

"No" on rollcall vote No. 65 (on ordering the previous question on H. Res. 609). "No" on rollcall vote No. 66 (on agreeing to the resolution H. Res. 609). "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 67 (on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 4470, as amended). "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 68 (on agreeing to the Eddie Bernice Johnson Amendment to H.R. 3293). "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 69 (on the motion to recommit H.R. 3293, with instructions). "No" on rollcall vote No. 70 (on passage of H.R. 3293). "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 71 (on agreeing to the Kelly of Illinois Amendment to H.R. 3442). "No" on rollcall vote No. 72 (on agreeing to the Duffy Amendment to H.R. 3442). "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 73 (on agreeing to the Grijalva Amendment to H.R. 3442). "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 74 (on agreeing to the Takano Amendment to H.R. 3442). "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 75 (on the motion to recommit H.R. 3442, with instructions). "No" on rollcall vote No. 76 (on passage of H.R. 3442). "No" on rollcall vote No. 77 (on ordering the previous question on H. Res. 611). "No" on rollcall vote No. 78 (on agreeing to the resolution H. Res. 611). "No" on rollcall vote No. 79 (on agreeing to the McMorris Rodgers Amendment to H.R. 2017). "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 80 (on agreeing to the Schrader Amendment to H.R. 2017). "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 81 (on passage of H.R. 2017). "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 82 (on the motion to concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 757).

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Mr. Speaker, my vote was not recorded on rollcall No. 79 on the McMorris Rodgers Amendment to H.R. 2017—Common Sense Nutrition Disclosure Act. I am not recorded because I was absent due to the birth of my son in San Antonio, Texas. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

Mr. Speaker, my vote was not recorded on rollcall No. 80 on the Schrader Amendment to H.R. 2017—Common Sense Nutrition Disclosure Act. I am not recorded because I was absent due to the birth of my son in San Antonio, Texas. Had I been present I would have voted "aye".

Mr. Speaker, my vote was not recorded on rollcall No. 81 on the Final Passage of H.R. 2017—Common Sense Nutrition Disclosure Act. I am not recorded because I was absent due to the birth of my son in San Antonio, Texas. Had I been present I would have voted "nay".

Mr. Speaker, my vote was not recorded on rollcall No. 82 on Concurring in the Senate Amendment to H.R. 757—North Korea Sanctions and Policy Enhancement Act of 2016. I am not recorded because I was absent due to the birth of my son in San Antonio, Texas. Had I been present I would have voted "aye".

FLIGHT 3407 ANNIVERSARY

(Mr. COLLINS of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. COLLINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to remember the 50 men and women and the 1 unborn child who died 7 years ago today in the crash of Continental Flight 3407.

As Erie County Executive, I was in charge of the emergency response and one of the first people on the scene. The plane crashed less than a mile

from my house. I will never forget what I saw and the grief of the families who lost loved ones that fateful night.

Over the past 7 years, Flight 3407 families have been relentless in the fight to achieve one level of aviation safety for all airline carriers, from new training standards to guidelines that prevent pilot fatigue.

On this seventh anniversary, we remember those who died that night and reinforce our commitment to ensure the safety measures these families have fought so hard to enact will stay in place.

POVERTY AND THE BUDGET

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

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, the Democratic Whip Task Force on Poverty, Income Inequality, and Opportunity was launched to bring to the forefront of Congress' attention the everyday challenges of Americans living in poverty.

On Tuesday, the President sent us a budget that invests in meeting our greatest challenges: creating opportunity for all, an objective that all of us I think are committed to.

The budget expands Pell grants to make college more affordable and supports more apprenticeships and skills training so that young people and others can make it in America. It doubles investment in clean energy and R&D to attract more jobs while tackling climate change.

The President's budget expands access to quality child care and paid leave for working parents and provides children from low-income families healthy meals over the summer months when they are out of school, but are still eating, of course. It makes it easier to save for a retirement and provides a better backstop for when economic circumstances push careers off track.

Now, Mr. Speaker, it is up to Congress to craft a budget. I hope Republicans will work with us to provide the opportunities necessary to escape poverty, as Speaker RYAN says we ought to do.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the chairwoman, BARBARA LEE, and her members of the task force for undertaking and focusing on this important effort.

RECOGNIZING SECRETARY MICHAEL LUMPKIN

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I am grateful to recognize the accomplishments of Michael Lumpkin, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations/Low-Intensity Conflict, and congratulate him on his new position as director of the newly established Global Engagement Center at the Department of State.

A decorated Navy SEAL, Secretary Lumpkin has quickly distinguished himself at the Pentagon as a senior adviser to the Secretary of Defense on all matters related to Special Operations Forces.

He has also worked to develop special operations forces partnerships with foreign nations to sustain and improve global counter-terrorism operations. His engagement on this issue will ensure that Special Operations Forces remain an effective component of defense strategy.

Secretary Lumpkin has also enhanced efforts to counter narcotics, illicit trafficking, and transnational organized crime. He has been instrumental in guiding counter-narcotics and counterinsurgency operations successfully in the Republic of Colombia.

I know his expertise will be greatly missed at the Department of Defense. I look forward to seeing his accomplishments in his new role at the Department of State.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and may the President, by his actions, never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to oppose a Republican bill that was introduced yesterday that would let States use drug testing to determine low-income Americans' eligibility to receive food assistance through SNAP, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

This is nothing more than an attempt to demonize poor people and has no basis in reality.

Similar laws in Florida and Georgia were struck down as unconstitutional and only waste thousands of taxpayer dollars to identify very few drug users. In fact, those receiving public assistance actually test positive at a lower rate than the general population.

Why aren't my Republican colleagues calling for drug testing for wealthy CEOs and oil company executives who receive taxpayer subsidies? Why is it that they always pick on poor people? It is a lousy thing to do.

SNAP is intended to help people put food on the table when they are struggling to find work, when their current job is not paying enough, or simply when they have fallen on hard times.

We should be talking about improving the SNAP benefit so that families can afford more nutritious food, not creating more insulting hoops for vulnerable families to have to jump through.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO RONALD JASON ADAMS

(Mr. HILL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in sadness to honor the life and bravery of one of Arkansas' finest citizens, Ronald Jason Adams.

On Friday, January 22, Mr. Adams, a lieutenant at the Sherwood Fire Department with 5 years of experience, was shot and killed while responding to an emergency medical call in North Little Rock, Arkansas. He was just 29 years old.

I was honored to attend a flashlight vigil for Jason on January 25 and was moved by the turnout from our entire community to honor his life.

Every time we lose one of our first responders, our community experiences a little fray or tear in our beautifully crafted quilt of our towns.

Our first responders in Arkansas and throughout the country deserve our gratitude and our respect. Lieutenant Adams' death is a tragic reminder of the dangers these brave men and women face every day.

I extend my warmest regards and prayers to his loved ones. He will be greatly missed.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

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

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, this Black History Month, as we celebrate and honor those who shaped American history, we cannot afford to lose sight of the present and our future.

It was only five decades ago that men and women in every corner of this country concluded their patient, persistent, and peaceful march to the voting booth, gaining an equal voice in this country.

You don't have to leave this Chamber to see firsthand the scars that this march left behind. For so many, including some of our colleagues, the memories of being denied that sacred right to vote have never and will never fade.

Unfortunately, Mr. Speaker, some of those similar memories are now forming again for a new generation of Americans.

Respectfully, Mr. Speaker, I ask you to bring the Voting Rights Amendment Act to the floor immediately. Our Nation deserves a vote on this important legislation.

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CONGRATULATING COLONEL SANDY BEST

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

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Colonel Sandy Best, who will become the very first female general in the Minnesota Na-

tional Guard, first in history with her promotion to Brigadier General next week.

Best will command the Air National Guard units in Minnesota, including the 133rd Airlift Wing at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport and the 148th Fighter Wing in Duluth.

Colonel Best has served admirably as Director of Strategic Relations and also as Director of Government Relations for the Minnesota National Guard and her promotion is well deserved.

Colonel Best will continue to play a critical role in helping to keep our country safe and secure, and will act as a leader to our military men and women in Minnesota.

Not only that, but this historic event is a welcome precedent for our other Minnesota National Guard members, as I am sure many other women will rise in ranks following in her footsteps.

I look forward to working with Colonel Best—now General Best in the future—as she continues to make Minnesota Air National Guard among the best in the country.

CONGRATULATING THE DENVER BRONCOS ON THEIR SUPER BOWL 50 VICTORY

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

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Denver Broncos on winning the 50th Super Bowl.

We have proposed House Resolution 614—the Colorado delegation—to congratulate our team. It is their third Super Bowl victory. It is the culmination of a 12 wins and 4 losses season.

The State of Colorado, the city of Denver, and the Rocky Mountain West are extremely proud of the talented players, coaches, and key personnel. I want to thank General Manager John Elway, CEO Joe Ellis, and the entire Broncos' front office, who spent the off season building a Super Bowl winner.

Head Coach Gary Kubiak, Coordinators Wade Phillips and Rick Dennison, and his staff had great game plans.

The Broncos, through their owners, the Bowlen family, have been a key to the success of Denver and that team, and we want to thank them very much.

I know I speak for everybody in the House of Representatives when I say "Go Broncos!"

MARYLAND SHERIFF DEPUTIES: PATRICK DAILEY AND MARK LOGSDON

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

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, five police officers in the United States this week have been gunned down: one in North Dakota, one in Georgia, one in Colorado, and two in Maryland. I am going to talk about the two in Maryland.

On February 10, on a bitter winter day, two sheriff's deputies were called to a disturbance at a shopping center in Abingdon, Maryland. As the deputies were attempting to speak with a disruptive individual, he held a gun to 52-year-old Deputy Patrick Dailey's head and fired, killing him.

Deputy Mark Logsdon pursued the assassin, but Logsdon was also killed by the criminal's gunfire during this chase. Later, the outlaw was shot and killed.

Dailey was a life member of the Joppa-Magnolia Volunteer Fire Company and spent 30 years defending the public as a sheriff's deputy. He was a hero to his two now fatherless children.

Forty-three-year-old Deputy Mark Logsdon was a 16-year veteran of the force, leaving behind three children and a wife.

Both men had been honored for valor during their careers of protecting and serving the community. Patrick and Mark's lives were coldly and maliciously stolen, ripped away from this world and their families.

These men behind the badge are a special breed, a rare breed. They work selflessly, maintaining and restoring order in our neighborhoods. They are the best of our Nation. They protect us from evil, cold, calculated criminals who wish to do harm to the rest of us.

Mr. Speaker, we mourn the passing of these two lawmen who are cut above the rest of us.

And that is just the way it is.

PRESIDENT'S BUDGET, CANCER MOONSHOT

(Mrs. CAPPS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the Moonshot to end cancer, a historic investment in research in President Obama's budget proposal.

For years, the burden of cancer has affected everyone in our Nation. Each and every day, in communities, neighborhoods, and families everywhere, including my own, ordinary Americans and their loved ones are affected by cancer.

As co-chair of the House Cancer Caucus, I stand in solidarity with all patients, and with those involved in their care and their support.

The progress made in the last decade in reducing cancer mortality is a testament to the great potential of our scientific community, but far too many have been left behind.

That is why, with great hope, I urge my colleagues to support funding for the Cancer Moonshot. We need to allow our scientific community to build on the strides they have made so far through comprehensive, multifaceted approaches to making real progress.

By funding the National Institutes of Health and the Food and Drug Administration so that they may work in synergy, we will utilize all of the tools