

Hall	McCotter	Rush
Harman	McCrery	Ryan (OH)
Hart	McGovern	Ryan (WI)
Hastings (FL)	McHenry	Ryan (KS)
Hastings (WA)	McHugh	Salazar
Hayes	McIntyre	Sanchez, Loretta
Hefley	McKeon	Sanders
Hensarling	McKinney	Saxton
Herger	McMorris	Schakowsky
Herse	McNulty	Schiff
Higgins	Meehan	Schmidt
Hinches	Meek (FL)	Schwartz (PA)
Hinojosa	Meeks (NY)	Schwarz (MI)
Hobson	Melancon	Scott (GA)
Hoekstra	Menendez	Scott (VA)
Holden	Mica	Sensenbrenner
Holt	Michaud	Serrano
Honda	Millender-	Sessions
Hooley	McDonald	Shadegg
Hostettler	Miller (FL)	Shays
Hoyer	Miller (MI)	Sherman
Hulshof	Miller (NC)	Sherwood
Hunter	Miller, Gary	Shimkus
Inglis (SC)	Miller, George	Shuster
Inslee	Mollohan	Simmons
Israel	Moore (KS)	Simpson
Issa	Moore (WI)	Skelton
Istook	Moran (KS)	Slaughter
Jackson (IL)	Moran (VA)	Smith (NJ)
Jackson-Lee	Murphy	Smith (TX)
(TX)	Musgrave	Smith (WA)
Jindal	Myrick	Snyder
Johnson (IL)	Nadler	Sodrel
Johnson, E. B.	Napolitano	Souder
Johnson, Sam	Neal (MA)	Spratt
Jones (NC)	Neugebauer	Stark
Jones (OH)	Ney	Stearns
Kanjorski	Northup	Strickland
Kaptur	Norwood	Stupak
Keller	Nunes	Sullivan
Kelly	Nussle	Sweeney
Kennedy (MN)	Oberstar	Tancredo
Kennedy (RI)	Obey	Tanner
Kildee	Olver	Tauscher
Kilpatrick (MI)	Ortiz	Taylor (MS)
King (IA)	Osborne	Taylor (NC)
King (NY)	Otter	Terry
Kingston	Owens	Thomas
Kirk	Pallone	Thompson (CA)
Kline	Pascarell	Thompson (MS)
Kolbe	Pastor	Thornberry
Kucinich	Paul	Tiaht
Kuhl (NY)	Payne	Tiberi
LaHood	Pearce	Tierney
Langevin	Pelosi	Towns
Lantos	Pence	Turner
Larsen (WA)	Peterson (MN)	Udall (NM)
Larson (CT)	Peterson (PA)	Upton
Latham	Petri	Van Hollen
LaTourette	Pickering	Velázquez
Leach	Pitts	Vislosky
Lee	Poe	Walden (OR)
Levin	Pombo	Walsh
Lewis (GA)	Pomeroy	Wamp
Lewis (KY)	Porter	Wasserman
Linder	Price (NC)	Schultz
Lipinski	Pryce (OH)	Watson
LoBiondo	Radanovich	Watt
Lofgren, Zoe	Rahall	Waxman
Lowey	Ramstad	Weldon (FL)
Lucas	Regula	Weldon (PA)
Lungren, Daniel	Rehberg	Weller
E.	Reichert	Westmoreland
Lynch	Renzi	Wexler
Mack	Reyes	Whitfield
Maloney	Rogers (AL)	Wicker
Manzullo	Rogers (KY)	Wilson (NM)
Marchant	Rogers (MI)	Wilson (SC)
Markey	Rohrabacher	Wolf
Marshall	Ross	Woolsey
Matheson	Rothman	Wu
Matsui	Roybal-Allard	Young (AK)
McCaul (TX)	Royce	Young (FL)
McCullum (MN)	Ruppersberger	

## NAYS—2

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## NOT VOTING—44

Bachus	Davis, Tom	Hyde
Bonner	Deal (GA)	Jefferson
Brown, Corrine	DeGette	Jenkins
Calvert	Diaz-Balart, M.	Johnson (CT)
Cantor	Everett	Kind
Clyburn	Ford	Knollenberg
Coble	Gallegly	Lewis (CA)
Costello	Goode	McCarthy
Cubin	Harris	McDermott
Davis (FL)	Hayworth	Murtha

Oxley	Ros-Lehtinen	Solis
Platts	Sabo	Udall (CO)
Price (GA)	Sánchez, Linda	Waters
Rangel	T.	Weiner
Reynolds	Shaw	Wynn

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BRADLEY of New Hampshire) (during the vote). Members are advised there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

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So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 4099

Mr. BOREN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to have my name removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 4099.

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

There was no objection.

## SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 2005, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

## RECOGNIZING AND HONORING AN AMERICAN GIANT: CONGRESSMAN JOHN D. DINGELL, JR.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HOYER. Our friend, Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, tonight there will only be unanimous bipartisan agreement on this House floor. Tonight, the Members of this body, both Democrats and Republicans, our Speaker and our Democratic leader join together to recognize the extraordinary and many accomplishments of a great Member of this House. And to honor that service to our Nation we honor an American giant: The Dean of the House, our colleague from the State of Michigan, Congressman JOHN DINGELL, Jr.

This day, December 13, 2005, marks Chairman DINGELL's 50th anniversary as a Member of this great body, the people's House. The people are proud of JOHN DINGELL and rightfully so. He is the third longest serving Member in the history of this institution. That means he has survived a long time. And, frankly, 50 years of service is itself something that ought to be honored, but JOHN DINGELL is deserving of honor for much more than longevity.

As I can attest, Congressman DINGELL shows no signs of slowing down. Only Jamie Whitten of Michigan, with whom I served on the Appropriations

Committee, with 53 years and 10 months of service, and Carl Vinson, the great Representative of Georgia, with 50 years and 2 months of service have served longer. JOHN DINGELL will surpass, God willing, both of those.

Just consider that during the last half century Congressman DINGELL has searched under 10 presidents. No, that is wrong. JOHN DINGELL serves under no one. JOHN DINGELL has served with 10 Presidents. He has cast nearly 22,000 rollcall votes. In fact, one-fourth of the Members who serve here today, 107 Members to be precise, were born after JOHN DINGELL came to the Congress of the United States.

However, no one should be mistaken. As notable as the length of Congressman DINGELL's tenure is, it is eclipsed by his truly remarkable record of substantive legislation over the last five decades on behalf of his people, on behalf of the people of Michigan, on behalf of the people of this country.

JOHN DINGELL, my constituents, are proud of your service and thankful for your contributions. You have made their lives better. You have made the Chesapeake Bay better. You have made Maryland better. In serving Michigan, you have served us all.

Many of the most important pieces of legislation, on health care, as Leader PELOSI pointed out and as Speaker HASTERT pointed out, on the environment and on workers and consumers rights bear JOHN DINGELL's strong imprint, and a significant number of these bills were written by him.

Examples: The 1990 Clean Air Act, the Endangered Species Act, the Children's Health Insurance Program, the Mammography Quality Standards Act. And he is still fighting for a real Patients Bill of Rights. We should have passed and enacted JOHN DINGELL's Patients Bill of Rights a few years ago. That would have indeed been a testimonial that would have been worthy of his service.

In addition, Congressman DINGELL halls helped craft legislation on issues ranging from telecommunications to drinking water quality, and blocked proposals such as electric utility deregulation that he opposed. Said Senator CARL LEVIN of Michigan, "he has a role in almost every major legislative effort to help average families," working Americans, and his fellow citizens.

And when it comes to effective, tenacious congressional oversight Congressman DINGELL has demonstrated that he has few peers. He has fought to ensure that the intent of the laws were carried out and that tax dollars were spent properly. He wanted to invest, but he wanted that investment to be honest, he wanted that investment to be effective, and he wanted that investment to be carefully husbanded.

The work of his Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations led to the firing of the Superfund administrator, the discovery of a defense contractor who charged the Pentagon for boarding a dog, and improper billing practices by universities for research expenses.

I had a 15-minute interview with a reporter from USA Today and, unfortunately, she took two words that I said. I said, yes, JOHN DINGELL is a wonderful man. She said, well, I hear he's pretty tough. I said, he can be sometimes gruff and intimidating. He has intimidated me sometimes. But the vast majority of my comments were about his caring for his fellow human beings, his love for Debbie, and indeed the love and respect and honor that he gives to every one of his colleagues, realizing that they too have been chosen by their constituents to serve in this people's House. The people's House is a greater place, this country is a greater country, the people are a richer people because of the service of JOHN DINGELL.

God bless you, JOHN DINGELL, and thank you.

#### TRIBUTE TO A COLLEAGUE, THE HONORABLE JOHN DINGELL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. UPTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. UPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise too, along with all my colleagues, to congratulate our dear friend, JOHN DINGELL, on his 50 years of service as a Member of the United States House of Representatives. Today, we honor not only his work in this Congress but also his lifetime of service to his community and to his country.

Born July 8, 1926, JOHN DINGELL served as a page in this institution, served as a soldier in the United States Army, a forest ranger, and assistant Wayne County prosecutor before replacing his father as Representative from Michigan's 15th Congressional District on December 13, 1955, 50 years ago.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to insert into the RECORD at this point a Certificate of Proclamation from the Governor of our great State making this day Congressman JOHN D. DINGELL Day, as signed by the Governor:

#### STATE OF MICHIGAN CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

On behalf of the citizens of Michigan, I, Governor Jennifer M. Granholm hereby proclaim December 13, 2005, as Congressman John D. Dingell Day.

Whereas, For five decades, Congressman John D. Dingell has worked tirelessly for the citizens of Michigan, working for the things that matter most, including a strong manufacturing economy, good paying jobs, a clean environment, and healthcare for every citizen; and,

Whereas, In celebrating his 50th anniversary in Congress, Congressman Dingell is now the third longest serving House member in history; and,

Whereas, Over the course of his 50 years in Congress, Congressman Dingell has cast more than 21,800 roll call votes, served under 10 presidents, and led the House Energy and Commerce Committee; and,

Whereas, Together, Congressman Dingell and his father have represented the citizens of the Detroit area since the Great Depression, a testament to the hard work and dedication the Dingell family has in representing

and advocating for the working people of Southeast Michigan; and now therefore be it,

*Resolved*, That I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim December 13, 2005, as Congressman John D. Dingell Day in Michigan. I thank Congressman Dingell for being a man of integrity, a man of the people; and most of all, I thank him for his extraordinary commitment and service to the citizens of the great State of Michigan.

JENNIFER M. GRANHOLM,  
Governor.

Mr. DINGELL is not only a dear friend; he is an avid hunter and an outdoorsman. And maybe that is why he is such a straight shooter. In my 14 years serving on the Energy and Commerce Committee, I have found that it is far better to have him on your side than having him as an adversary. But when he is, you have to beat him on the merits. Otherwise, you lose.

He has served as an expert on so many subjects that this Congress has dealt with, from telecommunications, to health care, to trade, to energy, and even little things called the Tucker Act. He may be the only Member that really knows the history of that act, which means a lot in the history of this Congress.

He shares with all of us the drive to go after fraud and abuse. In fact, I think it was my very first subcommittee meeting when he was chairman of the Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee, and we were grilling a guy by the name of President Kennedy. No, that is not John F. Kennedy, that was President Kennedy, the former President of Stanford, and the abuse that that university did with taxpayer money.

Mr. Speaker, the current chairman, Mr. BARTON of the Energy and Commerce Committee, recently remarked at the wonderful tribute for JOHN DINGELL, that he thought that most historians would put this gentleman, Mr. DINGELL, in the top ten of all the Members, Republicans and Democrats, that have ever served in this body. I would agree with Mr. BARTON's assessment. It is a lot of Members, a lot of years, and we are fortunate to have someone of Mr. DINGELL's caliber for the years I have served.

For some 50 years, the gentleman from Michigan can be proud, so proud knowing that he indeed made a difference for his country on the field of battle in the Army, but also in the Halls of Congress as a most distinguished and very respected Member.

He is also a Wolverine. That means he represents the University of Michigan, another proud institution, and he has always looked out for the interest of education as well in this body, whether he served on the Education Committee or not.

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Mr. Speaker, I join with all of the House in recognizing a wonderful friend, a dear colleague, a great husband, and I know Debbie is here someplace watching; and I simply say, well

done. Many of us look forward to serving with you for a long time yet to come, as you continue to make a difference for the people of southeast Michigan, and all of the people that live in this great country.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. POE). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MEEHAN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. MEEHAN addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

#### PROTECTING FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHT OF MILITARY CHAPLAINS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, before I start my remarks, I want to pay respect and gratitude to the gentleman from Michigan who served with my father for a number of years, and also has been a friend to me.

Mr. DINGELL, you are an example of what is good about the House of Representatives.

Mr. Speaker, in my remaining time, I want to speak about a serious problem in my opinion, and that is the fact that chaplains in the American military, those who happen to be of the Christian faith, have been told they cannot use the name Jesus Christ when they pray outside of the church.

Mr. Speaker, I would be on this floor tonight if this were a Jewish rabbi or if it were a Muslim chaplain in the United States military.

Mr. Speaker, 72 Members of the House have sent a letter to the President. This is the first sentence. "Mr. President, we are disappointed and gravely concerned to learn that the Christian military chaplains are under direct attack and that their right to pray according to their faith is in jeopardy."

Mr. Speaker, I spoke to a Navy chaplain, and in the last 3 years, I have talked to hundreds of chaplains who have conveyed to me the fact that they are being told outside of their church they cannot pray their faith, and I think this is a tragedy, particularly in our military.

About 10 months ago I spoke to a Navy chaplain in Hawaii who told me he is a Methodist. He told me "Congressman, let me tell you what happened. I was praying at a service to remember Marines who were killed in Afghanistan and Iraq. When I finished my prayer, I prayed in the name of Jesus Christ, our savior."

Mr. Speaker, he told me, about an hour and 15 minutes later, he got a call from a Marine major who reminded him, in those kind of settings, you cannot pray in the name of Jesus Christ, and please in the future do not do so.

He was so upset, Mr. Speaker, he went to a friend of his who happens to