H.R. 1296. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide appropriate rules for the application of the deduction for income attributable to domestic production activities with respect to certain contract manufacturing or production arrangements; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN:

H.R. 1297. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make technical corrections to the requirement that the Secretary of Homeland Security submit quadrennial homeland security reviews, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. WENSTRUP (for himself and Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois):

H.R. 1298. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to cover screening computed tomography colonography as a colorectal cancer screening test under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. LEWIS of Minnesota:

H.J. Res. 84. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Transportation relating to "Metropolitan Planning Organization Coordination and Planning Area Reform"; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. GALLAGHER (for himself and Mr. Johnson of Louisiana):

H.J. Res. 85. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States limiting the number of terms Senators and Representatives may serve; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FORTENBERRY (for himself, Mr. Smith of Nebraska, and Mr. BACON):

H. Con. Res. 32. Concurrent resolution congratulating the State of Nebraska on the 150th anniversary of the admission of that State into the United States; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. CICILLINE (for himself, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE OF PENNSYIVANIA, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. POCAN, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM OF NEW MEXICO, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. PINGREE, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. COHEN, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. TITUS, and Ms. SLAUGHTER):

H. Res. 160. A resolution amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to establish a Permanent Select Committee on Aging; to the Committee on Rules.

By Ms. FUDGE (for herself and Mr. TIBERI):

H. Res. 161. A resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, the world's largest organization of food and nutrition professionals; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. HUFFMAN (for himself, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. BROWNLEY of California,

Ms. Clark of Massachusetts, CLARKE of New York, Mr. COHEN, Mr. Mr.DELANEY, Conyers. Mr. DESAULNIER, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. ELLISON, Donovan, Mr. Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. EVANS, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mr. HIMES, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. JENKINS of West Virginia, Ms. JENKINS of Kansas, Mr. Jones, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. KNIGHT, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Ms. LEE, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. MENG, Ms. MOORE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PA-NETTA, Mr. PETERS, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUSH, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Ms. Shea-Porter, Ms. Slaughter, Mr. Smith of Nebraska, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. TAKANO. Ms. TITUS, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mrs. Torres, Mr. Vargas, Ms. Velázquez, Mr. Walz, Ms. Wasserman Schultz, Mr. Yarmuth, and Mr. FARENTHOLD):

H. Res. 162. A resolution expressing support for designation of March 21, 2017, as "National Rosie the Riveter Day"; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. PAYNE:

H. Res. 163. A resolution supporting the designation of March 2017, as National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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. DeFAZIO:

H.R. 1265.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1, Clause 3, and Clause 18 of the Constitution.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 1266.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

By Mr. SMITH of Missouri:

H.R. 1267.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. SMITH of Nebraska:

H.R. 1268.

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

Article I, Section 8: The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts, and Excises . . .

By Mr. LAMALFA:

H.R. 1269.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution grants Congress the authority to regulate commerce between the states and has previously been recognized as authorizing the Bureau of Reclamation, which this bill addresses.

By Mr. NADLER:

H.R. 1270.

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

Clauses 3 and 18 of Article 1 Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution $\,$