

Congress. I wish both Jack and Joseph many years of continued success and a happy retirement. Perkasio and Morrisville Boroughs will miss both their chiefs.

REAL SOLUTIONS TO REAL PROBLEMS

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

Ms. HAHN. Mr. Speaker, it's a new year, it's a new beginning, it's a new Congress.

This 113th Congress will let us seize the opportunity to start with a clean slate. We must put aside partisan politics and labels to come together for the good of the American people.

Our seniors, our children, our families are looking toward Congress to take meaningful action on critical issues that were left unresolved in 2012, such as the fiscal cliff and the debt ceiling. Our Nation is looking for a path forward.

I didn't come to Congress to simply talk the talk. I came here to walk the walk for my constituents, for California, and for this great Nation. Today is a new day that calls for new ideas, collaboration, and real solutions for the American people.

Yesterday, I also had the pleasure of joining nine of my congressional colleagues across the aisle at a bipartisan No Labels "Meeting to Make America Work."

We addressed the partisan gridlock in Congress that has slowed progress for the American people. It's high time we find compromises that will lead to real solutions to the real problems facing our Nation.

Today I call on all my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to join in this effort. Let's make America work.

MARKING NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH

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

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, January marks National Mentoring Month, during which we will celebrate the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Day of Service, giving all Americans the opportunity to answer Dr. King's important question, "What are you doing for others?"

Today I would like to recognize an exceptional Minnesota organization that has become known as a national model for excellence in mentoring and service. The mentoring partnership works with hundreds of Minnesota organizations to pair up mentors with mentees and help strengthen relationships and build stronger communities.

Every child deserves a mentor. As Fortune magazine recently pointed out, the number one indicator of success for a child is a good relationship with a caring adult. They provide care and support, advice, and words of en-

couragement. Dr. King often spoke of his mentors, and likewise became one himself to many Americans.

Let's use this day of celebration on Martin Luther King Day and National Mentoring Month as an opportunity to become a mentor or simply thank those that may have served as a mentor to yourself.

READING OF THE CONSTITUTION

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

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, the House just finished the reading of the Constitution. And that's fine. It's a majestic document, greatest of its kind, and it's never bad to read it.

It's one thing to read it and it's another thing to really understand it. And to understand it you've got to understand the court decisions and how the courts have interpreted the Constitution.

The courts have recognized the Constitution as a living evolving document and that it's not perfect. Congress had to pass an amendment to formally abolish slavery. It took the Supreme Court in the Topeka Board of Education v. Brown case to abolish Jim Crow, the stepchild of slavery and a great stain on this country's history.

Thanks to *Roe v. Wade* women have a fundamental right to make medical decisions about their own bodies, a right that continues to be threatened by this Congress. And while the Constitution grants great freedoms, the courts recognize that they come with reasonable limitations.

The First Amendment gives us freedom of speech but doesn't allow us to yell fire in a theater or to libel someone.

And the Second Amendment, while it gives you the right to bear arms, has limitations as well. You can't carry a gun on an airplane or in a courtroom, and we need to remember that.

So just reading the Constitution is one thing, but understanding is another. I hope we will understand it and live it and see that we have a more perfect union.

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PACIFIC MARINE ENERGY CENTER

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

Mr. SCHRADER. Mr. Speaker, I'm here today to share with my colleagues yesterday's very exciting announcement of the first utility-scale, grid-connected wave energy test site in the United States, which I'm proud to say is going to occur in my district in Newport, Oregon.

The Northwest National Marine Energy Center, based at Oregon State University, will be constructing the Pacific Marine Energy Center to test energy generation potential and envi-

ronmental impacts of these wave energy devices.

NNMREC, established in 2008, is a partnership between Oregon State University and the University of Washington and is one of only three U.S. Department of Energy-supported marine renewable energy centers. In addition to the Department of Energy, this work is supported by my State of Oregon, the Wave Energy Trust, and other private and public agencies.

NNMREC's selection of Newport as the site will not only benefit the community of Newport but, frankly, the entire Oregon coast and will set a course for Oregon and the Nation to be one step closer to energy independence.

I am also very proud of Oregon State University and their continued leadership in this area. I would be very remiss if I didn't give a shout out to the incredible work done by Belinda Batten, director of NNMREC, and Annette von Jouanne, professor at Oregon State University, and all the faculty and students in the Wave Energy Department at OSU. Their tireless efforts are the reason we're able to celebrate this achievement today.

REAUTHORIZE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT

(Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the 113th Congress will not only need to work to further strengthen our country's economic well-being; we will also need to find solutions to make sure that all Americans are treated fairly and equally. That's why it is critical that Congress pass the Violence Against Women Act reauthorization.

Since its inception, this act has always been bipartisan. Last April, the Senate passed a strong bipartisan reauthorization bill. Unfortunately, the measure failed in the House, but it must pass in the 113th Congress. The safety and security of American women should never be politicized and never has been so in the past.

It is my hope that we can put the politics of the last election aside and get down to the business of legislating sensible policy for the American people. We must reaffirm our commitment that women in the United States are offered all necessary legal protections.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS COAL INDUSTRY

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

Mr. ENYART. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the southern Illinois coal industry, which had a record year last year—the best in decades.

Southern Illinois is blessed with abundant natural resources like coal that provide good jobs and support our

middle class. I'm proud to say that Illinois is a leader in coal production and outpaced every other State in 2012. Bucking national trends, Illinois mines produced more than 40 million tons of coal in 2012, the most since 1995. This is in large part due to southern Illinois mines and a talented and dedicated workforce.

Folks in my district are worried about jobs. They want to have faith in the southern Illinois way of life. Our coal industry in southern Illinois presents enormous economic potential; and judging by the record-setting production last year, we are well on our way to power good jobs and address domestic energy needs.

I look forward to working with my colleagues to focus on good jobs and support southern Illinois workers and coal.

HURRICANE SANDY RELIEF

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

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, "Semper Paratus"—always prepared. That is the motto of the Coast Guard Academy, which is located in New London, Connecticut, which on October 29 was hit by 85-mile-per-hour winds and high tide at the height of Hurricane Sandy. It covered the entire lower half of the campus, wiped out their sailing center—which is the center that cadets must train on for 4 years as part of the core mission of the Coast Guard Academy to enhance and focus on their maritime skills. That is part of the submission by the Coast Guard for relief in the Hurricane Sandy bill, which we are going to debate and vote on, unfortunately.

Unfortunately, the Rogers' base bill cut the Coast Guard's request in half so that Coast Guard facilities in New Jersey and New York, and also the Coast Guard training facility in New London, Connecticut—which protects all of our coastal maritime country—are going to be damaged and affected.

We must, A, pass the rule; B, pass the Rogers' amendment; but, C, most importantly, pass the Frelinghuysen amendment, which will make sure that the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut, will be able to live up to its motto "Semper Paratus"—always prepared.

HURRICANE SANDY RELIEF

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

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to adopt the entire package today for Sandy relief. My district was devastated by the hurricane. We really are in need of this funding in order to rebuild, and we shouldn't have to delay anymore. It's, I think, into the 10th week now since the storm occurred.

Really, without this package passing today and then immediately going to the Senate to be passed there as well and signed by the President, the whole effort to try to rebuild the shore in time for the summer season—the jobs, the tourism, the economy related to that—would really be seriously jeopardized.

I would urge that my colleagues adopt not only the initial base bill, the Rogers' amendment, but also the Frelinghuysen amendment. The Frelinghuysen amendment, which is the additional \$33 billion, will let us basically do a lot of the shore protection, the beach replenishment, the dunes, the flood controls, to prevent damage from a future storm, and also provide the Community Development Block Grants, the grants that there's a lot of flexibility for the towns so they can go back and basically give grants to homeowners as well as small business.

Mr. Speaker, I have towns that are devastated. We need this bill now.

HONORING GENERAL WILLIAM H. GOURLEY WITH HEALTH CLINIC BEARING HIS NAME

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

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce a bill to name the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense joint clinic to be constructed in my district the William H. Gourley Federal Outpatient Clinic: A Joint VA-DOD Health Care Facility.

General Gourley was fond of championing his own special commandments, his own 10 Golden Rules. His 10th Golden Rule was: make a better Army and Corps for your subordinates to inherit. In his 36 years of service, General Gourley did just that.

Whether sharing MREs in Germany with Private Elvis Presley or serving at the Pentagon on the staff for the Joint Chiefs alongside General Colin Powell, General Gourley worked tirelessly to improve the lives of men and women in the United States military. Even in his retirement, the general's vision was to build a health care center on the site of the former Fort Ord that would serve both the needs of Active Duty and retired military personnel.

As we prepare to break ground at this new facility, it is only fitting that the joint clinic bear the name of the man who inspired its creation.

ADJOURNMENT TO FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2013

Mr. COLE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 3 p.m. on Friday, January 18, 2013.

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

There was no objection.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 152, DISASTER RELIEF APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2013

Mr. COLE. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 23 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 23

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 152) making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. That amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived. No amendment to that amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules. After disposition of such amendments, the Chair shall put the question on the amendment in the nature of a substitute.

SEC. 2. If the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution is not adopted, the Committee shall rise and report that it has come to no resolution on the bill. If the amendment in the nature of a substitute is adopted, the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment. No further amendment shall be in order except the amendments printed in part C of the report of the Committee on Rules. At the conclusion of consideration of the amendments printed in part C of the report of the Committee on Rules, the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill, to the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules, or to amendment number 1 printed in part C of the report of the Committee on Rules. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SEC. 3. Each amendment printed in part B and part C of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment (except as specified in the report), and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question