

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members will rise for a moment of silence.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

There was no objection.

RECOGNIZING 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ELECTION OF MARGARET THATCHER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 378, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. BERMAN) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 378, as amended.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 339, nays 64, answered “present” 6, not voting 24, as follows:

[Roll No. 245]
YEAS—339

Aderholt	Capps	Forbes
Adler (NJ)	Carnahan	Fortenberry
Akin	Carson (IN)	Foster
Alexander	Carter	Foxx
Altmire	Cassidy	Franks (AZ)
Andrews	Castle	Frelinghuysen
Austria	Castor (FL)	Fudge
Baca	Chaffetz	Gallegly
Bachmann	Chandler	Garrett (NJ)
Bachus	Childers	Gerlach
Baldwin	Clay	Giffords
Barrow	Cleaver	Gingrey (GA)
Bartlett	Clyburn	Gohmert
Barton (TX)	Coble	Gonzalez
Bean	Coffman (CO)	Goodlatte
Becerra	Cole	Gordon (TN)
Berkley	Conaway	Granger
Berman	Cooper	Graves
Berry	Costa	Grayson
Biggert	Crenshaw	Green, Al
Bilirakis	Cuellar	Green, Gene
Bishop (GA)	Davis (AL)	Griffith
Bishop (NY)	Davis (CA)	Guthrie
Bishop (UT)	Davis (IL)	Hall (NY)
Blackburn	Davis (KY)	Hall (TX)
Blunt	Davis (TN)	Halvorson
Bocchieri	Deal (GA)	Harman
Bono Mack	DeGette	Harper
Boozman	Dent	Hastings (FL)
Boren	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hastings (WA)
Boswell	Diaz-Balart, M.	Heinrich
Boucher	Dicks	Heller
Boustany	Dingell	Hensarling
Boyd	Doggett	Herger
Brady (TX)	Dreier	Herseth Sandlin
Bright	Driebehaus	Hill
Broun (GA)	Duncan	Himes
Brown (SC)	Edwards (TX)	Hinojosa
Brown, Corrine	Ehlers	Hirono
Brown-Waite,	Ellison	Holt
Ginny	Ellsworth	Honda
Buchanan	Emerson	Hoyer
Burgess	Engel	Hunter
Burton (IN)	Eshoo	Inglis
Butterfield	Etheridge	Inslee
Buyer	Fallin	Issa
Calvert	Farr	Jackson (IL)
Camp	Fattah	Jackson-Lee
Campbell	Filner	(TX)
Cantor	Flake	Jenkins
Capito	Fleming	Johnson (GA)
		Johnson, Sam

Jones	Miller, Gary	Schock
Kagen	Minnick	Schrader
Kanjorski	Mitchell	Schwartz
Kennedy	Moore (KS)	Scott (GA)
Kildee	Moore (WI)	Scott (VA)
Kind	Moran (KS)	Sensenbrenner
King (IA)	Murphy, Tim	Sessions
Kingston	Myrick	Sestak
Kirk	Nadler (NY)	Shadegg
Kirkpatrick (AZ)	Napolitano	Shea-Porter
Kissell	Neugebauer	Sherman
Klein (FL)	Nunes	Shimkus
Kline (MN)	Nye	Shuler
Kosmas	Oberstar	Shuster
Kratovil	Olson	Simpson
Kucinich	Ortiz	Skelton
Lamborn	Pallone	Slaughter
Lance	Pastor (AZ)	Smith (NE)
Larsen (WA)	Paul	Smith (TX)
Latham	Paulsen	Smith (WA)
LaTourette	Pence	Snyder
Latta	Perlmutter	Souder
Lee (NY)	Perriello	Space
Lewis (CA)	Peters	Speier
Linder	Peterson	Spratt
Lipinski	Petri	Stearns
LoBiondo	Pitts	Stupak
Loeb sack	Platts	Sullivan
Lofgren, Zoe	Poe (TX)	Tauscher
Lowe y	Polis (CO)	Taylor
Lucas	Pomeroy	Teague
Luetkemeyer	Posey	Terry
Lujan	Price (GA)	Thompson (CA)
Lummis	Price (NC)	Thompson (MS)
Lungren, Daniel	Putnam	Thompson (PA)
E.	Quigley	Thornberry
Mack	Radanovich	Tiahrt
Maffei	Rahall	Tiberi
Marchant	Rangel	Titus
Markey (CO)	Rehberg	Tonko
Marshall	Reichert	Towns
Massa	Reyes	Tsongas
Matheson	Richardson	Turner
Matsui	Rodriguez	Upton
McCarthy (CA)	Roe (TN)	Van Hollen
McCaul	Rogers (AL)	Visclosky
McClintock	Rogers (MI)	Walden
McCollum	Rooney	Walz
McCotter	Ros-Lehtinen	Wamp
McDermott	Roskam	Wasserman
McHenry	Ross	Schultz
McHugh	Roybal-Allard	Watt
McIntyre	Royce	Waxman
McKeon	Ruppersberger	Westmoreland
McMorris	Rush	Wexler
Rodgers	Ryan (WI)	Whitfield
Meek (FL)	Salazar	Wilson (OH)
Melancon	Sanchez, Loretta	Wilson (SC)
Mica	Scalise	Wittman
Michaud	Shakowsky	Wolf
Miller (FL)	Schauer	Young (AK)
Miller (MI)	Schiff	Young (FL)
Miller (NC)	Schmidt	

NAYS—64

Abercrombie	Gutierrez	Neal (MA)
Ackerman	Hare	Obey
Arcuri	Higgins	Olver
Blumenauer	Hodes	Pascarell
Brady (PA)	Holden	Payne
Braley (IA)	Johnson, E. B.	Pingree (ME)
Capuano	Kilroy	Ryan (OH)
Cardoza	Langevin	Sánchez, Linda
Carney	Larson (CT)	T.
Clarke	Lee (CA)	Sarbanes
Cohen	Levin	Serrano
Connolly (VA)	Lewis (GA)	Sutton
Conyers	Lynch	Tierney
Costello	Markay (MA)	Velázquez
Courtney	McGovern	Waters
Crowley	McMahon	Watson
DeFazio	McNerney	Weiner
DeLaunt	Meeks (NY)	Welch
DeLauro	Miller, George	Woolsey
Doyle	Murphy (CT)	Wu
Edwards (MD)	Murphy (NY)	Yarmuth
Frank (MA)	Murphy, Patrick	

ANSWERED “PRESENT”—6

Donnelly (IN)	King (NY)	McCarthy (NY)
Kaptur	Maloney	Rothman (NJ)

NOT VOTING—24

Baird	Cummings	Jordan (OH)
Barrett (SC)	Grijalva	Kilpatrick (MI)
Boehner	Hinchey	Manzullo
Bonner	Hoekstra	Mollohan
Cao	Israel	Moran (VA)
Culberson	Johnson (IL)	Murtha

Rogers (KY)	Sires	Stark
Rohrabacher	Smith (NJ)	Tanner

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

Ms. WATERS and Mr. GUTIERREZ changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mrs. MALONEY changed her vote from “nay” to “present.”

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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the 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.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan. Madam Speaker, I was unable to attend several votes today. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on the Motion to Table the Flake Privileged Resolution; “yea” on H. Res. 413—Supporting the goals and ideals of “IEEE Engineering the Future” Day on May 13, 2009; and “yea” on H. Res. 378—Recognizing the 30th anniversary of the election of Margaret Thatcher as the first female Prime Minister of Great Britain.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. PERLMUTTER. I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and insert extraneous material on the subject of the resolution (H. Res. 424) earlier adopted.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. HALVORSON). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Colorado?

There was no objection.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2187, 21ST CENTURY GREEN HIGH-PERFORMING PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES ACT

Mr. PERLMUTTER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 111-106) on the resolution (H. Res. 427) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2187) to direct the Secretary of Education to make grants to State educational agencies for the modernization, renovation, or repair of public school facilities, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2110

Ms. HIRONO. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to be removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 2110.

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

There was no objection.

WAKE UP, AMERICA

(Mr. KUCINICH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KUCINICH. Yesterday, health care executives indicated to the White House that they were going to slow the rate of growth over a period of 10 years, thereby saving \$2 trillion. Wake up, America. You have to look at the underlying numbers here.

What it means is that their share of revenue for our health care spending is going to rise to \$12.8 trillion by 2020. At 1.5 percent, slowing the rate of growth times 10 years—15 percent. You multiply that times your \$12.8 trillion, you get about \$2 trillion.

This is a hoax. It is a swindle. They're trying to tell the American people that these insurance companies that make money—not providing health care—are suddenly going to give the American people a break, when in fact the rate at which we're going to be paying is going to be 35 percent more than it is now.

Wake up, America. The only plan that we can have that can work is universal, single-payer, not-for-profit health care. Break the chains, the shackles that these insurance companies have on our political process.

RENEWABLE ENERGY PART OF AN ALL-OF-THE-ABOVE STRATEGY

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I am grateful that despite all the debate over our Nation's energy future, there's a general consensus that America should be the world's leader in the development of the next generation of cleaner, affordable, and renewable energy.

America has a grand tradition of innovation. We have been at the forefront of great technological advances throughout our short history because we have attracted and promoted scientists and entrepreneurs. We have dreamed big and succeeded.

As the debate over a comprehensive strategy for energy moves forward, we must ensure public and private support for strong renewable energy industry. The Congressional Renewable Energy Caucus, which I'm proud to be a member of, will continue to be a part of that support by raising awareness among our colleagues about the enormous potential of renewable energy.

With the threat of rising gas prices and utility costs, the time to promote renewable energy is now.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

TRIBUTE TO REGISTERED NURSES

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. I rise today to pay tribute to the Nation's registered nurses and to congratulate them for the impossible job—but remarkable job—that they do in nurturing and serving and healing America's sick.

In Harris County, Texas, the county that I represent, the county presents 24,480 registered nurses. Nurses are patient advocates and act fearlessly to protect the lives of those under their care.

Nurses care for patients but participate in a wide variety of needed scientific research, and fight cultural and ethnic disparities and treat all patients as equal. Nurses are also teachers not only to future generations of nurses, but to the public, educating us on health and safety.

In a year where health care reform is a top priority, it is significant to acknowledge that 33 national nursing organizations have endorsed a consensus statement for the nursing community that complements five of President Obama's tenets.

The real issue is that they have come together to organize around good health care. I celebrate the fact that nurses are in Washington, D.C., speaking on behalf of those who cannot speak for themselves. It is important to respect the contributions that our nurses make.

RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY CAUCUS ON ALGAE

(Mr. SMITH of Nebraska asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. During the height of last summer, gas prices hit an all-time high. Thirty years ago, in the midst of another energy crisis, our country began to explore turning algae into fuel. The microscopic, single-celled plant has the potential to be a tremendous resource.

Algae grow very quickly, as anyone with a backyard garden or a watering tank in their pasture knows. It ingests carbon dioxide—releasing oxygen in the process—and is laden with oils which can be used to produce biodiesel.

My friends, we need to continue to explore any and all viable forms of research and development in this renewable energy.

On Thursday, Members of Congress will have the chance to see what the future may hold for our Nation's energy resources at the Congressional Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Expo. There are still hurdles to overcome, but now is the time to begin working for a strong and diverse renewable energy portfolio.

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SOLAR AND THE RENEWABLE ENERGY EXPO

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

Ms. GIFFORDS. Madam Speaker, many Members tonight are speaking on energy efficiency and renewable energy because they represent tremendous sources of barely tapped potential to help our Nation save money, increase energy independence and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

This week the House Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Caucus is drawing attention to these important opportunities by sponsoring the annual Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Expo. The event will run all day on Thursday in the Cannon Caucus room. It will feature over 50 companies and advocacy groups explaining the latest and greatest in energy.

Coming from southern Arizona, it's no surprise that my favorite type of renewable energy, of course, is the sun. And this is an exciting time for solar power. Technologies are rapidly improving, and costs are falling.

Solar power is already cost-competitive with peak power in many areas of the country. Many experts believe that it is on track to be competitive all day long within just a few years.

I urge my colleagues to stop by the expo on Thursday and learn more about these exciting contributions that energy efficiency and renewable energy will make to our future.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

(Mr. TONKO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TONKO. President Obama has outlined a bold vision for a significant change in our Nation's energy policy. In keeping with the theme this evening of energy efficiency, I share with you a vision that the President has borne that will take and highlight energy efficiency.

Energy efficiency should be our fuel of choice, a fuel we need to drill and mine like we currently drill for oil and mine for coal. We must invest in demand-side energy solutions as well as supply-side.

Madam Speaker, we must diversify our energy portfolio and achieve efficient outcomes.

For example, this summer in New York State, almost 45 percent of a homeowner's utility bill will go for heating and cooling. For every degree the thermostat is set below 78 degrees, the customer will use 3 to 5 percent more electricity.

When government implements rate-based or taxpayer-funded demand-side management programs, the public policy is clear—the kilowatt saved is the cheapest, cleanest and the quickest kilowatt we can produce.