

ANNOUNCING THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I seek to be recognized in order to officially for the first time on the RECORD place the passing from this life of our beloved colleague, Congresswoman STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES of Ohio's 11th District.

I would like to announce to my colleagues that after votes this evening, we will manage a special bereavement resolution. Many Members, I know, will want to pay tribute to STEPHANIE's beautiful life. We as Ohioans, as Buckeyes, share her son Mervyn's profound sense of loss; but also I know we share an equal gratitude for the manner in which she lived her life and what she contributed, not just to her family or her church family or her staff, but to our country and indeed to our world.

When STEPHANIE hugged many of us before we left in August, I can tell you I certainly didn't think I would be down here this evening. Any Member who wishes to honor her life can do so after the votes are cast this evening.

Let me just mention to my colleagues that we knew STEPHANIE here as Chair of the Ethics Committee and as the first African American woman to serve on the Ways and Means Committee. But her path was not an easy one. Coming from East Cleveland, she was a gregarious leader who blazed many trails.

□ 1900

She was one of the few women who have ever served in the Ohio delegation, and the first African American woman ever to be elected to the Congress of the United States from the State of Ohio. She was the first black woman to become a judge of the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court, as well as the county's first African American prosecutor.

She gave so much to so many. I always seemed to catch STEPHANIE running through the airport with her suitcase, traveling somewhere, with that boundless energy and that constant smile; and we will pay tribute more fully to her later this evening.

To her son, Mervyn, who I would expect is listening this evening, we all know that your mother's strength will hold you now in a very profound way; and we extend our deepest sympathy to you. We know that in the years ahead you will come to appreciate even more what her life has meant to our country.

Mr. Speaker, I think my dear colleague, Mr. BOEHNER, the minority leader, has remarks at this time.

I will be happy to yield you time.

Mr. BOEHNER. Let me thank my colleague from Ohio for her words.

We all loved STEPHANIE. Here is a lady who gave her entire career to public service, and she did so in a way that was gregarious, that was outspoken, loud, if you will.

All of you know STEPHANIE. Her office was next to mine over in the Longworth Building, and we always knew when STEPHANIE was coming back to her office because she would be walking down the hall talking to somebody. But she and I were friends and we were smoking buddies. Now, I know that might offend some of you, but you just never know how well you get to know someone over a cocktail. But here was a lady who blazed a lot of trails, who dedicated her life to public service, and someone that we will dearly miss in this Chamber.

Ms. KAPTUR. I thank the gentleman. And as I paid my respects at the wake the day before the service, I was reminded I had been in that church twice before to pay tribute to STEPHANIE's father who died during her tenure here, and then her husband who also died. And it was almost hard to walk into that church for the third time, and my respect for her grew even more for the strength that she showed to all of us despite these enormous personal losses that she had borne.

Mr. Speaker, in concluding, let me just say that from 1 Peter 4:10-11, this is what the prayer card said at her funeral service:

Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

And at the base of the card is STEPHANIE's signature with the words, "I hope I made you proud."

Mr. Speaker, may I ask now for the membership to rise and pay tribute to the life of Congresswoman STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members will now rise for a moment of silence in honor of the distinguished gentlelady from Ohio, the distinguished chairwoman of the Ethics Committee, Congresswoman STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, 5-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 2837, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. CARNEY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 2837.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 375, nays 1, not voting 57, as follows:

[Roll No. 568]

YEAS—375

Abercrombie	Doggett	King (IA)
Ackerman	Donnelly	King (NY)
Aderholt	Doolittle	Kingston
Akin	Doyle	Klein (FL)
Alexander	Drake	Kline (MN)
Allen	Dreier	Knollenberg
Altmire	Duncan	Kucinich
Arcuri	Edwards (MD)	Kuhl (NY)
Baca	Edwards (TX)	LaHood
Bachmann	Ehlers	Lamborn
Bachus	Ellsworth	Lampson
Baird	Emanuel	Langevin
Baldwin	English (PA)	Larsen (WA)
Barrett (SC)	Eshoo	Larson (CT)
Barrow	Etheridge	Latham
Bartlett (MD)	Everett	LaTourette
Barton (TX)	Fallin	Latta
Bean	Farr	Lewis (CA)
Becerra	Fattah	Lewis (GA)
Berkley	Feeney	Lewis (KY)
Berman	Ferguson	Linder
Biggert	Filner	Lipinski
Bilbray	Flake	LoBiondo
Bilirakis	Forbes	Lofgren, Zoe
Bishop (GA)	Fortenberry	Lowey
Bishop (NY)	Fossella	Lucas
Bishop (UT)	Foster	Lungren, Daniel E.
Blackburn	Fox	Lynch
Blumenauer	Frank (MA)	Mack
Blunt	Franks (AZ)	Mahoney (FL)
Boehner	Frelinghuysen	Manzullo
Bonner	Gallegly	Marchant
Bono Mack	Garrett (NJ)	Markey
Boozman	Gerlach	Marshall
Boren	Giffords	Matheson
Boustany	Gillibrand	Matsui
Boyd (FL)	Gingrey	McCarthy (CA)
Boyda (KS)	Gohmert	McCarthy (NY)
Brady (PA)	Gonzalez	McCaul (TX)
Brady (TX)	Goode	McCollum (MN)
Brown (GA)	Goodlatte	McCotter
Brown (SC)	Gordon	McDermott
Brown-Waite,	Granger	McGovern
Ginny	Graves	McHenry
Buchanan	Green, Al	McHugh
Burgess	Green, Gene	McIntyre
Burton (IN)	Gutierrez	McKeon
Buyer	Hall (NY)	McMorris
Calvert	Hall (TX)	Rodgers
Camp (MI)	Hare	McNerney
Campbell (CA)	Harman	Meek (FL)
Cantor	Hastings (FL)	Mica
Capito	Hastings (WA)	Michaud
Capps	Hayes	Miller (FL)
Capuano	Heller	Miller (MI)
Cardoza	Hensarling	Miller (NC)
Carney	Herger	Miller, Gary
Carson	Herseth Sandlin	Miller, George
Carter	Higgins	Mitchell
Castle	Hill	Mollohan
Castor	Hinchey	Moore (KS)
Chabot	Hinojosa	Moore (WI)
Childers	Hirono	Moran (KS)
Clarke	Hobson	Moran (VA)
Cleaver	Holt	Murphy (CT)
Clyburn	Honda	Murphy, Patrick
Coble	Hooley	Murphy, Tim
Cohen	Hoyer	Murtha
Cole (OK)	Hunter	Musgrave
Conaway	Inglis (SC)	Myrick
Cooper	Inslee	Nadler
Costa	Israel	Napolitano
Costello	Issa	Neugebauer
Courtney	Jackson (IL)	Nunes
Cramer	Jackson-Lee	Oberstar
Crenshaw	(TX)	Obey
Crowley	Jefferson	Ortiz
Cuellar	Johnson (GA)	Pallone
Culberson	Johnson (IL)	Pascarell
Davis (AL)	Johnson, E. B.	Pastor
Davis (CA)	Johnson, Sam	Payne
Davis (IL)	Jones (NC)	Pearce
Davis (KY)	Jordan	Pence
Davis, David	Kagen	Perlmutter
Davis, Lincoln	Kanjorski	Petri
Deal (GA)	Kaptur	Platts
DeFazio	Keller	Poe
Delahunt	Kennedy	Pomeroy
DeLauro	Kildee	Porter
Dent	Kilpatrick	Price (GA)
Dingell	Kind	

Price (NC) Schmidt Thornberry
 Pryce (OH) Schwartz Tiahrt
 Putnam Scott (GA) Tiberi
 Radanovich Scott (VA) Tierney
 Rahall Sensenbrenner Tsongas
 Ramstad Serrano Turner
 Rangel Sessions Upton
 Regula Sestak Van Hollen
 Rehberg Shadegg Visclosky
 Reichert Shays Walberg
 Renzi Shea-Porter Walden (OR)
 Reyes Sherman Walz (NY)
 Reynolds Shimkus Walz (MN)
 Richardson Shuster Wamp
 Rodriguez Simpson Wasserman
 Rogers (AL) Sires Schultz
 Rogers (KY) Skelton Waters
 Rogers (MI) Slaughter Watson
 Ros-Lehtinen Smith (NJ) Watt
 Roskam Smith (TX) Waxman
 Ross Snyder Weiner
 Rothman Solis Welch (VT)
 Roybal-Allard Souder Weldon (FL)
 Royce Space Westmoreland
 Ruppersberger Speier Wexler
 Ryan (OH) Spratt Whitfield (KY)
 Ryan (WI) Stark Wilson (NM)
 Salazar Stearns Wilson (OH)
 Sali Sullivan Wilson (SC)
 Sanchez, Linda Sutton Wittman (VA)
 T. Tancred Wolf
 Sanchez, Loretta Tanner Woolsey
 Sarbanes Tauscher Wu
 Scalise Taylor Yarmuth
 Schakowsky Thompson (CA) Young (AK)
 Schiff Thompson (MS) Young (FL)

NAYS—1

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NOT VOTING—57

Andrews Dicks Neal (MA)
 Berry Ellison Oliver
 Boswell Emerson Peterson (MN)
 Boucher Engel Peterson (PA)
 Braley (IA) Gilchrest Pickering
 Brown, Corrine Grijalva Pitts
 Butterfield Hodes Rohrabacher
 Cannon Hoekstra Rush
 Carnahan Holden Saxton
 Cazayoux Hulshof Shuler
 Chandler Kirk Smith (NE)
 Clay Lee Smith (WA)
 Conyers Levin Stupak
 Cubin Loeb sack Terry
 Cummings Maloney (NY) Towns
 Davis, Tom McCreery Udall (CO)
 DeGette McNulty Udall (NM)
 Diaz-Balart, L. Meeks (NY) Velázquez
 Diaz-Balart, M. Melancon Weller

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1912

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CHILD SOLDIERS ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2008

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 2135, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. JACKSON-LEE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 2135, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 371, nays 0, not voting 62, as follows:

[Roll No. 569]

YEAS—371

Abercrombie Drake Knollenberg
 Ackerman Dreier Kucinich
 Aderholt Duncan Kuhl (NY)
 Akin Edwards (MD) LaHood
 Alexander Edwards (TX) Lamborn
 Allen Ehlers Lampson
 Altmire Ellsworth Langevin
 Arcuri Emanuel Larsen (WA)
 Baca English (PA) Larson (CT)
 Bachmann Eshoo Latham
 Bachus Etheridge LaTourette
 Baird Everett Latta
 Baldwin Fallin Lewis (CA)
 Barrett (SC) Farr Lewis (GA)
 Barrow Fattah Lewis (KY)
 Bartlett (MD) Feeney Lipinski
 Barton (TX) Ferguson LoBiondo
 Bean Filner Lofgren, Zoe
 Berkley Flake Lowey
 Biggart Fortbes Lucas
 Bilbray Fortenberry Lungren, Daniel
 Bilirakis Fossella E.
 Bishop (GA) Foster Lynch
 Bishop (NY) Foxx Mack
 Bishop (UT) Frank (MA) Mahoney (FL)
 Blumenauer Franks (AZ) Manzullo
 Blunt Frelinghuysen Marchant
 Boehner Gallegly Markey
 Bonner Garrett (NJ) Marshall
 Bono Mack Gerlach Matheson
 Boozman Giffords Matsui
 Boren Gillibrand McCarthy (CA)
 Boustany Gingrey McCarthy (NY)
 Boyd (FL) Gohmert McCaul (TX)
 Boyda (KS) Gonzalez McCollum (MN)
 Brady (PA) Goode McCotter
 Brady (TX) Goodlatte McDermott
 Broun (GA) Gordon McGovern
 Brown (SC) Granger McHenry
 Brown-Waite, Graves McHugh
 Ginny Green, Al McIntyre
 Buchanan Green, Gene McKeon
 Burgess Gutierrez McMorris
 Burton (IN) Hall (NY) Rodgers
 Buyer Hall (TX) McRerney
 Calvert Hare Meek (FL)
 Camp (MI) Harman Mica
 Campbell (CA) Hastings (FL) Michaud
 Capito Hayes Miller (FL)
 Capps Heller Miller (MI)
 Capuano Hensarling Miller (NC)
 Cardoza Herger Miller, Gary
 Carney Herseht Sandlin Miller, George
 Carson Higgins Mitchell
 Carter Hill Mollohan
 Castle Hinchey Moore (KS)
 Castor Hinojosa Moore (WI)
 Chabot Hirono Moran (KS)
 Childers Hobson Moran (VA)
 Clarke Holt Murphy (CT)
 Cleaver Hoyer Murphy, Patrick
 Clyburn Hooley Murphy, Tim
 Coble Hoyer Murtha
 Cohen Hunter Musgrave
 Cole (OK) Inglis (SC) Myrick
 Conaway Inslee Nadler
 Cooper Israel Neugebauer
 Costa Issa Nunes
 Costello Jackson (IL) Oberstar
 Courtney Jackson-Lee Obey
 Cramer (TX) Olver
 Crenshaw Jefferson Ortiz
 Crowley Johnson (GA) Pallone
 Cuellar Johnson (IL) Pascarell
 Culberson Johnson, E. B. Pastor
 Davis (AL) Johnson, Sam Payne
 Davis (CA) Jones (NC) Pearce
 Davis (IL) Jordan Pence
 Davis (KY) Kagen Perlmutter
 Davis, David Kajnorski Petri
 Davis, Lincoln Kaptur Platts
 Deal (GA) Keller Poe
 DeFazio Kennedy Pomeroy
 Delahunt Kildee Porter
 DeLauro Kilpatrick Price (GA)
 Dent Kind Price (NC)
 Dingell King (IA) Pryce (OH)
 Doggett King (NY) Putnam
 Donnelly Kingston Radanovich
 Doolittle Klein (FL) Rahall
 Doyle Kline (MN) Ramstad

Rangel Sensenbrenner Tierney
 Regula Serrano Tsongas
 Rehberg Sessions Turner
 Reichert Shadegg Upton
 Renzi Shays Van Hollen
 Reyes Shea-Porter Visclosky
 Reynolds Sherman Walberg
 Richardson Shimkus Walden (OR)
 Rodriguez Shuster Walsh (NY)
 Rogers (AL) Simpson Walz (MN)
 Rogers (KY) Sires Wamp
 Rogers (MI) Skelton Wasserman
 Ros-Lehtinen Slaughter Schultz
 Roskam Smith (NJ) Waters
 Ross Smith (TX) Watson
 Rothman Snyder Watt
 Roybal-Allard Solis Waxman
 Royce Souder Weiner
 Ruppersberger Space Welch (VT)
 Ryan (OH) Speier Weldon (FL)
 Ryan (WI) Spratt Westmoreland
 Salazar Stark Wexler
 Sali Stearns Whitfield (KY)
 Sanchez, Linda Sullivan Wilson (NM)
 T. Sutton Wilson (OH)
 Sanchez, Loretta Tancred Wilson (SC)
 Sarbanes Tanner Wittman (VA)
 Scalise Tauscher Wolf
 Schakowsky Taylor Woolsey
 Schiff Thompson (CA) Wu
 Thompson (MS) Thompson (MS) Yarmuth
 Tiahrt Thornberry Young (AK)
 Tiberi Tiberi Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—62

Andrews Diaz-Balart, M. Neal (MA)
 Becerra Dicks Paul
 Berman Ellison Peterson (MN)
 Berry Emerson Peterson (PA)
 Blackburn Engel Pickering
 Boswell Gilchrest Pitts
 Boucher Grijalva Rohrabacher
 Braley (IA) Hodes Rush
 Brown, Corrine Hoekstra Saxton
 Butterfield Holden Sestak
 Cannon Hulshof Shuler
 Carnahan Kirk Smith (NE)
 Cazayoux Lee Smith (WA)
 Chandler Levin Stupak
 Clay Linder Terry
 Conyers Loeb sack Towns
 Cubin Maloney (NY) Udall (CO)
 Cummings McCreery Udall (NM)
 Davis, Tom McNulty Velázquez
 DeGette Meeks (NY) Weller
 Diaz-Balart, L. Melancon

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1920

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, on September 8, 2008, I was called away on personal business. I regret that I was not present to vote on S. 2403, S. 2837, and S. 2135.

Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on all votes.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, due to personal matters, today I missed rollcall vote No. 567 on final passage of S. 2403, rollcall vote No. 568 on final passage of S. 2837, and rollcall vote No. 569 on final passage of S. 2135. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on each of these rollcall votes.