

sacrifices that our servicemen and -women displayed over 70 years ago today in an uncertain war.

RECOGNIZING LIONS CLUBS
INTERNATIONAL ON IT'S 100TH
ANNIVERSARY

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

Mr. CICILLINE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 100th anniversary of Lions Clubs International, the largest service club organization in the world. With more than 46,000 clubs and 1.4 million members, including 31 clubs and over 1,100 members in my home State of Rhode Island, Lions Club members are transforming lives through dedicated service to communities across the country and around the world.

Since 1917, Lions Club members have dedicated themselves to living up to founder Melvin Jones' inspiring words: "You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else."

In Rhode Island, Lions Club members have transformed the lives of visually impaired and blind Rhode Islanders by hosting Camp Mauchatea for children and working to expand access to high-quality, affordable vision care. The incredible support of Rhode Island Lions for the Ronald McDonald House has unquestionably saved lives, and their efforts to raise awareness of the need for foster parents, offer scholarships, and so much more have made a real difference.

So on behalf of the people of Rhode Island, it is my privilege to honor Lions Clubs International for their century of service.

D-DAY

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

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, on this day, June 6, 1944, 73 years ago, the largest amphibious assault in history landed on the beaches of Normandy, known as Operation Overlord, which we know more commonly as D-Day.

I rise today, 73 years later, to honor the thousands of Allied soldiers who lost their lives on the beaches of Omaha, Utah, Gold, Juno, and Sword, and those, as well, that lived to carry the battle, ultimately, to Berlin and win.

General Eisenhower told his soldiers that "the hopes and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere march with you." Today we commemorate the operation which began the liberation of Europe from Nazi control and paved the way for the eventual Allied victory in Europe—and for all of us to remain vigilant to preserve that same precious and fragile freedom.

As was said in the movie "Saving Private Ryan," for all of us, "Earn this."

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. ADERHOLT (at the request of Mr. MCCARTHY) for today on account of a family emergency.

Mr. ROSS (at the request of Mr. MCCARTHY) for today on account of inclement weather.

Mr. WEBSTER of Florida (at the request of Mr. MCCARTHY) for today on account of inclement weather.

Mr. CLYBURN (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today.

Mr. CUMMINGS (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for May 24 through June 9.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and for the balance of the week.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE
PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on June 2, 2017, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill:

H.R. 657. To amend title 5, United States Code, to extend certain protections against prohibited personnel practices, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 23 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, June 7, 2017, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1487. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Michael T. Franken, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1488. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Ronald L. Bailey, U.S. Marine Corps, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1489. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing three officers to wear the insignia of the grade of major general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777(b)(3)(B); Public Law 104-106, Sec. 503(a)(1) (as added by Public Law 108-136, Sec. 509(a)(3)); (117 Stat. 1458); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1490. A letter from the Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, De-

partment of Defense, transmitting the Department's report presenting the specific amount of staff-years of technical effort to be allocated for each defense Federally Funded Research and Development Center during FY 2018, pursuant to Public Law 115-31, Div. C Sec. 8025(e); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1491. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Federal Home Loan Bank Membership for Non-Federally-Insured Credit Unions (RIN: 2590-AA85) received May 30, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

1492. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting a Determination and Findings in support of a decision to utilize other than a full and open competition to retain specialized legal services for a proceeding at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 3304(a)(7); Public Law 111-350, Sec. 3; (124 Stat. 3748); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

1493. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Administration's Annual Report on Drug Shortages for Calendar Year 2016, pursuant to Sec. 1002 of the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

1494. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo that was declared in Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1495. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting two notifications of a federal vacancy and nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1496. A letter from the Director, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's Office of Inspector General Semi-annual Report to the Congress for the period ending March 31, 2017, pursuant to Sec. 5(b) of the Inspector General Act of 1978; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1497. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's Congressional Justification, Annual Performance Plan, and Annual Performance Report, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1115(b); Public Law 111-352, Sec. 3; (124 Stat. 3867); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1498. A letter from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Commercial Aggregated Large Coastal Shark and Hammerhead Shark Management Groups Retention Limit Adjustment [Docket No.: 160620545-6999-02] (RIN: 0648-XF347) received May 30, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1499. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal