

taught them and, therefore, only know so much as what they're taught.

So I'd like to read this proclamation from George Washington, October 3, 1789. This was during his first year as President of the new United States. He said—and these are Washington's words, his proclamation, "Whereas it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor." "And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of nations and beseech Him to pardon our national and other transgressions, to enable us all to render our national government a blessing to all the people, to promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue."

In fact, he mentioned in 1790, in his letter to the Hebrew congregation in Newport, Rhode Island, that, "may the children of the stock of Abraham who dwell in this land continue to merit and enjoy the good will of the other inhabitants; while everyone shall sit in safety under his own vine and fig tree and there shall be none to make him afraid. May the Father of all mercies scatter light, not darkness, upon our paths and make us all in our civil vocations useful here and in His own due time and way everlastingly happy."

This is a book that was put together by William Federer, "Prayers and Presidents: Inspiring Faith From Leaders of the Past." So these are direct quotes. I will just finish with a couple things from Lincoln.

This is from August 12, 1861, the first year that Abraham Lincoln was President. This is his own words: "Whereas, when our own beloved country, once, by the blessings of God, united, prosperous and happy, is now afflicted with faction and civil war, it is peculiarly fit for us to recognize the hand of God in this terrible visitation, and in sorrowful remembrance of our own faults and crimes as a nation and as individuals, to humble ourselves before Him and to pray for His mercy, to pray that we may be spared further punishment, though most justly deserved; that the inestimable boon of civil and religious liberty may be restored."

And this in closing, Abraham Lincoln's own words, his first inaugural, March 4, 1861: "Intelligence, patriotism, Christianity, and a firm reliance on Him who has never yet forsaken this favored land, are still competent to adjust in the best way all our present difficulties."

It was true then, it's true now.

I yield back.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. WOOLSEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFazio, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KLEIN of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. POE of Texas) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. POE of Texas, for 5 minutes, June 23.

Mr. JONES, for 5 minutes, June 23.

Mr. WOLF, for 5 minutes, today and June 17.

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MORAN of Kansas, for 5 minutes, June 21, 22, and 23.

Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, for 5 minutes, today.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly an enrolled bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 3951. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Louisiana Avenue in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the "Roy Rondenno, Sr., Post Office Building."

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 50 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, June 17, 2010, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

7912. A letter from the Secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission, transmitting report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, as required by section 1341(a) of Title 31, United States Code in the Commission's Salaries and Expenses account and Trust Fund Account; to the Committee on Appropriations.

7913. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Final Flood Elevation Determinations [Docket ID: FEMA-2010-0003] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7914. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Final

Flood Elevation Determinations [Docket ID: FEMA-2010-0003] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7915. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations [Docket ID: FEMA-2010-0003; Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-B-1096] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7916. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility [Docket ID: FEMA-2010-0003; Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-8129] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7917. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the thirtieth annual report on the implementation of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 by departments and agencies which administer programs of Federal financial assistance, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 6106a(b); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

7918. A letter from the Office Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicaid Program; Final FY 2008, Revised Preliminary FY 2009, and Preliminary FY 2010 Disproportionate Share Hospital Allotments and Final FY 2008, Revised Preliminary FY 2009, and Preliminary FY 2010 Disproportionate Share Hospital Institutions for Mental Disease Limits [CMS-2300-N] (RIN: 0938-AP66) received June 10, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7919. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Standards for Business Practices and Communication Protocols for Public Utilities [Docket No.: RM05-5-017; Order No. 676-F] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7920. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-051, certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of technical data, and defense services, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7921. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-050, certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of technical data, and defense services, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7922. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a supplemental consolidated report, consistent with the War Powers Resolution, to keep Congress informed about deployments of U.S. Armed Forces equipped for combat, pursuant to Public Law 93-148; (H. Doc. No. 111-122); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

7923. A letter from the Administrator, Agency for International Development, transmitting the Agency's semiannual report from the office of the Inspector General for the period ending March 31, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7924. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Department of Agriculture,

transmitting the Department's fiscal year 2009 annual report prepared in accordance with Section 203 of the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act), Public Law 107-174; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7925. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Semiannual Management Report to Congress for October 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010, and the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the same period, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act), section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7926. A letter from the Director, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's annual report for FY 2009 prepared in accordance with Section 203 of the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act), Public Law 107-174; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7927. A letter from the Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the Commission's semiannual report from the office of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act), section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7928. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's semiannual report from the office of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7929. A letter from the Chairman, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the semiannual report on activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(d); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7930. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 610 in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No.: 0910131362-0087-02] (RIN: 0648-XV80) received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7931. A letter from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Antarctic Marine Living Resources; Use of Centralized-Vessel Monitoring System and Importation of Toothfish; Re-export and Export of Toothfish; Applications for Krill Fishing; Regulatory Framework for Annual Conservation Measures [Docket No.: 0907141130-0112-02] (RIN: 0648-AX80) received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7932. A letter from the Section Chief, NNCP, RMD, FBI, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — FBI Records Management Division National Name Check Program Section User Fees [Docket No.: FBI 118] (RIN: 1110-AA29) received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

7933. A letter from the Administrator, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting notification that funding under Title V, subsection 503(b)(3) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended, has exceeded \$5 million for the cost of response and recovery

efforts for FEMA-3300-EM in the District of Columbia, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5193; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7934. A letter from the Administrator, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting notification that funding under Title V, subsection 503(b)(3) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended, has exceeded \$5 million for the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3299-EM in the State of Colorado, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5193; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7935. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the regulatory status of each recommendation made by the NTSB to the Secretary that is on the Board's "most wanted list", pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 1135(d) Public Law 108-168, section 6; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7936. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Area Navigation Route Q-15; California [Docket No.: FAA-2010-0028; Airspace Docket No. 10-AWP-1] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7937. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Manila, AR [Docket No.: FAA-2009-1184; Airspace Docket No. 09-ASW-39] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7938. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Mountain View, AR [Docket No.: FAA-2009-1181; Airspace Docket No. 09-ASW-36] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7939. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Batesville, AR [Docket No.: FAA-2009-1177; Airspace Docket No. 09-ASW-34] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7940. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class E Airspace; Marianna, AR [Docket No.: FAA-2009-1167; Airspace Docket No. 09-ASW-33] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7941. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Beatrice, NE [Docket No.: FAA-2009-0697; Airspace Docket No. 09-ACE-10] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7942. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment and Establishment of Restricted Areas and Other Special Use Airspace, Avon Park Air Force Range; FL [Docket No.: FAA-2008-1261; Airspace Docket No. 09-ASO-18] received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7943. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Restricted Area R-2502A; Fort Irwin, CA [Docket No.: FAA-2010-0471; Airspace Docket No. 10-AWP-7] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to

the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7944. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Securities Held in TreasuryDirect received June 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7945. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Diversification Requirements for Certain Defined Contribution Plans [TD 9484] (RIN: 1545-BH04) received May 21, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7946. A letter from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting the Board's Twentieth Annual Report to Congress on health and safety activities; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Energy and Commerce.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. PERLMUTTER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 1448. Resolution providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5297) to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, and for other purposes (Rept. 111-508). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. CHAFFETZ:

H.R. 5535. A bill to establish a pilot program for the expedited disposal of Federal real property; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. FLAKE:

H.R. 5536. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals to designate that up to 10 percent of their income tax liability be used to reduce the national debt, and to require spending reductions equal to the amounts so designated; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. WU:

H.R. 5537. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment of emergency service volunteers as independent contractors; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LAMBORN (for himself, Mr. AKIN, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. BARTLETT, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. JORDAN of Ohio, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, and Mr. LINDER):

H.R. 5538. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit Federal funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting after fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CHAFFETZ (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr.