

that they gave their lives defending the People's House. Officers Chestnut and Gibson will be missed by all of us, and may their sacrifice never be forgotten.

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IN TRIBUTE

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

Mr. BURR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, today a saddened but grateful Nation pays tribute to two brave men, Jacob Chestnut and John Gibson, who gave their lives to protect the lives of others. There are some among us, even as I speak, who might not be here to celebrate the courage of these two men were it not for their actions in a moment of crisis.

Let us pay tribute as well to the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center located in Brunswick, Georgia, for the outstanding training of Federal law enforcement officials and the protection they provide.

The Capitol Police undergo intensive training at this state-of-the-art facility, and they learn not only the skills that will allow them to act decisively in the moments of danger but the professional attitudes and corporate culture that make all the difference in a job that serves all America.

The outstanding performance of Officers Chestnut and Gibson was no accident. The arduous training they received at the FLETC Training Center saved the lives of so many who are here today to say thank you and God bless you, Officer Chestnut and Officer Gibson.

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IN TRIBUTE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TRAFICANT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, the American people have come to learn something that the Congress has dramatically now started to realize. These are not country club jobs. The Capitol Police place their lives on the line like every other police department in the Nation.

My district, the 17th Congressional District of Ohio, joins with the Congress and the Nation in mourning the loss of Officer Chestnut and Detective Gibson.

The standards of the Capitol Police were always very high, but Officer Chestnut and Detective Gibson have now raised the bar several notches, and that bar of excellence is very high. We are all proud, and we all join in as the Nation mourns these two great policemen.

But I want to talk to the Members who may be watching this telecast in their offices; to the Speaker; to my good friend, the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. GIBBONS) in the back; and to all the staff here. The Uniformed Division of the Secret Service makes more

money than the Capitol Police for basically the same service.

I take to the floor today as a former sheriff to say security needs of the Nation's Capitol and the Nation's buildings should be addressed. For all of the Members of Congress, on the tragic bombing of the Federal building in Oklahoma City, there was only one guard on duty for the three Federal buildings in Oklahoma City, and that guard was a contract guard, not a full-service, Federal-protective-service-system guard.

We now have to put ourselves in Congress under the microscope. Are we doing all we can? Have we gotten involved with budgetary numbers? I think the time to raise the level of compensation of the Capitol Police is at hand. It will cost \$4 million a year to elevate them to parity with the Uniformed Division of the Secret Service.

Let me also say this to the Congress, it is good economics. Good economics I say to the gentleman from New York (Mr. WALSH). Because if we do not, we spend \$50,000 to training our Capitol policemen, and Montgomery County, Fairfax County, Alexandria, they come in and hire after the scrutinization of the FBI background checks, and they recruit and take our young men and women, and they disrupt the flow of continuity. That must not happen.

H.R. 2828 should be now brought to the floor under the unanimous consent, and that is the tribute that should be paid to these two great policemen, Chestnut and Gibson.

They say words are hard to describe them. As a former sheriff, I would just like to use these words to describe them: They were policemen. Our police officers, the Capitol Police, are some of the best in the world.

The only deaths that occurred were to the officers of the Capitol Police. The people they were responsible for are all breathing. There is not a police department in the United States that could have reacted any better to a crisis of such volatility.

I say to the gentleman from New York (Mr. WALSH), I think H.R. 2828 should have been done. But I understand the legitimate concerns. I know Congress now is reviewing that whole matter. I think the most fitting tribute would be for the Congress of the United States to bring out H.R. 2828 under unanimous consent and take our Capitol Police into parity with the Uniformed Division of the Secret Service. They do the same job. By God, if the Uniformed Division of the Secret Service can do it any better, I would like someone to try and convince me of that.

To the families of Officers Chestnut and Gibson, your husbands, your fathers, they were really heroes. They were policemen for one of the finest law enforcement departments in the Nation, the Capitol Police that protects each and every one of us.

IN TRIBUTE

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

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Speaker, the tragic events of last Friday here in the Capitol have been felt across our entire Nation. Many of my colleagues have risen to praise and honor our two fallen Capitol Hill Police Officers, J.J. Chestnut and John Gibson, for their heroism on that fateful afternoon. I will simply state that I echo those sentiments.

I wish to add my own personal message of sympathy along with the people of New York State's 25th Congressional District in Central New York to the families of both officers. Words do not express, words cannot express the sadness that we all feel and the grief that we all feel for those innocent men and for their families.

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This is an unwritten bond that exists here between and among all those who work on the Hill. We are a family; a large one, to be sure, but family in every way possible.

When one loses a member of one's family, it hurts deeply. When they are lost due to an act of violence, understanding that loss is even more painful and difficult. Now is the time to grieve, and we must be allowed to do so in private. In time, the healing will begin, but for this moment, we mourn our fallen friends.

God bless you, J.J.; God bless you, John.

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GOD BLESS OUR FALLEN HEROES

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

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay a brief tribute to the officers who died Friday trying to preserve the safety and sanctity of this hallowed building. We will dissect Friday's events for months, looking for ways to make sure this tragedy never happens again. We should. This is necessary work.

But what sets these Capitol Police apart from the rest of us who do business in this building is their ability to act in a split second, to make decisions that can exact the highest possible price, without hesitation.

Friday reminded me that in the sea of people on Capitol Hill trained to analyze, debate and ponder, there is a small army of men and women trained to act immediately, decisively and heroically. Like John Gibson did. Like Jacob Chestnut did. These people lined up to pay tribute to these two courageous men underscores a fact I have sometimes forgotten: Without the work they do, we could not do the work we do.

I do not think I will ever forget that again. I may not remember to say thank you every single time I rush past an entrance carefully and cheerfully

guarded by police, but I am resolved to do that as often as possible. And whether spoken every day or not, I think, for all of us here, the words "thank you" are in our hearts forever. Thank you.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BURR of North Carolina). Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 11:30 a.m.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 17 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 11:30 a.m.

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BURR of North Carolina) at 11 o'clock and 30 minutes a.m.

CALL OF THE HOUSE

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I move a call of the House.

A call of the House was ordered.

The call was taken by electronic device, and the following Members responded to their names:

[Roll No. 341]

Abercrombie	Christensen	Forbes
Ackerman	Clay	Ford
Aderholt	Clayton	Fossella
Allen	Clement	Fowler
Andrews	Clyburn	Fox
Armey	Coble	Franks (NJ)
Bachus	Coburn	Frelinghuysen
Baesler	Collins	Frost
Baker	Combest	Furse
Baldacci	Condit	Gallegly
Ballenger	Cook	Ganske
Barcia	Cooksey	Gejdenson
Barr	Costello	Gephardt
Barrett (NE)	Coyne	Gibbons
Barrett (WI)	Cramer	Gilchrest
Bartlett	Crane	Gillmor
Bass	Crapo	Gilman
Bentsen	Cubin	Goode
Bereuter	Cummings	Goodlatte
Berman	Cunningham	Goodling
Berry	Danner	Gordon
Bilbray	Davis (FL)	Goss
Bilirakis	Davis (IL)	Graham
Bishop	Davis (VA)	Green
Blagojevich	Deal	Gutierrez
Bliley	DeFazio	Gutknecht
Blumenauer	DeGette	Hall (TX)
Blunt	Delahunt	Hamilton
Boehlert	DeLay	Hansen
Boehner	Deutsch	Harman
Bonilla	Diaz-Balart	Hastert
Bonior	Dingell	Hastings (FL)
Borski	Dixon	Hayworth
Boswell	Doggett	Hefner
Boucher	Doolittle	Hill
Boyd	Doyle	Hilleary
Brady (PA)	Dreier	Hilliard
Brady (TX)	Edwards	Hinche
Brown (FL)	Ehlers	Hobson
Brown (OH)	Ehrlich	Hoekstra
Bryant	Emerson	Holden
Bunning	Engel	Hooley
Burr	English	Horn
Calvert	Ensign	Hostettler
Camp	Eshoo	Houghton
Campbell	Etheridge	Hoyer
Canady	Evans	Hulshof
Capps	Everett	Hunter
Cardin	Ewing	Hutchinson
Carson	Farr	Hyde
Castle	Fattah	Inglis
Chabot	Fazio	Istook
Chambliss	Filner	Jackson (IL)
Chenoweth	Foley	

Jackson-Lee (TX)	Miller (CA)	Schaefer, Dan
Jenkins	Miller (FL)	Schaffer, Bob
John	Minge	Scott
Johnson (CT)	Mink	Sensenbrenner
Johnson (WI)	Moakley	Serrano
Johnson, E. B.	Mollohan	Sessions
Johnson, Sam	Moran (KS)	Shadegg
Jones	Moran (VA)	Shaw
Kanjorski	Morella	Shays
Kaptur	Murtha	Sherman
Kasich	Myrick	Shimkus
Kelly	Neal	Sisisky
Kennedy (MA)	Nethercutt	Skaggs
Kennedy (RI)	Neumann	Skeen
Kennelly	Ney	Skelton
Kildee	Northup	Smith (MI)
Kilpatrick	Norwood	Smith (NJ)
Kim	Nussle	Smith (OR)
Kind (WI)	Oberstar	Smith (TX)
King (NY)	Obey	Smith, Adam
Kingston	Olver	Smith, Linda
Klecza	Ortiz	Snowbarger
Klink	Owens	Snyder
Klug	Oxley	Solomon
Knollenberg	Packard	Souder
Kolbe	Pallone	Spence
Kucinich	Pappas	Spratt
LaFalce	Parker	Stabenow
LaHood	Pascrell	Stearns
Lampson	Pastor	Stokes
Lantos	Paul	Strickland
Largent	Paxon	Stump
Latham	Payne	Stupak
LaTourette	Pease	Sununu
Lazio	Pelosi	Talent
Leach	Peterson (MN)	Tanner
Lee	Peterson (PA)	Tauscher
Levin	Petri	Tauzin
Lewis (CA)	Pickett	Taylor (MS)
Lewis (GA)	Pitts	Taylor (NC)
Lewis (KY)	Pombo	Thomas
Linder	Pomeroy	Thornberry
Lipinski	Porter	Thune
Livingston	Portman	Thurman
LoBiondo	Pryce (OH)	Tiahrt
Lofgren	Quinn	Tierney
Lowe	Rahall	Torres
Lucas	Ramstad	Trafiacant
Luther	Rangel	Turner
Maloney (CT)	Redmond	Upton
Maloney (NY)	Regula	Velazquez
Manton	Reyes	Vento
Manzullo	Riggs	Visclosky
Mascara	Riley	Walsh
Matsui	Rivers	Wamp
McCarthy (MO)	Rodriguez	Waters
McCarthy (NY)	Roemer	Watt (NC)
McCollum	Rogan	Watts (OK)
McCrery	Rogers	Weldon (FL)
McDermott	Rohrabacher	Weldon (PA)
McGovern	Ros-Lehtinen	Weller
McHale	Rothman	Wexler
McHugh	Roukema	Weygand
McIntosh	Roybal-Allard	White
McKeon	Royce	Whitfield
McNulty	Rush	Wilson
Meehan	Ryun	Wise
Meek (FL)	Sabo	Wolf
Meeks (NY)	Salmon	Woolsey
Menendez	Sanchez	Wynn
Metcalfe	Sanders	Yates
Millender	Sandlin	
McDonald	Sawyer	
	Saxton	

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The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BURR of North Carolina). On this roll-call, 378 Members have recorded their presence by electronic device, a quorum.

Under the rule, further proceedings under the call are dispensed with.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members will proceed through the center doors to the Rotunda for the viewing of Detective John Gibson and Officer Jacob Chestnut.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the House stands in recess until approximately 1 p.m.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 56 minutes a.m.) the House stood in recess until approximately 1 p.m.

□ 1300

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BURR of North Carolina) at 1 p.m.

IN TRIBUTE

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

Mr. REGULA. Mr. Speaker, John Curran in his speech "Upon the Right of Election" said, "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." Visiting the United States Capitol is one of this Nation's cherished liberties. As I have visited other capitals around the world, it is rare to see the flood of visitors that is found in our Nation's Capitol Building.

The vigilance of our Capitol Police to protect the freedom of access for visitors, as exemplified by the service of Jacob Chestnut and John Gibson, is a cornerstone of the sense of security felt by visitors to the Capitol. These two dedicated officers put the security and safety of their fellow citizens ahead of personal fear, and thanks to their vigilance, many lives were spared. Their dedication to duty stands as a shining example of the men and women who make the Capitol a shrine to be revered by thousands of visitors each day.

In the future, the continued accessibility of our Nation's Capitol to be shared without fear by millions will stand as a sacred testament to the bravery of Officers J.J. Chestnut and John Gibson. To the families of our two heroes, you can take pride in knowing that your husbands and your fathers stood for all that is good about America: bravery, love of fellow citizens, and devotion to duty. I along with millions of Americans join in extending our heartfelt sympathy to the loved ones of Jacob Chestnut and John Gibson.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. REGULA. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the subject of the tributes to the memory of the two slain police officers, John Michael Gibson and Jacob Joseph Chestnut.

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