

Miller, George	Payne	Sensenbrenner
Nadler	Rangel	Stark
Oberstar	Rivers	Velazquez
Obey	Rush	Vento
Owens	Sanders	Waters
Paul	Schakowsky	Waxman

NOT VOTING—10

Becerra	McDermott	Towns
Dunn	McInnis	Whitfield
Kasich	Peterson (PA)	
Kennedy	Portman	

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Mr. COBURN, Mr. CONYERS, and Mrs. JONES of Ohio changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. DEUTSCH, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. WEYGAND and Ms. WOOLSEY changed their 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. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, because I was in my District, I was absent for Rollcall vote 334. Had I been in attendance, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall vote 334.

Stated against:

Mr. BECERRA. Mr. Speaker, on July 22, 1999, I was unavoidably detained during a rollcall vote; number 334, on passage of H.R. 2561, the Department of Defense Appropriations for F.Y. 2000. Had I been present for the vote, I would have voted "no."

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS TO HAVE UNTIL MIDNIGHT, FRIDAY, JULY 23, 1999 TO FILE PRIVILEGED REPORT FOR ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Appropriations may have until midnight, Friday, July 23, 1999 to file a privileged report on a bill making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

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

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1 of rule XX, all points of order are reserved on the bill.

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS TO HAVE UNTIL MIDNIGHT, JULY 23, 1999 TO FILE PRIVILEGED REPORT ON DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Appropriations may have until midnight, Friday, July 23, 1999 to file a privileged report on a bill making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable, in whole or

in part, against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

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

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1 of rule XX, all points of order are reserved on the bill.

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS TO HAVE UNTIL MIDNIGHT, JULY 23, 1999 TO FILE PRIVILEGED REPORT ON FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Appropriations may have until midnight, Friday, July 23, 1999 to file a privileged report on a bill making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

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

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1 of rule XX, all points of order are reserved on the bill.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise for the purposes of inquiring as to what the schedule may be for the remainder of this week and next week.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from New York for the purpose of answering the inquiry.

Mr. LAZIO of New York. Mr. Speaker, I thank the distinguished Democratic whip for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to announce that the legislative business for this week has been completed.

The House will meet on Monday, July 26 at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour, and 2 o'clock 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 tomorrow. After suspensions, we will begin consideration of H.R. 1074, the Regulatory Right to Know Act. Members should be aware that there will be recorded votes after 6 o'clock p.m. on Monday, July 26.

On Tuesday and the balance of next week, the House will take up the following measures: H.J. Resolution 57, a joint resolution disapproving China NTR; the Energy and Water Appropriations Act, the District of Columbia Appropriations Act, and the Foreign Operations Appropriations Act.

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Mr. Speaker, I would also like to remind the House of the memorial ar-

rangements that have been made to honor the life of our great colleague, the gentleman from California (Mr. Brown).

On Wednesday July 28 at 12:30 p.m. there will be a memorial service in California. We, therefore, will not schedule any votes on Wednesday in order to allow Members to attend that ceremony.

On Friday, July 30, at 11:00 a.m., there will be a service in Statutory Hall open to all Members as well.

I wish all Members safe travels back to their district, and thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I have a couple of inquiries of the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAZIO). First, I would like to ask the gentleman what time on Tuesday will the China MFN be considered?

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

Mr. BONIOR. I yield to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. LAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

My expectation is that it will be earlier in the day rather than later, although, of course, there is no certainty. I would expect that it would be earlier on Tuesday.

Mr. BONIOR. I thank my colleague on that.

Then let me also ask the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAZIO), we assume that no votes will occur or any debate would occur on Wednesday, in honor of our late colleague, the gentleman from California (Mr. Brown), because of the services. Am I correct on that?

Mr. LAZIO. Yes. If the gentleman would yield again, I expect that all recorded or requested votes will be rolled or postponed. We do not expect any votes, but we do expect legislative business on that day, including debate and possible other committee consideration, but there will be no votes, recorded votes, that will be held on that day.

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

Mr. BONIOR. I yield to the gentleman from Wisconsin.

Mr. OBEY. Let me simply strenuously object to that proposition. The fact is that the gentleman from California (Mr. Brown) was a distinguished Member of this House. He had a good many friends, and a lot of those friends were on the Committee on Appropriations. I do not believe it is right, when one of the most senior Members of the House and one of the most distinguished members of the House has a memorial service and a number of us would be denied the opportunity to attend that memorial service because they want our committees to stay here debating appropriation bills that day. It just seems to me that there ought to be another way that a civilized institution could honor one of its own without preventing some of his oldest friends from attending that memorial service.

I would say that if we cannot find that kind of accommodation that there

are a lot of things that could be slowed down next week.

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

Mr. BONIOR. I yield to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. LAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I would be happy to try and respond to that, if the gentleman would like a response.

Mr. BONIOR. I would be very happy to yield and would tend to agree with my friend, the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. OBEY), on his point.

Mr. LAZIO. I thank the gentleman. I thank both gentlemen. It is certainly true that our colleague, the gentleman from California (Mr. Brown), deserves all the honor that he will be given on Wednesday. I can say that this House is trying to accommodate Members by ensuring that there will be no recorded votes on Wednesday, and we will be in discussions with the Committee on Appropriations to see the best we can do to ensure that Members are not put in a position where they need to choose; but as both gentlemen know, we are trying to get our appropriations work done.

We are trying to work around Wednesday. We have scheduled no votes on that day. We are trying to ensure that Members can get out and make that flight in the morning so they can attend the service. That will be accommodated. There will be no votes, and we will take up the other remaining appropriations bills, working around that Wednesday; and we will do the very best we possibly can in terms of committee considerations. I do not know that I can say more than that.

Mr. BONIOR. I would just remind my friend that the tradition of the House is to accommodate the Members when a Member of this body has passed away and services are held. That has been the long tradition in this House.

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

Mr. BONIOR. I yield to the gentleman from Wisconsin.

Mr. OBEY. Let me simply point out there are a number of Members in the California delegation who would need to be involved in the debate that would go on if they were here. It is unfair to them to expect that they ought to be here while they would like to be in California at the last opportunity to bid adieu to one of their colleagues.

So it just seems to me that this House has adjourned fully for hundreds of Members in its history, and it ought to do the same for the gentleman from California (Mr. Brown).

Mr. BONIOR. We would ask, again, that the majority revisit this issue and talk about it.

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

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

Mr. DREIER. I would simply like to say that I have the privilege of representing the district that adjoins the gentleman from California (Mr. Brown) in California, and he was a very dear

friend to me. I am looking forward to the memorial service that we are going to have here in Statutory Hall and we are going to be participating in special orders for the gentleman from California (Mr. Brown) at some point, I think that is sometime next week, but I think that as my friend, the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAZIO) has said, that it is very important for us to proceed with our work here.

We appreciate the input that has come from a number of Members.

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

Mr. BONIOR. I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. STENHOLM. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. BONIOR) for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to pose an additional question. I did not hear any mention of H.R. 402, a bill sponsored by the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) and 228 other cosponsors, a dairy bill, that has overwhelmingly passed the House Committee on Agriculture. I did not hear whether or not it might be scheduled next week.

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

Mr. BONIOR. I yield to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. LAZIO. I am just informed that the bill which the gentleman references is under consideration by the House leadership. It is not expected to be scheduled for next week; but it is under consideration, and I will try to ensure that the gentleman receives some update during the course of next week.

Mr. STENHOLM. Might it possibly be scheduled the following week then? I am hearing that it might be postponed until September, and there is a little anxiety among the dairy community if that would be the fact. We would hope that it would and could be scheduled prior to our August break.

Mr. LAZIO. Well, I would say to the gentleman that I am happy to try and give the gentleman an update sometime next week and we will do the very best we can. I know that the bill is under consideration by leadership now.

Mr. STENHOLM. I thank the gentleman for that.

Mr. LAZIO. The gentleman is welcome.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, just to conclude, I thank my friend, the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAZIO) and my friend, the gentleman from California (Mr. DREIER), for their input and would ask once again that they go back and revisit this with the rest of their leadership, the question of Wednesday. I understand their need to move forward; and we appreciate that, having been in a similar situation ourselves, but with all due respect, especially for someone who has served with such great distinction in this body and who had so many friends, it will present a terrible conflict for Members to choose. That should not be the case. It has not been the tradition to have to

face that choice, and I hope that we can revisit that decision.

I thank the gentleman for the comments this evening.

Mr. LAZIO. I thank the gentleman.

MAKING IN ORDER ON JULY 27, 1999, OR ANY DAY THEREAFTER, CONSIDERATION OF H.J. RES. 57 DISAPPROVING EXTENSION OF NONDISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT TO PRODUCTS OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it be in order at any time on July 27, 1999, or any day thereafter, to consider in the House the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 57) disapproving the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China; that the joint resolution be considered as read for amendment; that all points of order against the joint resolution and against its consideration be waived; that the joint resolution be debatable for 3 hours equally divided and controlled by the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means in opposition to the joint resolution, and a Member in support of the joint resolution; that pursuant to sections 152 and 153 of the Trade Act of 1974, the previous question be considered as ordered on the joint resolution to final passage without intervening motion; and that the provisions of sections 152 and 153 of the Trade Act of 1974 shall not otherwise apply to any joint resolution disapproving the extension of most-favored-nation treatment to the People's Republic of China for the remainder of the first session of the 106th Congress.

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

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, could the gentleman from California (Mr. DREIER) clarify the intent of this unanimous consent regarding the distribution of debatable time?

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentlewoman yield?

Ms. PELOSI. Further reserving the right to object, I yield to the gentleman from California.

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, it is the intention for us to proceed, recognizing that there are Members of the Committee on Ways and Means who both support and oppose this resolution, with an equal division of debate so that Members on both sides of this issue will have an equal opportunity to participate in this, and we are looking forward to a very interesting, fascinating, full, vigorous 3 hours of debate on this issue.

Ms. PELOSI. Further seeking clarification, when the gentleman says recognizing that Members of the Committee on Ways and Means in both parties agree or disagree on this, does that