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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Two minutes remain in the

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Messrs. POE of Texas, WESTMORE-LAND, and KINGSTON changed their vote from "yea" to "nay.

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### VETERANS HEALTH CARE FACILI-CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2011

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2646) to authorize certain Department of Veterans Affairs major medical facility projects and leases, to extend certain expiring provisions of law, and to modify certain authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes, 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 Ohio (Mr. JOHN-SON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 412, nays 3, not voting 18, as follows:

### [Roll No. 714]

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Two minutes remain in this vote.

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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF ERNEST HOUSE, SR.

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

Mr. TIPTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the former Ute Mountoday tain Ute tribal leader from Weeminuche Tribe, Ernest House, Sr. Over the past 30 years, his influence, dedication, and leadership to the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe has grown the tribe's influence in the State of Colorado and in the United States.

Mr. House is the grandson of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe's last hereditary chief, Chief Jack House. In the last years of Chief Jack House's life, Mr. Ernest House, Sr., cared for him, learning much about the tribe's history and potential for future plans.

Mr. House was first elected to the Ute Mountain Tribal Council in 1979. Three years later, Mr. House became chairman for the first time, beginning the first of his four nonconsecutive 4year terms as chairman of the Ute Mountain Tribe, his last term ending in 2010

As chairman, Mr. House helped the Ute Tribe accomplish several projects that widened the tribe's economic and natural resource development. Between 1986 and 1988, Mr. House worked to complete two major water compacts to provide water throughout the Ute territories. In addition, Mr. House oversaw several building projects, including a tribal health center and casino. In his last term as chairman, Mr. House, Sr., focused primarily on tribal safety, widening the tribe's police force from 2 officers to more than 12 officers.

On Saturday, September 17, 2011, Mr. House was tragically taken from us after a motorcycle accident outside of Cortez, Colorado.

Madam Speaker, it is an honor and a privilege to recognize Mr. Ernest House, Sr. His leadership and dedication to the Ute Tribe has benefited thousands, and he will be greatly missed by the Ute Tribe and the State of Colorado.

#### PASS THE JOBS BILL

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise on behalf of the 64 percent of Americans—and growing—who say, "Pass the jobs bill."

I rise on behalf of those who have sought to get work time and time again. I rise on behalf of the citizens of the State of Texas, for the 8.3 percent—and growing—unemployed individuals in our own State, which has been represented to be a State that has no unemployment. We are resilient, yes. But in working with the United States, it is important to note that we must do something to restore the opportunities for people to work and to restore human dignity.

As the President said, we should have one purpose in this House. It should be to work for the American people. We can balance this budget, we can reduce the deficit, but we really can put people to work: firefighters and teachers and police officers. We can invest in this economy, we can provide education, and we can put Americans back to work.

Let's not make ourselves number one. Let's make the American people number one. Pass the jobs bill now.

## HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

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

Mr. CANSECO. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of the 25th Annual Hispanic Heritage Month.

America is a Nation of immigrants, and each immigrant group has added to the richness that is American culture. Hispanics are no different and are an important chapter in the story of America.

My parents came to this country from Mexico, seeking the American Dream. They instilled in me the belief that with hard work and dedication, one could create a better future. This is one of the great common denominators of the immigrant experience in America. They raised me to believe

that, in America, the land of opportunity, if I worked hard every day I could make a difference for myself and my family.

This month gives us the opportunity to celebrate Americans of Hispanic ancestry because they believe in the American Dream and have made a difference in their lives and in America by chasing this dream.

Just as my parents taught me, I believe that individual freedom and liberty will lead us to a future of economic and social prosperity. Our businesses will grow, our economy will prosper, and America will continue to thrive.

Hispanics understand the vitality of small businesses as the single fastest-growing segment of small businesses in this country, generating almost \$400 billion in annual revenue. I believe that Hispanics will continue to play a vital role in the American economy and society, and that their contributions will only continue to grow.

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# SMALL BUSINESS IS BIGGEST ENGINE FOR JOB CREATION

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, listening to the prior Member talk about small business, I have to say I agree that small business is the biggest engine for job creation in this country.

It was such a pleasure today to join Vice President Joe Biden at Wrap-Tite, Inc., in Solon, Ohio, and to see the role that government must play when the market isn't fully functioning and when the banks aren't fully lending, and to see the Small Business Administration's 504 loan guarantee program at work creating jobs at this wonderful, wonderful company that now has millions and millions of dollars in sales.

When the regular banks weren't working, it was the SBA, Small Business Administration, that we support, some of us support, that was able to draw on the capital that made possible the investment for expansion, and they have hired five more people.

Imagine if there were 30,000 more companies in America that could do that, with the changes in the Jobs Act that the President is proposing, in order to reduce payroll taxes on individuals, as well as businesses and the other incentives for small business creation, we can really help lift this economy when she can't lift herself alone. It was a pleasure to be there today.

I congratulate Wrap-Tite and want to say it was great to celebrate that patriotic spirit of making the market work

#### PULMONARY FIBROSIS AWARENESS WEEK

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

Mr. PAULSEN. Madam Speaker, 48,000 Americans a year walk out of their doctor's office with the news that they have pulmonary fibrosis, joining the nearly 200,000 Americans already afflicted with this little understood killer. There is no known cure for this lethal lung disease, which takes the life of an American on average every 13 seconds, more than 40,000 individuals annually, roughly the same number as those afflicted with breast cancer.

This week is National Pulmonary Fibrosis Awareness Week, and I ask my colleagues to join me in cosponsoring the Pulmonary Fibrosis Research Enhancement Act. This bipartisan legislation will create a national registry, encourage Federal research at the National Institutes of Health, and also create a national action plan so that we can better understand this deadly disease and one day discover an effective treatment.

Madam Speaker, this effort is really critical to giving hope to the hundreds of thousands of people who live with this debilitating disease.

# HONORING SENATOR CHARLES PERCY

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

Mr. DOLD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember Senator Charles Percy, who passed away just this last week at the age of 91. Senator Percy served the great State of Illinois for 18 years. His leadership was recognized by his colleagues, and he went on to chair the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He was also beloved by his constituents for his efforts to provide home ownership to low-income families and his work to eliminate corruption in judicial selection in Chicago and ensuring that all judicial nominations were done through a strict advisory process.

I am honored to say that Senator Percy is from the 10th District. He is also a graduate of New Trier High School, as am I. In fact, I remember delivering literature as a child for Senator Percy.

Senator Percy's legacy will remain in the hearts and minds of the people of Illinois. Always fighting for justice and those without a voice, he is truly going to be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with his family today.

#### HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

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

Mr. RIVERA. Madam Speaker, it is with a great sense of honor and pride that I join Congressman Canseco and my fellow Hispanic American Members of Congress in recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month.

Hispanic Heritage Month provides us with the opportunity to acknowledge