

**SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE JIMMY GOMEZ, OF CALIFORNIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE**

The SPEAKER. Will Representative-elect Gomez and the members of the California delegation present themselves in the well.

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

Mr. GOMEZ 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 same; 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 115th Congress.

**WELCOMING THE HONORABLE JIMMY GOMEZ TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. MAXINE WATERS) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Democratic delegation of California, I am so very pleased to welcome the newest member of the California delegation, Congressman JIMMY GOMEZ.

Congressman GOMEZ will represent the people of the 34th Congressional District.

Congressman GOMEZ was elected to the California State Assembly in 2012 and reelected in 2014, and most recently in 2016, with over 86 percent of the vote, to represent California's 51st assembly district.

In the assembly, Congressman GOMEZ was a national champion of paid family leave. Congressman GOMEZ authored and passed legislation, Assembly Bill 908, the Nation's most progressive expansion of paid family leave, that President Obama held as a model for Congress.

JIMMY also authored legislation to address public health, environmental justice, water conservation, and access to education.

We are all looking forward to Representative GOMEZ expanding and continuing his work in the United States Congress. I hope Members will all join me in welcoming him to Congress.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from California (Mr. GOMEZ).

Mr. GOMEZ. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank everyone for the warm welcome.

I also want to thank Majority Leader KEVIN MCCARTHY for all the attention he has given me for the past several weeks. Thank you so much.

I am truly honored to be here and to be joined by my mother, Socorro; my

brother, Gerry; my mother-in-law, Sally; and, of course, my amazing wife, Mary.

My approach to public policy, politics, and government is shaped by the experiences of my family and of my community. As the son of immigrants who believes in this country and everything it promises, I am a living embodiment of that promise. I have a profound commitment to protecting the rights of immigrants no matter where they are from and no matter what God they worship.

I am also a fighter for universal healthcare, because when I was 7 years old, I ended up in the hospital with pneumonia, and that 1-week stay in the hospital almost bankrupted my family.

I also believe that young people from working families should have access to debt-free education, because I know from my own personal experience that a high school degree is not always enough, and that is why a higher education can actually transform an individual's life.

I believe everyone deserves access to clean air and clean water and that climate change has exacerbated that challenge.

And lastly, I don't believe in the hype and the false divides that progressives can't be for working families and for families from all over America.

To the people of the 34th Congressional District, I know why they sent me to Congress. They want me to fight for our families, our State, and our values, and I will do that every single day, and I won't let them down.

**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 California, the whole number of the House is 434.

**JOHN MUIR NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE EXPANSION ACT**

The SPEAKER. Without objection, 5-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1719) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 44 acres of land in Martinez, California, and for other purposes, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. LAHOOD) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 401, nays 15, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 346]

YEAS—401

Abraham	Denham	Kennedy
Adams	Dent	Khanna
Aderholt	DeSantis	Kihuen
Aguilar	DeSaulnier	Kildee
Allen	DesJarlais	Kilmer
Amodei	Deutch	Kind
Arrington	Diaz-Balart	King (IA)
Bacon	Dingell	King (NY)
Banks (IN)	Doggett	Kinzinger
Barletta	Donovan	Knight
Barr	Doyle, Michael	Krishnamoorthi
Barragán	F.	Kuster (NH)
Barton	Duffy	Kustoff (TN)
Bass	Duncan (SC)	Labrador
Beatty	Dunn	LaHood
Bera	Ellison	LaMalfa
Bergman	Emmer	Lamborn
Beyer	Engel	Lance
Bilirakis	Eshoo	Langevin
Bishop (GA)	Espallat	Larsen (WA)
Bishop (MI)	Estes (KS)	Larson (CT)
Bishop (UT)	Esty (CT)	Latta
Black	Evans	Lawrence
Blackburn	Farenthold	Lawson (FL)
Blum	Faso	Lee
Blumenauer	Ferguson	Levin
Blunt Rochester	Fitzpatrick	Lewis (GA)
Bonamici	Fleischmann	Lewis (MN)
Bost	Flores	Lipinski
Boyle, Brendan	Fortenberry	LoBiondo
F.	Foster	Loeb sack
Brady (PA)	Fox	Lofgren
Brady (TX)	Frankel (FL)	Long
Bridenstine	Franks (AZ)	Loudermilk
Brooks (AL)	Frelinghuysen	Love
Brooks (IN)	Fudge	Lowenthal
Brown (MD)	Gabbard	Lowey
Brownley (CA)	Gaetz	Lucas
Buchanan	Gallagher	Luetkemeyer
Buck	Gallego	Lujan Grisham,
Bucshon	Garamendi	M.
Burgess	Gianforte	Luján, Ben Ray
Bustos	Gibbs	Lynch
Byrne	Gohmert	MacArthur
Calvert	Gomez	Maloney,
Capuano	Gonzalez (TX)	Carolyn B.
Carbajal	Goodlatte	Maloney, Sean
Cárdenas	Gottheimer	Marchant
Carson (IN)	Gowdy	Marino
Carter (GA)	Granger	Marshall
Carter (TX)	Graves (GA)	Mast
Cartwright	Graves (LA)	Matsui
Castor (FL)	Graves (MO)	McCarthy
Castro (TX)	Green, Al	McCaul
Chabot	Green, Gene	McClintock
Cheney	Grijalva	McCollum
Chu, Judy	Grothman	McEachin
Ciilline	Guthrie	McGovern
Clark (MA)	Hanabusa	McHenry
Clarke (NY)	Handel	McKinley
Clay	Harper	McMorris
Cleaver	Hartzler	Rodgers
Clyburn	Hastings	McNerney
Coffman	Heck	McSally
Cohen	Hensarling	Meadows
Cole	Herrera Beutler	Meehan
Collins (GA)	Hice, Jody B.	Meeks
Collins (NY)	Higgins (LA)	Meng
Comer	Higgins (NY)	Messer
Comstock	Hill	Mitchell
Conaway	Himes	Moolenaar
Connolly	Holding	Moulton
Conyers	Hollingsworth	Mullin
Cook	Hoyer	Murphy (FL)
Cooper	Hudson	Murphy (PA)
Correa	Huffman	Nadler
Costa	Huizenga	Neal
Costello (PA)	Hultgren	Newhouse
Courtney	Hunter	Noem
Cramer	Issa	Nolan
Crawford	Jackson Lee	Norcross
Crist	Jayapal	Norman
Crowley	Jeffries	Nunes
Cuellar	Jenkins (KS)	O'Halleran
Culberson	Jenkins (WV)	O'Rourke
Curbelo (FL)	Johnson (GA)	Olson
Davidson	Johnson (LA)	Palazzo
Davis (CA)	Johnson (OH)	Pallone
Davis, Danny	Johnson, E. B.	Palmer
Davis, Rodney	Joyce (OH)	Panetta
DeFazio	Kaptur	Pascrell
DeGette	Katko	Paulsen
Delaney	Keating	Payne
DeLauro	Kelly (IL)	Pelosi
DeBene	Kelly (MS)	Perry
Demings	Kelly (PA)	Peters

Peterson	Schiff	Tipton
Pingree	Schneider	Tonko
Pittenger	Schrader	Torres
Pocan	Schweikert	Trott
Poe (TX)	Scott (VA)	Tsongas
Poliquin	Scott, Austin	Turner
Polis	Scott, David	Upton
Posey	Sensenbrenner	Valadao
Price (NC)	Serrano	Vargas
Quigley	Sessions	Veasey
Ratcliffe	Sewell (AL)	Vela
Reed	Shea-Porter	Velázquez
Reichert	Sherman	Visclosky
Renacci	Shinkus	Wagner
Rice (NY)	Shuster	Walberg
Rice (SC)	Simpson	Walden
Richmond	Sinema	Walker
Roby	Sires	Walorski
Roe (TN)	Slaughter	Walters, Mimi
Rogers (AL)	Smith (MO)	Walz
Rogers (KY)	Smith (NE)	Wasserman
Rokita	Smith (NJ)	Schultz
Rooney, Francis	Smith (TX)	Waters, Maxine
Ros-Lehtinen	Smith (WA)	Watson Coleman
Rosen	Smucker	Webster (FL)
Roskam	Soto	Welch
Ross	Speler	Westrup
Rothfus	Stefanik	Westerman
Roybal-Allard	Stewart	Williams
Royce (CA)	Stivers	Wilson (FL)
Ruiz	Suozzi	Wilson (SC)
Ruppersberger	Swalwell (CA)	Wittman
Rush	Takano	Womack
Russell	Taylor	Woodall
Rutherford	Tenney	Yarmuth
Ryan (OH)	Thompson (CA)	Yoder
Sánchez	Thompson (MS)	Young (AK)
Sanford	Thompson (PA)	Young (IA)
Sarbanes	Thornberry	Zeldin
Schakowsky	Tiberi	

## NAYS—15

Amash	Garrett	Massie
Babin	Griffith	Mooney (WV)
Biggs	Harris	Rouzer
Brat	Jones	Weber (TX)
Budd	Jordan	Yoho

## NOT VOTING—17

Butterfield	Johnson, Sam	Raskin
Cummings	Lieu, Ted	Rohrabacher
Duncan (TN)	Moore	Rooney, Thomas
Gosar	Napolitano	J.
Gutiérrez	Pearce	Scalise
Hurd	Perlmutter	Titus

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE  
The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CARTER of Georgia) (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining.

## □ 1910

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: "A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 44 acres of land in Martinez, California, for inclusion in the John Muir National Historic Site, and for other purposes."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. HURD. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 345, and "yea" on rollcall No. 346.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, I attended the funeral of a close family member and was unable to fly back to the Capitol in time for votes today. Had I been present to vote, I would have voted "yea" on H.R. 1397, To authorize, direct, facilitate, and expedite the transfer of administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal land, and for other purposes, and "yea" on H.R. 1719, the John Muir National Historic Site Expansion Act.

# PERMISSION FOR MEMBER TO BE CONSIDERED AS FIRST SPONSOR OF H.R. 622

Mr. STEWART. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that I may hereafter be considered to be the first sponsor of H.R. 622, a bill originally introduced by Representative Chaffetz of Utah, for the purposes of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII.

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

There was no objection.

# PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ON H.R. 2810, NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018

Mr. THORNBERRY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to file a supplemental report on the bill, H.R. 2810.

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

There was no objection.

# VENEZUELA

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, for more than 10 days, the Venezuelan people have been courageously protesting peacefully on the streets against the abusive regime of Nicolas Maduro.

Since June, more than 1,400 people have been injured, over 3,600 have been detained, and over 100 people have been killed by Maduro's thugs.

Just days ago, Maduro moved opposition leader Leopoldo Lopez to house arrest after more than 3 unjust years in prison. But this diversion tactic is not enough. All political prisoners must be released.

Maduro's fraudulent constituent assembly must be stopped. And more names must be added to the sanctions list, especially those human rights abusers who are responsible for the violent actions against innocent civilians.

This will send a strong message that the United States stands with the people in their struggle for democracy and for justice for all Venezuelans.

# UTILIZING UAS FOR INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE AND DISASTER RELIEF

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

Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, during the full committee markup of the fis-

cal year 2018 National Defense Authorization Act, the House Armed Services Committee came together to produce a strong bipartisan bill that will ensure investment in and oversight of our military. We also recognized how valuable the Department is to international humanitarian assistance and disaster relief efforts as well.

During markup, I offered an amendment that will require the Department to assess the viability of unmanned aircraft systems in support of international humanitarian aid missions. Although it is well understood that the DOD has operated UAS platforms effectively for over a decade in offensive roles, I believe it is also important we recognize the capabilities of UAS platforms to increase the speed and quality of response forces providing disaster relief and medical assistance to those suffering around the world. Think of critical disaster efforts, whereby vital medicine and supplies are needed quickly. UAS could very well make all the difference between life and death.

I am pleased that this amendment was adopted during markup, and I thank my colleagues for their support of this endeavor.

## □ 1915

# OFFICER DOWN: MIOSOTIS FAMILIA

(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, as fireworks boomed in the sky above the Bronx, 48-year-old law officer Miosotis Familia sat in a mobile command unit. She was a good officer.

Known for her no-nonsense approach to law enforcement, she was friendly with the neighborhood, spoke Spanish, and was always quick with a smile and a wave. But suddenly, an evil outlaw appeared at her window and, with a heart fatally bent on mischief, pointed a .38-caliber revolver through the window and pulled the trigger, cold-bloodedly murdering Officer Familia.

She wore the uniform with the badge, the shield over her heart.

Officer Familia was one of 10 siblings from an immigrant family from the Dominican Republic, and she had three children of her own.

Our men and women in blue are being targeted, gunned down for simply wearing the uniform, gunned down by the scourge that prey on the police.

Congress should take action and protect those who serve our Nation every day, all day, on the streets of America. Senator CORNYN and I have introduced the Back the Blue Act of 2017, which increases the penalties for the soulless criminals who intentionally target the law enforcement community.

Peace officers are the last strand of wire in the fence between the law and the lawless, between good and evil.

Taps has been played for the end of watch for Officer Familia. Her life may