

lives. It is our solemn responsibility as a country to stand by them, to ensure that they receive the care and the services and the respect that they have earned and that they deserve through their service.

So the fact that, today, a veteran or a Gold Star family member who wants to use a national war memorial for a special event—whether it is a vigil, a religious service, a parade, or any other kind of event—is slapped with an application fee by the National Park Service costing anywhere from \$70 to over \$100 is, frankly, unacceptable.

Our war memorials are often a place of healing, a place where our brothers and sisters in uniform, our fellow veterans, gather to remember those whom they served with who never made that trip home, for Gold Star family members to go and pay homage to and share new memories with their loved one that has been lost. This is a gathering place that is so important both for those who have served and those who remember and honor those who have sacrificed everything. It is unacceptable that our Nation's heroes have to pay a fee to honor our fallen brothers and sisters in this way. This legislation is necessary, and we have the opportunity to get it passed today.

I appreciate the leadership of my colleague from Pennsylvania (Mr. ROTHFUS), someone who I know personally is deeply committed to serving and honoring our veterans and never forgetting the cost of war and who pays the price.

We introduced this legislation to waive the application fee for veterans and Gold Star families applying for a permit at war memorials on Federal land because this legislation honors the special bond between veterans that spans across conflicts and generations that we see displayed in this country, most prominently on Veterans Day and Memorial Day, but something that goes on throughout the year. We must continue to honor this into the future.

This simple change in this legislation will lift this financial and bureaucratic burden that our veterans face as they pay their respects, remember the lives and sacrifices of their friends, and our Gold Star family members of their loved ones.

I want to thank the men and women of the National Park Service who work to make sure that our war memorials are kept up and reflective places for healing, and I thank my colleague for his leadership and the support of the committee to bring this bill to the floor today. I urge my colleagues to support its passage.

Mr. BISHOP of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I have no more speakers, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, we have no more speakers, but may I add that I agree with what Ms. GABBARD said. It is unnecessary to bill any kind of fee to our veterans or the organizations that honor them.

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

Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I urge adoption, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Utah (Mr. BISHOP) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3997, as amended.

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

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 40 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. REED) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 5005, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 2991, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 5655, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY OF JAMES WELDON JOHNSON BIRTHPLACE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5005) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing the birthplace of James Weldon Johnson in Jacksonville, Florida, as a unit of the National Park System, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Utah (Mr. BISHOP) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 374, nays 5, not voting 48, as follows:

[Roll No. 231]

YEAS—374

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| Abraham | Doggett | Kustoff (TN) |
| Adams | Donovan | Labrador |
| Aderholt | Doyle, Michael | LaHood |
| Aguilar | F. | LaMalfa |
| Allen | Duffy | Lamb |
| Amodei | Duncan (SC) | Lamborn |
| Arrington | Dunn | Lance |
| Babin | Emmer | Langevin |
| Bacon | Engel | Larsen (WA) |
| Banks (IN) | Eshoo | Larson (CT) |
| Barletta | Espallat | Latta |
| Barr | Estes (KS) | Lawrence |
| Barton | Esty (CT) | Lawson (FL) |
| Bera | Evans | Lee |
| Bergman | Faso | Lesko |
| Beyer | Ferguson | Levin |
| Bishop (GA) | Fitzpatrick | Lewis (GA) |
| Bishop (MI) | Fleischmann | Lewis (MN) |
| Bishop (UT) | Flores | Lipinski |
| Black | Fortenberry | LoBiondo |
| Blackburn | Foster | Loebach |
| Blum | Fox | Lofgren |
| Blumenauer | Frankel (FL) | Long |
| Blunt Rochester | Frelinghuysen | Loudermilk |
| Bonamici | Fudge | Love |
| Bost | Gabbard | Lowenthal |
| Boyle, Brendan | Gallagher | Lowe |
| F. | Gallego | Lucas |
| Brady (TX) | Garamendi | Luetkemeyer |
| Brat | Garrett | Lujan, Ben Ray |
| Brooks (IN) | Gianforte | Lynch |
| Brown (MD) | Gibbs | MacArthur |
| Buchanan | Gohmert | Maloney, |
| Buck | Goodlatte | Carolyn B. |
| Bucshon | Gosar | Maloney, Sean |
| Budd | Gottheimer | Marchant |
| Burgess | Granger | Marino |
| Bustos | Graves (GA) | Marshall |
| Byrne | Graves (LA) | Mast |
| Calvert | Graves (MO) | Matsui |
| Capuano | Green, Al | McCarthy |
| Carbajal | Green, Gene | McCaul |
| Carson (IN) | Griffith | McClintock |
| Carter (GA) | Grijalva | McCollum |
| Carter (TX) | Grothman | McEeachin |
| Cartwright | Guthrie | McGovern |
| Castor (FL) | Hanabusa | McHenry |
| Castro (TX) | Handel | McMorris |
| Chabot | Harper | Rodgers |
| Cheney | Hartzler | McSally |
| Chu, Judy | Hastings | Meadows |
| Cicilline | Heck | Meeks |
| Clark (MA) | Hensarling | Meng |
| Clarke (NY) | Herrera Beutler | Messer |
| Clay | Hice, Jody B. | Mitchell |
| Cleaver | Higgins (LA) | Moolenaar |
| Clyburn | Higgins (NY) | Mooney (WV) |
| Coffman | Hill | Moore |
| Cohen | Himes | Moulton |
| Cole | Holding | Mullin |
| Collins (GA) | Hollingsworth | Murphy (FL) |
| Collins (NY) | Hoyer | Nadler |
| Comer | Hudson | Napolitano |
| Comstock | Huffman | Neal |
| Conaway | Huizenga | Newhouse |
| Connolly | Hultgren | Nolan |
| Cook | Jackson Lee | Norcross |
| Cooper | Jayapal | Norman |
| Correa | Jeffries | Nunes |
| Costa | Jenkins (KS) | O'Halleran |
| Costello (PA) | Jenkins (WV) | Olson |
| Courtney | Johnson (GA) | Pallone |
| Cramer | Johnson (LA) | Palmer |
| Crawford | Johnson (OH) | Panetta |
| Crist | Johnson, E. B. | Pascarell |
| Crowley | Johnson, Sam | Paulsen |
| Cuellar | Jordan | Payne |
| Culberson | Joyce (OH) | Pearce |
| Curbelo (FL) | Kaptur | Pelosi |
| Curtis | Katko | Perry |
| Davidson | Keating | Peters |
| Davis (CA) | Kelly (IL) | Peterson |
| Davis, Danny | Kelly (MS) | Pingree |
| Davis, Rodney | Kelly (PA) | Pittenger |
| DeFazio | Kennedy | Pocan |
| DeGette | Khanna | Poe (TX) |
| Delaney | Kihuen | Poliquin |
| DeLauro | Kildee | Posey |
| DelBene | Kilmer | Price (NC) |
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| DeSantis | King (IA) | Raskin |
| DeSaulnier | King (NY) | Ratcliffe |
| DesJarlais | Kinzing | Reed |
| Deutch | Knight | Reichert |
| Diaz-Balart | Krishnamoorthi | Renacci |
| Dingell | Kuster (NH) | Rice (NY) |