

Pence	Runyan	Thompson (CA)
Perlmutter	Ruppersberger	Thompson (MS)
Peters	Rush	Thompson (PA)
Petri	Ryan (OH)	Thornberry
Pingree (ME)	Ryan (WI)	Tiberi
Pitts	Sánchez, Linda	Tipton
Platts	T.	Towns
Poe (TX)	Sanchez, Loretta	Tsongas
Polis	Sarbanes	Turner (NY)
Pompeo	Scalise	Turner (OH)
Posey	Schakowsky	Upton
Price (GA)	Schiff	Van Hollen
Price (NC)	Schilling	Velázquez
Quayle	Schmidt	Visclosky
Quigley	Schrader	Walberg
Rahall	Schwartz	Walden
Rangel	Schweikert	Walsh (IL)
Reed	Scott (SC)	Walz (MN)
Rehberg	Scott (VA)	Wasserman
Reichert	Scott, Austin	Schultz
Renacci	Scott, David	Watt
Ribble	Sensenbrenner	Waxman
Richardson	Serrano	Webster
Richmond	Sessions	Welch
Rigell	Sewell	West
Rivera	Sherman	Whitfield
Roby	Shimkus	Wilson (FL)
Roe (TN)	Shuster	Wilson (SC)
Rogers (AL)	Sires	Wittman
Rogers (KY)	Smith (NE)	Wolf
Rogers (MI)	Smith (TX)	Womack
Rokita	Smith (WA)	Woodall
Rooney	Southerland	Woolsey
Ros-Lehtinen	Stearns	Yarmuth
Roskam	Stivers	Yoder
Ross (AR)	Stutzman	Young (AK)
Ross (FL)	Sullivan	Young (FL)
Rothman (NJ)	Sutton	Young (IN)
Royce	Terry	

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The SPEAKER. On this roll call, 378 Members have recorded their presence. A quorum is present.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 1 I was delayed. Had I been present, I would have voted "present."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday, January 17, 2012, I was absent during rollcall vote No. 1. Had I been present, I would have voted "present" to establish a quorum in the House of Representatives for the start of the Second Session of the 112th Congress.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 1, I arrived late due to a court case. Had I been present, I would have voted "present."

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the proceedings of January 13, 2012, and announces to the House his approval thereof.

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

Mr. WOMACK. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. WOMACK. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Mr. WEST led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

SWEARING IN OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following resignation from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS,
Washington, DC, January 17, 2012.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives, Capitol,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I hereby offer my resignation as Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, effective January 17, 2012. It has been a privilege and honor to serve this institution as Sergeant at Arms since the 104th Congress.

If I can ever be of service to the House of Representatives in the future, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Sincerely,

WILSON LIVINGOOD,
Sergeant at Arms.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the resignation is accepted.

There was no objection.

Mr. CANTOR. Mr. Speaker, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 511

Resolved, That Paul D. Irving of the State of Florida, be, and is hereby, chosen Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER. Will the Sergeant at Arms-designate please take the well.

The Chair will now swear in the Sergeant at Arms of the House.

The Sergeant at Arms-designate took the oath of office as follows:

Do you solemnly swear or affirm that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

Congratulations.

PROVIDING FOR A COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CONGRESS

Mr. CANTOR. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 512

Resolved, That a committee of two Members be appointed by the Speaker on the part of the House of Representatives to join with a committee on the part of the Senate to notify the President of the United States that a quorum of each House has assembled and Congress is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

APPOINTMENT AS MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT, PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 512

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to House Resolution 512, the Chair appoints the following Members to the committee on the part of the House to join a committee on the part of the Senate to notify the President of the United States that a quorum of each House has assembled and that Congress is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make:

the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. CANTOR) and

the gentlewoman from California (Ms. PELOSI).

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WEST). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the question on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal, which the Chair will put de novo.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

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

TO INFORM THE SENATE THAT A QUORUM OF THE HOUSE HAS ASSEMBLED

Mr. CANTOR. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 513

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House inform the Senate that a quorum of the House is present and that the House is ready to proceed with business.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PROVIDING FOR THE HOUR OF MEETING OF THE HOUSE

Mr. CANTOR. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 514

Resolved, That unless otherwise ordered, the hour of daily meeting of the House shall be 2 p.m. on Mondays; noon on Tuesdays (or 2 p.m. if no legislative business was conducted on the preceding Monday); noon on Wednesdays and Thursdays; and 9 a.m. on all other days of the week.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MAKING IN ORDER MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

Mr. CANTOR. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the order of the House of January 5, 2011, providing for morning-hour debate be extended for the remainder of the 112th Congress, except that House Resolution 514 shall supplant House Resolution 10.

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

There was no objection.

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REPORT ON RESOLUTION ADDRESSING A MOTION TO PROCEED UNDER SECTION 3101A OF TITLE 31, UNITED STATES CODE

Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 112-365) on the resolution (H. Res. 515) addressing a motion to proceed under section 3101A of title 31, United States Code, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 1161

Mr. SCHRADER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw my name as a cosponsor for H.R. 1161.

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

There was no objection.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 3261

Mr. QUAYLE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove my name as a cosponsor of H.R. 3261.

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

There was no objection.

KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE

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

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the little tyrant from the desert in Iran is saber rattling and rattling the nerves of many Americans. Ahmadinejad is threatening to block oil from going through the Strait of Hormuz. This

would raise the price of gasoline in America.

Meanwhile, 3 years have gone by, and the administration continues to delay, delay, delay a decision on the Keystone XL pipeline project.

Approval of this pipeline would immediately create 20,000 jobs in America and bring in 700,000 barrels of oil a day. At first, the administration decided not to decide until 2013. However, new law requires the administration to make a decision by February 21, but there are grumblings the administration may find a way to ignore this provision of the law.

Americans are in need of a stable source of energy, and they are thirsty for jobs. This country needs energy from a reliable and stable country like Canada. We should make Middle Eastern oil and its politics of turmoil irrelevant.

The administration needs to pick a horse and ride it. Build the Keystone XL pipeline from Canada to Port Arthur, Texas.

And that's just the way it is.

CONGRATULATING JONES COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE

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

Mr. PALAZZO. Mr. Speaker, today I am proud to recognize an educational keystone in Mississippi's Fourth Congressional District. Jones County Junior College is celebrating 100 years of educational leadership and excellence since 1911.

Located in Ellisville, Jones is the largest single-campus 2-year college in our State. And it's among the top-ranking community and junior colleges in the Nation for enrollment. JCJC boasts diverse and competitive programs, including nine academic divisions, four career and technical divisions, and awarding-winning athletic teams.

How does Jones County live up to its motto of "Inspiring Greatness"? During the past 100 years, Jones' outstanding faculty and five presidents, including the current president, Dr. Jesse Smith, have brought commitment and consistency to this campus. It is not unusual to see Dr. Smith visiting casually with students around campus, leading by example and investing in student success.

I salute Dr. Smith, the staff, faculty, alumni, and students of Jones County Junior College on more than 100 years of excellence. Congratulations on a job well done.

Go Bobcats.

CONGRATULATING NORTH DAKOTA STATE BISON

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

Mr. BERG. Mr. Speaker, today I want to congratulate the North Dakota

State Bison on an incredible football season that led to winning the 2011 FCS championship. More than 10,000 Bison fans cheered on NDSU in Frisco, Texas, where the Bison defeated Sam Houston by a score of 17-6.

The Bison and Coach Craig Bohl worked hard this season, and their determination resulted in NDSU's ninth football championship and the first championship in Division I.

These student athletes represent NDSU's commitment to both academic and athletic excellence. Their character and perseverance truly exemplify the North Dakota spirit, and they have made our State proud.

Congratulations, Coach Bohl, the Bison players, and NDSU fans everywhere on an excellent season. Thank you, and go Bisons.

KEEPING OUR JUNIOR ATHLETES SAFE

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

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the courage of two young Minnesotans whose lives have been drastically changed recently while playing a sport they truly love.

A December 30th high school hockey game began brightly for 16-year-old high school sophomore Jack Jablonski, who scored the opening goal of the game. But a shocking check from behind during the second period left Jack paralyzed.

And sadly, one week later, another young hockey player, 18-year-old Jenna Privette from St. Croix Lutheran High School, was hospitalized after also being injured during a game.

Despite this, these two young athletes have not lost their love of the game and have shown incredible courage in the face of such terrible accidents.

I am pleased that this weekend the Minnesota State High School League took swift action in announcing new rules that aim to make the game safer.

I urge all of us to keep Jack, Jenna, and their families in our thoughts and prayers.

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H-CANYON IS A VITAL NATIONAL ASSET

(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, H-Canyon Chemical Separations Facility at the Savannah River Site near Aiken, South Carolina, which is valued at nearly \$1 billion, is the only shielded nuclear chemical separations plant still in operation in the United States. During its operating life, H-Canyon facility routinely recovered uranium-235 and neptunium-237 spent fuel and has aided America in