

years of outstanding public service to the people of Arizona and to America.

But I see this more as a celebration of her life—and a celebration of what's still to come in her life—as GABBY continues to make a miraculous recovery which is nothing short of a miracle.

So, in some ways, you can view her retirement today as a glass half-full story. Yet when it comes to GABBY GIFFORDS, the glass is always full—and usually overflowing with love, kindness and devotion.

She has been such an inspiration for me and for millions of Americans as well.

Throughout her life, GABBY has had such a special way of bringing diverse people together and finding solutions that benefit everyone.

We will miss her in Congress, but I know deep in my heart that we have not heard or seen the last of this extraordinary woman.

God bless you, GABBY, and thank you for your tireless dedication to America and to your fellow human beings.

When God created miracles, he certainly had you in mind.

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, I want to express my support for H.R. 3801, The Ultra-light Aircraft Smuggling Prevention Act of 2012, and also my strong admiration of its sponsor, my colleague and friend GABRIELLE GIFFORDS.

GABBY will be stepping down from Congress this week to focus on her recovery, but it is clear that she is not stepping down from her commitment to public service and her devotion to her constituents. GABBY GIFFORDS remains an inspiring example of how legislators can be effective in reaching across the aisle and encouraging cooperation between those who are often adversaries.

America has learned a lot about GABBY GIFFORDS since the tragic shooting last January. We have watched her deal with her grievous wounds with courage and determination. We know not just her strength, but her genuine warmth. America, like all of us who have had the joy to work with her, not only respect her but love her.

I am sad to see GABBY leave the House—she will be sorely missed. I know she will continue her amazing path to recovery, with her remarkable husband Mark Kelly by her side. I look forward to working with her in the future.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Washington (Mr. REICHERT) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3801.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. REICHERT. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

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

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess for a period of less than 15 minutes.

Accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 38 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

□ 0944

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CHAFFETZ) at 9 o'clock and 44 minutes a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 1022, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 3801, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. The remaining electronic vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

BUFFALO SOLDIERS IN THE NATIONAL PARKS STUDY ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1022) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, and for other purposes, 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. JOHNSON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 338, nays 70, not voting 25, as follows:

[Roll No. 10]

YEAS—338

Adams	Camp	Cuellar
Altmire	Canseco	Cummings
Amodei	Cantor	Davis (CA)
Andrews	Capito	Davis (IL)
Austria	Capps	Davis (KY)
Baca	Capuano	DeGette
Bachus	Cardoza	DeLauro
Baldwin	Carnahan	Denham
Barletta	Carney	Dent
Barrow	Carson (IN)	Deutch
Bartlett	Castor (FL)	Diaz-Balart
Barton (TX)	Chabot	Dicks
Bass (CA)	Chaffetz	Dingell
Bass (NH)	Chandler	Doggett
Becerra	Chu	Dold
Berg	Cicilline	Donnelly (IN)
Berkley	Clarke (MI)	Doyle
Biggert	Clarke (NY)	Dreier
Bilbray	Clay	Duffy
Bilirakis	Cleaver	Duncan (TN)
Bishop (GA)	Clyburn	Edwards
Bishop (NY)	Coffman (CO)	Ellison
Bishop (UT)	Cohen	Engel
Black	Cole	Eshoo
Blumenauer	Connolly (VA)	Fattah
Bono Mack	Conyers	Filner
Boren	Cooper	Fincher
Boswell	Costa	Fleischmann
Boustany	Costello	Fleming
Brady (PA)	Courtney	Forbes
Brooks	Cravaack	Fortenberry
Brown (FL)	Crawford	Fox
Buchanan	Crenshaw	Frank (MA)
Butterfield	Critz	Franks (AZ)
Calvert	Crowley	Frelinghuysen

Fudge	Luetkemeyer	Rooney
Gallegly	Lujan	Roskam
Garamendi	Lummis	Ross (AR)
Gerlach	Lungren, Daniel	Rothman (NJ)
Gibson	E.	Royal-Allard
Gohmert	Lynch	Royce
Gonzalez	Maloney	Runyan
Gowdy	Marino	Ruppersberger
Granger	Markey	Rush
Green, Al	Matheson	Ryan (OH)
Green, Gene	Matsui	Ryan (WI)
Griffin (AR)	McCarthy (CA)	Sánchez, Linda
Griffith (VA)	McCarthy (NY)	T.
Grijalva	McCaul	Sanchez, Loretta
Grimm	McClintock	Sarbanes
Guinta	McCollum	Schakowsky
Guthrie	McCotter	Schiff
Gutierrez	McDermott	Schilling
Hahn	McGovern	Schmidt
Hall	McIntyre	Schock
Hanabusa	McKeon	Schrader
Hanna	McKinley	Schwartz
Harper	McMorris	Schweikert
Hartzler	Rodgers	Scott (SC)
Hastings (FL)	McNerney	Scott (VA)
Hastings (WA)	Meehan	Scott, Austin
Hayworth	Meeks	Scott, David
Heck	Mica	Sensenbrenner
Heinrich	Michaud	Serrano
Herger	Miller (FL)	Sessions
Herrera Beutler	Miller (MI)	Sewell
Higgins	Miller (NC)	Sherman
Himes	Miller, Gary	Shimkus
Hinojosa	Miller, George	Shuler
Hirono	Moore	Simpson
Hochul	Moran	Sires
Holden	Murphy (CT)	Smith (NE)
Holt	Murphy (PA)	Smith (NJ)
Honda	Nadler	Smith (TX)
Hoyer	Napolitano	Smith (WA)
Hunter	Neal	Southerland
Inslee	Noem	Speier
Israel	Nugent	Stark
Issa	Nunes	Stivers
Jackson (IL)	Olson	Sutton
Jackson Lee	Olver	Thompson (CA)
(TX)	Owens	Thompson (MS)
Jenkins	Pallone	Thompson (PA)
Johnson (IL)	Pascarell	Tiberi
Johnson, E. B.	Pastor (AZ)	Tierney
Johnson, Sam	Paulsen	Tipton
Jones	Pelosi	Tonko
Kaptur	Perlmutter	Towns
Keating	Peters	Tsongas
Kelly	Peterson	Turner (NY)
Kildee	Petri	Turner (OH)
Kind	Pingree (ME)	Upton
King (IA)	Pitts	Van Hollen
King (NY)	Platts	Velázquez
Kissell	Poe (TX)	Visclosky
Kucinich	Polis	Walz (MN)
Labrador	Posey	Wasserman
Lamborn	Price (NC)	Schultz
Lance	Quigley	Waxman
Langevin	Rahall	Webster
Lankford	Rangel	Welch
Larsen (WA)	Reed	West
Larson (CT)	Rehberg	Whitfield
Latham	Reichert	Wilson (FL)
Latta	Reyes	Wilson (SC)
Lee (CA)	Ribble	Wittman
Levin	Richardson	Wolf
Lewis (CA)	Richmond	Womack
Lewis (GA)	Rigell	Woodall
Lipinski	Roby	Woolsey
LoBiondo	Roe (TN)	Yarmuth
Lofgren, Zoe	Rogers (AL)	Yoder
Long	Rogers (KY)	Young (FL)
Lowe	Rogers (MI)	
Lucas	Rohrabacher	

NAYS—70

Aderholt	Duncan (SC)	Hultgren
Akin	Ellmers	Hurt
Alexander	Farenthold	Johnson (OH)
Amash	Fitzpatrick	Jordan
Bachmann	Flake	Kingston
Benish	Flores	Kinzing (IL)
Blackburn	Gardner	Kline
Bonner	Garrett	Landry
Broun (GA)	Gibbs	Manzullo
Bucshon	Gingrey (GA)	Marchant
Buerkle	Goodlatte	McHenry
Burgess	Graves (GA)	Mulvaney
Carter	Graves (MO)	Myrick
Cassidy	Harris	Neugebauer
Coble	Hensarling	Nunnelee
Conaway	Huelskamp	Palazzo
DesJarlais	Huizenga (MI)	Pearce

Pence	Scalise	Walberg
Pompeo	Shuster	Walden
Price (GA)	Stearns	Walsh (IL)
Quayle	Stutzman	Westmoreland
Renacci	Sullivan	Young (IN)
Rokita	Terry	
Ross (FL)	Thornberry	

NOT VOTING—25

Ackerman	Farr	Payne
Berman	Giffords	Rivera
Brady (TX)	Gosar	Ros-Lehtinen
Braley (IA)	Hinchey	Slaughter
Burton (IN)	Johnson (GA)	Waters
Campbell	LaTourette	Watt
Culberson	Loeback	Young (AK)
DeFazio	Mack	
Emerson	Paul	

□ 1018

Messrs. YOUNG of Indiana, TERRY, FLAKE, PRICE of Georgia, AKIN, SULLIVAN, FLORES, FITZPATRICK, BUCSHON, SHUSTER, DESJARLAIS, BONNER, GARDNER, LANDRY and ROKITA changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Messrs. WEBSTER, SCOTT of South Carolina, GOWDY, KUCINICH and TOWNS changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

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.

HONORING REPRESENTATIVE
GABRIELLE GIFFORDS

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

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, all of us come to the floor today, colleagues of Congresswoman GABBY GIFFORDS, to salute her as the brightest star among us, the brightest star Congress has ever seen.

When she came to Congress and in her service and leadership here, GABBY GIFFORDS brought to Washington and the Capitol the views of a new generation of national leader. From this floor, she has spoken out courageously and led boldly at times that demanded both.

Since the tragic events of 1 year ago, Congresswoman GIFFORDS has become an inspiring symbol of determination and courage to millions of Americans.

She has brought the word “dignity” to new heights by her courage.

□ 1020

Congresswoman GIFFORDS’ message of bipartisanship and civility is one that all in Washington and in the Nation should honor and emulate. As GABBY said in her video, which moved us all so much this weekend, we can do so much more by working together.

In that vein, Mr. Speaker, I want to thank you for the courtesies extended to enable this extraordinary ceremony to take place today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With your permission, I would like to acknowledge GABBY’s mother, who is with us today, Gloria, and her father, Spencer, who is watching from Tucson. We thank you.

And we thank Commander Mark Kelly, a hero in his own right as an astronaut and a commander of a mission, but also our personal hero, for the care and love that he has given to GABBY over this past year—oh, and before that, to help make her, as Gloria and Spencer have, the person that she is.

I think all of our colleagues join in thanking you, GABBY, for the honor of calling you colleague and wishing you and Mark much happiness and success. You will be missed in the House of Representatives, but your legacy in this Congress and your leadership in our Nation will certainly endure. So thank you for being who you are, for lifting our country at a very important and sad time. We wish you, again, much success. With great gratitude, admiration, and affection, we salute you, Congresswoman GABBY GIFFORDS, one last time.

It is now my privilege to yield the floor to the distinguished majority leader of the House, the gentleman from Virginia, Representative CANTOR. Mr. CANTOR. I thank the leader.

Mr. Speaker, a little more than a year ago, America witnessed a heinous attack on GABBY GIFFORDS, her staff, and the citizens of Tucson. This attack took six innocent lives, including Gabe Zimmerman, injured 13, and shook all of us in the congressional community and, in fact, our Nation to its core. This attack was a stark reminder that even in this country, where freedom of speech and public demonstration are the cornerstones of our democracy, citizens and public officials can face violence and danger. We will never forget those who lost their lives on that fateful day or the brave efforts of our law enforcement, community members, and a very special intern who responded in the emergency.

Mr. Speaker, I know I speak for all of my colleagues when I say we are inspired, hopeful, and blessed for the incredible progress that GABBY has made in her recovery. GABBY’s courage, her strength, and her downright fortitude are an inspiration to all of us and all Americans.

As GABBY leaves the House today, Mr. Speaker, she has decided to focus her energies on recovery, but she has refused to give up her fight for the people of her beloved Arizona and her country; and as such, today we will vote on her legislation to help secure our Nation’s southwestern border. GABBY’s bill gives law enforcement greater authority to penalize those who seek to do us harm by engaging in illegal activity along the border. I commend GABBY for her commitment to work on this and her unwavering commitment to a safer, more secure America.

For the past 6 years, Congresswoman GABBY GIFFORDS has served Arizona’s Eighth District with dedication and dignity. I want to recognize her accomplishments here and thank her staff for their exceptional service, dedication, and, yes, courage during these difficult times.

Mr. Speaker, I especially want to recognize her chief of staff, Pia Carusone. I know, having met with Pia personally, her having worked with our office, she has demonstrated incredible dedication to her coworkers, to you, GABBY, and, Mr. Speaker, she has demonstrated unparalleled leadership for the people of the Eighth District of Arizona. And for that, I know they are and we are very grateful.

On Sunday, Mr. Speaker, I received a call from Captain Mark Kelly—as we all know, GABBY’s husband—who informed me of GABBY’s decision. Mark has been steadfast in his support of his wife and forever by her side as her best friend and partner. Though GABBY may be leaving Washington today, I know this won’t be the last we see of her or Mark.

We wish you, GABBY, we wish Mark, together, the best as they continue the process of GABBY’s recovery.

And I’ll say once again, Mr. Speaker, GABBY GIFFORDS’ strength against all odds serves and will continue to serve as a daily inspiration to all of us.

Ms. PELOSI. I thank the leader.

Mr. Speaker, I am now pleased to yield to GABBY’s friend, the distinguished minority whip of the House, the gentleman from Maryland, Congressman HOYER.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the leader for yielding. I thank the Speaker for ensuring that we would have this opportunity to speak to our friend, GABBY GIFFORDS. I thank the majority leader for his comments.

None of us on this floor are talented enough to summon the rhetoric that all of us feel in our hearts. We have young men and women arrayed on the fields of Iraq and Afghanistan and other troubled spots in the world. They are fighting for freedom and democracy, and too many of them are injured on those fields.

Our beloved colleague GABBY GIFFORDS was injured on the field in the exercise of that democracy, and in being injured, she has become an example for us, for all Americans—and, indeed, all the world—of courage, of clarity of purpose, of grace, of responsibility, of a sense of duty, which she exercises this day.

□ 1030

I love GABBY GIFFORDS. I was honored when she first ran for office, before she was elected, to go to her district, as I have done for so many others in this country, to stand by her side, to walk down the streets of her community with her, to see in her the beauty not only of person. Many of us see the outward visage of us all, but GABBY’s beauty is in the heart, in the soul, in the spirit.

The House of Representatives of America has been made proud by this extraordinary daughter of this House who served so well during her tenure here, who felt so deeply about her constituents and cared so much for her country.