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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE The SPEAKER pro tempore (during

the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

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So the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin. Madam Speaker, today, I missed rollcall vote 859. Had I been present, I would have cast the following vote: rollcall 859-H. Res. 470, Providing for consideration of H.R. 3094-"yea."

Stated against:

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Madam Speaker, I was absent during rollcall vote No. 859 in order to attend an important event in my district. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on agreeing to H. Res. 470-Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3094-Workforce Democracy and Fairness Act.

Mr. PASCRELL. Madam Speaker, I missed the last rollcall vote today.

Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall vote No. 859, on H. Res. 470-Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3094—Workforce Democracy and Fairness Act.

Mr. FILNER. Madam Speaker, on rollcall 859, I was away from the Capitol due to prior commitments to my constituents. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

Mr. ELLISON. Madam Speaker, today I inadvertently missed rollcall vote No. 859. Had I been present I would have voted "nay."

# PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mrs. BIGGERT. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 857, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

#### ADJOURNMENT TO TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2011

Mr. LoBIONDO. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 22, 2011; when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 1 p.m. on Friday, November 25, 2011; and when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, November 29, 2011.

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

There was no objection.

## AMERICA'S CUP ACT OF 2011

Mr. LoBIONDO. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 3321) to facilitate the hosting in the United States of the 34th America's Cup by authorizing certain eligible vessels to participate in activities related to the competition, and for other purposes, with a Senate amendment thereto, and concur in the Senate amendment.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the Senate amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

Senate amendment:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "America's Cup Act of 2011'

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) 34TH AMERICA'S CUP.—The term "34th America's Cup"

(A) means the sailing competitions, commencing in 2011, to be held in the United States in response to the challenge to the defending team from the United States, in accordance with the terms of the America's Cup governing Deed of Gift, dated October 24, 1887; and

(B) if a United States yacht club successfully defends the America's Cup, includes additional sailing competitions conducted by America's Cup Race Management during the 1-year period beginning on the last date of such defense.

-The (2) AMERICA'S CUP RACE MANAGEMENT .term "America's Cup Race Management" means the entity established to provide for independent, professional, and neutral race management of the America's Cup sailing competitions.

(3)ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION.—The term "Eligibility Certification" means a certification issued under section 4.

(4) ELIGIBLE VESSEL.—The term "eligible vessel" means a competing vessel or supporting vessel of any registry that-

(A) is recognized by America's Cup Race Management as an official competing vessel, or supporting vessel of, the 34th America's Cup, as evidenced in writing to the Administrator of the Maritime Administration of the Department of Transportation;

(B) transports not more than 25 individuals, in addition to the crew;

(C) is not a ferry (as defined under section 2101(10b) of title 46, United States Code);

(D) does not transport individuals in point-topoint service for hire; and

(E) does not transport merchandise between ports in the United States.

(5) SUPPORTING VESSEL.—The term "supporting vessel" means a vessel that is operating in support of the 34th America's Cup by-

(A) positioning a competing vessel on the race course.

(B) transporting equipment and supplies utilized for the staging, operations, or broadcast of the competition: or

(C) transporting individuals who-

(i) have not purchased tickets or directly paid for their passage; and

(ii) who are engaged in the staging, operations, or broadcast of the competition, race team personnel, members of the media, or event sponsors.

# SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF ELIGIBLE VESSELS.

Notwithstanding sections 55102, 55103, and 55111 of title 46, United States Code, an eligible vessel, operating only in preparation for, or in connection with, the 34th America's Cup competition, may position competing vessels and may transport individuals and equipment and supplies utilized for the staging, operations, or broadcast of the competition from and around the ports in the United States.

### SEC. 4. CERTIFICATION.

(a) REQUIREMENT.—A vessel may not operate under section 3 unless the vessel has received an Eligibility Certification.

(b) ISSUANCE.—The Administrator of the Maritime Administration of the Department of Transportation is authorized to issue an Eligibility Certification with respect to any vessel that the Administrator determines, in his or her sole discretion, meets the requirements set forth in section 2(4).

#### SEC. 5. ENFORCEMENT.

Notwithstanding sections 55102, 55103, and 55111 of title 46, United States Code, an Eligibility Certification shall be conclusive evidence to the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security of the qualification of the vessel for which it has been issued to participate in the 34th America's Cup as a competing vessel or a supporting vessel.

#### SEC. 6. PENALTY.

Any vessel participating in the 34th America's Cup as a competing vessel or supporting vessel that has not received an Eligibility Certification or is not in compliance with section 12112 of title 46, United States Code, shall be subject to the applicable penalties provided in chapters 121 and 551 of title 46, United States Code.

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#### SEC. 7. WAIVERS.

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(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sections 12112 and 12132 and chapter 551 of title 46, United States Code, the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating may issue a certificate of documentation with a coastwise endorsement for each of the following vessels:

(1) *M/V GEYSIR* (United States official number 622178).

(2) OCEAN VERITAS (IMO number 7366805).
(3) LUNA (United States official number 280133).

(b) DOCUMENTATION OF LNG TANKERS .----

(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sections 12112 and 12132 and chapter 551 of title 46, United States Code, the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating may issue a certificate of documentation with a coastwise endorsement for each of the following vessels:

(A) LNG GEMINI (United States official number 595752).

(B) LNG LEO (United States official number 595753).

(C) LNG VIRGO (United States official number 595755).

(2) LIMITATION ON OPERATION.—Coastwise trade authorized under paragraph (1) shall be limited to carriage of natural gas, as that term is defined in section 3(13) of the Deepwater Port Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1502(13)).

(3) TERMINATION OF EFFECTIVENESS OF EN-DORSEMENTS.—The coastwise endorsement issued under paragraph (1) for a vessel shall expire on the date of the sale of the vessel by the owner of the vessel on the date of enactment of this Act to a person who is not related by ownership or control to such owner.

(c) OPERATION OF A DRY DOCK.—A vessel transported in Dry Dock #2 (State of Alaska registration AIDEA FDD-2) is not merchandise for purposes of section 55102 of title 46, United States Code, if, during such transportation, Dry Dock #2 remains connected by a utility or other connecting line to pierside moorage.

Mr. LOBIONDO (during the reading). Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to dispense with the reading.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the reading is dispensed with.

There was no objection.

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

There was no objection.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGI-NEERING, AND MATHEMATICS EDUCATION

(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, as the largest manufacturing district in the country, and as part of a jobs plan that I think is important for our country, I'm focused on manufacturing throughout not only the country, but specifically Illinois' Tenth Congressional District. That's why I have been focused on science, technology, engineering and mathematics education, or STEM, so that those that are currently unemployed, or those students who will soon be entering the work force can learn new skills and go into a field with good, high-paying jobs.

In my district, I'm working with high schools and manufacturers on recruiting students to go into STEM fields. We're working on connecting students with manufacturers who are looking for employees.

I want to recognize the efforts of Medusa Consulting, Illinois Worknet and Manufacturing Careers, Incorporated for their leadership in bringing a manufacturing jobs fair to the District 214 Field House in Arlington Heights this upcoming December 5.

I want to encourage my colleagues to support STEM education and to work with their local businesses on hosting these important jobs fairs and manufacturing workshops. This is absolutely critical if we want to get America back to work.

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#### NORTH FOREST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, one of the reasons that I rose to the floor of the House to oppose the balanced budget amendment—and I hope the American people and our colleagues can see the value of the vigorous debate, and I applaud the Rules Committee for allowing us the time to deliberate on the issue of the balanced budget amendment—is for the very good reason that my good friend and colleague just spoke about: our young people and opportunities for jobs.

I join him in finding pathways for young people to be transitioned into jobs and others into jobs, along with a college education.

The North Forest Independent School District, a small school district in Texas designated to be closed by Governor Perry's Texas Education Agency, is trying to do just that, to have job training, to have partnerships with the Houston Community College, and I congratulate Mr. Ivory Mayhorn for getting some 7,000-plus signatures to oppose the closing of this school district, a high school that is on the verge of training individuals in the trades and the skills of manufacturing and then bridging them on to community college and then on to college.

We've got to recognize that we've got to build the human resource—and a balanced budget amendment ignores the need to protect Medicare, Social Security, and Medicaid—investing in our children, providing them with the opportunity and the bridge to move on.

So I look forward to working, Mr. Speaker, with the North Forest Independent School District and working with this Congress to invest in human resources.

# WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

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

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the 150th anniversary of Weld County, Colorado. Weld County takes its name from Lewis Ledyard Weld. Weld was appointed by President Lincoln as Colorado's first territorial secretary.

On November 1, 1861, the Colorado Territory's General Assembly officially organized Weld County. This November marks the 150-year anniversary.

As with most Western settlements during the 1860s, Weld County had an extremely sparse population. Today it's got over 250,000 people. From a humble start as an area based predominantly on coal mining, Weld County has flourished with a thriving business sector and strong agricultural economy. In fact, Weld County is the eighth-leading agricultural county in the entire United States and the only county outside of California ranked in the top 10.

From small businesses, great land for farming, Weld County is also home to the University of Northern Colorado and the Pawnee National Grasslands. It's home to over 19 different towns, each one with a unique identity that makes this area of Colorado distinctive. And it's home to thriving energy interests and some of the Nation's leading water pioneers.

One of my favorite events every year is the Fourth of July Greeley Stampede and Parade. It reminds me of what it means to call Colorado home.

Weld County embodies everything that is great about heading West, and I am proud to recognize their 150th anniversary.

#### SERVING FELLOW AMERICANS ON THANKSGIVING

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

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, with Thanksgiving approaching, let us think about our fellow Americans and ask ourselves the question, what can we do to serve them this coming week and into the future?

Average incomes for Americans, for the average family, have gone down about 6.7 percent, and we know poverty rates have risen 15 percent. For all of those listening today as we look across our country, think about what you can do this week and every week to help our food banks that are short on supplies across our country. Every class, every religious organization, every person can do something extra to help this week to give every American a good Thanksgiving.

Think about how you can help a local feeding kitchen. Think about how you might challenge your sports team to go glean in the fields and to collect, if you live in a part of the country where agriculture exists, the extra cabbage, the extra apples that are there and will be plowed under if you don't pick them.

Across our country this is a year when Americans can say to one another, Happy Thanksgiving, we believe