

Mr. ABRAHAM. Madam Speaker, on Thursday, May 28, I was unavoidably detained on rollcall vote No. 115. Had I been present to vote, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall vote No. 115.

MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE  
RESOLUTION 965, 116TH CONGRESS

Barragán (Gallego)	Hastings (Wasserman Schultz)	Napolitano (Correa)
Bass (Cicilline)	Heck (Kilmer)	Payne (Wasserman Schultz)
Bera (Aguilar)	Horsford (Kildee)	Peters (Rice (NY))
Blumenauer (Beyer)	Huffman (Kildee)	Pingree (Kuster (NH))
Bonamici (Raskin)	Jayapal (Raskin)	Pocan (Raskin)
Brownley (CA)	Johnson (TX)	Porter (Wexton)
(Kuster (NH))	(Jeffries)	Price (NC)
Cárdenas (Sánchez)	Khanna (Sherman)	(Butterfield)
Chu, Judy (Takano)	Kirkpatrick (Gallego)	Roybal-Allard (Sánchez)
Cisneros (Houlahan)	Krishnamoorthi (Brown (MD))	Ruiz (Aguilar)
Cohen (Beyer)	Lawrence (Kildee)	Rush
Crist (Murphy (FL))	Lawson (FL)	(Underwood)
Davis (CA) (Wild)	(Evans)	Schneider (Houlahan)
DeSaulnier (Matsui)	Levin (CA)	Schrader (O'Halleran)
Deutch (Rice (NY))	(Kildee)	Schrier (Kilmer)
Doggett (Raskin)	Levin (MI)	Serrano (Meng)
Escobar (Garcia (TX))	(Raskin)	Speier (Scanlon)
Eshoo (Thompson (CA))	Lewis (Kildee)	Suozi (Panetta)
Foster (Beyer)	Lieu, Ted (Beyer)	Talb (Dingell)
Frankel (Kuster (NH))	Lipinski (Cooper)	Tonko (Meng)
Garamendi (Sherman)	Loftgren (Boyle, Brendan F.)	Trahan (McGovern)
Gonzalez (TX)	Lowenthal (Beyer)	Vargas (Keating)
(Cuellar)	Lowey (Meng)	Veasey (Beyer)
Grijalva (Clay)	Maloney, Carolyn B. (Rose (NY))	Vela (Gallego)
Harder (CA)	McEachin (Wexton)	Watson Coleman (Pallone)
(Haaland)	McNerney (Raskin)	Welch (McGovern)
	Moore (Beyer)	Wilson (FL)
	Mucarsel-Powell (Wasserman Schultz)	(Hayes)

On his 25th combat mission in Vietnam, he was shot down, severely injured, and spent the next 7 years as a prisoner of war in the prison known as the Hanoi Hilton.

Many Members have read his book "Captive Warriors," which describes the hellish conditions and the courage and fortitude of Sam and his fellow prisoners as they fought to survive.

After serving in the Texas State House, Sam was elected to Congress in 1990 and served until January 2019, including, for a time, as acting chairman of the Ways and Means Committee.

He now goes to join his wonderful wife, Shirley, and his son, Bob.

Madam Speaker, I know of no one in the House who was more universally admired across the Chamber than Sam Johnson.

Sam sacrificed much in service of our Nation, but always with courage and good humor and a deep, deep love of country.

He inspired those of us who worked with him, and his memory will continue to be an inspiration to follow his example of service, sacrifice, and love of country.

Madam Speaker, I ask that the House observe a moment of silence in memory and in honor of this great American.

The SPEAKER. Will all Members please rise, and those who are in their offices and staff throughout the Capitol, for a moment of silence in honor of our dear Sam.

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LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mr. HOYER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, as we face the crisis that COVID-19 has confronted us with, the House must do its duty in full and do so in a way that contributes to the safety and welfare of our people, not in a way that harms it.

Members are advised there will be no votes expected in the House next week. Members are further advised that an updated 2020 legislative calendar will be released in the coming days.

I expect conversations to continue on additional legislation addressing COVID-19 and the legislation we passed honoring our heroes. In the event that an agreement is reached on a bipartisan or partisan bill—I don't know how an agreement can be reached on a partisan bill, but a bipartisan bill—then we will make sure that the House has 72 hours before they need to come back to vote on that legislation.

I am disappointed that Leader MCCONNELL said, when asked about the next phase of coronavirus relief, he said, I think that's a decision to be made a month from now.

As we know, we have a lot of people in crisis. We see food lines that are very, very long. We see unemployment rising steeply. There are many people

in this country that think waiting is not appropriate.

I am pleased the House has adopted a resolution to allow the committees to work remotely, Madam Speaker. I expect to use the coming weeks to get our committees back up and running so that they can begin having hearings and markups on critical legislation.

As my friend, Mr. SCALISE, knows, we have a number of must-pass bills that need to be addressed; the National Defense Authorization Act, the 12 appropriation bills, the surface transportation bill, and the WRDA bill as well. As committees begin consideration of these bills, I will be in touch with Members about when they will be scheduled this summer.

Madam Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. SCALISE), the minority whip.

Mr. SCALISE. Madam Speaker, I thank my friend from Maryland for walking through those items.

I first want to start by sharing and associating myself with the comments made by my friend from Texas (Mr. THORNBERRY) about the loss of our dear friend, Sam Johnson.

Sam and I got to be close friends, and I can picture him sitting right over there by General Lafayette's painting, in his scooter, as he was voting and sharing stories with friends in his last few months when he served here with us with distinction for so long, and the conversations and just the understanding of a giant that we served with, someone who served our country, spent 7 years in the Hanoi Hilton, as we talked about.

They never broke him. They probably broke every bone in his body trying, but he and those other brave men in that prison never once faltered in their love and dedication to our country and to their family.

He missed his wife. We know now he is with her and in a special place, and we are all better for having served with Sam Johnson. He truly is missed and was a special friend.

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, I want to echo the gentleman's comments. Although the Congressman, the patriot, the hero, did not always vote with me, nor I with him, we became good friends. And I shared with the gentleman and others in this body a deep respect for who he was as a person, a decent man, a patriotic man, a good man and, obviously, as the gentleman pointed out, a very courageous man as well.

He served many missions, was shot down, imprisoned, but they did not break Sam Johnson, nor did they break the love he had for his country, and we honor the service he gave.

Madam Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Louisiana.

Mr. SCALISE. Madam Speaker, I want to thank the Speaker as well for leading that tribute, and I am sure at some time in the future we will spend an appropriate amount of time here on the floor where colleagues can share

APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES ON  
H.R. 6172, USA FREEDOM REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2020

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the Chair appoints the following conferees on H.R. 6172:

Messrs. NADLER, SCHIFF, Ms. LOFGREN, Messrs. JORDAN, and NUNES.

There was no objection.

MOMENT OF SILENCE HONORING  
REPRESENTATIVE SAM JOHNSON

(Mr. THORNBERRY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. THORNBERRY. Madam Speaker, yesterday, we lost a former colleague, a patriot, and a true American hero.

Calling the gentleman from Texas, Sam Johnson, a hero is not some sort of inflated rhetoric or hyperbole; it is the best description I know of Sam Johnson and his life.

Born in San Antonio, raised in Dallas, a graduate of SMU, Sam then served 29 years in the United States Air Force.

He was a fighter pilot, and some of those fighter pilot traits came through in everything he did, from how fast he drove across the highways of Texas to the way he approached legislation.

Sam was a veteran of the Korean conflict and, of course, the Vietnam war.