

families of those who perished, to the people of Poland, to the nation of Poland, and to the people of Polish heritage throughout the world. Let this moment be one of recommitment to Poland's highest aspirations and full expression of its own history.

So long as we are alive, there will be a Poland.

Mr. POE of Texas. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, we sometimes forget how great an ally Poland is to the United States. They have not only had a quest for freedom for their own people, but they have been an ally to this Nation. As the United States and other NATO countries are engaged in the battle against terrorism in Afghanistan, there are over 2,000 members of the Polish military who are there as well, side by side with the United States and with other NATO forces, the freedom fighters that they are, helping to seek freedom and liberty in Afghanistan and against those international terrorists who do us all harm.

I think Mr. PASCRELL, the gentleman from New Jersey, said it well today. "We are all Poles," and we honor them, and we suffer their loss and their grief at this time because of the tragedy that occurred not only on Saturday but at the massacre that occurred in that forest in the Soviet Union many, many years ago.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. DELAHUNT. I would just echo the eloquent sentiments expressed by my friend from Texas.

I have no further requests for time.

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to express my sincere condolences to the People of Poland and all Americans of Polish descent who are grieving in the wake of the tragic plane crash on April 10th in which President Lech Kaczynski and dozens of the country's top political and military leaders were killed.

One out of every four inhabitants of Riverhead, New York in the first Congressional district of New York claim Polish heritage. This thriving ethnic enclave has been a growing community devoted to family, religion, and tradition since the turn of the twentieth century.

After arriving in America, Polish families established family farms and villages throughout the East End of Long Island. Hard work enabled Riverhead's Polish Town to grow as new immigrants added their talents and skills to those of their neighbors, and the community's special character endures today.

Madam Speaker, Poland and the United States share a long history of mutual support. In this Congress, General Casimir Pulaski, legendary Polish commander of the American Cavalry during the Revolutionary War, was given our nation's highest honor as an Honorary Citizen. Just as General Pulaski supported America in our hour of need, today we stand with all who are suffering from this terrible loss and pledge our continued support of Poland and its people.

Mr. LEVIN. Madam Speaker, I rise to join so many of my House colleagues in mourning the loss of President Lech Kaczynski and First Lady Maria Kaczynska, who died last Satur-

day in a plane crash in western Russia along with dozens of other distinguished civilian and military leaders of Poland. We mourn their loss and join in sending our sincere condolences to the people of Poland, and especially the family and friends of those who perished in this tragic accident.

Poland is a close friend and ally of the United States. Our two countries are linked by longstanding ties of family and friendship. My home state of Michigan has a large and vibrant Polish-American community. We stand in solidarity with them during this difficult time as we pay our respects to all of those who were lost in this tragedy.

I also wish to express my appreciation to Representatives DAHLKEMPER and LIPINSKI for introducing the resolution before the House. I am pleased to join them in cosponsoring it and urge its passage.

Mr. CONYERS. Madam Speaker, today I rise in support of H. Res. 1246 with a heavy heart to express my deepest condolences to the country of Poland, its people, and the Polish American community. This weekend the country of Poland suffered a tragic loss. Saturday, I awoke to news that the president of Poland, Lech Kaczynski, Poland's first lady Maria Kaczynski, President of the Polish central bank, Slawomir Skrzypek, and many other high ranking military officials all died in a plane crash. The President and these other leaders were in route to Russia to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the tragic massacre at Katyn.

Although these leaders will be missed, I have faith that many talented people in Poland will help their country emerge from this time of sorrow and mourning. I want to let the people of the country of Poland know that I and Metro Detroit's Polish American community extend our deepest sorrow and extend to you our thoughts and prayers in your time of need.

Mr. McMAHON. Madam Speaker, today, I offer my deepest condolences to the country of Poland, its citizens, and the families of President Kaczynski, his wife and all those killed on April 10, 2010. That is why I rise today in support of H. Res. 1246, a resolution expressing sympathy for the people of Poland in the aftermath of the tragic plane crash that killed the country's President, First Lady and 94 others this past Saturday.

Implausibly, this untimely tragedy occurred while President Kaczynski was on his way to commemorate the unspeakable injustices carried out upon the Polish people during the Katyn massacre.

His ability to commemorate this massacre alongside Russian leaders for the first time, speaks volumes to his skill and understanding as a politician and a world leader.

Through my position on the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the Subcommittee on Europe, I have witnessed President Kaczynski's efforts to strengthen US-Poland relations. He was truly one of America's most valued and trusted allies.

His work for human rights and freedoms, not only benefited the people of Poland, but the entire international community. He will be long remembered and sorely missed.

Most notably, he will remain a champion for democracy, a man whose journey took him from the Gdansk Shipyards to the presidency of a free people. His legend will live in the hearts and minds of all those who yearn for a better, more peaceful world.

Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, all the world mourns the horrific plane crash which took the lives of Polish President Lech Kaczynski, his wife Maria, and so many of Poland's leading political, military, and financial officials. This horrible tragedy will be felt for years to come by so many and my thoughts and prayers are with Poland on this day.

I want to particularly acknowledge the tragic loss of Janusz Kochanowski. Dr. Kochanowski was a true scholar, a champion of human rights, and a good friend of the United States who unfortunately was on board that fateful flight. He was a lawyer, a professor, a diplomat, and most recently the Polish Commissioner for Civil Rights Protection (ombudsman). It was in this position that he was an outspoken advocate on behalf of the Polish people including rebuking his own government for its refusal to provide swine flu vaccines to the public amid the global panic.

Once again, let me express my condolences to Dr. Kochanowski's wife, Ewa, and his two children, Marta and Mateusz, on this tragic loss.

Mr. VISCLOSKEY. Madam Speaker, I rise in strong support of H. Res. 1246 to pay tribute to Polish President Lech Kaczyński, First Lady Maria Kaczyńska, and the other Polish officials who were lost in the catastrophic plane crash on April 10, 2010. I would like to express my deepest and most heartfelt condolences to the people and government of Poland, the families of those who perished, and Polish Americans, especially those who call Northwest Indiana home, in the wake of this tragedy. This is a devastating loss for Poland, the United States, and the world.

Poland is a very dear friend to the United States, and President Kaczyński was one of America's valued and trusted allies. President Kaczyński played a key role in the Solidarity movement, and was widely admired in the United States as a champion for democracy and an advocate for freedom and human rights in Poland, and around the world.

There is a significant sense of sadness throughout Indiana's First Congressional District, where Polish communities have gathered together to honor and mourn those lost. I share the sadness, and join the Polish people, in Northwest Indiana and around the world, in mourning.

Mr. DELAHUNT. Madam Speaker, 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. DELAHUNT) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1246.

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. DELAHUNT. 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.

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:

H. Res. 1236, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 4994, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 3125, by the yeas and nays;

H. Res. 1246, by the yeas and nays.

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

HONORING COAL MINERS FROM UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE IN WEST VIRGINIA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1236, 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. GEORGE MILLER) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1236.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 409, nays 0, not voting 20, as follows:

[Roll No. 199]

YEAS—409

Ackerman	Calvert	Doggett
Aderholt	Camp	Donnelly (IN)
Adler (NJ)	Cantor	Doyle
Akin	Cao	Dreier
Alexander	Capito	Driehaus
Altmire	Capps	Duncan
Andrews	Capuano	Edwards (MD)
Arcuri	Cardoza	Edwards (TX)
Austria	Carnahan	Ehlers
Baca	Carney	Ellison
Bachmann	Carson (IN)	Ellsworth
Bachus	Carter	Emerson
Baird	Cassidy	Engel
Baldwin	Castle	Eshoo
Barrow	Castor (FL)	Etheridge
Bartlett	Chaffetz	Fallin
Barton (TX)	Chandler	Farr
Bean	Childers	Fattah
Becerra	Chu	Filner
Berkley	Clarke	Flake
Berman	Clay	Fleming
Berry	Cleaver	Forbes
Biggert	Clyburn	Fortenberry
Bilirakis	Coble	Foster
Bishop (NY)	Coffman (CO)	Fox
Bishop (UT)	Cohen	Frank (MA)
Blackburn	Cole	Franks (AZ)
Blumenauer	Conaway	Frelinghuysen
Blunt	Connolly (VA)	Fudge
Boccheri	Conyers	Garamendi
Boehner	Cooper	Garrett (NJ)
Bonner	Costa	Gerlach
Bono Mack	Costello	Giffords
Boozman	Courtney	Gingrey (GA)
Boren	Crenshaw	Gohmert
Boswell	Crowley	Goodlatte
Boucher	Cuellar	Gordon (TN)
Boustany	Culberson	Granger
Boyd	Cummings	Graves
Brady (PA)	Dahlkemper	Grayson
Brady (TX)	Davis (CA)	Green, Al
Braley (IA)	Davis (IL)	Green, Gene
Bright	Davis (KY)	Griffith
Brown (GA)	Davis (TN)	Grijalva
Brown (SC)	DeFazio	Guthrie
Brown, Corrine	DeGette	Gutierrez
Brown-Waite,	Delahunt	Hall (NY)
Ginny	DeLauro	Hall (TX)
Buchanan	Dent	Halvorson
Burgess	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hare
Burton (IN)	Diaz-Balart, M.	Harman
Butterfield	Dicks	Harper
Buyer	Dingell	Hastings (FL)

Hastings (WA)	Matheson	Ros-Lehtinen
Heinrich	Matsui	Roskam
Heller	McCarthy (CA)	Ross
Hensarling	McCarthy (NY)	Rothman (NJ)
Herger	McCauley	Roybal-Allard
Hereth Sandlin	McClintock	Royce
Higgins	McCollum	Rush
Hill	McCotter	Ryan (OH)
Himes	McDermott	Ryan (WI)
Hinchey	McGovern	Salazar
Hinojosa	McHenry	Sanchez, Loretta
Hirono	McIntyre	Sarbanes
Hodes	McKeon	Scalise
Holden	McMahon	Schakowsky
Holt	McMorris	Schauer
Honda	Rodgers	Schiff
Hoyer	McNerney	Schmidt
Hunter	Meek (FL)	Schock
Inglis	Meeks (NY)	Schrader
Inslee	Melancon	Schwartz
Israel	Mica	Scott (VA)
Issa	Michaud	Sensenbrenner
Jackson (IL)	Miller (FL)	Serrano
Jackson Lee	Miller (MI)	Sessions
(TX)	Miller (NC)	Sestak
Jenkins	Miller, Gary	Shadeegg
Johnson (GA)	Miller, George	Shea-Porter
Johnson (IL)	Minnick	Shimkus
Johnson, E. B.	Mitchell	Shuler
Johnson, Sam	Mollohan	Shuster
Jones	Moran (KS)	Simpson
Jordan (OH)	Moran (VA)	Sires
Kagen	Murphy (CT)	Skelton
Kanjorski	Murphy (NY)	Slaughter
Kaptur	Murphy, Patrick	Smith (NE)
Kennedy	Murphy, Tim	Smith (NJ)
Kildee	Myrick	Smith (TX)
Kilpatrick (MI)	Nadler (NY)	Smith (WA)
Kilroy	Napolitano	Snyder
Kind	Neal (MA)	Souder
King (IA)	Neugebauer	Space
King (NY)	Nunes	Speier
Kingston	Nye	Spratt
Kirk	Oberstar	Stark
Kirkpatrick (AZ)	Obey	Stearns
Kissell	Olson	Stupak
Klein (FL)	Olver	Sullivan
Kline (MN)	Ortiz	Sutton
Kosmas	Owens	Tanner
Kratovil	Pallone	Taylor
Kucinich	Pascarella	Teague
Lamborn	Pastor (AZ)	Thompson (CA)
Lance	Paul	Thompson (MS)
Langevin	Paulsen	Thompson (PA)
Larsen (WA)	Payne	Thornberry
Larson (CT)	Pence	Tiahrt
Latham	Perlmutter	Tiberi
LaTourette	Perriello	Tierney
Latta	Peters	Titus
Lee (CA)	Peterson	Tonko
Lee (NY)	Petri	Towns
Levin	Pingree (ME)	Tsongas
Lewis (CA)	Pitts	Turner
Lewis (GA)	Platts	Upton
Linder	Poe (TX)	Van Hollen
Lipinski	Polis (CO)	Visclosky
LoBiondo	Pomeroy	Walden
Loebach	Posey	Walz
Lofgren, Zoe	Price (NC)	Waters
Lowe	Putnam	Watson
Lucas	Quigley	Watt
Luetkemeyer	Radanovich	Waxman
Lujan	Rahall	Weiner
Lummis	Rangel	Welch
Lungren, Daniel	Rehberg	Westmoreland
E.	Reichert	Whitfield
Lynch	Reyes	Wilson (OH)
Mack	Richardson	Wilson (SC)
Maffei	Rodriguez	Wittman
Maloney	Roe (TN)	Wolf
Manzullo	Rogers (AL)	Woolsey
Marchant	Rogers (KY)	Wu
Markey (CO)	Rogers (MI)	Yarmuth
Markey (MA)	Rohrabacher	Young (FL)
Marshall	Rooney	

NOT VOTING—20

Barrett (SC)	Moore (KS)	Terry
Bilbray	Moore (WI)	Velázquez
Bishop (GA)	Price (GA)	Wamp
Campbell	Ruppersberger	Wasserman
Davis (AL)	Sánchez, Linda	Schultz
Gallegly	T.	Young (AK)
Gonzalez	Scott (GA)	
Hoekstra	Sherman	

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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.

Stated for:

Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 199, had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

TAXPAYER ASSISTANCE ACT OF 2010

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. CAPPS). The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4994, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. LEWIS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4994, as amended.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 399, nays 9, not voting 21, as follows:

[Roll No. 200]

YEAS—399

Ackerman	Buyer	Donnelly (IN)
Aderholt	Calvert	Doyle
Adler (NJ)	Camp	Dreier
Akin	Cantor	Driehaus
Alexander	Cao	Edwards (MD)
Altmire	Capito	Edwards (TX)
Andrews	Capps	Ehlers
Arcuri	Capuano	Ellison
Austria	Cardoza	Ellsworth
Baca	Carnahan	Emerson
Bachmann	Carney	Engel
Bachus	Carson (IN)	Eshoo
Baird	Carter	Etheridge
Baldwin	Cassidy	Fallin
Barrow	Castle	Farr
Bartlett	Castor (FL)	Fattah
Barton (TX)	Chandler	Filner
Bean	Childers	Fleming
Becerra	Chu	Forbes
Berkley	Clarke	Fortenberry
Berman	Clay	Foster
Berry	Cleaver	Fox
Biggert	Clyburn	Frank (MA)
Bilirakis	Coble	Franks (AZ)
Bishop (GA)	Coffman (CO)	Frelinghuysen
Bishop (NY)	Cohen	Fudge
Bishop (UT)	Cole	Garamendi
Blackburn	Conaway	Garrett (NJ)
Blumenauer	Connolly (VA)	Gerlach
Blunt	Conyers	Giffords
Boccheri	Cooper	Gingrey (GA)
Boehner	Costello	Gohmert
Bonner	Courtney	Goodlatte
Bono Mack	Crenshaw	Gordon (TN)
Boozman	Crowley	Granger
Boren	Cuellar	Graves
Boswell	Culberson	Grayson
Boucher	Cummings	Green, Al
Boustany	Dahlkemper	Green, Gene
Boyd	Davis (CA)	Grijalva
Brady (PA)	Davis (IL)	Guthrie
Brady (TX)	Davis (KY)	Gutierrez
Braley (IA)	Davis (TN)	Hall (NY)
Bright	DeFazio	Hall (TX)
Brown (GA)	DeGette	Halvorson
Brown (SC)	Delahunt	Hare
Brown, Corrine	DeLauro	Harman
Brown-Waite,	Dent	Harper
Ginny	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hastings (FL)
Buchanan	Diaz-Balart, M.	Hastings (WA)
Burgess	Dicks	Heinrich
Burton (IN)	Dingell	Heller
Butterfield	Doggett	Hensarling