

Ortiz	Sabo	Tancred
Ose	Sanchez	Tanner
Owens	Sanders	Tauscher
Oxley	Sandlin	Tauzin
Packard	Sanford	Taylor (NC)
Pallone	Sawyer	Terry
Pascarell	Saxton	Thomas
Pastor	Schaffer	Thompson (CA)
Paul	Schakowsky	Thompson (MS)
Payne	Scott	Thornberry
Pease	Serrano	Thune
Pelosi	Sessions	Thurman
Phelps	Shaw	Tiahrt
Pickering	Shays	Tierney
Pickett	Sherman	Toomey
Pitts	Sherwood	Trafficant
Pombo	Shinkus	Turner
Pomeroy	Shows	Udall (NM)
Porter	Shuster	Upton
Portman	Simpson	Vento
Price (NC)	Sisisky	Vitter
Pryce (OH)	Skeen	Walden
Quinn	Skelton	Walsh
Radanovich	Smith (MI)	Wamp
Ramstad	Smith (NJ)	Watkins
Rangel	Smith (TX)	Watt (NC)
Regula	Smith (WA)	Waxman
Reyes	Snyder	Weiner
Reynolds	Souder	Weldon (PA)
Rivers	Spence	Weller
Rodriguez	Spratt	Weygand
Roemer	Stabenow	Whitfield
Rogan	Stark	Wicker
Rogers	Stearns	Wilson
Rohrabacher	Stenholm	Wolf
Rothman	Strickland	Woolsey
Roukema	Stump	Wu
Roybal-Allard	Stupak	Wynn
Royce	Sununu	Young (AK)
Rush	Sweeney	Young (FL)
Ryun (KS)	Talent	

NOT VOTING—31

Ackerman	Emerson	Ros-Lehtinen
Barr	Frost	Salmon
Boucher	Johnson, Sam	Scarborough
Cannon	Meehan	Shadegg
Capps	Moran (VA)	Slaughter
Clayton	Murtha	Velazquez
Conyers	Nussle	Watts (OK)
Danner	Olver	Weldon (FL)
DeFazio	Peterson (PA)	Wexler
Doyle	Petri	
Ehrlich	Riley	

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Mr. SHUSTER changed his vote from "yea" to "nay".

Mr. KLECZKA changed his vote from "nay" to "yea".

So the motion to adjourn was rejected.

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:

Washington, DC, November 17, 1999.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the original Certificate of Election received from the Honorable Bill Jones, Secretary of State, State of California, indicating that, according to the semi-official canvas for the Special General election held November 16, 1999, the Honorable Joe Baca was elected Representative in Congress for the Forty-second Congressional District, State of California.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL,
Clerk.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE JOE BACA OF CALIFORNIA AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER. Will the Member-elect from California (Mr. BACA) come forward, accompanied by the California delegation, and raise your right hand?

Mr. BACA appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear the true faith and allegiance to the same; that you will take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter. So help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. You are now a Member of the House of Representatives.

INTRODUCTION OF THE HONORABLE JOE BACA, MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor and privilege to be cochair of the California delegation. I share that responsibility with the gentleman from California (Mr. FARR).

Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to yield to the gentleman from California (Mr. FARR) for remarks.

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from California very much for yielding to me.

Mr. Speaker, what a great day for the State of California. All of us in this House know the honor of being sworn in as a Member of the House of Representatives, the only place in Washington where everyone has to be elected in order to take the oath of office.

It is a distinct pleasure that we honor another Californian in that regard, a person who has a great deal of experience in public life, and brings to this Chamber experience as a member of the board of trustees with a community college, was elected to the California State Assembly, was elected as the first pro tempore, the first Latino pro tempore in California history to that job, served in the California State Senate, and now is elected to serve his district in Southern California.

He is following in the footsteps of a great Member of this House, George Brown. We all remember the great service that he gave to this country and the deeds that he left, the great record that he left.

So JOE BACA comes to us with his own career of distinction, and I think he will be a great addition to this House. So I congratulate you.

On behalf of the California Democratic delegation, which I am Chair of,

along with the gentleman from California (Mr. LEWIS), who is Dean of the Republican delegation from California, and as a joint bipartisan effort, we welcome the newest Member of our delegation, a delegation which has had over eight Members elected in special elections. So we know the special moment you are having right now, you are sharing with your family who is watching this on C-SPAN, and we appreciate the fact that you are here today to get sworn in. Congratulations on a great race and a great election.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time, JOE, you should note with interest that a very sizable number of the Members on the floor happen to be from the California delegation. It was not always the case that we would have an occasion like this and we would have almost the entire delegation present.

But in recent years, we have had kind of a reawakening of our State. In the past, we have often been laughed at by States like Texas who come together regularly on issues relative to their own interests. Today, California is working together as it never has in its history, and our numbers are here to have a positive impact on the country.

So working with you in the seat of the former Dean of the California delegation, you have a great career ahead of you. We look forward to your help as we go about attempting to improve the country as we work on behalf of California's interest. So welcome, JOE. It is a great day for all of us.

OPENING REMARKS OF THE HONORABLE JOE BACA

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

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, I ask permission to address the House for 1 minute. I wanted to make sure that I followed the rules and procedures that are here.

Mr. Speaker, I do appreciate the gentleman from California (Mr. FARR) lowering this podium. I used to be 6 foot 5 as a paratrooper, but I made a lot of jumps; that is why I am only 5 foot 6.

It is really an honor to be here. I would like to thank the leadership for their support, the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. GEPHARDT), all of the Members, the DCCC individuals who are very helpful.

I want to thank God because God gave me the courage to run and to serve. Too many times we forget that it is the strength that we have, and God provided that strength to give us that courage. So I want to thank God.

I want to thank my family. I wish my mom and dad were here to see this. They are both deceased, but I know it is a proud moment in their lives. I know that somewhere up above they are seeing this even though they cannot be here right now. But I know very well that they are proud of their son,

because I am one of 15. I am the 15th child.

Like a lot of us, I come from a poor family, an individual, the only one that graduated from high school and college. My other brothers and sisters graduated, but I was able to pursue that. I know that they are very proud.

I wish my wife were here right now. She is watching this right now. She is Barbara Dominguez Baca, with whom I will be celebrating 31 years of marriage next week. On November 23, it will be our anniversary, so it will be 31 years of marriage to one wife, not two wives or three wives, but one wife.

I would like to also thank my children, because my children were supporters. I believe in strong family values, because family values are the core of what makes America great. It is what makes our country. I would like to thank my family, because they have been very supportive.

I would like to thank Joe, Jr. That is my first son. He is now 30. Then Jeremy Baca; that is my second son. Then my daughter, first daughter, and that is Natalie. Then, of course, my daughter that is 13 years of age. She is the reason my wife cannot be here because we believe it is important to have our children in school and to obtain that, and we did not want to take her out of school during that time. It was important for her to be there. My wife realizes that, because she is also a great student, a 4.0 student, doing well in school, so we want to make sure she continues to receive those grades. Of course, Mom is always there to help her.

So I love my family very much. I want to thank them.

But I also want to thank the voters, the voters of my district who made it possible for me to be here. Without the voters' support, I would not be here today.

I look forward to working in this House. It is going to be an honor for me to work on a bipartisan basis. I look forward to working with my colleague directly associated with me, and that is the gentleman from California (Mr. LEWIS). I look forward to working with him on issues that are important to all of us, the issues that are important to the State of California, because all of us care about the economy. All of us care about education, public safety, protecting Social Security, Medicare, drug prescriptions, areas that are important to a lot of us, health reform.

But most of all, we want to make sure that, as I look at the 52 Members of California, that we work together on a bipartisan basis to make California, like everybody else wants to make their State, a lot better. But I also look forward to working with the 52 delegates from California in assuring that we get our fair share of revenue coming back to California. No offense to the rest of the Members. But I believe, in reference to California, it is pretty big in population. We have over 34 million people in California. But it

is important that we address those issues.

I want to work with them and also work with you on a bipartisan basis on other issues that are important with us as well that impact all of us.

What we all want is to improve the quality of life. We cannot do it by ourselves. We have to come together collectively. It has to come from a compromise, individuals willing to come together and do what is necessary to make our State and our Nation a lot better. It is not going to happen if we have political wedges that divide us. There are times that we have to come together to address those areas. We need to address those areas.

I want to thank you. I want to thank my family. I want to thank the leadership. I thank the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. GEPHARDT) very much for coming and getting all of the colleagues, the whips, you know, that raised all of the funds that were necessary.

I look forward to additional help from the other side in giving me additional monies. So it is very important for your support as well as we begin to work on a bipartisan effort.

Again, I thank the Speaker and my colleagues very much.

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman from California (Mr. BACA) yield back the remainder of his time?

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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

The SPEAKER. The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. OBEY).

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. OBEY. 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 24, nays 379, not voting 31, as follows:

[Roll No. 605]
YEAS—24

Baldwin	Klecza	Peterson (MN)
Barrett (WI)	Luther	Petri
Berry	Manzullo	Rahall
Brown (FL)	McDermott	Ryan (WI)
Filner	McKinney	Sensenbrenner
Green (WI)	Minge	Taylor (MS)
Gutknecht	Oberstar	Towns
Kind (WI)	Obey	Wise

NAYS—379

Aderholt	Barcia	Biggart
Allen	Barr	Bilbray
Andrews	Barrett (NE)	Bilirakis
Archer	Bartlett	Bishop
Armey	Barton	Blagojevich
Baca	Bass	Bliley
Bachus	Bateman	Blumenauer
Baird	Becerra	Blunt
Baker	Bentsen	Boehlert
Baldacci	Bereuter	Boehner
Ballenger	Berkley	Bonilla

Bonior	Gordon	Menendez
Bono	Goss	Metcalf
Borski	Graham	Millender-
Boswell	Granger	McDonald
Boucher	Green (TX)	Miller (FL)
Boyd	Hall (OH)	Miller, Gary
Brady (PA)	Hall (TX)	Miller, George
Brady (TX)	Hansen	Mink
Brown (OH)	Hastings (FL)	Moakley
Bryant	Hastings (WA)	Mollohan
Burr	Hayes	Moore
Burton	Hayworth	Moran (KS)
Buyer	Hefley	Morella
Callahan	Herger	Myrick
Calvert	Hill (IN)	Nadler
Camp	Hill (MT)	Napolitano
Campbell	Hilleary	Neal
Canady	Hilliard	Nethercutt
Cannon	Hinchee	Ney
Capuano	Hinojosa	Northup
Cardin	Hobson	Norwood
Carson	Hoeffel	Nussle
Castle	Hoekstra	Olver
Chabot	Holden	Ortiz
Chambliss	Holt	Ose
Chenoweth-Hage	Hoolley	Owens
Clay	Horn	Oxley
Clayton	Hostettler	Packard
Clement	Houghton	Pallone
Clyburn	Hoyer	Pascrell
Coble	Hulshof	Pastor
Coburn	Hunter	Paul
Collins	Hyde	Payne
Combest	Inslee	Pease
Condit	Isakson	Pelosi
Cook	Istook	Peterson (PA)
Cooksey	Jackson (IL)	Phelps
Costello	Jackson-Lee	Pickering
Cox	(TX)	Pickett
Coyne	Jenkins	Pitts
Cramer	John	Pomeroy
Crane	Johnson (CT)	Porter
Crowley	Johnson, E. B.	Portman
Cubin	Johnson, Sam	Price (NC)
Cummings	Jones (NC)	Pryce (OH)
Cunningham	Jones (OH)	Quinn
Danner	Kanjorski	Radanovich
Davis (FL)	Kaptur	Ramstad
Davis (IL)	Kasich	Rangel
Davis (VA)	Kelly	Regula
Deal	Kennedy	Reyes
DeFazio	Kildee	Reynolds
DeGette	King (NY)	Riley
Delahunt	Kingston	Rivers
DeLauro	Klink	Rodriguez
DeLay	Knollenberg	Roemer
DeMint	Kolbe	Rogan
Deutsch	Kucinich	Rogers
Diaz-Balart	Kuykendall	Rohrabacher
Dickey	LaFalce	Rothman
Dicks	LaHood	Roybal-Allard
Dixon	Lampson	Royce
Doggett	Lantos	Rush
Dooley	Largent	Sabo
Dreier	Larson	Salmon
Duncan	Latham	Sanchez
Dunn	LaTourette	Sanders
Edwards	Lazio	Sandlin
Ehlers	Leach	Sanford
Emerson	Lee	Sawyer
Engel	Levin	Saxton
English	Lewis (CA)	Schaffer
Eshoo	Lewis (GA)	Schakowsky
Etheridge	Lewis (KY)	Scott
Evans	Linder	Serrano
Everett	Lipinski	Sessions
Ewing	LoBiondo	Shadegg
Farr	Lofgren	Shaw
Fattah	Lowey	Shays
Fletcher	Lucas (KY)	Sherman
Foley	Lucas (OK)	Sherwood
Forbes	Maloney (NY)	Shimkus
Ford	Markey	Shows
Fossella	Martinez	Shuster
Frank (MA)	Mascara	Simpson
Franks (NJ)	Matsui	Sisisky
Frelinghuysen	McCarthy (MO)	Skeen
Gallely	McCarthy (NY)	Skelton
Ganske	McCollum	Slaughter
Gejdenson	McCrary	Smith (NJ)
Gephardt	McGovern	Smith (TX)
Gibbons	McHugh	Smith (WA)
Gilchrest	McInnis	Snyder
Gillmor	McIntosh	Souder
Gilman	McIntyre	Spence
Gonzalez	McKeon	Stabenow
Goode	McNulty	Stark
Goodlatte	Meek (FL)	Stearns
Goodling	Meeks (NY)	Stenholm