

The Tax Code under the Republicans was made more complex and more unfair every year they were in charge. They showered more tax breaks on the wealthy and corporations, and enhanced income inequality.

They had an iron grip on the average taxpayer, denying even basic customer service through the IRS. They exploded the deficits—a trillion dollars a year for as far as the eye can see—and refused to enforce the Tax Code on people who cheat, leaving hundreds of billions of uncollected tax dollars unavailable to reduce the deficit or fund government service.

For 8 years, they even refused to listen to the vast array of infrastructure stakeholders on how to rebuild and renew America, a sorry legacy I am confident we will improve upon as Democrats. We couldn't do any worse.

CONGRATULATIONS MONTICELLO HIGH SCHOOL SAGES ON WINNING THE STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

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

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate the Monticello High School Sages and Coach Cully Welter on winning the State football championship last week.

The Sages capped off an undefeated season with their 24-20 victory over Byron High School in the Class 3A championship game. This season's championship was the first in Monticello's history, and also the first time its football team has played in a championship game.

Monticello's 2018 season was a record-breaking season, and it will be remembered for years to come. Before the championship game, none of Monticello's opponents had finished within three touchdowns of the Sages.

I want to send a special message to the Sages' defense. As someone who watched this game comfortably from my home, I clearly saw that the Byron running back fumbled the ball at the goal line, and it was a very bad call. But you recovered, and you won the championship.

Mr. Speaker, I was proud to follow the Sages' championship season, and I congratulate the team and the entire Monticello community on this well-deserved title.

HONORING THE LIFE OF CALIFORNIA SENATOR ROBERT PRESLEY

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

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of California State Senator Robert Presley. His life's work represents some of the best of what Riverside can produce.

He was a war hero and was awarded the Bronze Star in World War II. He was an honorable law enforcement officer, and earned the reputation of being a fair truth seeker, even during times of unrest in Riverside. He was an honest public servant. He accomplished great things for Riverside, and moved our State forward as a California State Senator.

When I was in my twenties, Bob gave me a chance. He named me as his alternate to the Central Committee of the Riverside County Democratic Party, which allowed me to follow my passion for public service, and for that, I will always be grateful.

Bob will be dearly missed, but his name, his work, his Democratic spirit, and the legacy he left behind will be cherished by our community forever.

HONORING GRACE LEARNING CENTER ON ITS 20TH ANNIVERSARY

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Grace Learning Center in Franklin, Pennsylvania, for 20 years of service to the community.

Grace Learning Center is an after-school program dedicated to providing children with a safe, fun, and educational environment each school day.

In the late 1990s, Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church began exploring the possibility of offering a free after-school program for families in need. They were licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare and opened their doors in 1999.

At Grace, children have the opportunity to expand their intellectual and creative abilities, while gaining an appreciation for their families and community.

Grace Learning Center maintains close ties with the local schools in order to encourage scholastic achievement in all areas. Grace welcomes children of all socioeconomic levels and gives special regard to children in need.

Grace provides a loving, caring, and secure environment where children are taught to make wise and responsible choices.

Mr. Speaker, I commend Grace Learning Center on 20 years of providing a safe after-school environment for elementary school students and helping them reach their full potential.

AVOID GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

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

Mr. MORELLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the constituents of New York's 25th Congressional District to voice my strong opposition to a senseless and entirely avoidable gov-

ernment shutdown that would hurt my community and millions of people across the country.

What is particularly alarming is that this looming shutdown has been triggered over a potential border wall that is not only ill-conceived, but would squander our limited resources, and fail to address the most pressing challenges facing our Nation.

In my district, what we want instead is to take a unified approach to ensuring quality, affordable healthcare; protecting Social Security and Medicare; create more good-paying job opportunities; and addressing the gun violence epidemic that is devastating our communities.

Over the coming days, I implore all parties to come together in a spirit of bipartisanship and cooperation to focus on what is more important to the American people and avoid a needless government shutdown that would impair those priorities.

WORLD AIDS DAY

(Ms. LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in observation of World AIDS Day which is celebrated tomorrow, actually, in the United States and around the world. Thanks to bipartisan investments in programs like PEPFAR, we have made significant strides in the fight against HIV and AIDS.

In the 15 years since PEPFAR was passed, over 2.4 million babies have been born HIV free, and over 14.6 million people have been supported with antiretroviral treatment. But we cannot let these numbers lull us into complacency.

The theme of this year's World AIDS Day is "Know Your Status." More than 9.4 million people living with HIV around the world do not know their status. In the United States, more than 1.1 million people in the U.S. are living with HIV; 14 percent, mind you, of whom do not know their status.

We know that tens of millions of people in the United States and around the world will require sustained access to treatment for decades to come. Without robust investments and a strong recommitment to programs like PEPFAR, Ryan White, and the Minority AIDS Initiative, we could see a backslide in the important gains that we have made in the fight against HIV.

We can't afford to let that happen, so I invite you to join me in commemorating World AIDS Day and recommitting to achieving an AIDS-free generation.

JUSTICE FOR DIANE RWIGARA

(Ms. BONAMICI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. BONAMICI. Mr. Speaker, on December 6, a Rwandan court will decide the fate of human rights activist Diane

Rwigara, who faces up to 22 years in prison for speaking out against President Paul Kagame's government, and for running against him to be president.

The politically motivated charges against Diane seek to quash any criticism of the ruling party, which has gone largely unchallenged for more than 23 years.

Americans know that freedom of speech is essential to democracy. They know that we must protect our right to question our leaders and, importantly, encourage that freedom around the world.

I am sponsoring Diane's case as part of the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission's Defending Freedoms Project, because as Diane faces a prolonged jail sentence, she is still calling on fellow Rwandans to resist fear and speak for their country.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in calling for justice for Diane.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON). Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 12 minutes a.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. COLLINS of Georgia) at 10 o'clock and 1 minute a.m.

FEDERAL CIO AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2018

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and passing the bill (H.R. 6901) to amend chapter 36 of title 44, United States Code, to make certain changes relating to electronic Government services, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

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

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. WOODALL. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 391, noes 0, not voting 41, as follows:

[Roll No. 425]

AYES—391

Abraham	Aguilar	Arrington
Adams	Allen	Babin
Aderholt	Amash	Bacon

Balderson	Estes (KS)	Lawson (FL)	Rosen	Shuster	Vargas
Banks (IN)	Esty (CT)	Lee	Ross	Simpson	Veasey
Barr	Evans	Lesko	Rothfus	Sinema	Velázquez
Barragán	Faso	Levin	Rouzer	Sires	Visclosky
Barton	Ferguson	Lewis (GA)	Roybal-Allard	Smith (MO)	Wagner
Bass	Fitzpatrick	Lewis (MN)	Royce (CA)	Smith (NE)	Walberg
Beatty	Fleischmann	Lieu, Ted	Ruiz	Smith (NJ)	Walden
Bera	Flores	LoBiondo	Rush	Smith (TX)	Walker
Bergman	Fortenberry	Loeback	Russell	Smith (WA)	Walorski
Beyer	Foster	Lofgren	Rutherford	Smucker	Wasserman
Biggs	Fox	Long	Ryan (OH)	Soto	Schultz
Bilirakis	Frankel (FL)	Loudermilk	Sánchez	Speier	Watson Coleman
Bishop (GA)	Frelinghuysen	Lowenthal	Sanford	Stefanik	Weber (TX)
Bishop (MI)	Fudge	Lowey	Sarbanes	Stewart	Webster (FL)
Bishop (UT)	Gabbard	Lucas	Scalise	Stivers	Welch
Blum	Gaetz	Luetkemeyer	Scanlon	Suozzi	Wenstrup
Blumenauer	Gallagher	Lujan Grisham, M.	Schakowsky	Swalwell (CA)	Westerman
Blunt Rochester	Gallego	Luján, Ben Ray	Schiff	Takano	Wild
Bonamici	Garamendi	Lynch	Schneider	Tenney	Williams
Bost	Garrett	MacArthur	Schrader	Thompson (CA)	Wilson (FL)
Boyle, Brendan F.	Gianforte	Maloney, Carolyn B.	Schweikert	Thompson (MS)	Wilson (SC)
Brady (TX)	Gibbs	Marchant	Scott (VA)	Thompson (PA)	Wittman
Brat	Gohmert	Marino	Scott, Austin	Thornberry	Womack
Brooks (AL)	Gomez	Marshall	Scott, David	Tipton	Woodall
Brooks (IN)	Gonzalez (TX)	Marshall	Sensenbrenner	Titus	Yarmuth
Brown (MD)	Goodlatte	Mast	Serrano	Tonko	Yoder
Brownley (CA)	Gosar	Matsui	Sessions	Torres	Yoho
Buck	Gottheimer	McCarthy	Sewell (AL)	Trott	Young (AK)
Bucshon	Granger	McCauley	Shea-Porter	Turner	Young (IA)
Budd	Graves (GA)	McCaul	Sherman	Upton	Zeldin
Burgess	Graves (LA)	McClintock	Shimkus	Valadao	
Bustos	Green, Al	McCollum			
Butterfield	Green, Gene	McEachin	Amodei	Emmer	Noem
Byrne	Griffith	McGovern	Barletta	Gowdy	Nolan
Calvert	Grijalva	McHenry	Black	Graves (MO)	Poe (TX)
Capuano	Grothman	McKinley	Blackburn	Gutiérrez	Polis
Carbajal	Guthrie	McMorris	Brady (PA)	Hanabusa	Ros-Lehtinen
Cárdenas	Handel	Rodgers	Buchanan	Hastings	Roskam
Carson (IN)	Harper	McNerney	Comstock	Jones (NC)	Ruppersberger
Carter (GA)	Harris	McSally	Crowley	Keating	Taylor
Carter (TX)	Hartzler	Meadows	Curbelo (FL)	Knight	Tsongas
Cartwright	Heck	Meeeks	Davis (CA)	Labrador	Vela
Castor (FL)	Hensarling	Meng	Davis, Danny	Lipinski	Walters, Mimi
Castro (TX)	Hern	Mitchell	Denham	Love	Walz
Chabot	Herrera Beutler	Moolenaar	DesJarlais	Maloney, Sean	Waters, Maxine
Cheney	Hice, Jody B.	Mooney (WV)	Ellison	Messer	
Chu, Judy	Higgins (LA)	Moore			
Cicilline	Higgins (NY)	Morelle			
Clark (MA)	Hill	Moulton			
Clarke (NY)	Himes	Mullin			
Clay	Holding	Murphy (FL)			
Cleaver	Hollingsworth	Nadler			
Cloud	Hoyer	Napolitano			
Clyburn	Hudson	Neal			
Coffman	Huffman	Newhouse			
Cohen	Huizenga	Norcross			
Cole	Hultgren	Norman			
Collins (GA)	Hunter	Nunes			
Collins (NY)	Hurd	O'Halleran			
Comer	Issa	O'Rourke			
Conaway	Jackson Lee	Olson			
Connolly	Jayapal	Palazzo			
Cook	Jeffries	Pallone			
Cooper	Jenkins (KS)	Palmer			
Correa	Johnson (GA)	Panetta			
Costa	Johnson (LA)	Pascrell			
Costello (PA)	Johnson (OH)	Paulsen			
Courtney	Johnson, E. B.	Payne			
Cramer	Johnson, Sam	Pearce			
Crawford	Jones (MI)	Pelosi			
Crist	Jordan	Perlmutter			
Cuellar	Joyce (OH)	Perry			
Culberson	Kaptur	Peters			
Cummings	Katko	Peterson			
Curtis	Kelly (IL)	Pingree			
Davidson	Kelly (MS)	Pittenger			
Davis, Rodney	Kelly (PA)	Pocan			
DeFazio	Kennedy	Poliquin			
DeGette	Khanna	Posey			
Delaney	Kihuen	Price (NC)			
DeLauro	Kildee	Quigley			
DelBene	Kilmer	Raskin			
Demings	Kind	Ratcliffe			
DeSaulnier	King (IA)	Reed			
Deutch	King (NY)	Reichert			
Diaz-Balart	Kinzinger	Renacci			
Dingell	Krishnamoorthi	Rice (NY)			
Doggett	Kuster (NH)	Rice (SC)			
Donovan	Kustoff (TN)	Richmond			
Doyle, Michael F.	LaHood	Roby			
Duffy	LaMalfa	Roe (TN)			
Duncan (SC)	Lamb	Rogers (AL)			
Duncan (TN)	Lamborn	Rogers (KY)			
Dunn	Lance	Rohrabacher			
Engel	Langevin	Rokita			
Eshoo	Larsen (WA)	Ronney, Francis			
Espallat	Larson (CT)	Rooney, Thomas			
	Latta				
	Lawrence				

NOT VOTING—41

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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.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. EMMER. Mr. Speaker, I was unexpectedly detained and unable to cast my vote in support of this legislation. If present in the chamber, I would have voted Aye on H.R. 6901.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the question on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal, which the Chair will put de novo.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PROVIDING FOR THE PRINTING OF A REVISED EDITION OF THE RULES AND MANUAL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH CONGRESS

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a resolution and ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.