

This team of dedicated humanitarian aid workers was led by my constituent, Dr. Thomas Little. Tom and his wife, Libby, lived and worked in Afghanistan for more than 30 years. They raised three daughters there, Katie, Molly, and Nellika, and ran an organization that has long provided the majority of eye care services in Afghanistan. Though I am proud to call them constituents, Afghanistan has been their home.

Like so many parts of America, New York's 21st Congressional District has witnessed far too many deaths overseas this year, a fact no less true across the districts of Afghanistan where Tom Little worked with sight and lived with vision. Tom and his team were heroes, and I am honored to recognize their service and sacrifice to America, Afghanistan, and the ideals that unite us all.

HONORING AMIR ABO-SHAEER

(Mrs. CAPPS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise with great pride this morning to congratulate Amir Abo-Shaeer from Goleta, California. Mr. Abo-Shaeer was awarded a MacArthur Fellowship Grant for his tremendous work at Dos Pueblos High School as an engineering and physics teacher. He also established and leads the Dos Pueblos Engineering Academy, which competes annually in the Robotics World Championship, entitled FIRST.

For the last 2 years, the Dos Pueblos High School team, half of which are young women, has been awarded the Motorola Award for the best designed robot at the competition. Mr. Abo-Shaeer is the first public school teacher to win this prestigious award and a powerful testament to the importance of science and math education in our schools. His innovative, challenging, and outside-the-box teaching style is exactly what we need to create and inspire the next generation of American engineers, scientists, and innovators.

On behalf of the entire Santa Barbara community, I want to send the heartiest congratulations to this dedicated public servant.

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AMERICA IS NOT FOR SALE

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

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, the Republicans have a plan for America; not their so-called pledge, just a garbled rehash of the failed policies of the Bush era that put us in this mess.

The real plan, step one, try to block every Democratic initiative, even those that could aid our economic recovery, put people back to work. They would harm people for their own polit-

ical ends. And if something passes, lie about it. Remember death panels?

Now, step two, aided and abetted by a right-wing activist Supreme Court overturning 100 years of precedent. New independent groups, independent groups every day, one a day, are filing with the Federal Elections Commission. They can raise and spend unlimited amounts of money anonymously, no disclosure necessary to try to buy the election for their Republican lap dog buddies.

Well, I have got news for you over on that side of the aisle: America is not for sale.

EXTENDING TAX CUTS

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

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, Democrats are committed to extending tax cuts for the middle class working families. Unfortunately, our friends on the other side of the aisle have been unwilling to compromise so far on tax cuts for the wealthy, which would add \$700 billion to the national debt over the next 10 years.

I was proud to join several of my colleagues, led by Mr. PASCRELL and Mr. CAPUANO, in sending a letter to Speaker PELOSI and Leader BOEHNER advocating for a compromise on this issue. Our idea involves a 1-year extension of the higher tax rates for individuals and joint filers making under \$500,000 annually, a 5-year extension of the middle class tax cuts for individuals making less than \$200,000 and joint filers making less than \$250,000 annually, and a 5-year extension of the current tax rates on long-term capital gains and qualified dividends.

I hope we come together to address this issue quickly when Congress returns. And I urge my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to focus on working out a compromise.

HONORING THE LIFE OF BISHOP KENNETH H. MOALES

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

Mr. HIMES. Mr. Speaker, a week ago the City of Bridgeport lost a friend, spiritual leader and powerful force for good in the community.

Bishop Kenneth H. Moales, whose humble origins in Father Panik Village public housing foreshadowed little of his lifelong leadership, dedicated his life to shepherding the souls and improving the worldly conditions of some of the least fortunate people in Fairfield County.

I worshipped in his church just 3 weeks ago, and the ministries of the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit and his presence among his flock reminded me of the saying of St. Francis of Assisi when he said, "Always preach the gospel. Sometimes use words."

The bishop was an accomplished musician, and his choirs enriched those who heard them and those who sang in them.

At one time or another, the bishop was contributing to just about every civic institution in Bridgeport, from the police to the YMCA.

Mr. Speaker, we will miss Bishop Moales, but we celebrate a life well lived. And we take confidence in the fact that, as of last week, the music in heaven got a whole lot better.

HONORING THE LIFE OF CORPORAL PHILIP CHARTE

(Mr. MURPHY of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MURPHY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with the very sad duty of reporting the tragic loss of U.S. Marine Corps Corporal Philip Charte. He had just turned 22 years old. Charte was killed in action in Afghanistan on Monday, September 6, 2010.

Corporal Charte, a rifleman, joined the Marines in June 2007, the same day he graduated high school. Last year he served in Iraq; and after being promoted to Corporal little more than a few months ago, he was deployed once again, this time to Afghanistan.

Corporal Charte was willing to give his life in service to all of us and to the country he loved. Our gratitude cannot simply be expressed nor our sorrow properly conveyed.

Charte will be remembered as many things: a prankster, a dedicated athlete, a competitor and a teammate. But above all else, he was a soldier, serving his country and community with honor.

While Philip lived in New Hampshire, he grew up and his family still lives in Washington County in New York. My heart goes out to Philip's father, also named Philip, and his sister, Alicia.

His father perhaps said it best: "Philip served his country with courage, honor and distinction. He was a great son, brother, nephew, uncle and friend. He will be missed sorely."

On behalf of a grateful Nation, our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Charte family during this incredibly difficult time.

NASA REAUTHORIZATION BILL

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, thank you so very much for the opportunity to address this House on an important issue that will be confronting this Congress today, and that is the recommitment of the American people to a dream and a challenge of John F. Kennedy. Today we will reauthorize the NASA reauthorization bill, if you will, or the authorization bill, to be able to commit America's future to science and technology.

Although I would have advocated stronger for the work of the House and

Chairman GORDON, I believe that we have the opportunity now to save jobs and to promote science and technology and to provide for the creation of the heavy lift launch vehicle and stop the termination of the workforce, technical workforce and contractor jobs that are all across America from Mississippi to Houston, Texas.

In addition, this funding will support the development of commercial crew services. Although I am concerned about the heavy emphasis on commercialization to the exclusion, sometimes, of human space exploration, I want to see jobs being created and jobs being saved.

And so I will rise to the floor today thanking the House Science Committee and saying that NASA needs to be reauthorized and jobs need to be saved.

YOU CAN'T HAVE IT BOTH WAYS

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

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I have been home for a while during the break and during these 3 weeks listening to constituents; and I understand there are a lot of constituents that are upset because the economy hasn't come back completely. But the economy is getting better, and a great indicator of that is the Dow Jones average which has gone up in the 10,800 range now. It has gone up tremendously this month.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, called the stimulus bill, has been maligned. But it has been responsible for at least 3 million jobs: firemen, policemen and teachers being kept on public payrolls and keeping taxes down and public employees hired.

The middle class has been threatened and threatened greatly. And as I sit in committee meetings and think about the future and what would happen if this House turned over to the other side, I realize the middle class would be greatly hurt. It is the middle class that is hurting. It is the middle that is concerned.

The middle class is most of the tea party, but the tea party is being led by some of the richest people in the country who are more concerned about the estate tax and getting 100 percent of their money sent to the next generation tax free, contributing greatly to the deficit, and to seeing that the upper 2 percent get their tax cuts given during the Bush years, which means a \$700 billion addition to the deficit.

They talk deficit, and they also talk about taxes and spending. Well, you can't have it both ways. The bottom line is the richest people of the country are pushing the middle class in a direction that will run them off a cliff. And their home is with the Democratic Party that is helping small business and providing jobs.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 847, JAMES ZADROGA 9/11 HEALTH AND COMPENSATION ACT OF 2010; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2378, CURRENCY REFORM FOR FAIR TRADE ACT; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF SENATE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2701, INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

Mr. ARCURI. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 1674 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 1674

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 847) to amend the Public Health Service Act to extend and improve protections and services to individuals directly impacted by the terrorist attack in New York City on September 11, 2001, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. In lieu of the amendments recommended by the Committees on Energy and Commerce and the Judiciary now printed in the bill, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate, with 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary, and 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means; and (2) one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SEC. 2. Upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 2378) to amend title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930 to clarify that fundamental exchange-rate misalignment by any foreign nation is actionable under United States countervailing and antidumping duty laws, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means; and (2) one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SEC. 3. Upon adoption of this resolution, it shall be in order to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 2701) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability

System, and for other purposes, with the Senate amendment thereto, and to consider in the House, without intervention of any point of order except those arising under clause 10 of rule XXI, a motion offered by the chair of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment. The Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The motion shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption without intervening motion.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PASTOR of Arizona). The gentleman from New York (Mr. ARCURI) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. ARCURI. Mr. Speaker, for purposes of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Florida (Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART). All time yielded during consideration of the rule is for debate only.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. ARCURI. I ask unanimous consent that all Members be given 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on House Resolution 1674.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mr. ARCURI. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 1674 provides for the consideration of three bills in one rule:

H.R. 847, the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010. The rule provides 1 hour of general debate, with 30 minutes controlled by the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 20 minutes controlled by the Committee on the Judiciary, and 10 minutes controlled by the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule considers as adopted the substitute amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 847, with or without instructions;

H.R. 2378, the Currency Reform for Fair Trade Act. The rule provides 1 hour for general debate controlled by the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule makes in order the substitute that was adopted by voice vote in the Ways and Means Committee last week. And, finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions; and, three.

The Senate amendment to H.R. 2701, the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2010. The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence that the House concur in the Senate amendment. The motion is debatable for 1 hour, controlled by the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

Mr. Speaker, all three bills that this rule provides for consideration of are important and very pressing matters. I