

he might be paying back this loan; that there is no question on how he would be repaying it and what the structure of the loan might be.

I would say that the American people are telling us we can do a much better job for them. We can recognize when rules have been broken, when the rules of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct have been broken. We can recognize there is a need to directly pay back a loan from personal funds.

I believe the American people are saying we can do a much better job for us, and we should say just do it.

#### SPEAKER GINGRICH UNDERSTANDS PRINCIPLE OF LEADERSHIP

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

Mr. THUNE. Mr. Speaker, leadership is about many things. One vital aspect of leadership is setting the right example. The Speaker's decision today tells all Members of Congress and the American people that the gentleman from Georgia, NEWT GINGRICH understands this principle of leadership.

The Speaker did not have to take the action he is taking. Indeed, it goes beyond the actions required of other Members of Congress. The Speaker is recognizing a higher standard in sending a clear signal to all that courage and responsibility are essentials of leadership.

The Speaker's courageous decision today brings closure to this matter and allows the Congress to focus on the priorities of the American people. The American people are waiting for Congress to implement the agenda that the majority of voters have expressed a wish to see pursued. Let us move forward today and pursue that agenda.

#### GET CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM LEGISLATION PASSED THIS YEAR

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

Mr. KIND. Mr. Speaker, I come to the House floor after completing a meeting of a bipartisan task force on campaign finance reform. It is a freshman task force, six Democrats, six Republicans, working together to try to advance some comprehensive campaign finance reform.

We are taking baby steps. It is a complex, difficult process, but we realize that as freshmen, as new Members of this institution, we are not going to be able to do it on our own. I am here today to ask for the leadership in this Congress to take a lead on this issue, to start responding to the calls for help from the American people and figure out a way to get big money out of the American political process.

I wish I had a magic wand as a freshman and could wave over this House

and get one piece of legislation passed this year, and that is campaign finance reform. We are running out of precious time. We have an off election year. We have to do it in a bipartisan fashion to be successful before we get into another election year cycle.

The people back home in western Wisconsin, the district I represent, have a common refrain. They beg me every time I have town hall meetings to get campaign finance reform passed and to get big money out of politics. Let us start the work now.

#### CONGRESS SHOULD BE MOVING FORWARD TO HELP THE AMERICAN PUBLIC

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

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, I am amazed at the hypocrisy of this Chamber. The minority leader had a similar circumstance—a similar fine levied against him by the Federal Election Committee. He paid out of campaign funds. So, while he paid his fine out of campaign funds, we hear this hue and cry from the other side that the gentleman from Georgia [Mr. GINGRICH] is somehow doing wrong.

Had he borrowed the money from the bank, there would have been further questions about the bank's involvement with those funds. The Speaker has done the honorable thing by stepping forward and paying out of his own proceeds.

The gentleman from Florida [Mr. DEUTSCH], offers a privileged resolution wanting interest payments on the fine. The gentleman from Florida, when he ran for this job, loaned his own campaign \$300,000. Upon his election to this Chamber, he went to the PAC community and solicited funds from them in order to repay the loan to himself. Does the American public have the opportunity to go to PAC's to repay their loans as he used a little special-interest venture capital to finance his run for office? Absolutely not. The gentleman from Florida does, and then he files a resolution asking for the payment of interest.

Mr. Speaker, we are putting this behind us and we are moving forward to help the American people.

#### SPEAKER'S COMPENSATION FOR COST OF ETHICS INVESTIGATION

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

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I am surprised to see my Republican colleagues on the floor today congratulating Speaker NEWT GINGRICH for doing something he should have done months ago, paying \$300,000 for lying to Congress.

Speaker GINGRICH admitted to bringing discredit on the House of Rep-

resentatives. He has admitted to lying to this House.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I ask the gentleman's words be taken down.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KOLBE). The gentleman will suspend. The gentleman from Georgia will be seated.

□ 1030

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KOLBE). The Clerk will report the words.

The Clerk read as follows:

I am surprised to see my Republican colleagues on the floor today congratulating Speaker NEWT GINGRICH for doing something he should have done months ago, paying \$300,000 for lying to Congress. Speaker GINGRICH admitted to bringing discredit on the House of Representatives. He has admitted to lying to this House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is prepared to rule.

The words of the gentleman from Georgia constitute a personality against the Speaker. Under the precedents, the debate should not go to the official conduct of a Member where that question is not pending as a question of privilege on the House floor. The fact that the House has addressed a Member's conduct at a prior time does not permit this debate at this time. Therefore, the gentleman's words are out of order.

Without objection, the gentleman's words will be stricken from the RECORD.

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I object.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Objection is heard.

The question before the House is: Shall the gentleman's words be stricken from the RECORD?

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 227, noes 190, answered "present" 3, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 82]

AYES—227

Aderholt	Burr	Davis (VA)
Archer	Burton	Deal
Armey	Buyer	DeLay
Bachus	Callahan	Diaz-Balart
Baker	Calvert	Dickey
Ballenger	Camp	Doolittle
Barr	Campbell	Dreier
Barrett (NE)	Canady	Duncan
Bartlett	Cannon	Dunn
Barton	Castle	Ehlers
Bass	Chabot	Ehrlich
Bateman	Chambliss	Emerson
Bereuter	Chenoweth	English
Bilbray	Christensen	Ensign
Bilirakis	Coble	Everett
Bliley	Coburn	Ewing
Blunt	Collins	Fawell
Boehlert	Combest	Foley
Boehner	Cook	Forbes
Bonilla	Cooksey	Fowler
Bono	Cox	Fox
Brady	Crapo	Franks (NJ)
Bryant	Cubin	Frelinghuysen
Bunning	Cunningham	Gallegly

Ganske Lewis (KY)  
 Gekas Linder  
 Gibbons Livingston  
 Gilchrest LoBiondo  
 Gillmor Lucas  
 Gilman Luther  
 Goodlatte Manzullo  
 Goodling McCollum  
 Goss McCrery  
 Graham McDade  
 Granger McHugh  
 Greenwood McInnis  
 Gutknecht McIntosh  
 Hall (OH) McKeon  
 Hansen Metcalf  
 Hastert Mica  
 Hastings (WA) Miller (FL)  
 Hayworth Minge  
 Hefley Molinari  
 Hergert Moran (KS)  
 Hill Myrick  
 Hilleary Nethercutt  
 Hobson Neumann  
 Hoekstra Ney  
 Horn Northrup  
 Hostettler Norwood  
 Houghton Nussle  
 Hulshof Oxley  
 Hunter Packard  
 Hutchinson Pappas  
 Hyde Parker  
 Inglis Paul  
 Jenkins Paxon  
 Johnson (CT) Thomas  
 Johnson, Sam Peterson (PA)  
 Jones Petri  
 Kasich Pickering  
 Kelly Pitts  
 Kim Pombo  
 Kind (WI) Porter  
 King (NY) Portman  
 Kingston Pryce (OH)  
 Klug Quinn  
 Knollenberg Radanovich  
 Kolbe Ramstad  
 LaHood Regula  
 Largent Riggs  
 Latham Riley  
 LaTourette Rogan  
 Lazio Rogers  
 Leach Rohrabacher  
 Lewis (CA) Ros-Lehtinen

NOES—190

Abercrombie Edwards  
 Ackerman Kleczka  
 Baesler Eshoo  
 Baldacci Etheridge  
 Barcia Evans  
 Barrett (WI) Farr  
 Becerra Fattah  
 Bentsen Fazio  
 Berry Filner  
 Bishop Flake  
 Blagojevich Foglietta  
 Blumenauer Ford  
 Bonior Frank (MA)  
 Borski Frost  
 Boswell Furse  
 Boucher Gejdenson  
 Boyd Gephardt  
 Brown (CA) Gonzalez  
 Brown (FL) Goode  
 Brown (OH) Gordon  
 Capps Green  
 Carson Gutierrez  
 Clay Hall (TX)  
 Clayton Hamilton  
 Clement Hastings (FL)  
 Clyburn Hefner  
 Condit Hilliard  
 Conyers Hinchey  
 Coyne Hinojosa  
 Cramer Holden  
 Cummings Hoolley  
 Danner Hoyer  
 Davis (FL) Jackson (IL)  
 DeFazio Jackson-Lee  
 DeGette (TX)  
 Delahunt Jefferson  
 DeLauro John  
 Dellums Johnson (WI)  
 Deutsch Johnson, E. B.  
 Dicks Kanjorski  
 Dingell Kaptur  
 Dixon Kennedy (MA)  
 Doggett Kennedy (RI)  
 Dooley Kennelly  
 Doyle Kildee

Pascrell Sanders  
 Pastor Sandlin  
 Payne Schumer  
 Pelosi Scott  
 Peterson (MN) Serrano  
 Pickett Sherman  
 Pomeroy Sisisky  
 Poshard Skelton  
 Price (NC) Slaughter  
 Rahall Smith, Adam  
 Rangel Snyder  
 Reyes Spratt  
 Rivers Stabenow  
 Roemer Stark  
 Rothman Stenholm  
 Roybal-Allard Stokes  
 Rush Strickland  
 Sabo Stupak  
 Sanchez Tanner

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—3

Berman Cardin Sawyer

NOT VOTING—12

Allen Davis (IL) Owens  
 Andrews Harman Schiff  
 Costello Istook Tierney  
 Crane Morella Whitfield

□ 1103

Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Ms. FURSE, and Mr. MOAKLEY changed their vote from "aye" to "no."

So the motion to strike the words was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KOLBE). Without objection, the gentleman from Georgia [Mr. LEWIS] may proceed in order.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I object.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Objection is heard from the gentleman from New York [Mr. SOLOMON].

MOTION OFFERED BY MR. DOGGETT

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the gentleman from Georgia [Mr. LEWIS] be allowed to proceed in order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas [Mr. DOGGETT] that the gentleman from Georgia [Mr. LEWIS] be allowed to proceed in order.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I move to table the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas [Mr. DOGGETT].

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York [Mr. SOLOMON] to lay on the table the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas [Mr. DOGGETT].

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 223, noes 199, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 83]

AYES—223

Aderholt Baker Bartlett  
 Archer Ballenger Barton  
 Armey Barr Bass  
 Bachus Barrett (NE) Bateman

Bereuter Greenwood Peterson (PA)  
 Billbray Gutknecht Petri  
 Billrakis Hansen Pickering  
 Bliley Hastert Pitts  
 Blunt Hastings (WA) Pombo  
 Boehlert Hayworth Porter  
 Boehner Hefley Portman  
 Bonilla Herger Pryce (OH)  
 Bono Hill Quinn  
 Brady Hilleary Radanovich  
 Bryant Hobson Ramstad  
 Bunning Hoekstra Regula  
 Burr Horn Riggs  
 Burton Hostettler Riley  
 Buyer Houghton Rogan  
 Callahan Hulshof Rogers  
 Calvert Hunter Rohrabacher  
 Camp Hutchinson Ros-Lehtinen  
 Campbell Hyde Roukema  
 Canady Inglis Royce  
 Cannon Jenkins Ryun  
 Castle Johnson (CT) Salmon  
 Chabot Johnson, Sam Sanford  
 Chambliss Jones Saxton  
 Chenoweth Kasich Scarborough  
 Christensen Kelly Schaefer, Dan  
 Coble Kim Schaffer, Bob  
 Coburn King (NY) Sensenbrenner  
 Collins Kingston Sessions  
 Combest Klug Shadegg  
 Cook Knollenberg Shaw  
 Cooksey Kolbe Shays  
 Cox LaHood Shimkus  
 Crapo Largent Shuster  
 Cubin Latham Skeen  
 Cunningham LaTourette Smith (MI)  
 Davis (VA) Lazio Smith (NJ)  
 Deal Leach Smith (OR)  
 DeLay Lewis (CA) Smith (TX)  
 Diaz-Balart Lewis (KY) Smith, Linda  
 Dickey Porter Snowbarger  
 Doolittle Livingston Solomon  
 Dreier LoBiondo Souder  
 Duncan Lucas Spence  
 Dunn Manzullo Stearns  
 Ehlers McCollum Stump  
 Ehrlich McCrery Sununu  
 Emerson McDade Talent  
 English McHugh Tauzin  
 Ensign McInnis Taylor (NC)  
 Everrett McIntosh Thomas  
 Ewing McKeon Thornberry  
 Fawell Metcalf Thune  
 Foley Mica Tiahrt  
 Forbes Miller (FL) Traficant  
 Fowler Molinari Upton  
 Fox Moran (KS) Walsh  
 Franks (NJ) Myrick Wamp  
 Frelinghuysen Nethercutt Watkins  
 Gallegly Neumann Watts (OK)  
 Ganske Ney Weldon (FL)  
 Gekas Northrup Weldon (PA)  
 Gibbons Norwood Weller  
 Gilchrest Nussle White  
 Gillmor Oxley Whitfield  
 Gilman Packard Wicker  
 Goodlatte Pappas Wolf  
 Goodling Parker Young (AK)  
 Goss Paul Young (FL)  
 Graham Paxon  
 Granger Pease

NOES—199

Abercrombie Clayton Etheridge  
 Ackerman Clement Evans  
 Allen Clyburn Fattah  
 Baesler Condit Fazio  
 Baldacci Conyers Filner  
 Barcia Coyne Flake  
 Barrett (WI) Cramer Foglietta  
 Becerra Cummings Ford  
 Bentsen Danner Frank (MA)  
 Berman Davis (FL) Frost  
 Berry Davis (IL) Furse  
 Bishop DeFazio Gejdenson  
 Blagojevich DeGette Gephardt  
 Blumenauer Delahunt Gonzalez  
 Bonior DeLauro Goode  
 Borski Dellums Gordon  
 Boswell Deutsch Green  
 Boucher Dicks Gutierrez  
 Boyd Dingell Hall (OH)  
 Brown (CA) Dixon Hall (TX)  
 Brown (FL) Doggett Hamilton  
 Brown (OH) Dooley Hastings (FL)  
 Capps Doyle Hefner  
 Cardin Edwards Hilliard  
 Carson Engel Hinchey  
 Clay Eshoo Hinojosa

Holden  
Hooley  
Hoyer  
Jackson (IL)  
Jackson-Lee  
(TX)  
John  
Johnson (WI)  
Johnson, E. B.  
Kanjorski  
Kaptur  
Kennedy (MA)  
Kennedy (RI)  
Kennelly  
Kildee  
Kilpatrick  
Kind (WI)  
Klecza  
Klink  
Kucinich  
LaFalce  
Lampson  
Lantos  
Levin  
Lewis (GA)  
Lipinski  
Lofgren  
Lowey  
Luther  
Maloney (CT)  
Maloney (NY)  
Manton  
Markey  
Martinez  
Mascara  
Matsui  
McCarthy (MO)  
McCarthy (NY)  
McDermott  
McGovern  
McHale

NOT VOTING—10

Andrews  
Costello  
Crane  
Farr

□ 1121

So the motion to table was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KOLBE). The Chair announces that further 1-minutes will be postponed until the end of the day.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 963

Mr. WYNN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to have my name removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 963.

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

There was no objection.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I, the pending business is the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 317, noes 100, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 84]  
AYES—317  
Aderholt  
Allen  
Archer  
Armey  
Bachus  
Baesler  
Baker  
Ballenger  
Barr  
Barrett (NE)  
Barrett (WI)  
Bartlett  
Barton  
Bass  
Bateman  
Bentsen  
Bereuter  
Berman  
Bilbray  
Bilirakis  
Blagojevich  
Bliley  
Blumenauer  
Blunt  
Boehlert  
Boehner  
Bonilla  
Boswell  
Boucher  
Boyd  
Brady  
Brown (FL)  
Bryant  
Bunning  
Burr  
Burton  
Calvert  
Camp  
Campbell  
Canady  
Cannon  
Capps  
Cardin  
Carson  
Castle  
Chabot  
Chambliss  
Chenoweth  
Christensen  
Clayton  
Clement  
Coble  
Coburn  
Collins  
Combest  
Condit  
Conyers  
Cook  
Cooksey  
Cox  
Coyne  
Cramer  
Crapo  
Cubin  
Cummings  
Cunningham  
Danner  
Davis (IL)  
Davis (VA)  
Deal  
DeLay  
Diaz-Balart  
Dickey  
Dicks  
Dingell  
Dixon  
Dooley  
Doolittle  
Doyle  
Dreier  
Duncan  
Dunn  
Ehlers  
Ehrlich  
Emerson  
Etheridge  
Evans  
Everett  
Fawell  
Foley  
Forbes  
Fowler  
Fox  
Franks (NJ)  
Frelinghuysen  
Gallegly

Thomas  
Thornberry  
Thune  
Thurman  
Tiahrt  
Torres  
Towns  
Traficant  
Turner  
Upton

NOES—100

Abercrombie  
Ackerman  
Baldacci  
Barcia  
Berry  
Bishop  
Bonior  
Borski  
Brown (OH)  
Buyer  
Callahan  
Clay  
Clyburn  
Davis (FL)  
DeFazio  
DeGette  
Delahunt  
DeLauro  
Dellums  
Deutsch  
Doggett  
Edwards  
Engel  
English  
Ensign  
Fattah  
Fazio  
Filner  
Flake  
Foglietta  
Ford  
Frank (MA)  
Frost  
Furse

NOT VOTING—15

Andrews  
Becerra  
Bono  
Brown (CA)  
Costello

□ 1142

So the Journal was approved. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, April 17, 1997.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,  
The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the original certificate of election from the Honorable Antonio O. Garza, Jr., Secretary of State, State of Texas, indicating that, at a special run-off election held on Saturday, April 12, 1997, the Honorable Ciro D. Rodriguez was duly elected to the Office of Representative in Congress from the Twenty-eighth Congressional District, State of Texas.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE.

SWearing In of the Honorable Ciro D. Rodriguez of Texas as a Member of the House

The SPEAKER. Will the Member-Elect, Mr. Ciro D. Rodriguez, come forward, escorted by the Members of the Texas delegation.