Ways and Means and to the Committee on Commerce, reconcile the budget; here is \$40 billion for the first 5 years, \$155 billion over the next 10 years, establish a prescription drug benefit for Medicare.

That is all we want to do today. We want to take this iffy, mushy language now in this resolution and stiffen it up. We want to stiffen the spine and resolve of the conferees and tell them, go to conference determined to see that the first order of business of this House is not tax cuts, it is a prescription drug benefit. Then they can turn to tax cuts. We do not rule that out.

We provide in our budget resolution for tax reduction of \$50 billion over the next 5 years, \$201 billion over the next 10 years, and we say in this resolution recede to the Senate tax proposal, which is \$147 billion.

Why do we say that? Because, Mr. Speaker, going back to a chart I used repeatedly when we argued this resolution, we think that the other side is coming perilously close to putting us in the position of being back in the red, back into the Social Security surplus once again.

The budget resolution the Republicans brought to the floor produces, according to their numbers, a surplus of \$110 billion over 5 years, provided they can hold discretionary spending below the rate of inflation to the tune of \$117 billion over 5 years. A very big proviso.

□ 1815

But if they then go from a \$150 billion tax cut to a \$200 billion tax cut, that \$110 billion is reduced by 50. And then if they do the prescription drug

benefit at 40, they take another 50 off. They are down to a \$110 billion surplus over the next 5 years. By our calculation, Mr. Speaker, they will have a \$10 billion surplus next year, but every year thereafter they will have a zero surplus.

They are skating on thin ice. They are putting us in danger of invading the Social Security surplus again. And when that crunch comes, prescription drug coverage will never get done. That is why we say do it first.

Now, this is simply a test of their sincerity. If they are earnest, if they are sincere, if they really want to do prescription drugs, vote for this resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I include the following chart for the RECORD:

THE REPUBLICAN BUDGET RESOLUTION USES UP THE ENTIRE SURPLUS—AND MAYBE MORE

[All figures exclude the Social Security surplus; negative signs indicate savings; dollars in billions]

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Five years	Ten years
CBO Surplus w/o Social Security	27	15	29	36	42	48	171	893
Tax cuts (before use of "reserve") Non-defense cuts including timing shifts Defense Farm payments Extend expiring Customs Service fee Medicaid/CHPI access and benefits Interest costs of policies	6	10 -16 3 1	22 -13 2 1 (1)	31 -21 2 2 2	42 -30 3 2 -1 (1) 3	45 -37 2 2 -2 (¹) 4	150 -117 12 7 -3 1	750 - 377 23 18 - 13 2 75
Surplus claimed by Republicans	8	17	16	20	24	33	110	415
Reserve for \$50 billion additional tax cuts Reserved for Medicare "reform" and drugs Interest cost of reserves		5 2 (1)	10 5 1	10 8 2	10 11 3	15 14 4	50 40 10	250 155 80
Surplus/Deficit(—) when reserves are used	8	10	0	0	0	0	10	– 70

¹ means "less than \$1/2 billion".

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). All time has expired.

Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to instruct offered by the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. SPRATT).

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

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Mr. SPRATT. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will now put the question on each motion to suspend the rules and then on the motion to instruct conferees on which further proceedings were postponed earlier today in the order in which that motion was entertained.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H. Con. Res. 282, by the yeas and nays; H. Con. Res. 228, by the yeas and nays; S. 777, by the yeas and nays; and the motion to instruct conferees on H. Con. Res. 290, by the yeas and nays.

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the first such vote in this series.

DECLARING AMERICAN G.I. "PER-SON OF THE CENTURY" FOR 20TH CENTURY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 282, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. HAYES) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 282, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 397, nays 0, answered "present" 1, not voting 36, as follows:

[Roll No. 111] YEAS—397

Abercrombie	Abercrombie Baker	
Aderholt	Baldacci	Bass
Allen	Baldwin	Bateman
Andrews	Ballenger	Becerra
Archer	Barcia	Bentsen
Armey	Barr	Bereuter
Baca	Barrett (NE)	Berkley
Bachus	Barrett (WI)	Berman
Baird	Bartlett	Berry

Biggert	Danner	Gejdenson
Bilirakis	Davis (FL)	Gekas
Bishop	Davis (IL)	Gephardt
Blagojevich	Davis (VA)	Gibbons
Bliley	Deal	Gilchrest
Blumenauer	DeFazio	Gillmor
Boehlert	Delahunt	Gilman
Boehner	DeLauro	Gonzalez
Bonilla	DeLay	Goode
Bonior	DeMint	Goodlatte
Bono	Deutsch	Goodling
Boswell	Diaz-Balart	Gordon
Boucher	Dickey	Goss
Boyd	Dicks	Graham
Brady (PA)	Dingell	Granger
Brady (TX)	Dixon	Green (TX)
Brown (FL)	Doggett	Green (WI)
Brown (OH)	Dooley	Greenwood
Bryant	Doolittle	Gutknecht
Burr	Doyle	Hall (OH)
Burton	Dreier	Hall (TX)
Callahan	Duncan	Hansen
Calvert	Dunn	Hastings (FL)
Camp	Edwards	Hastings (WA)
anne	Ehlers	Hayes
Capps Capuano	Ehrlich	Hayworth
Cardin	Emerson	Hefley
Carson	Engel	Herger
Castle	English	Hill (IN)
Chabot	Eshoo	Hill (MT)
Chambliss	Etheridge	Hilleary
Chenoweth-Hage	Evans	Hilliard
Clay	Everett	Hinchey
Clayton		
Clyburn	Ewing Farr	Hinojosa Hobson
Coble	Fattah	Hoeffel
Collins	Filner	Hoekstra
Combest	Fletcher	Holden
Condit	Foley	Holt
Conyers Costello	Forbes Ford	Hooley
		Horn
Coyne	Fossella	Hostettler
Cramer Crane	Fowler	Houghton
	Frank (MA)	Hoyer
Crowley	Franks (NJ)	Hulshof
Cubin	Frelinghuysen	Hunter
Cummings	Gallegly	Hutchinson
Cunningham	Ganske	Hyde

Inslee Miller (FL) Shadegg Isakson Miller, Gary Shaw Istook Miller, George Shays Jackson (IL) Minge Mollohan Sherman Jackson-Lee Sherwood Moore (TX) Shimkus Moran (KS) Jefferson Shows Shuster John Moran (VA) Johnson (CT) Morella Simpson Johnson, E. B. Murtha Sisisky Johnson, Sam Myrick Skeen Jones (NC) Napolitano Skelton Slaughter Kaniorski Nethercutt Smith (MI) Kaptur Ney Northup Kasich Smith (NJ) Kelly Smith (TX) Norwood Kennedy Nussle Smith (WA) Kildee Oberstan Snyder Kilpatrick Obey Souder Kind (WI) Spence Spratt Stabenow King (NY) Ortiz Kingston Ose Kleczka Packard Stearns Stenholm Klink Pallone Knollenberg Pascrell Strickland Kolbe Stump Kucinich Paul Stupak Kuykendall Sununu Payne LaFalce Sweeney LaHood Pelosi Talent Lampson Peterson (MN) Tancredo Lantos Peterson (PA) Tauscher Largent Petri Tauzin Larson Phelps Taylor (MS) Latham Pickering Taylor (NC) LaTourette Pickett Terry Pitts Thomas Lazio Leach Pombo Thompson (CA) Pomerov Thompson (MS) Lee Levin Porter Thune Lewis (CA) Portman Thurman Lewis (GA) Price (NC) Tiahrt Lewis (KY) Quinn Tierney Radanovich Linder Toomey Lipinski Rahall Towns LoBiondo Ramstad Traficant Lofgren Rangel Turner Udall (CO) Regula Lowey Reynolds Lucas (KY) Udall (NM) Lucas (OK) Rilev Unton Luther Rivers Velazquez Maloney (CT) Vento Visclosky Roemer Malonev (NY) Rogan Manzulĺo Rogers Vitter Markey Rohrabacher Walden Mascara Ros-Lehtinen Walsh Matsui Rothman Wamp McCarthy (MO) McCarthy (NY) Roukema Roybal-Allard Waters Watkins McCrery Watt (NC) McDermott McGovern Rush Ryan (WI) Watts (OK) Waxman McHugh Sabo Weiner Weldon (FL) McInnis Salmon Sanchez Weller McIntyre McKeon Sanders Wexler Weygand Whitfield McKinney Sandlin McNulty Sanford Meehan Wicker Sawyer Meek (FL) Saxton Wilson Scarborough Meeks (NY) Wolf Menendez Schakowsky Woolsey Metcalf Scott Wu Sensenbrenner Wynn Millender-Serrano Young (AK)

ANSWERED "PRESENT"-1

Young (FL)

Thornberry

Sessions

McDonald

NOT VOTING-36

Ackerman Cox Neal Bilbray DeGette Owens Blunt Frost Oxley Borski Gutierrez Pryce (OH) Buyer Campbell Jenkins Jones (OH) Reyes Rodriguez Martinez Ryun (KS) Canady Cannon McCollum Schaffer McIntosh Stark Clement Coburn Weldon (PA) Cook Moakley Cooksey Nadler Wise

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Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut and Mr. SMITH of Michigan changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on each additional motion to suspend the rules on which the Chair has postponed further proceedings.

HONORING MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES AND FEDERAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES WHO SERVED NATION DURING VIETNAM ERA AND FAMILIES OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES OR REMAIN UNACCOUNTED FOR OR WERE INJURED DURING THAT ERA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 228.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. KUYKENDALL) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 228, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 399, nays 0, not voting 35, as follows:

[Roll No. 112]

YEAS—399

Abercrombie Blumenauer Combest Aderholt Boehlert Condit Allen Boehner Convers Andrews Bonilla Costello Archer Bonior Coyne Bono Cramer Armey Boswell Baca Crane Bachus Boucher Crowley Cubin Baird Bovd Cummings Cunningham Brady (PA) Baker Brady (TX) Baldacci Baldwin Brown (FL) Danner Ballenger Brown (OH) Davis (FL) Barcia Bryant Davis (IL) Barr Burr Davis (VA) Barrett (NE) Barrett (WI) Burton Deal DeFazio Callahan Bartlett Calvert Delahunt Barton Camp DeLauro Bass Capps DeLay Bateman Capuano DeMint Deutsch Diaz-Balart Becerra Cardin Bentsen Carson Bereuter Castle Dickey Dicks Dingell Berkley Chabot Chambliss Berman Berry Chenoweth-Hage Dixon Biggert Bilirakis Doggett Clay Clayton Dooley Clyburn Doolittle Bishop Blagojevich Bliley Coble Collins Doyle Dreier

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Knollenberg Kolbe Kucinich Kuvkendall LaFalce LaHood Lampson Lantos Largent Larson Latham LaTourette Lazio Leach Lee Levin Lewis (CA) Lewis (GA) Lewis (KY) Linder Lipinski LoBiondo Lofgren Lowey Lucas (KY) Lucas (OK) Luther Maloney (CT) Maloney (NY) Manzullo Markey Mascara Matsui McCarthy (MO) McCarthy (NY) McCrerv McDermott McGovern McHugh McInnis McIntyre McKeon McKinney McNulty Meehan Meek (FL) Meeks (NY) Menendez Metcalf Mica Millender-McDonald Miller (FL) Miller, Gary Miller, George Minge Mollohan Moore Moran (KS) Moran (VA) Morella Murtha Myrick Napolitano Nethercutt Ney Northup Norwood Nussle Oberstan Obey Olver Ortiz Ose Packard Pallone Pascrell Pastor Paul Payne Pease Pelosi Peterson (MN) Peterson (PA) Petri Phelps Pickering Pickett Pitts Pombo Pomeroy Porter Portman Price (NC) Quinn Radanovich Rahall Ramstad Rangel

Regula Reynolds Riley Rivers Roemer Rogan Rogers Rohrabacher Ros-Lehtinen Rothman Roukema Roybal-Allard Royce Rush Ryan (WI) Sabo Salmon Sanchez Sanders Sandlin Sanford Sawyer Saxton Scarborough Schakowsky Scott Sensenbrenner Serrano Sessions Shadegg Shaw Shays Sherman Sherwood Shimkus Shows Shuster Simpson Skeen Skelton Slaughter Smith (MI) Smith (NJ) Smith (TX) Smith (WA) Snyder Souder Spence Spratt Stabenow Stark Stearns Stenholm Strickland Stump Stupak Sununu Sweeney Talent Tancredo Tauscher Tauzin Taylor (MS) Taylor (NC) Terry Thomas Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Thornberry Thune Thurman Tiahrt Tierney Toomey Towns Traficant Turner Udall (CO) Udall (NM) Upton Velazquez Vento Visclosky Vitter Walden Walsh Wamp Waters Watkins Watt (NC) Watts (OK) Waxman Weiner Weldon (FL) Weldon (PA) Weller Wexler Weygand Whitfield