

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

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	Loudermillk
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	McEachin
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)
Demings	Kind	Quigley
DeSantis	King (IA)	Raskin
DeSaulnier	King (NY)	Ratcliffe
DesJarlais	Kinzing	Reed
Deutch	Knight	Reichert
Diaz-Balart	Krishnamoorthi	Renacci
Dingell	Kuster (NH)	Rice (NY)