

Issa	Meeks	Scalise
Jackson Lee	Mica	Schiff
(TX)	Michaud	Schmidt
Jenkins	Miller (MI)	Schwartz
Johnson (GA)	Miller, Gary	Schweikert
Johnson, E. B.	Murphy (CT)	Scott (SC)
Johnson, Sam	Murphy (PA)	Scott (VA)
Jordan	Myrick	Scott, Austin
Kaptur	Nadler	Scott, David
Keating	Napolitano	Sensenbrenner
Kelly	Neugebauer	Serrano
Kildee	Noem	Sessions
King (IA)	Nunes	Sherman
King (NY)	Olson	Shimkus
Kingston	Palazzo	Shuster
Kissell	Payne	Smith (NE)
Kline	Pearce	Smith (NJ)
Labrador	Pelosi	Smith (TX)
Lamborn	Pence	Smith (WA)
Lankford	Perlmutter	Southerland
Larsen (WA)	Petri	Speier
Larson (CT)	Pingree (ME)	Stearns
LaTourette	Platts	Stutzman
Latta	Polis	Sullivan
Levin	Pompeo	Thompson (PA)
Lewis (CA)	Posey	Thornberry
Lofgren, Zoe	Price (NC)	Tiberi
Long	Quigley	Tonko
Lowey	Rehberg	Tsongas
Lucas	Richardson	Turner (NY)
Luetkemeyer	Richmond	Turner (OH)
Luján	Rivera	Upton
Lummis	Roby	Van Hollen
Lungren, Daniel	Roe (TN)	Walden
E.	Rogers (AL)	Walz (MN)
Mack	Rogers (KY)	Wasserman
Maloney	Rogers (MI)	Schultz
Marino	Rohrabacher	Waters
McCarthy (CA)	Rokita	Watt
McCaul	Rooney	Waxman
McClintock	Ros-Lehtinen	Webster
McCollum	Roskam	Welch
McHenry	Ross (FL)	West
McIntyre	Rothman (NJ)	Westmoreland
McKeon	Roybal-Allard	Whitfield
McKinley	Runyan	Wilson (SC)
McMorris	Ruppersberger	Womack
Rodgers	Rush	Yarmuth
McNerney	Ryan (WI)	Young (FL)
Meehan	Sanchez, Loretta	Young (IN)

NAYS—102

Adams	Hastings (FL)	Peterson
Altmire	Heck	Poe (TX)
Andrews	Herrera Beutler	Price (GA)
Baldwin	Holden	Quayle
Bass (CA)	Hoyer	Rahall
Becerra	Johnson (OH)	Rangel
Benishke	Jones	Reed
Bilbray	Kind	Reichert
Bishop (NY)	Kinzinger (IL)	Renacci
Brady (PA)	Kucinich	Ribble
Burgess	Lance	Rigell
Capuano	Landry	Ryan (OH)
Coffman (CO)	Langevin	Sánchez, Linda
Costa	Latham	T.
Crawford	Lee (CA)	Sarbanes
Critz	LoBiondo	Schakowsky
Cummings	Loeback	Schrader
Curson (MI)	Lynch	Sewell
DeFazio	Manzullo	Shuler
Denham	Markey	Slaughter
Dold	Massie	Stivers
Donnelly (IN)	Matheson	Sutton
Doyle	Matsui	Terry
Duffy	McDermott	Thompson (CA)
Farenthold	McGovern	Thompson (MS)
Fitzpatrick	Miller (FL)	Tipton
Fox	Miller, George	Velázquez
Gardner	Moore	Visclosky
Garrett	Mulvaney	Walberg
Gibbs	Neal	Wittman
Gibson	Nugent	Woodall
Graves (GA)	Pallone	Yoder
Green, Gene	Pascrell	Young (AK)
Guinta	Paulsen	
Hanna	Peters	

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—3

Amash	Gohmert	Owens
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NOT VOTING—54

Akin	Chandler	Ellison
Baca	Conyers	Flores
Bachmann	Costello	Frank (MA)
Bartlett	Cravaack	Gallely
Black	Culberson	Gingrey (GA)
Boren	Deutch	Gonzalez
Burton (IN)	Dicks	Gosar

Graves (MO)	McCarthy (NY)	Schilling
Griffin (AR)	Miller (NC)	Schock
Griffith (VA)	Moran	Simpson
Grijalva	Nunnelee	Sires
Gutierrez	Olver	Stark
Hastings (WA)	Pastor (AZ)	Tierney
Honda	Paul	Towns
Johnson (IL)	Pitts	Walsh (IL)
Lewis (GA)	Reyes	Wilson (FL)
Lipinski	Ross (AR)	Wolf
Marchant	Royce	Woolsey

□ 1848

Mr. MARKEY changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. HURT changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

Mr. GOHMERT changed his vote from "nay" to "present."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF U.S. MARINE JON HAMMAR

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise here to ask for the immediate release of U.S. Marine Jon Hammar, who has been unreasonably imprisoned by Mexican authorities since August, where, for a time, he was actually being shackled to his bed.

Lance Corporal Hammar is an outstanding young American combat veteran who clearly took every reasonable step to ensure that he was safely and legally transporting the antique firearm that he inherited from his great-grandfather. He spoke with our own Customs and Border Patrol agents, who assured him that he would be fine as long as he registered it with Mexican authorities.

Once in Mexico, Jon attempted to register his old-fashioned Sears and Roebuck shotgun and was immediately arrested as if he were a gunrunner.

I am calling on our State Department to act swiftly to get Jon released, and I am calling on our Department of Homeland Security to explain how their agents could have given Jon this wrong instruction.

Jon has suffered enough. Let's bring him home to his family, where he rightly belongs, in time for Christmas.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF DAVE BRUBECK

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

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I come to the House floor to celebrate the life of one of California's greatest native sons, the Ambassador of Jazz, Dave Brubeck. The man behind the immortal classics like "Take Five" and "Blue Rondo a la Turk" was born in Concord, California, a city I'm proud to represent.

Drafted to serve in General Patton's Army during World War II, he formed

the Army's first integrated band. He would later tour with black musicians in the Jim Crow South during the height of the civil rights movement, insisting on a mixed-race quartet and integrated crowds. Because of this courageous stand, 23 out of 25 of his shows were canceled one summer.

"Jazz is the voice of freedom," he said.

With suave sophistication, Brubeck would become a leader in the West Coast cool jazz scene, putting California jazz on the map. Dave Brubeck performed before Presidents, Prime Ministers, Premiers, and pontiffs. He was named a Jazz Master by the National Endowment for the Arts, and he was awarded the National Medal of the Arts.

On a personal note, during the 16 years I represented Stockton, Brubeck often came there to help the University of the Pacific and many charities.

Today, I hope everyone can Take Five to remember a remarkable American: Dave Brubeck.

□ 1900

DENOUNCE CASTRO REGIME

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

Mr. RIVERA. Yesterday, December 10, marked the 60th anniversary of International Human Rights Day. As usual, the Castro dictatorship demonstrated its brutal nature. Cuban state police violently arrested more than 100 dissidents and put another 100 to 150 under house arrest. Among those detained were about 80 members of the Ladies in White organization, a human rights organization that peacefully seeks change in Cuba. Many of them were arrested on their way to mass to celebrate at our Lady of Charity Basilica in the eastern town of El Cobre. About 45 Ladies in White were arrested in Havana, following their traditional march outside the Santa Rita Church after Sunday mass. Thirty-four Ladies in White were detained with violence as they tried to make their way to church.

Mr. Speaker, once again, I call on President Obama, the Obama administration, and the international community to denounce and condemn the terrorist Castro dictatorship's human rights abuses and continue to push for democratic change on that imprisoned island nation.

RIGHT-TO-WORK IS WRONG FOR WORKERS

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

Mr. CLARKE of Michigan. Many decades ago, my father came to this country, like many other immigrants, to seek the American Dream. He got a job

in the auto factory—a job that exposed him to toxins that ultimately killed him. My father died when I was 8 years old.

Today, the Michigan legislature approved right-to-work legislation, intending to roll back the clock on our labor laws. We cannot allow this to happen. Right-to-work is wrong for workers, and it must be stopped.

WE GOT HERE BY SPENDING TOO MUCH, NOT TAXING TOO LITTLE

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

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, “The last thing you want to do is to raise taxes in the middle of a recession because that would put businesses in a further hole.” That was President Obama in 2009. But that was then and this is now. President Obama now says he wants to save us all by raising taxes on a few Americans. But the idea is flawed. One, the plan only funds the government for a few days. Then what’s the plan, Mr. President? Two, according to the Senate Budget Committee, 75 percent of the new taxes will go towards spending, not deficit reduction.

This plan won’t work to solve our economic woes. The problem is the government just spends too much. Where’s the plan to cut spending? There isn’t one. We got here by spending too much, not taxing too little. After all, “the last thing you do in a recession is raise taxes”—quoting the President.

And that’s just the way it is.

RECOGNIZING DEPARTING MEMBERS OF THE OHIO DELEGATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KINZINGER). Under the Speaker’s announced policy of January 5, 2011, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TIBERI) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TIBERI. I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and insert extraneous materials for the RECORD on the topic of the Special Order.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, tonight, we from Ohio would like to recognize and thank for their service five departing Members from the Ohio delegation. Congressmen STEVE AUSTRIA, DENNIS KUCINICH, STEVE LATOURETTE, JEAN SCHMIDT, and BETTY SUTTON will end their service with us at the end of this year. Over the next hour we would like to, as Republicans and Democrats, thank them for their service.

I would first like to recognize my colleague from central Ohio, Congressman STEVE STIVERS, for his remarks.

Mr. STIVERS. I would like to thank the gentleman for yielding.

I would like to say a few things about our five departing colleagues, who have given great service to our country. I want to thank them on behalf of the people of the 15th District for their incredible service and talk a little bit about each one.

I’ll start with Congressman STEVE LATOURETTE, whose service in Congress has really been incredible, and he’s been a role model for many of us who are younger. He’s been a great mentor. He’s not afraid to stand up for what he believes in. He knows that we’ve got to work together as Republicans and Democrats to solve our Nation’s problems. He’s an illustration of what a good Member of Congress should be—someone who’s always thinking about their constituents.

STEVE LATOURETTE had been a mainstay of Congress, and it won’t be the same here without him, especially on transportation issues. I’d like to just thank him for his support, as I had a transportation bill earlier in this Congress. He was very helpful. I had a plan to try to fund transportation projects differently, and he sat down with me and worked me through the process and helped me sit down with the folks at the Congressional Budget Office and folks in leadership to sell my idea. That bill passed the House with bipartisan support, with 20 Democrats voting for it and a lot of Republicans voting for it. I know I couldn’t have gotten that done without Congressman LATOURETTE. I’m sorry to see him retire. But he’s leaving behind a legacy of outstanding service, and he’s been an incredible Member of Congress, and I know there are great things in his future.

The gentlelady to my left, Congresswoman SCHMIDT, I grew up in her district. My family lives in her district, and they really appreciate her hard work and constituent service. She’s a runner. She runs marathons in her spare time, but she runs her office like a marathon. She’s always working for the people of her district, the Second District. It’s been incredible just to watch her advocacy for important things in all of her district. We share some territory down in southern Ohio now. She’s been a leader on the uranium enrichment plant in Piketon and what it can do for our country, for safety in our nuclear arsenal, and for what it can do as an economic driver in southern Ohio. On behalf of the people of southern and central Ohio, I want to thank the gentlelady for her work on that. She’s left a legacy that’s really going to make a difference in the future.

The Congressman from the Seventh District, Congressman AUSTRIA, and I served as State senators together. He got up here a couple of years before I did in 2008, back when my race was still in a recount. We came up to orientation together, and he showed a willingness and an interest to run for leader-

ship of the class, to be the president of the class. I worked hard as his campaign manager. He got elected class president that year, and he went on to give great service to this class in Congress. He’s also been a leader on the Appropriations Committee for these 2 years.

I’ve seen him work on some tough issues in the State senate, and I know he’s got great things in his future. I’m certainly sorry to see him retire. I’m proud of his service, and I’m happy to call him a friend. I’m looking forward to what is next in his life. And I know he’s going to do great things.

Also, our Members from the other side of the aisle. Congresswoman SUTTON and Congressman KUCINICH have really worked hard, and I appreciate all their work and efforts. DENNIS KUCINICH is really a man who sticks up for his principles. I certainly respect him for that. He’s willing to stand up for what he believes is right when nobody in this institution will. I really respect him for that. He’s also become a good friend. He’s a really nice fellow. I want to thank him for his service and wish him great luck in his future.

Congresswoman BETTY SUTTON, I really appreciate her service back to her time on the city council and the Summit County Council and the State legislature. She’s advocated for her constituents. I just want to thank her for her service.

I think it’s important that we as Republicans and Democrats work together on the issues that are facing our country, and I want to thank these Members for their service to our country and thank them for everything that they’ve done for the people of Ohio. And as a grateful coworker, I want to say: job well done.

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Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, it is indeed a privilege to recognize one of the more famous members of our delegation because he is the Speaker of the House. Our leader, Mr. BOEHNER, is recognized.

Mr. BOEHNER. Let me thank my colleague for yielding.

I have proudly represented the people of the Eighth Congressional District of Ohio now for 22 years. During that time, our State delegation has had a long line of great leaders and great legislators here in the Congress.

Tonight, I want to recognize the careers and the service of five departing members from the Ohio delegation, each of whom in their own way exemplify the type of leadership for which our great State has long been known.

Congressman KUCINICH has been a passionate advocate for his community. While we haven’t always agreed, I respect his courage, his passion, and his commitment to his constituents.

Congressman STEVE AUSTRIA has worked tirelessly on military and veterans issues that are so important to the people we both serve. Steve, for your efforts on behalf of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the community, and the people of southwest Ohio,