

Just three weeks ago we met again here in Washington and he extended the same invitation for his next visit. I deeply regret that will never occur.

Armenia is the oldest Christian nation in the world. Her commitment to freedom and democracy is in no small part due to the efforts of the late prime minister and his fallen colleagues.

This morning the turmoil in Armenia has ended. Armenians will again go on today living in freedom, and dedicated to building a stronger nation for their children. The terrorists are in the hands of law enforcement and the rule of law will prevail.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering the service of these eight Armenian patriots and their families on this very sad day.

VOTE NO ON A BAD BUDGET BILL

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

Ms. KILPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, today is the last day for the 13 appropriations bills. Unfortunately, the bill that will be on the floor today did not come to the House floor. The most important bill for America's families came from committee, and not to the floor so that we could debate it.

This budget in its entirety does not extend the life of Social Security for one day. This budget does not offer prescription drug coverage for seniors who need it. This budget hurts American families.

If you have a child and you were thinking that you were going to get them in Head Start, one of the most successful programs we have, the Head Start budget will be cut. You may not be able to have your child there.

If you are a senior and you depend on Meals on Wheels, a very successful program where some seniors have this one hot meal every day, your Meals on Wheels will be cut with this budget.

Nursing homes, who take care of the seniors who have made it possible for all of us to be here today, will be cut.

Bad bill. Vote no.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS FOR ARMENIA

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

Mr. GANSKE. Mr. Speaker, in August I went on a surgical mission to Armenia. Our surgical mission was treated with great hospitality by our hosts and we were able to join with Armenian doctors and do teaching and help take care of patients. So it was with shock that I saw on TV the shooting that occurred in the Armenian legislature.

I would remind our colleagues that it was in about 1954 that we had a shooting in this very room, and when you have violence in the midst of democracy, it sends a chill down all of our backs.

I pray for the families of those who were slain, and I sincerely hope that peace will return to Armenia and that they will be able to go about the business of democracy and improving their country.

SUPPORT H.R. 762, LUPUS RESEARCH AND CARE AMENDMENTS ACT OF 1999

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

Mrs. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I ask this House and this Congress to pay attention to this very important plea I am making this morning.

This is Lupus Awareness Month. People all over this country are not quite aware of the danger of this auto-immune disease called lupus. It kills more people than AIDS and several other infectious diseases. It is time we woke up to lupus. It is a killer. It is a killer of young women in their child bearing years. It is acrippler of men as well as women, but more so women.

I am asking support throughout this country for my bill on lupus. It is the Care Act of 1999. Remember, lupus has a significant impact on women in child bearing years, so your wives, daughters and sisters will be affected by this terrible disease. Charles Kurault died of this disease recently. It is a killer, it breaks your back. I want Members to help me with this bill and try to get it scheduled in this Congress. It has been up for 3 years. It is time that lupus is recognized.

SUPPORT LABOR-HHS APPROPRIATIONS BILL

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

Mr. DUNCAN. Mr. Speaker, today we will pass the Labor-HHS appropriations bill, which contains many good things. It also contains a 1 percent across-the-board cut, which I support, because we have to do that unless we want to dip into the Social Security funds for other purposes.

But this bill also contains \$1.4 billion for a program that I hope at least some people will begin to question. It is one of the most wasteful programs in the entire Federal Government, and yet, because it theoretically is for children, nobody will question it.

□ 1045

That is the Job Corps program. Today we are spending over \$26,000 per year per Job Corps student. We could take each one of those students and give them a \$1,000 month allowance, send them to some expensive private school, and still save some.

The GAO says hardly any of those students are ending up in jobs for which they were trained. That program is benefiting only the bureaucrats and

the fat cat government contractors. Mr. Speaker, we need to question that program. It is harming children by taking money away from their parents to send instead to bureaucrats and fat cat government contractors.

THE BRONX AND NEW YORK CITY ARE VERY PROUD OF THE NEW YORK YANKEES

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

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I am going to put on this hat, although it is not the traditional blue and white.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SHAW). I would have to interrupt the gentleman. The House rules prohibit the wearing of hats.

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I will not put on the hat, I will just hold the hat. Even though it is not the traditional blue and white Yankee colors, these are some of the fancy hats they sell on 161st Street in the Bronx outside Yankee Stadium.

I speak then on behalf of myself and my colleague, the gentleman from New York (Mr. SERRANO). We are both from the Bronx. We always joke, the Yankee Stadium is in his district, and some of the parking lots outside of Yankee Stadium are in my district; when the Yankees hit a home run out of the park, the ball lands in my district.

I was born in the Bronx, lived in the Bronx, was raised in the Bronx, grew up within walking distance of Yankee Stadium. Today the Bronx is really proud of the Bronx Bombers, of the New York Yankees, who once again are the world champions in baseball. They are truly the team of the nineties, the dynasty of the nineties.

As we enter the new millenium, the Yankees are the world champions. The Bronx is very, very proud of the Yankees, and indeed, all of New York City is very, very proud of the Yankees. We look forward to a great ticker tape parade up Broadway with the Yankees. We look forward to continued successes in the future.

Go, Yankees. They have made us all proud: Joe Torre, George Steinbrenner and all the Yankees. New York, New York.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the pending business is the question of agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

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

Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a

quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant-at-Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 370, nays 49, answered “present” 1, not voting 13, as follows:

[Roll No. 545]

YEAS—370

Abercrombie	Delahunt	Jackson-Lee
Ackerman	DeLauro	(TX)
Allen	DeLay	Jefferson
Andrews	DeMint	Jenkins
Archer	Deutsch	John
Army	Diaz-Balart	Johnson, Sam
Bachus	Dicks	Jones (NC)
Baker	Dingell	Jones (OH)
Baldacci	Dixon	Kanjorski
Ballenger	Doggett	Kaptur
Barcia	Dooley	Kasich
Barr	Doolittle	Kelly
Barrett (NE)	Doyle	Kennedy
Barrett (WI)	Dreier	Kildee
Bartlett	Duncan	Kilpatrick
Barton	Dunn	Kind (WI)
Bass	Edwards	King (NY)
Bateman	Ehlers	Kingston
Becerra	Ehrlich	Klecza
Bentsen	Emerson	Klink
Bereuter	Engel	Knollenberg
Berkley	Eshoo	Kolbe
Berman	Etheridge	Kuykendall
Berry	Everett	LaFalce
Biggert	Ewing	LaHood
Bilirakis	Farr	Lampson
Bishop	Fletcher	Lantos
Blagojevich	Foley	Largent
Bliley	Forbes	Larson
Blumenauer	Ford	Latham
Blunt	Fossella	LaTourette
Boehlert	Fowler	Lazio
Boehner	Frank (MA)	Leach
Bonilla	Franks (NJ)	Lee
Bonior	Frelinghuysen	Levin
Bono	Frost	Lewis (CA)
Boswell	Gallegly	Lewis (GA)
Boucher	Ganske	Lewis (KY)
Boyd	Gejdenson	Linder
Brady (TX)	Gekas	Lofgren
Brown (FL)	Gephardt	Lowe
Brown (OH)	Gilchrest	Lucas (KY)
Bryant	Gillmor	Lucas (OK)
Burr	Gilman	Luther
Burton	Gonzalez	Maloney (CT)
Callahan	Goode	Maloney (NY)
Calvert	Goodlatte	Manzullo
Camp	Goodling	Martinez
Campbell	Gordon	Matsui
Canady	Goss	McCarthy (MO)
Cannon	Graham	McCarthy (NY)
Capps	Granger	McCollum
Capuano	Green (TX)	McCrery
Cardin	Green (WI)	McDermott
Carson	Greenwood	McGovern
Castle	Gutierrez	McHugh
Chabot	Gutknecht	McInnis
Chambliss	Hall (OH)	McIntosh
Chenoweth-Hage	Hall (TX)	McIntyre
Clayton	Hansen	McKeon
Clement	Hastings (WA)	McKinney
Coble	Hayes	Meehan
Coburn	Hayworth	Meek (FL)
Collins	Herger	Meeks (NY)
Combest	Hill (IN)	Menendez
Condit	Hobson	Metcalfe
Conyers	Hoefel	Mica
Cook	Hoekstra	Millender-
Cooksey	Holden	McDonald
Cox	Hooley	Miller (FL)
Coyne	Horn	Miller, Gary
Cramer	Hostettler	Minge
Crowley	Houghton	Mink
Cubin	Hoyer	Moakley
Cummings	Hunter	Mollohan
Cunningham	Hutchinson	Moran (KS)
Danner	Hyde	Moran (VA)
Davis (FL)	Inslee	Morella
Davis (IL)	Isakson	Murtha
Davis (VA)	Istook	Myrick
Deal	Jackson (IL)	Nadler
DeGette		Napolitano

Neal	Ros-Lehtinen
Nethercutt	Rothman
Ney	Roukema
Northup	Roybal-Allard
Norwood	Royce
Nussle	Ryan (WI)
Oxley	Ryun (KS)
Obe	Salmon
Oliver	Sanchez
Ortiz	Sandlin
Ose	Sanford
Owens	Sawyer
Oxley	Saxton
Packard	Schakowsky
Pascrell	Scott
Pastor	Sensenbrenner
Paul	Serrano
Payne	Sessions
Pease	Shadegg
Pelosi	Shaw
Peterson (PA)	Shays
Petri	Sherman
Phelps	Sherwood
Pickering	Shimkus
Pitts	Shows
Pombo	Shuster
Pomeroy	Simpson
Porter	Sisisky
Portman	Price (NC)
Portman	Pryce (OH)
Price (NC)	Quinn
Pryce (OH)	Radanovich
Quinn	Rahall
Radanovich	Rangel
Rahall	Regula
Rangel	Reyes
Regula	Reynolds
Reyes	Riley
Reynolds	Rivers
Riley	Rodriguez
Rivers	Roemer
Rodriguez	Rogers
Roemer	Rohrabacher
Rogers	
Rohrabacher	

NAYS—49

Aderholt	Hefley	Peterson (MN)
Baird	Hill (MT)	Pickett
Baldwin	Hilleary	Ramstad
Bilbray	Hilliard	Rogan
Borski	Hinchey	Sabo
Clay	Holt	Schaffer
Clyburn	Hulshof	Stupak
Costello	Johnson, E. B.	Taylor (MS)
Crane	Kucinich	Thompson (CA)
DeFazio	Lipinski	Thompson (MS)
Dickey	LoBiondo	Udall (NM)
English	Markey	Visclosky
Evans	McNulty	Wamp
Fattah	Miller, George	Weller
Filner	Moore	Wu
Gibbons	Oberstar	
Hastings (FL)	Pallone	

ANSWERED “PRESENT”—1

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NOT VOTING—13

Brady (PA)	Rush	Waters
Buyer	Sanders	Wexler
Hinojosa	Scarborough	Whitfield
Johnson (CT)	Sweeney	
Mascara	Walsh	

□ 1109

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS, FISCAL YEAR 2000

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the order of the House of Wednesday, October 27, 1999, I call up the joint resolution (H. J. Res 73) making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the title of the joint resolution.

The text of House Joint Resolution 73 is as follows:

H.J. RES. 73

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Law 106-62 is further amended by striking “October 29, 1999” in section 106(c) and inserting in lieu thereof “November 5, 1999”, and by striking “\$189,524,382” in section 119 and inserting in lieu thereof “\$288,903,248”. Public Law 106-46 is amended by striking “November 1, 1999” and inserting in lieu thereof “November 5, 1999”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SHAW). Pursuant to the order of the House of Wednesday, October 27, 1999, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. YOUNG) and the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. OBEY) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida (Mr. YOUNG).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on H. J. Res. 73, and that I may include tabular and extraneous material.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, the continuing resolution before us extends current spending levels for a week, until November 5. That is one week from tomorrow.

The current rates, as contained in the original continuing resolution, are continued for the five bills which have not been signed into law. And, of course, for those eight that have been signed into law, the funding levels in those bills are the controlling elements.

There are two technical provisions for two anomalies which need to be adjusted in the continuing resolution, the waiver of the quorum requirement for the Export-Import Bank, and adjusted funding rate for the census.

Mr. Speaker, it is my understanding that this is acceptable to the President, that he is willing to support this and to sign this continuing resolution, and I would hope that we could expedite this matter.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

□ 1115

Mr. OBEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, first of all, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. YOUNG), the distinguished chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, is correct; the President will sign this third continuing resolution.

He should not have to. I would have hoped that we would have been done by now. But we all, I think, understand why.

My problem is that, right after this continuing resolution, we are going to