

COMMUNICATION FROM COUNSEL,
THE HONORABLE BOBBY RUSH,
MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Angelle Kwemo, Counsel, the Honorable BOBBY RUSH, Member of Congress:

BOBBY L. RUSH,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, May 15, 2009.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a subpoena, issued in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, for testimony in a criminal case.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

ANGELLE KWEMO,
Counsel.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken after 6:30 p.m. today.

CONGRATULATING UNIVERSITY OF
CALIFORNIA AT DAVIS

Mr. TONKO. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 448) congratulating the University of California, Davis, for a century as a premier public research university and one of our Nation's finest institutions of higher education.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 448

Whereas the University of California, Davis (UC Davis), was authorized by Governor George Pardee in 1905 as an agricultural research campus and opened its doors to students in 1908;

Whereas UC Davis became a full University of California campus in 1959;

Whereas UC Davis has since expanded its student body to more than 30,000 students, and its academic offerings to more than 100 undergraduate majors, 87 graduate programs, and 6 professional schools including education, law, management, medicine, nursing, and veterinary medicine;

Whereas UC Davis—true to its land-grant mission—has in a century touched everything that matters to us as human beings, from our health to the economy, to what we eat and drink, to how we experience and interpret life;

Whereas UC Davis scientists and alumni have transformed agriculture to the benefit of California and the world;

Whereas the UC Davis art program has influenced the course of art history and brought critical attention to artists in California;

Whereas UC Davis scientists have helped to protect Lake Tahoe, Mono Lake, and other environmental treasures;

Whereas the UC Davis Medical Center is a top research hospital that also serves as the primary acute-care and trauma center for 6,000,000 people in the region;

Whereas UC Davis research and instruction has fueled the growth of the \$45,000,000,000-a-year California wine industry and provided worldwide leadership and innovation in enology and viticulture;

Whereas from its earliest days UC Davis has hosted international scholars, and currently ranks in the top 5 of all American universities for number of international scholars;

Whereas the often-overlapping and collaborating communities of UC Davis and the City of Davis have forged innovations in environmental housing and bicycle transportation;

Whereas the UC Davis athletics program is as notable for its athletic accomplishments—including a national record for football league championships and a Division II national championship in basketball—as well as for the academic accomplishments of its athletes, which include 3 National Collegiate Athletic Association Woman of the Year award winners;

Whereas UC Davis has 186,000 alumni who make an impact in communities worldwide—and in space—and include UNICEF Director, Ann Veneman, former Treasurer of the United States, Anna Escobedo Cabral, former California State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Delaine Eastin, renowned celebrity chef, Martin Yan, and NASA astronauts, Steve Robinson and Tracy Caldwell;

Whereas UC Davis professors and researchers have achieved accomplishments from determining the age of the solar system to identifying and neutralizing numerous diseases;

Whereas UC Davis professors, graduate students and researchers annually generate more than \$500,000,000 in research funding, which is translated into scientific breakthroughs, medical cures, industrial innovations and other benefits to civilization;

Whereas UC Davis undergraduates—who hail from across the State and represent every race and economic class—are California's top young students and future leaders; and

Whereas UC Davis continues to serve California in new and vital ways, through such new facilities as the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing, the Robert Mondavi Institute for Wine and Food Science, the Tahoe Environmental Research Center, and the expansion of its emergency medical facilities and its schools of law and management: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) congratulates the University of California, Davis, for 100 successful years of providing superb educational opportunities for California;

(2) recognizes the incredible range of accomplishments by the faculty, staff, students, and alumni of the University of California, Davis, across the whole range of human endeavor; and

(3) thanks the University of California, Davis, for its contribution to the betterment of our communities, our State, and our Nation.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. TONKO) and the gen-

tleman from Kentucky (Mr. GUTHRIE) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TONKO. Madam Speaker, I request 5 legislative days during which Members may revise and extend and insert extraneous material on House Resolution 448.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. TONKO. I yield myself, Madam Speaker, as much time as I may consume.

I rise today to commemorate the University of California at Davis for completing more than 100 years as a public university. First opening its doors to students in 1908 and being formally established as a University of California campus in 1959, UC Davis has grown into one of the Nation's finest research universities.

With over 30,000 students representing all racial and economic classes, over 100 undergraduate majors, 87 graduate programs, six professional schools and world renowned faculty, UC Davis generates more than \$500 million in research funding and consistently contributes meaningful research to academia while also impacting its local community and the world.

UC Davis' medical center serves more than 6 million people in the region. Its research has helped fuel the \$45-billion-a-year California wine industry, helped to preserve local environmental treasures and assisted the city of Davis with innovations in environmental housing and bicycle transportation.

Nicknamed the "Aggies," UC Davis has also produced successful athletic programs. Aggie athletics have produced records in football and a Division II national championship in basketball while also gaining recognition for the academic accomplishments of its athletes.

Initially founded as the University Farm of UC Berkley, UC Davis has grown to receive premier status as a top-tier research university with prestigious graduate programs that is a national leader in interdisciplinary research. One example of UC Davis' leadership in academia was its creation of the very first Native American Studies department and doctoral program in the Nation. The regular success of UC Davis alumni across the spectrum of public and private life demonstrates the prowess of this great university. Today we salute this university's dedication to excellence. And I do want to thank Representative THOMPSON for bringing this resolution forward.

Madam Speaker, once again, I applaud the University of California at Davis.

And I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself as much time as I might consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of House Resolution 448 congratulating

the University of California, Davis, for reaching the century mark as a premier public research university and one of our Nation's finest institutions of higher education. The University of California, Davis, was authorized by Governor George Pardee in 1905 as an agriculture research campus and opened its doors to students in 1908. In 1959 UC at Davis became a full University of California campus.

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Since then, UC Davis has expanded its student body to more than 30,000 students, and its academic offerings to more than 100 undergraduate majors, 87 graduate programs, and six professional schools, including education, law, management, medicine, nursing, and veterinary medicine.

Embracing a philosophy of learning, discovery, and engagement, UC Davis provides students with a rewarding undergraduate experience while preparing them for success after graduation. Students benefit from a wide range of academic and extracurricular programs, an interdisciplinary research community involved in local and global issues, and an abundance of opportunities to lead and make an impact on society. With a student body drawn from every State and more than 75 countries, UC Davis reflects and is enriched by cultural traditions from around the world.

The campus' breadth of academic programs, commitment to providing an attentive and research-enriched education, and a determination to address society's needs is truly distinctive. UC Davis is the only UC campus with schools of law, medicine, education, management, and veterinary medicine.

In 2007-08, UC Davis received \$586 million in research awards, an increase of 10 percent over the previous year. The campus ranks first in the UC system and fifth in the Nation in non-Federal research expenditures, reflecting the real world applicability of its research. Additionally, UC Davis leads the Nation in graduate and undergraduate education in biological sciences. Year after year, UC Davis tops the charts in the numbers of doctoral and bachelor degrees conferred in biological sciences.

It is truly a privilege to stand before the House today to congratulate the University of California at Davis, on the occasion of their 100th anniversary. I extend my congratulations to the University of California at Davis Chancellor Larry Vanderhoef, the faculty and staff, the students and alumni. I wish all involved continued success, and I ask my colleagues to support this resolution.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. TONKO. Does the gentleman from Kentucky have any further speakers?

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, we have no further speakers, and I yield back.

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, obviously the resolution before the House is one that speaks to the greatness of a pres-

tigious institution like the University of California at Davis. It obviously has excelled in several program areas and holds high standards in its interdisciplinary research areas. For those reasons and the many others cited by Representative GUTHRIE and myself, I believe that it is important for the House to move forward with this resolution and would encourage everyone to support the resolution before the House.

Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of House Resolution 448. I have the privilege of representing a part of the University of California at Davis. It is a privilege because U.C. Davis is truly one of the premier institutions of higher learning in our Nation.

Since the University first opened its doors to students in 1908 as an agricultural research institution it has played a critical role in the growth of California agriculture as one of our State's major industries and a producer of food for the world.

At a time when the delivery of health care services is an issue of such paramount importance to our Nation it should be acknowledged that the Medical Center at U.C. Davis serves as the primary acute-care trauma center for millions of residents in our region. It should also be mentioned that the University is recognized for its work as a top tier research hospital.

While the veterinary school at the U.C. Davis is recognized as one of the finest such schools in the Nation, I would be remiss not to point out that its law school has also attained the highest standards of excellence.

U.C. Davis is the home of the California Biomass Collaborative, which is a statewide collaborative of government, industry, environmental groups, and educational institutions administered for the state by the University of California, Davis. The Collaborative is sponsored by the California Energy Commission as well as other agency and private industry partners. I worked with the Collaborative in putting together a Biomass Policy Forum last fall to discuss the use of woody biomass as a viable alternate energy source, as well as a means by which to reduce the threat of wildfires.

The University has also done tremendous work in the field of sustainable transportation, and is the new hub of collaboration and research on plug-in hybrid electric vehicles in California. Such vehicles have zero-tailpipe emissions and could well be the future of clean transportation.

In my capacity as a member of the Committee on Homeland Security I am particularly interested in the work conducted by the University through the Western Institute of Food Safety and Security, WIFSS, regarding the need to protect our Nation's feedstock from the threat of bio-terrorism. Furthermore, U.C. Davis is engaged in cutting-edge research regarding flame retardant materials which has both civilian as well as military applications.

It is therefore an honor for me to commend the University of California at Davis to you and ask your support for House Resolution 448.

Mr. TONKO. I yield back my time, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GRIFFITH). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. TONKO) that the House

suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 448.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COMMENDING UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA GYMNASTICS TEAM

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 386) commending the University of Georgia Gymnastics Team for winning the 2009 NCAA National Championship, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 386

Whereas the University of Georgia (UGA) Gymnastics program has won its 10th National Collegiate Women's Gymnastics Championship;

Whereas the University of Georgia Gymnastics program has won 16 SEC Championships;

Whereas the University of Georgia Gymnastic program has produced 8 Honda Award winners;

Whereas the 2009 national title is the program's fifth consecutive national championship;

Whereas the Gym Dogs are now the most successful gymnastics program in the country;

Whereas the University of Georgia's gymnastics team, the Gym Dogs, has made 26 consecutive appearances in the NCAA Gymnastics Championships;

Whereas the 2009 Gym Dogs team's overall record was an amazing 32-1;

Whereas the 2009 Gym Dogs also achieved the school's highest team GPA, 3.36;

Whereas the gymnastics team's coach, Suzanne Yoculan, is retiring as the most successful collegiate gymnastics coach in NCAA history; and

Whereas Coach Suzanne Yoculan has, in 19 of her 26 years as head coach at the University of Georgia, taken her squad to an SEC title, an NCAA title, or both: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) commends the University of Georgia Gymnastics Team for winning the 2009 NCAA National Championship;

(2) recognizes that the Gym Dogs have won more national championships than any other program in the Nation; and

(3) congratulates Suzanne Yoculan for a spectacular career as the University of Georgia's gymnastics coach.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. TONKO) and the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. GUTHRIE) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I request 5 legislative days during which Members may revise and extend and insert extraneous material on House Resolution 386 in the RECORD.

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