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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Attentive to Your word, O Lord, and waiting for You to fulfill Your promises, we pray with the psalmist of old:

"When I call, answer me, O God of justice. From anguish, You release me. Have mercy and hear me. My people, how long will your hearts be closed, will you love what is futile and seek

what is false? It is the Lord who grants favors to those whom he loves; the Lord hears when we call upon Him. Fear Him; do not sin. Ponder His faithfulness and be still. Make justice your sacrifice, and trust in the Lord, both now and forever."

Amen.

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CHARLES E. SCHUMER, *Chairman*.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. CUELLAR) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. CUELLAR led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Repub-

lic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

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H.R. 4602. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1332 Sharon Copley Road in Sharon Center, Ohio, as the "Emil Bolas Post Office".

H.R. 5133. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 331 1st Street in Carlstadt, New Jersey, as the "Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz Post Office Building".

H.R. 5605. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 47 East Fayette Street in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, as the "George C. Marshall Post Office".

H.R. 5606. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 47 South 7th Street in Indiana, Pennsylvania, as the "James M. 'Jimmy' Stewart Post Office Building".

H.R. 5655. An act to designate the Little River Branch facility of the United States Postal Service located at 140 NE 84th Street in Miami, Florida, as the "Jesse J. McCrary, Jr. Post Office".

H.R. 5877. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 655 Centre Street in Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, as the "Lance Corporal Alexander Scott Arredondo, United States Marine Corps Post Office Building".

H.R. 6400. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 111 North 6th Street in St. Louis, Missouri, as the "Earl Wilson, Jr. Post Office".

H.R. 6392. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5003 Westfields Boulevard in Centreville, Virginia, as the "Colonel George Juskalian Post Office Building".

The message also announced that the Senate has passed with an amendment a bill of the House of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

H.R. 2142. An act to require quarterly performance assessments of Government programs for purposes of assessing agency performance and improvement, and to establish agency performance improvement officers and the Performance Improvement Council.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed with amendments bills of the House of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

H.R. 5809. An act to amend the Controlled Substances Act to provide for take-back disposal of controlled substances in certain instances, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed bills of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 3592. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Commerce Drive in Tyrone, Georgia, as the "First Lieutenant Robert Wilson Collins Post Office Building".

S. 3874. An act to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to reduce lead in drinking water.

S. 4036. An act to clarify the National Credit Union Administration authority to make stabilization fund expenditures without borrowing from the Treasury.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute from each side of the aisle.

#### DREAM ACT

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

Mr. BACA. This week our colleagues in the Senate have an opportunity to straighten our future economy and create equal opportunity for America's young people. By recognizing students who want to contribute through military service or higher education, the American DREAM Act has a positive impact on all of us; and if we remember the Ten Commandments, honor thy father and mother, many of these children came to the United States out of respect for their parents. They had no choice and they are here. They deserve an opportunity to have the same that other students have by attending our schools, going on to college, and then they also pray in a lot of our churches. They deserve the same opportunities that others have.

We all know that the DREAM Act is one piece of a larger reform that is needed to fix our broken immigration system, but it is a critical first step. I urge the Senate to pass the DREAM Act as soon as possible so that the President can act quickly to sign the bill into law and give many of our students an opportunity to have the opportunity that many others have had in this country.

#### VETOING THE OMNIBUS BILL

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, at a time when Americans are worried about the state of the economy, the Senate tried to push a reckless \$1.1 trillion spending bill. The omnibus bill contained over 6,000 earmarks costing taxpayers close to \$8 billion. The 2,000-page bill took over 2 days to print. I agree with Speaker-elect JOHN BOEHNER's statement: "This bill represents exactly what the American people have rejected: more spending, more earmarks, and more big government."

Senate liberals tried to bulldoze this legislation with pork-filled spending. For example, \$1.8 million to study swine odor and manure management in Ames, Iowa; \$2.19 million for the Center for Grape Genetics in New York; \$1.76 million for a honey bee lab in Texas.

Withdrawing the bill shows the people can make a difference thanks to the Tea Party activists and radio talk show hosts such as Mark Levin.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

#### MIDDLE CLASS RELIEF IN TAX PACKAGE

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

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, last night, the House finally passed on a bipartisan basis and sent to the President a middle class tax relief package which also included extended unemployment insurance. For the middle class, it provides tax relief of \$1,500 for a typical working family with income up to \$75,000; \$1,000 for income at \$50,000; and \$500 for incomes of \$25,000. It also includes extended unemployment insurance, a 13-month extension of Federal support for 99 weeks of unemployment insurance for laid-off workers.

The package also includes the child tax credit, extends the child tax credit for 2 years. It's worth about \$1,000, doubled from \$500 for qualifying children under the age of 17. And a payroll tax cut creates a \$120 billion payroll tax cut that's worth about \$1,400 for the average New Jersey household of \$71,000 in average income. Alternative minimum tax relief, earned income tax credit, higher education tax credit to help afford sending your children to college, and also tax cuts for business investment, basically allowing businesses to expense all of their qualified investments in 2011.

I think it was very important that we passed this, Mr. Speaker. I'm glad it's now going to the President.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ALTMIRE). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken later today.

#### FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT WILSON COLLINS POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. CUELLAR. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 3592) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Commerce Drive in Tyrone, Georgia, as the "First Lieutenant Robert Wilson Collins Post Office Building".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 3592

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT WILSON COLLINS POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Commerce Drive in Tyrone, Georgia, shall be known and designated as the "First Lieutenant Robert Wilson Collins Post Office Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "First Lieutenant Robert Wilson Collins Post Office Building".