

Skelton Terry Wasserman
Slaughter Thompson (CA) Schultz
Smith (NE) Thompson (MS) Waters
Smith (NJ) Thompson (PA) Watson
Smith (TX) Thornberry Watt
Smith (WA) Tiberi Waxman
Snyder Tierney Weiner
Souder Titus Welch
Space Tonko Westmoreland
Speier Towns Whitfield
Spratt Turner Wilson (OH)
Stark Upton Wilson (SC)
Stearns Van Hollen Wittman
Stupak Velázquez Wolf
Sullivan Visclosky Woolsey
Sutton Walden Wu
Tanner Walz Yarmuth
Taylor Wamp Young (FL)

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Oberstar

NOT VOTING—36

Alexander Grijalva Moran (VA)
Barrett (SC) Gutierrez Murphy, Patrick
Bilbray Higgins Perlmutter
Bonner Hinojosa Radanovich
Brown, Corrine Hoekstra Reyes
Buyer Johnson, E. B. Rohrabacher
Capito Kennedy Rush
Crenshaw Kissell Schrader
Davis (AL) Lewis (CA) Teague
Deal (GA) Maloney Tiahrt
Diaz-Balart, L. Markey (MA) Tsongas
Edwards (TX) McDermott Young (AK)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

□ 1907

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA MEN'S SOCCER TEAM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 991.

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. 991.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. HARE. Madam Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 398, noes 0, answered "present" 2, not voting 33, as follows:

[Roll No. 8]

AYES—398

Abercrombie Bachmann Berman
Ackerman Bachus Berry
Aderholt Baird Biggert
Adler (NJ) Baldwin Bilirakis
Akin Barrow Bishop (GA)
Altmire Bartlett Bishop (NY)
Andrews Barton (TX) Bishop (UT)
Arcuri Bean Blackburn
Austria Becerra Blumenauer
Baca Berkley Blunt

Boehner Bono Mack
Boozman Boozman
Boren Boren
Boswell Boswell
Boucher Boucher
Boustany Boustany
Boyd Boyd
Brady (PA) Brady (PA)
Brady (TX) Brady (TX)
Braley (IA) Braley (IA)
Bright Bright
Broun (GA) Broun (GA)
Brown (SC) Brown (SC)
Brown-Waite, Green, Al
Ginny Green, Gene
Buchanan Griffith
Burgess Guthrie
Burton (IN) Hall (NY)
Butterfield Hall (TX)
Calvert Halvorson
Camp Hare
Campbell Harman
Cantor Harper
Cao Hastings (FL)
Capps Hastings (WA)
Capuano Heinrich
Cardoza Heller
Carnahan Hensarling
Carney Herger
Carson (IN) Herseth Sandlin
Carter Hill
Cassidy Himes
Castle Hinchey
Castor (FL) Hirono
Chaffetz Hodes
Chandler Holden
Childers Holt
Chu Honda
Clarke Hoyer
Clay Hunter
Clever Inglis
Clyburn Inslee
Coble Israel
Coffman (CO) Issa
Cohen Jackson (IL)
Cole Jackson Lee
Conaway (TX)
Connolly (VA) Jenkins
Conyers Johnson (GA)
Cooper Johnson (IL)
Costa Johnson, Sam
Costello Jones
Courtney Jordan (OH)
Crowley Kagen
Cuellar Kanjorski
Culberson Kaptur
Cummings Kennedy
Dahlkemper Kildee
Davis (CA) Kilpatrick (MI)
Davis (IL) Kilroy
Davis (KY) Kind
Davis (TN) King (IA)
DeFazio King (NY)
DeGette Kingston
Delahunt Kirk
DeLauro Kirkpatrick (AZ)
Dent Pitts
Diaz-Balart, L. Klein (FL)
Diaz-Balart, M. Kline (MN)
Dicks Kosmas
Dingell Kratochvil
Doggett Kucinich
Donnelly (IN) Lamborn
Doyle Lance
Dreier Langevin
Driehaus Larsen (WA)
Duncan Larson (CT)
Edwards (MD) Latham
Ehlers LaTourette
Ellison Latta
Ellsworth Lee (CA)
Emerson Lee (NY)
Engel Levin
Eshoo Lewis (GA)
Etheridge Linder
Fallin Lipinski
Farr LoBiondo
Fattah Loeb sack
Flake Lofgren, Zoe
Fleming Lowey
Forbes Lucas
Fortenberry Luetkemeyer
Foster Lummis
Foxy Lungren, Daniel
Frank (MA) E.
Franks (AZ) Lynch
Frelinghuysen Mack
Maffei

Manzullo Sanchez, Loretta
Marchant Sarbanes
Markey (CO) Scalise
Marshall Schakowsky
Massa Schauer
Matheson Schiff
Matsui Schmidt
McCarthy (CA) Schock
McCarthy (NY) Schwartz
McCaul Scott (GA)
McClintock Scott (VA)
McCollum Sensenbrenner
McCotter Serrano
McDermott Sessions
McGovern Sestak
McHenry Shadegg
McIntyre Shea-Porter
McKeon Sherman
McMahon Shimkus
McMorris Thompson (PA)
Rodgers Shuler
McNerney Shuster
Meek (FL) Simpson
Meeks (NY) Sires
Melancon Skelton
Mica Slaughter
Michaud Smith (NE)
Miller (FL)
Miller (MI)
Miller (NC)
Miller, Gary
Minnick
Mitchell
Mollohan
Moore (KS)
Moore (WI)
Moran (KS)
Murphy (CT)
Murphy (NY)
Murphy, Tim
Murtha
Myrick
Nadler (NY)
Napolitano
Neal (MA)
Neugebauer
Nunes
Nye
Obey
Olson
Oliver
Ortiz
Owens
Pallone
Pascarelli
Pastor (AZ)
Paul
Paulsen
Payne
Pence
Perriello
Peters
Peterson
Petri
Pingree (ME)
Pitts
Platts
Poe (TX)
Polis (CO)
Pomeroy
Posey
Price (GA)
Price (NC)
Putnam
Quigley
Rahall
Rangel
Rehberg
Reichert
Richardson
Rodriguez
Roe (TN)
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Rooney
Ros-Lehtinen
Roskam
Ross
Rothman (NJ)
Roybal-Allard
Royce
Ruppersberger
Ryan (OH)
Ryan (WI)
Salazar
Sanchez, Linda
T.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

□ 1914

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. GUTIERREZ. Madam Speaker, I was unavoidably absent from this Chamber this evening. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall votes 6, 7 and 8.

FILIBUSTER HAS CREATED MINORITY RULE

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

Mr. McDERMOTT. Madam Speaker, tonight I am introducing a resolution to urge the Senate to change its filibuster rule.

The filibuster has in effect created minority rule. It wasn't the intent of the framers of the Constitution to allow any one person the power to bring the legislative process to a halt, which is exactly what the filibuster has given each Senator the ability to do. The framers very clearly outlined the five instances when they believed a supermajority was needed. The day-to-day business of Congress was not one of them. But the use of the filibuster has

become such common practice that it now requires a supermajority in the Senate to pass virtually every piece of legislation, no matter how mundane. The filibuster has begun to erode the integrity of our democratic process.

My colleague, Senator TOM HARKIN from Iowa, who has been a leader on this issue since 1995, recently announced he will introduce legislation to change the filibuster rule, and I am offering a resolution urging the Senate to do the same.

The filibuster was not intended by the framers of the Constitution, and it is certainly not good for the country when we try to solve the difficult problems that face us today. The time has come for the Senate to change its rules.

CONGRATULATING THE CUBAN-AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize the Cuban-American Bar Association for its success and contributions to our south Florida community.

For nearly 40 years, the Cuban-American Bar Association has served the public interest by increasing awareness of the study of jurisprudence, fostering respect for the law, and increasing diversity in the judiciary and the legal community.

Given the tragic example of Castro's lawless regime, the members of the Cuban-American Bar Association are keenly aware of the importance of the rule of law and have dedicated their professional careers to its implementation and preservation.

This Saturday, the Cuban-American Bar Association will celebrate its installation of a new executive board. Incoming President Manuel Garcia-Linares and president-elect for 2011 Victoria Mendez will build upon the example of leadership left by outgoing President Roland Sanchez-Medina, Jr. Their dedication and professionalism are not only testaments to their characters but also to the Cuban-American community and to Hispanics in general.

I would also like to congratulate the incoming 2010 Board of Directors:

Nelson Bellido, Raul Chacon, Vivian De Las Cuevas-Diaz, Isabel Diaz, Sandra M. Ferrera, Monica Gordo, Anna Marie Hernandez, Javier Lopez, Ricardo M. Martinez-Cid, Nicole Mestre, Jennifer Perez, and Monica Segura.

CREDIT CARD COMPANIES SHOULD SUSPEND FEES ON CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. COHEN. Madam Speaker, as the world watches the crisis, the tragedy in Haiti, many people are coming forth

with charitable contributions to help different organizations that are sponsoring efforts, and it is commendable and wonderful. But what was discovered is that the credit card companies are charging their customary 3 percent fee on those credit card contributions. That is wrong. And the credit card companies, I believe, saw it was wrong, and they put that off for 60 days on contributions given to certain groups.

What I am looking into introducing is legislation, and-or through a letter of request to the administration, suspending credit card fees, except those for processing, on contributions to 501(c)(3) charities.

When people make contributions to charities, and contributions are down now because of the recession, the full amount should be going to that 501(c)(3). Complete charitable contributions should be permitted, and the credit card companies should work with us, at least if it is a disaster like Katrina, like what we have experienced in Haiti or with the tsunamis or with tornados in our Nation.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS' HISTORIC SEASON

(Mr. CAO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CAO. Madam Speaker, the New Orleans Saints' historic season continued this past Saturday with a 45-14 playoff victory. Next week, they will compete for the NFC championship title, and they will win.

Their success has benefited our city and inspired our district, so I have provided my constituents with a chance to honor them.

Today's statement is from Tripp Roy of New Orleans, Louisiana. Tripp writes:

"The Saints' positive impact on our city is immeasurable. They have done more for New Orleans than any other professional sports franchise has done for any other American city.

"Aside from the short-term joy the team's success has brought to New Orleans, the Saints' record has put the city back on the map, displaying to the Nation that we are back for the long term.

"The endless media coverage, non-stop showcasing of the region's unique culture, and undeniable camaraderie created among the New Orleans 'Who Dat' nation are all the results of the Saints' incredible season.

"This is just the rallying cry the city needed. New Orleans is better than ever, thanks in large part to the Saints."

HAITIAN ORPHANS

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas. Madam Speaker, I am overwhelmed as I have seen the outpouring of support for the

Haitian people and also the concern of this Congress. I would ask that we move forward on one particular interest and concern, and that is the orphans of Haiti.

Already before the earthquake there were 1.5 million orphans. Now, we have seen hundreds of thousands of children who are now without parents.

Over the weekend, I was able to secure and be able to send two plane loads of doctors and nurses and supplies. Thank you, Texas. In that they were operating on a number of individuals, particularly children, 150 surgeries, 600 patients, it is important that we are able to airlift the most badly injured of children and others, particularly children, out of Haiti.

I will be introducing legislation and working with the administration to establish refugee status so these children can be airlifted in an organized manner to have surgery; otherwise, they will die. It is important for us to join together, both sides of the aisle, to find constructive ways to expedite caring for those who are now dying. Our children are our priority. As Chair of the Congressional Children's Caucus, that will be my focus, to save the children of Haiti.

WAR WITH AL QAEDA

(Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California. Madam Speaker, there are a lot of issues that are before this Congress, very, very serious issues. But on Christmas Day, we were reminded of one that we do not always think about, and that is the fact that we are still the subject of those who would use terror to take away our liberty.

I would hope that, as the President has found it appropriate to use the word "war" and talk about the war with al Qaeda, that we would understand that it is more than words, it is actions; that we need to treat those who would attempt to kill us in this way as what they are, unlawful enemy combatants, not common criminals. We should not turn them over to our criminal justice system. We should allow them to be interrogated by the military.

Madam Speaker, those who say that they are attacking us because of Guantanamo do not understand history, both long-term and short-term. They are not attacking us because of Guantanamo. They are attacking us because of the Statue of Liberty.

CONGRATULATING OAK GROVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

(Mr. PAULSEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. PAULSEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Oak Grove Presbyterian Church of Bloomington, Minnesota, for receiving the