

Gospel Music Heritage Month, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) that the House suspend the rules and pass the joint resolution, H.J. Res. 90.

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

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CONGRATULATING UNITED STATES MEN'S SOCCER TEAM

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 1527) congratulating the United States Men's National Soccer Team for its inspiring performance in the 2010 FIFA World Cup.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 1527

Whereas the United States Men's National Soccer Team made the Nation proud and impressed fans around the world with steadfast play and an impressive performance in the 2010 FIFA World Cup;

Whereas the team won its group in the FIFA World Cup for the first time since 1930; Whereas Nacogdoches, Texas, native Clint Dempsey scored a goal against England in the opening match to ensure a tie;

Whereas Landon Donovan of Redlands, California, and Michael Bradley of Manhattan Beach, California, each scored goals against Slovenia to tie the match and put the United States in position to advance to the second round with a win over Algeria;

Whereas the team advanced to the Round-of-16 with a 1-0 victory over Algeria, the first FIFA World Cup victory for the United States in 8 years and its fifth shutout in FIFA World Cup play;

Whereas Landon Donovan clinched the victory over Algeria with the second of his three goals in the 2010 FIFA World Cup in dramatic fashion in the first minute of added time following 90 minutes of exhausting play by both sides;

Whereas Landon Donovan now holds the all-time United States records for FIFA World Cup career appearances at 12 and FIFA World Cup career goals at 5;

Whereas the United States demonstrated that it can compete with the elite soccer programs in the world; and

Whereas the team's achievement reflects the growth in popularity of soccer in the United States and the importance of athletic participation for building character and confidence in the Nation's youth: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) congratulates the United States Men's National Soccer Team for its historic performance in the 2010 FIFA World Cup;

(2) recognizes the United States Men's National Soccer Team head coach Bob Bradley of Manhattan Beach, CA, the team's coaching, training, and administrative personnel, and each of the players for their tenacious play and dedication to excellence, including Tim Howard of North Brunswick, New Jersey, Jonathan Spector of Arlington Heights, Illinois, Carlos Bocanegra of Alta Loma,

California, Michael Bradley of Manhattan Beach, California, Oguchi Onyewu of Olney, Maryland, Steve Cherundolo of San Diego, California, DaMarcus Beasley of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, Clint Dempsey of Nacogdoches, Texas, Herculez Gomez of Las Vegas, Nevada, Landon Donovan of Redlands, California, Stuart Holden of Houston, Texas, Jonathan Bornstein of Los Alamitos, California, Ricardo Clark of Jonesboro, Georgia, Edson Buddle of New Rochelle, New York, Jay DeMerit of Green Bay, Wisconsin, José Torres of Longview, Texas, Jozy Altidore of Boca Raton, Florida, Brad Guzan of Homer Glen, Illinois, Maurice Edu of Fontana, California, Robbie Findley, of Phoenix, Arizona, Clarence Goodson of Alexandria, Virginia, Benny Feilhaber of Irvine, California, and Marcus Hahnemann of Seattle, Washington; and

(3) commends the United States Soccer Federation, the United States Soccer Foundation, and coaches and parents of young soccer players around the country for their role in the success of soccer in the United States.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) and the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. CAO) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from California?

There was no objection.

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this resolution.

On behalf of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, I present H. Res. 1527 for consideration. This measure congratulates the United States Men's National Soccer Team for its inspiring performance in the 2010 FIFA World Cup.

Mr. Speaker, with this resolution, we express our great pride in our Nation's performance in this year's FIFA World Cup. Its stunning win over Algeria on June 23 marked the first time that the U.S. won first place in its group since 1930. Cheers erupted all over the country as forward Landon Donovan scored the winning goal in the 91st minute of play, in what may have been the most dramatic moment in the history of the team.

The U.S. team also played well in its matches against England and Slovenia, with goals scored by Clint Dempsey, Landon Donovan, and Michael Bradley, ensuring the team would have the chance to advance to the second round of the Cup. The team, comprised of excellent players from around the country, demonstrated that the U.S. can compete at elite levels with the top teams of the world, and it is fitting that we should congratulate them on their historic performance today.

H. Res. 1527 was introduced by our colleague, Representative LOUIE GOHMERT of Texas, on July 15, 2010. It was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which ordered it reported favorably by unanimous consent on July 28, 2010. It enjoys the bipartisan support of 50 cosponsors.

I reserve the balance of my time.

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

I rise today in support of H. Res. 1527, Congratulating the United States Men's National Soccer Team for its inspiring performance in the 2010 FIFA World Cup.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I stand before this body to commend the U.S. Men's National Soccer Team on their truly amazing performance in this year's FIFA World Cup.

I would also like to commend my distinguished colleague from Texas, Mr. GOHMERT, for introducing this resolution that recognizes the men who represented our Nation on soccer's grandest stage. And I thank the gentleman from Texas for allowing me to be a cosponsor on his resolution.

Mr. Speaker, our men's soccer team competed admirably and played their way to a 1, 1 and 2 record, earning them a chance to play in the elite 'Round-of-16'. While all of the players on our national soccer team deserve praise for their performance, one player in particular earned the right to receive special recognition for his efforts.

Landon Donovan's performance not only helped his team to advance deep into the World Cup but his performance as an individual earned him a place in U.S. soccer history. Mr. Donovan now holds the U.S. World Cup record for most matches played, 12, most goals scored, 5 and the most consecutive games with a goal, 3.

Mr. Donovan's goal in the 91st minute of the match against Algeria, allowed the U.S. to win "Group C" and gave the team its first World Cup Group first place finish since 1930. The win over Algeria was also the U.S.'s first victory since the 2002 World Cup and gave our team its fifth shutout in FIFA World Cup play.

Mr. Speaker, the U.S. Men's National Soccer Team proved that the U.S. can compete at the international level with the most elite teams in the world. I am truly proud of the team's players, coaches, training personnel and administrative staff who all worked and competed tirelessly to be the best they could be, and represent our great country to the rest of the world.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all members to join me in strong support of H. Res. 1527.

Mr. CAO. Mr. Speaker, I yield the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT) as much time as he may consume.

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I do thank my friend from California and my friend from Louisiana.

I urge my colleagues to support this resolution for the wonderful, outstanding job the United States Men's National Soccer Team did in representing this country.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of House Resolution 1527 to congratulate the United States Men's National Soccer Team for its valiant performance in the 2010 FIFA World Cup.

In a country where baseball is said to be the National pastime and the NFL draws the largest TV viewership, this year's World Cup team showed Americans how exciting the game of Soccer can be. As our United States team seemed to overcome insurmountable obstacles, the American spirit showed through time and time again. When all seemed lost against Algeria, and the prospects of even moving out of group play seemed dim, Landon Donovan scored a goal that will be on highlight reels for years to come. That goal ensured that the team would win its group in the FIFA World Cup for the first time since 1930.

I was a judge for many years, and part of my job was to discern right from wrong, and I can unequivocally say many of the calls that went against the US team were dubious at best. But did our players quit? No, just the opposite. In circumstances that would cause many teams to hang their heads, quit and look for someone to blame, they showed their resolve to represent America well and show the rest of the world the values that we as Americans stand for. Despite two goals being wiped off the scoreboard, our players rose to the challenge, took the game into their own hands and displayed their indomitable spirit.

It was in these times of perseverance and fortitude that I couldn't help but be proud as an American and proud to be represented by the fine players on our team. When these guys put on their red, white and blue jerseys they represented more than themselves, more than their team, they represent a nation. A nation that prides itself on the things that our founders spelled out in our Declaration of Independence and our Constitution. Though we did not achieve the ultimate goal of winning the World Cup, our team handled themselves with class. We owe a debt of gratitude to each and every one of them for their hard work in preparation for this tournament and for also representing us as a nation so very well.

I would also like to recognize my constituents and members of the United States Men's National Soccer team, Clint Dempsey of Nacogdoches and Francisco Jose Torres of Longview, on their performances in the World Cup.

Clint Dempsey began kicking a soccer ball around in the Texas town of Nacogdoches with his family and neighborhood children. He attended Furman University in South Carolina and was a star player—starting 61 out of 62 games and scoring 17 goals. After college, Clint joined the Boston based-New England Revolution, an American Major League Soccer club. He was named the MLS Rookie of the Year for 2004 after having a spectacular first season playing 24 of 30 games and scoring 7 goals. He led the Revs to three Major League Soccer Cup playoffs in 2005, 2006 and 2007. At the 2006 World Cup in Germany, he won the Honda Player of the Year for 2006, the highest individual honor in USA soccer, for being the only American player to score in the tournament. He has also been awarded the 2007 U.S. Soccer Athlete of the Year and the FIFA Confederations Cup Bronze Ball in 2009 for his performance during the Confederations Cup Final against Brazil. On June 12, 2010, Clint Dempsey scored a goal in an intense opening match against England to insure a 1–1 tie during the World Cup in South Africa. Clint or “Duece,” as many of his teammates know him, is known for his toughness, dribbling abilities, and versatility on the field.

Jose Francisco Torres grew up in Longview and attended Longview High School. He joined Pachuca, a Mexican football team that competes in the Mexican Primera Division, where he won a championship in 2007 and appeared in all three matches at the 2008 FIFA Club World Cup. He was also a member of the United States team in the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics. During the 2010 World Cup, the young, quick midfielder appeared during the Slovenia v. U.S. game. He is a star on the rise of whom East Texas is extremely proud as are all Americans. We wish both men the best of luck in their future endeavors. They are local as well as national heroes and role models to many aspiring young soccer players.

Although our U.S. team didn't prevail in our final game, the teamwork and passion inspired millions of Americans and speaks volumes about soccer in the United States. We offer our thanks and congratulations the United States Men's National Soccer Team, and know that all members of Congress will likely be supporting this resolution.

Mr. CAO. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, again, I would like to urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating the U.S. Men's National Soccer Team for their inspiring World Cup performance.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1527.

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.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today after 6 p.m. and the balance of the week.

Mr. SHADEGG (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today and the balance of the week on account of family reasons.

Mr. POE of Texas (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today from 1 until 2 p.m. on account of other congressional business.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2765. An act to amend title 28, United States Code, to prohibit recognition and enforcement of foreign defamation judgments and certain foreign judgments against the providers of interactive computer services.

H.R. 4380. An act to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5610. An act to provide a technical adjustment with respect to funding for independent living centers under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 in order to ensure stability for such centers.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker announced her signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 1749. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the possession or use of cell phones and similar wireless devices by Federal prisoners.

S. 1789. An act to restore fairness to Federal cocaine sentencing.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House, reports that on July 29, 2010 she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills.

H.R. 5610. To provide a technical adjustment with respect to funding for independent living centers under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 in order to ensure stability for such centers.

H.R. 2765. To amend title 28, United States Code, to prohibit recognition and enforcement of foreign defamation judgments and certain foreign judgments against the providers of interactive computer services.

H.R. 4899. Making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 10 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned until today, Friday, July 30, 2010, at 9 a.m.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for speaker-Authorized Official Travel during the first and second quarters of 2010 pursuant to Public Law 95–384 are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, STACEE BAKO, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 5 AND JULY 10, 2010

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Stacee Bako	7/06	7/07	Germany		98.46						98.46
	7/07	7/09	Afghanistan		10.00						10.00