

trying to steal a little boat, a little skiff, which in the old days of these gallon-type vessels, there would all be like a little boat kind of trailing behind. In retaliation, Magellan landed a crew of people and with crossbows proceeded to kill seven Chamorros.

It is of great irony that many, many centuries later the people of Guam who had this experience, first-time experience with Europeans would actually commemorate Discovery Day, although, somewhat in tongue and cheek these days when this landing is recreated as it was earlier this week, it is the Chamorros who in turn killed the Spaniards. So it has taken on different dimensions.

It is part of a constellation of events, which has come to be known as Chamorro Week and Chamorro Month. I have been intimately involved in this process, because as a young teacher in the 1970s, I, along with a fellow teacher at George Washington High School in Guam, first conceptualized the idea of celebrating the indigenous culture and language and food and customs and art of the people of Guam.

Mr. Speaker, at that time, many of these items were thought to be of little social value, of absolutely minimal educational value. It was our intent at that time to not only highlight and celebrate and commemorate this beautiful culture, which had been 4,000 years in the making and which we have inherited for generation upon generation, to try to reflect upon it and the changes which have occurred on it and find room for it in the curriculum of the public schools and, indeed, all the schools of the island.

At the time that we did it, it was not originally widely accepted. Since that time, Chamorro Week celebration has become very widely accepted and is now practiced throughout the schools, and in many ways was part of a larger effort to reintroduce the essence of the culture and the language of the people of Guam into the public schools.

Today children in Guam are learning the Chamorro language and learning much about their heritage and much about their past in ways that would have been thought unthinkable when I was in elementary school. We feel very good about that, and we feel that March is a good time to reflect upon that and as we juxtapose the circumstances surrounding the arrival of Ferdinand Magellan and all those things, all of the events which followed that so-called discovery and the changes of this culture that has come to be known as the Chamorro culture of the Mariana Islands, of which Guam is the largest islands, more probably appropriately called the culture of the taotaomonas, the people of the land.

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Now, throughout this whole time period, if we go back this 480 years, I take this opportunity to raise the historical background to the House, and I do this annually in order to draw attention to

the fact that the people of Guam and, indeed, the people of all small Pacific island societies have a great challenge ahead of them; and that challenge is to survive this century.

In many ways, the people, the indigenous Pacific islanders of the world feel impinged upon and feel that many of the things that they find familiar will be so dramatically altered over time that they will cease to exist as peoples, not just cease to exist as individuals, but that maybe three or four or five generations from now there will be no one who will identify themselves proudly as Chamorros and understand the meaning of that.

It is with some note of melancholy that I draw attention to this, because one of the most beautiful parts of it is the fact of the use of the Chamorro language, a language which I grew up with and which I know reasonably well. Yet, it pains me to know that succeeding generations do not know it as well.

So we use this opportunity to reflect upon the condition, the cultural condition and the social condition of our people as we engage upon this celebration and as we engage upon this commemoration.

It also provides some understanding to the kinds of legislation which I have introduced, including H.R. 308, an act to establish a Guam War Claims Review Commission which speaks to the experience of the Chamorro people during World War II, and a House concurrent resolution which I introduced in the past Congress and which I will introduce in this Congress, a resolution to reaffirm the commitment of the United States to help Guam achieve full self-governance.

After more than four centuries of colonial rule under Spain, under Japan, indeed under America, the people of Guam are entering a new world of self-discovery. Discovery by others is not nearly as important as discovery of oneself. And definition by others is meaningless if you cannot initially define yourself. And determination of your future pales in significance to self-determination.

So Guam in full partnership with the United States and in its strong desire to remain an integral part of the United States is now undergoing a process of self-discovery and self-definition and ultimately self-determination.

This process will eventually wind its way through this body as it has through the hearts and minds of the people of Guam, and it will call upon each and every one of us to, not only treat with respect the experiences of Guam, but to apply fully the best principles of democracy which makes America the great Nation that she is.

In the coming weeks, I will explain in greater detail H.R. 308 and the concurrent resolution which reaffirms the United States' commitment to help Guam achieve full self-governance. Both of these proposals seek justice for the people of Guam and true and full

democracy and fair play as unique members of the American family.

In conclusion, I must believe that the people of Guam celebrate Discovery Day, this ironic holiday for us. It is a holiday in Guam, I might add, to recognize our rich culture and understand our unique history. This will enable us to understand how we are perceived and allow us to articulate our true history so that we, along with the United States, in this new century can redefine and maintain our strong relationship and allow Guam a greater voice in how the island is governed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. SHOWS (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of a death in the family.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mrs. MALONEY of New York, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. JONES of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KILPATRICK, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. BROWN of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. OWENS, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. SLAUGHTER, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. ESHOO, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at the request of Mr. PLATTS) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. THUNE, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. GRUCCI, for 5 minutes, today.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

Mr. Trandahl, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a joint resolution of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.J. Res. 19. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of Walter E. Massey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

SENATE ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to an enrolled joint resolution of the Senate of the following title:

S.J. Res. 6. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the rule submitted by the Department of Labor under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, relating to ergonomics.

**JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED
TO THE PRESIDENT**

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House, reports that on March 8, 2001 he presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill:

H.J. Res. 19. Providing for the appointment of Walter E. Massey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 20 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, March 12, 2001, at 2 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.**

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1144. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Olives Grown in California; Increased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV01-932-1 IFR] received March 6, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1145. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Tomatoes Grown in Florida; Change in Size Designation [Docket No. FV00-966-1 FIR] received March 6, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1146. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Sweet Onions Grown in the Walla Walla Valley of Southeast Washington and Northeast Oregon; Revision of Administrative Rules and Regulations [Docket No. FV00-956-1 FIR] received March 6, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1147. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Hazelnuts Grown in Oregon and Washington; Establishment of Interim and Final Free and Restricted Percentages for the 2000-2001 Marketing Year [Docket No. FV01-982-1 IFR] received March 6, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1148. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the annual report on proliferation of missiles and essential components of nuclear, biological, and chemical weapons, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2751 nt, Public Law 102-190; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1149. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Department of Defense, transmitting a copy of Transmittal No. 04-01, concerning a proposed project certification for Annex E on Lethality to the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Between the United States and Germany concerning a cooperative program for extended air defense, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

1150. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Department of Defense, transmitting a copy of Transmittal No. 06-01 which informs of plans to Conclude Amendment One to the Memorandum of Understanding with the NATO HAWK Production and Logistics Organization for the Fire Direction Operation Center Project, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

1151. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

1152. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report entitled, "Report of U.S. Citizen Expropriation Claims and Certain Other Commercial and Investment Disputes"; to the Committee on International Relations.

1153. A letter from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting a list of all reports issued or released in January 2001, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 719(h); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1154. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting a report on the Annual Inventory of Commercial Activities for 2000; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1155. A letter from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting a report on FY 2000 Accountability; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1156. A letter from the Inspector General, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting a report on the Federal Activities Inventory Reform Act Inventory of Potential Commercial Activities; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1157. A letter from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting a report on the Status of Fisheries of the United States; to the Committee on Resources.

1158. A letter from the Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting a copy of the Report of the Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States, held in Washington D.C., on September 19, 2000, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 331; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1159. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. EVANS (for himself, Mr. FILER, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Ms. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. REYES, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. SHOWS, Ms.

BERKLEY, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. BONIOR, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. WEINER, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. STUPAK, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. FROST, Mr. TIERNEY, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. KING, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. MURTHA, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. COYNE, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. EDWARDS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. CRAMER, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. GORDON, Mr. ALLEN, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. FRANK, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. PASCRELL, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. FALBOMVAEGA, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. PHELPS, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. RIVERS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. STRICKLAND, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. UPTON, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. QUINN, Mr. BECERRA, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. WU, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. WATERS, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. RANGEL, and Mr. CAPUANO):

H.R. 936. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve programs for homeless veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. POMBO:

H.R. 937. A bill to prohibit the use of Federal funds for any program that restricts the use of any privately owned water source; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MCGOVERN (for himself, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. FRANK, and Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD):

H.R. 938. A bill to enhance the capability of the United Nations to rapidly respond to emerging crises; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. KNOLLENBERG:

H.R. 939. A bill to reaffirm and clarify the Federal relationship of the Swan Creek Black River Confederated Ojibwa Tribes of Michigan as a distinct federally recognized Indian tribe and to restore aboriginal rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. CHABOT (for himself, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. GEKAS, and Mr. SHIMKUS):

H.R. 940. A bill to establish a statute of repose for durable goods used in a trade or business; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CLYBURN:

H.R. 941. A bill to require the use of adjusted census data in the administration of any law of the United States under which population or population characteristics are used to determine the amount of benefits received by State or local governments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. COLLINS:

H.R. 942. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce individual income tax rates and increase the standard deduction; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CONDIT (for himself, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, and Mrs. EMERSON):

H.R. 943. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the availability