

Members to have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the matter just considered.

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

There was no objection.

**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. Res. 884, by the yeas and nays;

Concurring in the Senate amendment to H.R. 3690, by the yeas and nays.

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

**PROVIDING FOR CONCURRENCE BY HOUSE WITH AMENDMENT IN SENATE AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 3997, HEROES EARNINGS ASSISTANCE AND RELIEF TAX ACT OF 2007**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 884, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. LARSON) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 884.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 411, nays 0, not voting 21, as follows:

[Roll No. 1181]

YEAS—411

|               |                |                 |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Abercrombie   | Boozman        | Chandler        |
| Ackerman      | Boren          | Clarke          |
| Aderholt      | Boswell        | Clay            |
| Akin          | Boucher        | Cleaver         |
| Alexander     | Boustany       | Clyburn         |
| Allen         | Boyd (FL)      | Coble           |
| Altmire       | Boyda (KS)     | Cohen           |
| Arcuri        | Brady (PA)     | Cole (OK)       |
| Baca          | Brady (TX)     | Conaway         |
| Bachmann      | Braley (IA)    | Conyers         |
| Bachus        | Broun (GA)     | Cooper          |
| Baird         | Brown (SC)     | Costa           |
| Baker         | Brown, Corrine | Costello        |
| Baldwin       | Brown-Waite,   | Courtney        |
| Barrett (SC)  | Ginny          | Cramer          |
| Barrow        | Buchanan       | Crenshaw        |
| Bartlett (MD) | Burgess        | Crowley         |
| Barton (TX)   | Burton (IN)    | Cuellar         |
| Bean          | Buyer          | Culberson       |
| Becerra       | Calvert        | Cummings        |
| Berkley       | Camp (MI)      | Davis (AL)      |
| Berman        | Campbell (CA)  | Davis (CA)      |
| Berry         | Cannon         | Davis (IL)      |
| Biggert       | Cantor         | Davis (KY)      |
| Bilbray       | Capito         | Davis, David    |
| Bilirakis     | Capps          | Davis, Lincoln  |
| Bishop (GA)   | Capuano        | Davis, Tom      |
| Bishop (NY)   | Cardoza        | Deal (GA)       |
| Blackburn     | Carnahan       | DeFazio         |
| Blumenauer    | Carney         | DeGette         |
| Blunt         | Carter         | Delahunt        |
| Boehner       | Castle         | DeLauro         |
| Bonner        | Castor         | Dent            |
| Bono          | Chabot         | Diaz-Balart, L. |

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|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|------------|
| Diaz-Balart, M. | King (NY)       | Poe              | Watt         | Whitfield (KY) | Wolf       |
| Dicks           | Kingston        | Pomeroy          | Waxman       | Wicker         | Wu         |
| Dingell         | Kirk            | Porter           | Weiner       | Wilson (NM)    | Wynn       |
| Doggett         | Klein (FL)      | Price (GA)       | Welch (VT)   | Wilson (OH)    | Yarmuth    |
| Donnelly        | Kline (MN)      | Price (NC)       | Weldon (FL)  | Wilson (SC)    | Young (AK) |
| Doolittle       | Knollenberg     | Putnam           | Westmoreland | Wittman (VA)   | Young (FL) |
| Doyle           | Kucinich        | Radanovich       |              |                |            |
| Drake           | Kuhl (NY)       | Rahall           |              |                |            |
| Dreier          | LaHood          | Ramstad          |              |                |            |
| Duncan          | Lamborn         | Rangel           |              |                |            |
| Edwards         | Lampson         | Regula           |              |                |            |
| Ehlers          | Langevin        | Reberg           |              |                |            |
| Ellison         | Lantos          | Reichert         |              |                |            |
| Ellsworth       | Larsen (WA)     | Renzi            |              |                |            |
| Emanuel         | Larson (CT)     | Reyes            |              |                |            |
| Emerson         | Latham          | Reynolds         |              |                |            |
| Engel           | LaTourette      | Richardson       |              |                |            |
| English (PA)    | Latta           | Rodriguez        |              |                |            |
| Eshoo           | Lee             | Rogers (AL)      |              |                |            |
| Etheridge       | Levin           | Rogers (KY)      |              |                |            |
| Everett         | Lewis (CA)      | Rogers (MI)      |              |                |            |
| Fallin          | Lewis (GA)      | Rohrabacher      |              |                |            |
| Farr            | Lewis (KY)      | Ros-Lehtinen     |              |                |            |
| Fattah          | Linder          | Roskam           |              |                |            |
| Feeney          | Lipinski        | Ross             |              |                |            |
| Ferguson        | LoBiondo        | Rothman          |              |                |            |
| Filner          | Loebsock        | Roybal-Allard    |              |                |            |
| Flake           | Lofgren, Zoe    | Royce            |              |                |            |
| Forbes          | Lowey           | Ruppersberger    |              |                |            |
| Fortenberry     | Lucas           | Rush             |              |                |            |
| Fossella        | Lungren, Daniel | Ryan (OH)        |              |                |            |
| Fox             | E.              | Ryan (WI)        |              |                |            |
| Frank (MA)      | Lynch           | Salazar          |              |                |            |
| Franks (AZ)     | Mack            | Sali             |              |                |            |
| Frelinghuysen   | Mahoney (FL)    | Sánchez, Linda   |              |                |            |
| Galleghy        | Maloney (NY)    | T.               |              |                |            |
| Garrett (NJ)    | Manzullo        | Sanchez, Loretta |              |                |            |
| Gerlach         | Marchant        | Sarbanes         |              |                |            |
| Giffords        | Markey          | Saxton           |              |                |            |
| Gillibrand      | Marshall        | Schakowsky       |              |                |            |
| Gingrey         | Matheson        | Schiff           |              |                |            |
| Gohmert         | Matsui          | Schmidt          |              |                |            |
| Gonzalez        | McCarthy (CA)   | Schwartz         |              |                |            |
| Goode           | McCarthy (NY)   | Scott (GA)       |              |                |            |
| Goodlatte       | McCaul (TX)     | Scott (VA)       |              |                |            |
| Gordon          | McCollum (MN)   | Sensenbrenner    |              |                |            |
| Granger         | McCotter        | Serrano          |              |                |            |
| Graves          | McCrery         | Sessions         |              |                |            |
| Green, Al       | McDermott       | Sestak           |              |                |            |
| Green, Gene     | McGovern        | Shadegg          |              |                |            |
| Grijalva        | McHenry         | Shays            |              |                |            |
| Gutierrez       | McHugh          | Shea-Porter      |              |                |            |
| Hall (NY)       | McIntyre        | Sherman          |              |                |            |
| Hall (TX)       | McKeon          | Shimkus          |              |                |            |
| Hare            | McMorris        | Shuler           |              |                |            |
| Harman          | Rodgers         | Shuster          |              |                |            |
| Hastings (WA)   | McNerney        | Sires            |              |                |            |
| Hayes           | McNulty         | Skelton          |              |                |            |
| Heller          | Meek (FL)       | Slaughter        |              |                |            |
| Hensarling      | Meeke (NY)      | Smith (NE)       |              |                |            |
| Hergert         | Melancon        | Smith (NJ)       |              |                |            |
| Herseth Sandlin | Mica            | Smith (TX)       |              |                |            |
| Higgins         | Michaud         | Smith (WA)       |              |                |            |
| Hill            | Miller (FL)     | Snyder           |              |                |            |
| Hinchey         | Miller (MI)     | Solis            |              |                |            |
| Hinojosa        | Miller (NC)     | Souder           |              |                |            |
| Hirono          | Miller, George  | Space            |              |                |            |
| Hobson          | Mitchell        | Spratt           |              |                |            |
| Hodes           | Mollohan        | Stark            |              |                |            |
| Hoekstra        | Moore (KS)      | Stearns          |              |                |            |
| Holden          | Moore (WI)      | Stupak           |              |                |            |
| Holt            | Moran (KS)      | Sullivan         |              |                |            |
| Honda           | Moran (VA)      | Tancredo         |              |                |            |
| Hoyer           | Murphy (CT)     | Tanner           |              |                |            |
| Hulshof         | Murphy, Patrick | Tauscher         |              |                |            |
| Hunter          | Murphy, Tim     | Taylor           |              |                |            |
| Inglis (SC)     | Murtha          | Terry            |              |                |            |
| Inslee          | Musgrave        | Thompson (MS)    |              |                |            |
| Israel          | Myrick          | Thornberry       |              |                |            |
| Issa            | Nadler          | Tiahrt           |              |                |            |
| Jackson (IL)    | Napolitano      | Tiberi           |              |                |            |
| Jackson-Lee     | Neal (MA)       | Tierney          |              |                |            |
| (TX)            | Neugebauer      | Towns            |              |                |            |
| Jefferson       | Nunes           | Tsongas          |              |                |            |
| Johnson (GA)    | Oberstar        | Turner           |              |                |            |
| Johnson (IL)    | Obey            | Udall (CO)       |              |                |            |
| Johnson, Sam    | Oliver          | Upton            |              |                |            |
| Jones (NC)      | Pallone         | Van Hollen       |              |                |            |
| Jones (OH)      | Pascrell        | Velázquez        |              |                |            |
| Jordan          | Payne           | Visclosky        |              |                |            |
| Kagen           | Pearce          | Walberg          |              |                |            |
| Kanjorski       | Pence           | Walden (OR)      |              |                |            |
| Kaptur          | Perlmutter      | Walsh (NY)       |              |                |            |
| Keller          | Peterson (MN)   | Walz (MN)        |              |                |            |
| Kennedy         | Peterson (PA)   | Wamp             |              |                |            |
| Kildee          | Petri           | Wasserman        |              |                |            |
| Kilpatrick      | Pickering       | Schultz          |              |                |            |
| Kind            | Pitts           | Waters           |              |                |            |
| King (IA)       | Platts          | Watson           |              |                |            |

NOT VOTING—21

|               |                |               |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| Andrews       | Jindal         | Simpson       |
| Bishop (UT)   | Johnson, E. B. | Sutton        |
| Butterfield   | Miller, Gary   | Thompson (CA) |
| Cubin         | Ortiz          | Udall (NM)    |
| Gilchrest     | Pastor         | Weller        |
| Hastings (FL) | Paul           | Wexler        |
| Hooley        | Pryce (OH)     | Woolsey       |

□ 1747

Ms. GRANGER and Mr. UDALL of Colorado changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Ms. SUTTON, Madam Speaker, on rollcall vote No. 1181, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea.”

**U.S. CAPITOL POLICE AND LIBRARY OF CONGRESS POLICEMERGER IMPLEMENTATION ACT OF 2007**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill, H.R. 3690, 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 Pennsylvania (Mr. BRADY) that the House suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill, H.R. 3690.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 413, nays 0, not voting 19, as follows:

[Roll No. 1182]

YEAS—413

|               |                |           |
|---------------|----------------|-----------|
| Abercrombie   | Bishop (UT)    | Cantor    |
| Ackerman      | Blackburn      | Capito    |
| Aderholt      | Blumenauer     | Capps     |
| Akin          | Blunt          | Capuano   |
| Alexander     | Boehner        | Cardoza   |
| Allen         | Bonner         | Carnahan  |
| Altmire       | Bono           | Carney    |
| Andrews       | Boozman        | Carter    |
| Arcuri        | Boren          | Castle    |
| Baca          | Boswell        | Castor    |
| Bachmann      | Boucher        | Chabot    |
| Bachus        | Boyd (FL)      | Chandler  |
| Baird         | Boyda (KS)     | Clarke    |
| Baker         | Brady (PA)     | Clay      |
| Baldwin       | Brady (TX)     | Cleaver   |
| Barrett (SC)  | Braley (IA)    | Clyburn   |
| Barrow        | Broun (GA)     | Coble     |
| Bartlett (MD) | Brown (SC)     | Cohen     |
| Barton (TX)   | Brown, Corrine | Cole (OK) |
| Bean          | Brown-Waite,   | Conaway   |
| Becerra       | Ginny          | Conyers   |
| Berkley       | Buchanan       | Cooper    |
| Berman        | Burgess        | Costa     |
| Berry         | Burton (IN)    | Costello  |
| Biggert       | Buyer          | Courtney  |
| Bilbray       | Calvert        | Cramer    |
| Bilirakis     | Camp (MI)      | Crenshaw  |
| Bishop (GA)   | Campbell (CA)  | Crowley   |
| Bishop (NY)   | Cannon         | Cuellar   |

Culberson Jefferson  
 Cummings Johnson (GA)  
 Davis (AL) Johnson (IL)  
 Davis (CA) Johnson, Sam  
 Davis (IL) Jones (NC)  
 Davis (KY) Jones (OH)  
 Davis, David Jordan  
 Davis, Lincoln Kagen  
 Davis, Tom Kanjorski  
 Deal (GA) Kaptur  
 DeFazio Keller  
 DeGette Kennedy  
 Delahunt Kildee  
 DeLauro Kilpatrick  
 Dent Kind  
 Diaz-Balart, L. King (IA)  
 Diaz-Balart, M. King (NY)  
 Dicks Kingston  
 Dingell Kirk  
 Doggett Klein (FL)  
 Donnelly Kline (MN)  
 Doolittle Knollenberg  
 Doyle Kucinich  
 Drake Kuhl (NY)  
 Dreier LaHood  
 Duncan Lamborn  
 Edwards Lamson  
 Ehlers Langevin  
 Ellison Lantos  
 Ellsworth Larsen (WA)  
 Emanuel Larson (CT)  
 Emerson Latham  
 Engel LaTourette  
 English (PA) Latta  
 Eshoo Lee  
 Etheridge Levin  
 Everett Lewis (CA)  
 Fallin Lewis (GA)  
 Farr Lewis (KY)  
 Fattah Linder  
 Feeney Lipinski  
 Ferguson LoBiondo  
 Filner Loebsock  
 Flake Lofgren, Zoe  
 Forbes Lowey  
 Fortenberry Lucas  
 Fossella Lungren, Daniel  
 Foxx E.  
 Frank (MA) Mack  
 Franks (AZ) Mahoney (FL)  
 Frelinghuysen Maloney (NY)  
 Gallegly Manzullo  
 Garrett (NJ) Marchant  
 Gerlach Markey  
 Giffords Marshall  
 Gillibrand Matheson  
 Gingrey Matsui  
 Gohmert McCarthy (CA)  
 Gonzalez McCarthy (NY)  
 Goode McCaul (TX)  
 Goodlatte McCollum (MN)  
 Gordon McCotter  
 Granger McCrery  
 Graves McDermott  
 Green, Al McGovern  
 Green, Gene McHenry  
 Grijalva McHugh  
 Gutierrez McIntyre  
 Hall (NY) McKeon  
 Hall (TX) McMorris  
 Hare Rodgers  
 Harman McNeerney  
 Hastings (WA) McNulty  
 Hayes Meek (FL)  
 Heller Meeks (NY)  
 Hensarling Melancon  
 Herger Mica  
 Hersheth Sandlin Michaud  
 Higgins Miller (FL)  
 Hill Miller (MI)  
 Hinchey Miller (NC)  
 Hinojosa Miller, George  
 Hirono Mitchell  
 Hobson Mollohan  
 Hodes Moore (KS)  
 Hoekstra Moore (WI)  
 Holden Moran (KS)  
 Holt Moran (VA)  
 Honda Murphy (CT)  
 Hoyer Murphy, Patrick  
 Hulshof Murphy, Tim  
 Hunter Murtha  
 Inglis (SC) Musgrave  
 Insole Myrick  
 Israel Nadler  
 Issa Napolitano  
 Jackson (IL) Neal (MA)  
 Jackson-Lee Neugebauer  
 (TX) Nunes

Oberstar  
 Obey  
 Olver  
 Pallone  
 Pascarell  
 Payne  
 Pearce  
 Pence  
 Perlmutter  
 Peterson (MN)  
 Peterson (PA)  
 Petri  
 Pickering  
 Pitts  
 Platts  
 Poe  
 Pomeroy  
 Porter  
 Price (GA)  
 Price (NC)  
 Putnam  
 Radanovich  
 Rahall  
 Ramstad  
 Rangel  
 Regula  
 Rehberg  
 Reichert  
 Renzi  
 Reyes  
 Reynolds  
 Richardson  
 Rodriguez  
 Rogers (AL)  
 Rogers (KY)  
 Rogers (MI)  
 Rohrabacher  
 Ros-Lehtinen  
 Lewis (WI)  
 Roskam  
 Ross  
 Rothman  
 Roybal-Allard  
 Royce  
 Ruppertsberger  
 Rush  
 Ryan (OH)  
 Ryan (WI)  
 Salazar  
 Sali  
 Sánchez, Linda  
 T.  
 Sanchez, Loretta  
 Sarbanes  
 Saxton  
 Schakowsky  
 Schiff  
 Schmidt  
 Schwartz  
 Scott (GA)  
 Scott (VA)  
 Sensenbrenner  
 Serrano  
 Sessions  
 Sestak  
 Shadegg  
 Shays  
 Shea-Porter  
 Sherman  
 Shimkus  
 Shuler  
 Shuster  
 Simpson  
 Sires  
 Skelton  
 Slaughter  
 Smith (NE)  
 Smith (NJ)  
 Smith (TX)  
 Smith (WA)  
 Snyder  
 Solis  
 Souder  
 Space  
 Spratt  
 Stark  
 Stearns  
 Stupak  
 Sullivan  
 Sutton  
 Tancredo  
 Tanner  
 Tauscher  
 Taylor  
 Terry  
 Thompson (MS)  
 Thornberry  
 Tiahrt  
 Tiberi  
 Tierney

## NOT VOTING—19

Boustany Johnson, E. B.  
 Butterfield Lynch  
 Cuban Miller, Gary  
 Gilchrest Ortiz  
 Hastings (FL) Pastor  
 Hooley Paul  
 Jindal Pryce (OH)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE  
 The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1756

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the Senate amendment was concurred in.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on December 18, 2007, I missed nine votes because of scheduled eye surgery in Dallas.

Were I able to attend today's session in the House of Representatives, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall votes Nos. 1174, 1175, 1176, 1177, 1178, 1179, 1180, 1181 and 1182.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2499. An act to amend titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Social Security Act to extend provisions under the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP programs, and for other purposes.

□ 1800

## HONORING BUCHANAN, GEORGIA ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 150TH ANNIVERSARY

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

Mr. GINGREY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the City of Buchanan, Georgia, on the occasion of its 150th anniversary.

The City of Buchanan, which is located in the southwest corner of Georgia's 11th Congressional District, was incorporated on December 22, 1857. Named after former President James Buchanan, Buchanan, Georgia, has served as the county seat of Haralson County since its incorporation back in 1857.

As Americans, we celebrate the role of history in our daily lives, and we

strive to preserve the heritage that has shaped us both as a people and as a Nation. Buchanan is truly a living example of that heritage, a city that is small in population, but abundant in heart, and that represents Georgia's warm and welcoming character so well.

Madam Speaker, Georgians take great pride in celebrating the traditions of our communities. The growth, rebirth and preservation of these historic towns are important to us all, for these communities are the very backbone of our great Nation.

And so, therefore, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the citizens of Buchanan on the city's sesquicentennial celebration of 150 years.

APPOINTMENT OF HON. STENY H. HOYER AND HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN TO ACT AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE TO SIGN ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS THROUGH JANUARY 15, 2008

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. BALDWIN) laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC.

December 18, 2007.

I hereby appoint the Honorable STENY H. HOYER and the Honorable CHRIS VAN HOLLEN to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through January 15, 2008.

NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the appointment is approved.

There was no objection.

## SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 18, 2007, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

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

(Mr. BUTTERFIELD addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

## HONORING CONGRESSWOMAN JULIA CARSON

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

Mr. KENNEDY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to stand with my colleagues to honor a truly remarkable Member of Congress, my friend, JULIA CARSON.

There are a lot of people in Washington, D.C., that sometimes forget their roots or why they want to be