

Thompson (CA)	Velazquez	Weldon (PA)
Thompson (MS)	Vento	Weygand
Thornberry	Visclosky	Wise
Tierney	Walden	Woolsey
Trafficant	Wamp	Young (AK)
Udall (CO)	Waters	
Udall (NM)	Watt (NC)	

NOT VOTING—37

Baird	Frost	McNulty
Baker	Ganske	Miller (FL)
Baldwin	Gordon	Nethercutt
Bilirakis	Hansen	Ortiz
Blunt	Hastings (FL)	Peterson (PA)
Boehner	Hefley	Shadegg
Boswell	Hobson	Stark
Boucher	Istook	Tauzin
Burton	John	Thurman
Chenoweth	Largent	Wicker
Coble	Latham	Young (FL)
Coburn	McDermott	
Cooksey	McInnis	

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

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. BAIRD. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No 307, I was unavoidably detained, by traffic. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea".

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 434, the bill just passed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

INFORMING MEMBERSHIP OF THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE GEORGE E. BROWN, JR., MEMBER OF CONGRESS

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

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, it is my sad duty to inform the Members that we have lost this morning our dear friend from California, GEORGE BROWN, who died in Washington, D.C.

Our prayers and our thoughts are with his family and his friends and neighbors and constituents. He has been a constant friend to all of us on both sides of the aisle. He has been a dedicated public servant and he gave a great, great deal of his life to this body and to his constituents.

I would like to ask us now to rise and have a moment of silence in his memory.

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GEPHARDT. I yield to the gentleman from California.

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding to me, and I rise as chair of the California Democratic delegation, and I am sure

my colleague, the gentleman from California (Mr. LEWIS) will also ask to be recognized as the Chair of the Republican delegation.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GEPHARDT. I yield to the gentleman from California.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the gentleman yielding to me, and I appreciate the words of our colleague, the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. GEPHARDT), on behalf of GEORGE BROWN.

I wish to announce to the Members that in the days ahead we will be reserving an appropriate time for a memorial discussion on the floor recognizing the many, many years of service of our colleague GEORGE BROWN, and in turn we will be continuing to communicate closely with his family in order to get information to the Members regarding memorial services that are appropriate in California. Those notifications will come to Members very soon.

Further than that, Mr. Speaker, I would urge that we adjourn today in GEORGE BROWN's memory by way of the full membership of the House.

EXPRESSING SORROW OF THE HOUSE AT THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE GEORGE E. BROWN, JR., MEMBER OF CONGRESS FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 252) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 252

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable George E. Brown, Jr., a Representative from the State of California.

Resolved, That a committee of such Members of the House as the Speaker may designate, together with such Members of the Senate as may be joined, be appointed to attend the funeral.

Resolved, That the Sergeant at Arms of the House be authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of these resolutions and that the necessary expenses in connection therewith be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from California (Mr. FARR) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, maybe other Members of the California delegation would like to speak, but we will set a special time for that. I just want to thank the leadership, the Speaker of the House, and the President of the Senate for already lowering the flags on the Hill on all of

our Federal buildings out of respect for the memory of GEORGE BROWN. We will dearly miss him.

We will appoint at the appropriate time a memorial service here on the floor.

Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from California (Mr. ROHRABACHER).

Mr. ROHRABACHER. Mr. Speaker, I have been a Member of this House now for 11 years, and I have to say that I have never met a man more principled and more honest and more open than GEORGE BROWN.

I loved GEORGE BROWN dearly, and I think I am talking for the rest of us, certainly on our side of the aisle, and I know many others will come up, but GEORGE BROWN was such a principled human being. And sometimes people who feel so strongly about their principles get caught up in bitterness and partisanship, but GEORGE BROWN had such a wonderful spirit and a happiness about him that he diffused tension with his principles and his spirit rather than creating tensions.

I just would like to add my words and to say that working under his leadership in the Committee on Science was a joy. And here we are at the 30th anniversary of our landing on the moon, and GEORGE BROWN certainly deserves such a great deal of credit for the leadership he provided over the years in this great achievement of our country.

GEORGE BROWN was an honest liberal, an honest man, a man with a dear heart, and we will miss him.

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from California (Mr. LEWIS).

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, as my colleague indicated, we are going to schedule another time for a memorial service on the floor, rather than do that at this moment. I know Members want to think through all of their feelings about our colleague and I, frankly, want to make sure that Marta has an opportunity to share these moments with us. So we will work with the Speaker and the leadership to make sure an appropriate time is selected and go forward from there.

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(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 rise to inquire of the gentleman from Texas (Mr. ARMEY) regarding next week's schedule.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, before I announce the next week's schedule, I would like to just take a moment on behalf of myself, and I daresay on behalf of all of us on this side of the aisle, to express our deep condolences to the family of GEORGE BROWN. He was, for us, a treasured colleague, a fine man, a gentleman, and a good legislator. The body was richer for his having been here, and the memories we have of our time in this body will be richer for our having had the privilege of serving with him.

Mr. Speaker, with respect to the schedule, the House has concluded legislative business for the week. I want to thank all the Members for their work this week. It was a difficult week, with three appropriations bills under the 5-minute rule, which kept us late. Very late.

And, incidentally, Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank the staff, the floor staff especially, for their long hours. Nevertheless, it allowed us to pass three appropriations bills, keeping us on track to get our key appropriations bills all passed before the August district work period, and that is the kind of progress we are all looking for. So I extend my personal appreciation to all the Members and all the staff for their good work, and especially to the appropriators for their hard work.

Mr. Speaker, next week the House will meet on Monday, July 19, at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour and 2 p.m. for legislative business. We will consider a number of bills under suspension of the rules, a list of which will be distributed to all Members' offices this afternoon.

On Monday evening, after suspensions, we will take up H.R. 2415, the American Embassy Security Act. This bill will be considered under a structured rule which passed the House last night. The rule provides for substantial debate on many amendments, so we will complete this bill later in the week.

Members should note that we expect votes on suspension bills and amendments to the American Embassy Security Act after 6 p.m. on Monday evening, July 19.

On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of next week, the House will consider the following bills, all of which are subject to rules: H.R. 1995, the Teacher Empowerment Act; H.R. 2488, the Financial Freedom Act of 1999; The Department of Defense Appropriations Act; and H.R. 1074, the Regulatory Right to Know Act of 1999.

Also, Members should note that on Thursday, the House will not meet until 11 a.m. in order to allow Members to attend the ceremony commemorating the valiant service of Capitol Police Officers Chestnut and Gibson, who died 1 year ago while serving to defend this Capitol. I know that many of our Members will want to attend this.

As my colleagues can see, this will be another very busy week for the House. I am happy, however, to let Members

know we will complete votes on Thursday, July 22, by 6 p.m. and that the House will not be in session on Friday, July 23.

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I know that our Members will make good use of that time in their district for that 3-day weekend.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. HASTERT) the Speaker of the House.

The SPEAKER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Georgia for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I just want to say that the House will do its very best to accommodate the family of the gentleman from California (Mr. BROWN) in the arrangements, and we look forward to seeing what those arrangements will be.

I just want to join all my colleagues in this House to pay our deepest respect to a very, very fine gentleman who represented his district, who represented the ideas that he felt were very, very important to him and this country, and who served on the Committee on Science.

I just want to say that we will look forward to see what those arrangements are and abide by what the wishes of the family will be.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time, I ask the gentleman from Texas (Mr. ARMEY), the majority leader, if he can tell us what day the tax bill will be on the floor of the House?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I am happy to respond to the gentleman.

The tax bill should be expected to be on the floor on Wednesday. That is the day for which it is scheduled.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I ask the gentleman, what day will the teacher empowerment act be on the floor?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman would continue to yield, we expect to see the teacher empowerment bill on the floor on Tuesday.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I ask the gentleman, do we expect any late nights next week, any 11 o'clock and midnight nights?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for asking. I am sure the entire body thanks the gentleman for asking.

We have only one appropriations bill scheduled during next week. It is under the 5-minute rule. With those bills, it becomes difficult to manage the time. So that, I think I can say with total confidence, certainly not like this week we have just endured. And I expect, frankly, no real serious late nights next week. I think our work will be managed in a much more comfortable time zone.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I am sure all of our colleagues will be very grateful and appreciative.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman will continue to yield, our colleagues and their families will; and we will work hard for that.

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, JULY 19, 1999

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday next for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

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

There was no objection.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BOSWELL (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, after 11:30 a.m., on account of official business.

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of personal business.

Mr. ORTIZ (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of medical reasons.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee did on this day present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 775. To establish certain procedures for civil actions brought for damages relating to the failure of any device or system to process or otherwise deal with the transition from the year 1999 to the year 2000, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 252, I move that the House do now adjourn in memory of the late Hon. GEORGE E. BROWN, Jr.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 34 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, and pursuant to House Resolution 252, the House adjourned in memory of the late Hon. GEORGE E. BROWN, Jr. until Monday, July 19, 1999, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates.