

There was no objection.

Mr. LYNCH. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, I present House Resolution 267 for consideration. This legislation recognizes the cultural and historical significance of the traditional Iranian holiday of Nowruz, expresses our appreciation for the contributions of Iranian Americans to the United States and wishes all Iranian Americans, as well as the people of Iran, a prosperous new year.

This resolution has been offered by my friend and colleague, Representative MIKE HONDA of California.

I am going to yield to him such time as he may consume.

Mr. HONDA. Madam Speaker, I want to thank my good friend and colleague, Mr. LYNCH from Massachusetts, for yielding me time.

Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of my resolution, H. Res. 267, of the Iranian American community. Last year I introduced this resolution, which honors the Iranian New Year or Nowruz.

This resolution recognizes the cultural and historic significance of Nowruz, expresses appreciation for the contributions of Iranian Americans to society, and wishes Iranian Americans and the people of Iran a prosperous new year.

Nowruz will occur on March 21st of this year, and translates as "A New Day" or the first day of spring. This ancient holiday is rooted back to the Zoroastrian ancestors of modern Iran, and is celebrated over the first 13 days of spring.

Iranian American constituents of mine tell me it is their favorite time of the year, when families get together, picnic at a park, and celebrate the coming of spring and the new year. Many Iranian Americans also take the time to visit friends and contribute to local charities during this holiday.

Nowruz is not just celebrated by Iranians or Iranian Americans though. It is celebrated by over 300 million people across this world, and over one million Iranian Americans in our country. That is what intrigues me about this holiday. Nowruz festivities bring people together from all walks of life, not just Iranians, to join and celebrate as a community.

This ancient holiday has survived centuries of religious differences and political rivalries, and is celebrated by a diverse group of people from different religious and ethnic backgrounds.

Iranian Americans have made noteworthy and lasting contributions in all sectors of American public life, including as government, military, law enforcement officials, and in the fields of medicine, engineering and business.

I am proud to represent the civically engaged Iranian American community in my Silicon Valley district who continue to teach all of us about their rich cultural history. I've had the oppor-

tunity to have meaningful dialogues with them over the years and witness firsthand their contributions to our society.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to stand on the House floor today to recognize and honor the exceptional ways in which the Iranian American community enriches our Nation's diversity. I wish the Iranian American community, and all those who celebrate Nowruz, a prosperous new year.

□ 1500

Mrs. BIGGERT. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of House Resolution 267 and join my colleague from California (Mr. HONDA) in expressing appreciation to Iranian Americans for their contributions to society and wishing the people of Iran a prosperous new year.

Nowruz, meaning "new day," is a 3,000-year-old tradition that marks the beginning of spring and is celebrated by over 300 million people worldwide. Originated in ancient Persia, Nowruz is not limited to a specific ethnicity, religion, or creed. To commemorate the ideals and principles of Nowruz, families decorate a special table called the Haft Seen or Seven S's with items that symbolize significant characteristics associated with Nowruz such as love, life, prosperity, beauty, health, happiness, honesty, and faith.

In congratulating Iranian Americans and Iranians throughout the world on this momentous holiday, I think it is important to acknowledge the many significant contributions of these fellow citizens and neighbors to the framework of our great Nation. Ustad Elahi, an Iranian philosopher, believes that it is everyone's duty to be useful in society and placed such importance on service to society that he considered it to be the true meaning of piety and altruism. Iranian Americans continue to hold true to this principle as evidenced by their many noteworthy contributions to this Nation. From science and technology to commerce and trade; academia and medicine to music and the arts, Iranian Americans continue to enrich the social and economic fabric of American society.

Madam Speaker, I hope that our colleagues will join in recognizing this holiday by strengthening the ties of mutual respect with one another while advancing a harmonious exchange of ideals with our neighbors. We should mark the coming year with a revival of our shared values, principles, and ethics in the spirit of Nowruz.

I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LYNCH. Madam Speaker, I have no further requests for time. I ask all Members on both sides of the aisle to join with Mr. HONDA, the principal sponsor of this resolution, and support House Resolution 267.

I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by

the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. LYNCH) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 267.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. LYNCH. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 3 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m.

□ 1830

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. DAHLKEMPER) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

House Resolution 1145, House Resolution 1170, House Resolution 1163, and House Resolution 267, in each case by the yeas and nays.

Proceedings on H.R. 4628 will resume later in the week.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

RECOGNIZING 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1145, 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 gentlewoman from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1145, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 392, nays 0, not voting 38, as follows:

[Roll No. 112]

YEAS—392

Ackerman Dicks Klein (FL)
 Aderholt Dingell Kline (MN)
 Adler (NJ) Doggett Kosmas
 Akin Donnelly (IN) Kratovil
 Alexander Doyle Kucinich
 Altmire Dreier Lamborn
 Andrews Driehaus Lance
 Arcuri Duncan Langevin
 Austria Edwards (MD) Larsen (WA)
 Baca Edwards (TX) Larson (CT)
 Bachmann Ehlers Latham
 Bachus Ellison LaTourette
 Baird Ellsworth Latta
 Baldwin Emerson Lee (CA)
 Barrow Engel Lee (NY)
 Bartlett Eshoo Levin
 Barton (TX) Etheridge Lewis (CA)
 Becerra Farr Lewis (GA)
 Berkley Fattah Linder
 Berman Filner Lipinski
 Berry Fleming LoBiondo
 Biggert Forbes Loebsack
 Bilbray Fortenberry Lofgren, Zoe
 Bilirakis Foster Lowey
 Bishop (GA) Foxx Lucas
 Bishop (NY) Frank (MA) Luetkemeyer
 Bishop (UT) Franks (AZ) Luján
 Blackburn Frelinghuysen Lummis
 Blumenauer Fudge Lungren, Daniel
 Boccieri Gallegly E.
 Boehner Garamendi Lynch
 Bono Mack Garrett (NJ) Mack
 Boren Gerlach Maffei
 Boswell Giffords Maloney
 Boustany Gohmert Manzullo
 Boyd Gonzalez Marchant
 Brady (PA) Goodlatte Markey (CO)
 Brady (TX) Gordon (TN) Markey (MA)
 Bright Granger Marshall
 Broun (GA) Graves Matheson
 Brown (SC) Grayson Matsui
 Brown, Corrine Green, Al McCarthy (CA)
 Burgess Green, Gene McCarthy (NY)
 Burton (IN) Griffith McCaul
 Buyer Guthrie McClintock
 Calvert Hall (NY) McCollum
 Camp Hall (TX) McCotter
 Campbell Halvorson McDermott
 Cantor Hare McGovern
 Cao Harman McHenry
 Capito Harper McIntyre
 Capps Hastings (FL) McKeon
 Capuano Hastings (WA) McMahan
 Cardoza Heinrich McMorris
 Carnahan Heller Rodgers
 Carney Hensarling McNeerney
 Carson (IN) Herger Meek (FL)
 Carter Herseth Sandlin Meeks (NY)
 Cassidy Higgins Melancon
 Castle Hill Mica
 Castor (FL) Himes Michaud
 Chaffetz Hinchey Miller (FL)
 Chandler Hinojosa Miller (MI)
 Childers Hirono Miller (NC)
 Chu Hodes Miller, Gary
 Clarke Holden Miller, George
 Clay Holt Minnick
 Cleaver Honda Mitchell
 Clyburn Hoyer Mollohan
 Coble Hunter Moore (KS)
 Coffman (CO) Inglis Moore (WI)
 Cohen Inslee Moran (KS)
 Cole Israel Murphy (CT)
 Conaway Issa Murphy (NY)
 Connolly (VA) Jackson (IL) Murphy, Patrick
 Conyers Jackson Lee Myrick
 Cooper (TX) Nadler (NY)
 Costa Jenkins Napolitano
 Costello Johnson (GA) Neal (MA)
 Courtney Johnson, E. B. Neugebauer
 Crowley Johnson, Sam Nunes
 Cuellar Jones Nye
 Culberson Jordan (OH) Oberstar
 Cummings Kanjorski Obey
 Dahlkemper Kaptur Olson
 Davis (AL) Kennedy Oliver
 Davis (CA) Kildee Ortiz
 Davis (KY) Kilpatrick (MI) Owens
 Davis (TN) Kilroy Pallone
 DeFazio Kind Pastor (AZ)
 DeGette King (IA) Paul
 Delahunt King (NY) Paulsen
 DeLauro Kingston Payne
 Dent Kirk Perlmutter
 Diaz-Balart, L. Kirkpatrick (AZ) Perriello
 Diaz-Balart, M. Kissell

Peters
 Peterson
 Petri
 Pingree (ME)
 Pitts
 Platts
 Poe (TX)
 Polis (CO)
 Pomeroy
 Posey
 Price (GA)
 Price (NC)
 Radanovich
 Rahall
 Rangel
 Rehberg
 Reichert
 Reyes
 Richardson
 Rodriguez
 Roe (TN)
 Rogers (AL)
 Rogers (MI)
 Roybal-Allard
 Royce
 Ruppertsberger
 Ryan (OH)
 Ryan (WI)
 Salazar
 Sánchez, Linda
 T.
 Sanchez, Loretta
 Sarbanes
 Scalise
 Schakowsky
 Schauer
 Schiff
 Schmidt
 Schock
 Schwartz
 Scott (GA)
 Scott (VA)
 Sensenbrenner
 Serrano
 Sessions
 Sestak
 Sherman
 Shimkus
 Shuler
 Shuster
 Simpson
 Sires
 Skelton
 Slaughter
 Smith (NE)
 Smith (NJ)
 Smith (TX)
 Snyder
 Space
 Rothman (NJ)
 Roybal-Allard
 Royce
 Stupak
 Sullivan
 Sutton
 Tanner
 Taylor
 Teague
 Terry
 Thompson (CA)
 Thompson (MS)
 Thompson (PA)
 Thornberry
 Tiahrt
 Tiberi
 Tierney
 Titus
 Tonko
 Towns
 Tsongas
 Turner
 Upton
 Van Hollen
 Velázquez
 Visclosky
 Walden
 Walz
 Wasserman
 Schultz
 Watson
 Watt
 Waxman
 Weiner
 Welch
 Westmoreland
 Whitfield
 Bishop (GA)
 Bishop (UT)
 Blackburn
 Blumenauer
 Boccieri
 Boehner
 Bono Mack
 Boren
 Boswell
 Boustany
 Boyd
 Brady (PA)
 Brady (TX)
 Bright
 Broun (GA)
 Brown (SC)
 Brown, Corrine
 Burgess
 Burton (IN)
 Buyer
 Calvert
 Camp
 Campbell
 Cantor
 Cao
 Capito
 Capps
 Capuano
 Cardoza
 Carnahan
 Carson (IN)
 Carter
 Cassidy
 Castle
 Castor (FL)
 Chaffetz
 Chandler
 Childers
 Chu
 Clarke
 Clay
 Cleaver
 Clyburn
 Coble
 Coffman (CO)
 Cohen
 Cole
 Conaway
 Connolly (VA)
 Conyers
 Cooper
 Costa
 Costello
 Courtney
 Crowley
 Cuellar
 Culberson
 Cummings
 Dahlkemper
 Davis (AL)
 Davis (CA)
 Davis (TN)
 DeFazio
 DeGette
 Delahunt
 DeLauro
 Dent
 Diaz-Balart, L.
 Diaz-Balart, M.
 Dicks
 Dingell
 Doggett

NOT VOTING—38

Barrett (SC)
 Bean
 Blunt
 Bonner
 Boozman
 Boucher
 Braley (IA)
 Brown-Waite,
 Ginny
 Buchanan
 Butterfield
 Crenshaw
 Davis (IL)
 Deal (GA)
 Fallin
 Flake
 Gingrey (GA)
 Grijalva
 Gutierrez
 Hoekstra
 Johnson (IL)
 Kagen
 Moran (VA)
 Pascrell
 Pence
 Putnam
 Quigley
 Rogers (KY)
 Ros-Lehtinen
 Rush
 Schrader
 Shadegg
 Shea-Porter
 Smith (WA)
 Souder
 Speier
 Wamp
 Waters
 Young (FL)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

□ 1904

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.

CONGRATULATING WINNERS OF VOICE OF DEMOCRACY SCHOLARSHIP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1170, 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 gentlewoman from Hawaii (H. Res. 1170) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1170.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 384, nays 0, not voting 46, as follows:

[Roll No. 113]

YEAS—384

Ackerman
 Aderholt
 Adler (NJ)
 Akin
 Alexander
 Altmire
 Andrews
 Arcuri
 Austria
 Baca
 Bachmann
 Bachus
 Baird
 Baldwin
 Barrow
 Bartlett
 Barton (TX)
 Becerra
 Berkley
 Berman
 Berry
 Biggert
 Bilbray
 Bilirakis
 Bishop (GA)
 Bishop (UT)
 Blackburn
 Blumenauer
 Boccieri
 Boehner
 Bono Mack
 Boren
 Boswell
 Boustany
 Boyd
 Brady (PA)
 Brady (TX)
 Bright
 Broun (GA)
 Brown (SC)
 Brown, Corrine
 Burgess
 Burton (IN)
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 Calvert
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 Davis (AL)
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 Davis (TN)
 DeFazio
 DeGette
 Delahunt
 DeLauro
 Dent
 Diaz-Balart, L.
 Diaz-Balart, M.
 Dicks
 Dingell
 Doggett
 Donnelly (IN)
 Dreier
 Driehaus
 Duncan
 Edwards (MD)
 Edwards (TX)
 Ehlers
 Ellison
 Ellsworth
 Emerson
 Engel
 Eshoo
 Etheridge
 Farr
 Fattah
 Filner
 Fleming
 Forbes
 Fortenberry
 Foster
 Foxx
 Frank (MA)
 Franks (AZ)
 Frelinghuysen
 Fudge
 Gallegly
 Garamendi
 Garrett (NJ)
 Gerlach
 Giffords
 Gohmert
 Gonzalez
 Goodlatte
 Gordon (TN)
 Granger
 Graves
 Grayson
 Green, Al
 Green, Gene
 Griffith
 Guthrie
 Hall (NY)
 Hall (TX)
 Halvorson
 Hare
 Harman
 Harper
 Hastings (FL)
 Hastings (WA)
 Herseth Sandlin
 Higgins
 Hill
 Himes
 Hinchey
 Hinojosa
 Hirono
 Hodes
 Holden
 Holt
 Honda
 Hoyer
 Hunter
 Inglis
 Inslee
 Israel
 Issa
 Jackson (IL)
 Jackson Lee
 (TX)
 Jenkins
 Johnson (GA)
 Johnson, E. B.
 Johnson, Sam
 Jordan (OH)
 Kanjorski
 Kaptur
 Kennedy
 Kildee
 Kilpatrick (MI)
 Kilroy
 Kind
 King (IA)
 King (NY)
 Kingston
 Kirk
 Kirkpatrick (AZ)
 Kissell
 Lance
 Langevin
 Larsen (WA)
 Larson (CT)
 Latham
 LaTourette
 Latta
 Lee (CA)
 Lee (NY)
 Levin
 Lewis (CA)
 Lewis (GA)
 Linder
 Lipinski
 LoBiondo
 Loebsack
 Lofgren, Zoe
 Lowey
 Lucas
 Luetkemeyer
 Luján
 Lummis
 Lungren, Daniel
 E.
 Lynch
 Mack
 Maffei
 Maloney
 Manzullo
 Marchant
 Markey (CO)
 Markey (MA)
 Marshall
 Matheson
 Matsui
 McCarthy (CA)
 McCarthy (NY)
 McCaul
 McClintock
 McCollum
 McCotter
 McDermott
 McGovern
 McHenry
 McIntyre
 McKeon
 McMahan
 McMorris
 Rodgers
 McNeerney
 Meek (FL)
 Meeks (NY)
 Melancon
 Mica
 Michaud
 Miller (FL)
 Miller (MI)
 Miller (NC)
 Miller, Gary
 Miller, George
 Minnick
 Mitchell
 Mollohan
 Moore (KS)
 Moore (WI)
 Moran (KS)
 Murphy (CT)
 Murphy (NY)
 Myrick
 Nadler (NY)
 Napolitano
 Neal (MA)
 Neugebauer
 Nunes
 Nye
 Oberstar
 Obey
 Olson
 Oliver
 Ortiz
 Owens
 Pallone
 Pastor (AZ)
 Paul
 Paulsen
 Payne
 Perlmutter
 Perriello
 Peterson
 Petri
 Pingree (ME)
 Platts
 Poe (TX)