

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise in support of S. 898.

S. 898 directs the Administrator of the GSA to transfer the old Federal post office in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation in exchange for its fair market value.

The Amy Biehl High School is a public charter school that is sponsored by the foundation that was founded in 1999 and has been residing in the Old Post Office building since 2006. Currently, the public charter school has a long-term lease agreement with the GSA for a nominal rent. The GSA has indicated to the committee that the agency has no need for the facility and that this directed sale supports the GSA's efforts to downsize and dispose of underutilized properties.

□ 1645

My own subcommittee has approved a nearly identical bill.

Now, Mr. Speaker, I would also like to acknowledge the memory of Amy Biehl. Ms. Biehl was a 26-year-old Fulbright Scholar working in South Africa when she was tragically attacked and killed in 1993. In the aftermath, Amy's parents, Linda and Peter Biehl, started a foundation to build on their daughter's work toward peace, reconciliation, and multiculturalism in South Africa. The new school, which is located in New Mexico, builds on this great work.

Now, approving this bill to transfer the building at its fair market value will promote Amy's legacy and benefit the taxpayers. I will continue to support efforts by both the committee and the administration to reduce our Federal footprint.

I support this bill, Mr. Speaker, and I urge my colleagues to approve it.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank the gentleman for his support in a bipartisan manner and for reminding us all of the importance of this legacy, not only the vision of why this school was created but the importance of that mission. It is certainly a pleasure to work in a bipartisan way with the gentleman.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentlelady from New Mexico, Madam LUJAN GRISHAM.

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank my colleagues, both Representative CARSON from Indiana and my colleague from North Carolina (Mr. MEADOWS), for their support on S. 898. As you have just heard, this is a companion bill to a nearly identical bill, my bill H.R. 3998, which passed this body on June 17.

Now, we have also heard that this bill is to sell a Federal building at fair

market value which costs more in its current lease arrangement than it does in this transaction and arrangement. You have also heard that this is an incredible school, memorializing an incredible legacy.

But what you haven't heard today is that the foundation has raised more than \$3 million to continue to invest not only in the purchase of the building but to expand their educational footprint in New Mexico.

In my district in Albuquerque, we have difficulties reaching out to a high-poverty, high at-risk high school group. This school has incredible outcomes. They are seeing a 100 percent graduation rate, 80 percent graduation rates out of college; and of that 80 percent, nearly all of those students continue a very aggressive community relationship. Part of this school's requirement is that not only do you meet your basic high school curriculum but you have to invest considerably in community work in a variety of non-profit and charitable work.

I want to also give a special thanks and extend my gratitude to Senator TOM UDALL for working with me on this bill and to Chairman SHUSTER and Ranking Member RAHALL for their help in bringing the legislation to the floor.

With that, Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this bill that helps the Amy Biehl High School to continue to provide Albuquerque students with a first-rate education while also preserving a historic piece of downtown Albuquerque.

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I will continue to reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to my good friend from Florida, Representative MURPHY.

Mr. MURPHY of Florida. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I support the bill before us and appreciate the hard work of my colleagues to bring it to the floor.

Today I join my colleagues in speaking in support of reauthorizing the National Estuary Program because our local economy on the Treasure Coast and Palm Beaches rely on healthy water.

This important program helps protect and improve some of our Nation's most at-risk waterways, including the Indian River Lagoon located in the district I am proud to represent, which has been devastated by toxic algae in recent years, negatively impacting not only the health of this unique ecosystem but also our local economy.

The National Estuary Program funds local projects that help improve water quality, protect threatened species, and coordinate local agencies to respond to other urgent needs.

In our own backyard, these projects include wetland restoration, shellfish rehabilitation, freshwater discharge management, and other approaches that benefit the health of our local waterways on the Treasure Coast and across the Nation.

I am very pleased to see a competitive award program included in this bill that I proposed, along with the gentleman from Florida (Mr. POSEY), to help estuaries most at risk where re-occurring harmful algal blooms, sea grass loss, and invasive species are threatening the fragile ecology of these important water systems.

I hope my colleagues will continue to support this effective program not only because of its benefits to sustaining important estuaries across the country but also due to the urgent need to address the serious problems facing many of these waterways, including the Indian River Lagoon, the most diverse estuary in the United States.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the House for coming together and acting so swiftly to reauthorize this bipartisan and cost-effective bill that is necessary for our country's coastal ecosystems and the economies that rely on their well-being. I hope the Senate will act expeditiously to do the same.

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time at this point, and I am prepared to close.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. MEADOWS. I thank the gentleman for his bipartisan effort to make sure that this important piece of legislation gets passed, and I urge all of my colleagues to support it.

With that, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. MEADOWS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, S. 898.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 51 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1830

## AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HULTGREN) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

## GOVERNMENT REPORTS ELIMINATION ACT OF 2014

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 4194) to provide for the elimination or

modification of Federal reporting requirements, 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 California (Mr. Issa) that the House suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 382, nays 0, not voting 49, as follows:

[Roll No. 516]

YEAS—382

Aderholt	Davis, Rodney	Hultgren
Amash	DeFazio	Hunter
Amodei	DeGette	Hurt
Bachmann	Delaney	Israel
Barber	DeLauro	Issa
Barr	DelBene	Jeffries
Barrow (GA)	Denham	Jenkins
Barton	Dent	Johnson (GA)
Bass	DeSantis	Johnson (OH)
Beatty	DesJarlais	Johnson, E. B.
Becerra	Deutch	Jolly
Bentivolio	Diaz-Balart	Jones
Bera (CA)	Dingell	Jordan
Bilirakis	Doggett	Joyce
Bishop (GA)	Doyle	Kaptur
Bishop (NY)	Duffy	Keating
Bishop (UT)	Duncan (SC)	Kelly (IL)
Black	Duncan (TN)	Kelly (PA)
Blackburn	Edwards	Kennedy
Blumenauer	Ellison	Kildee
Bonamici	Ellmers	Kilmer
Boustany	Engel	King (IA)
Brady (PA)	Eshoo	King (NY)
Brady (TX)	Esty	Kingston
Bridenstine	Farenthold	Kinzinger (IL)
Brooks (AL)	Farr	Kirkpatrick
Brooks (IN)	Fattah	Kline
Broun (GA)	Fincher	Kuster
Brown (FL)	Fitzpatrick	LaMalfa
Brownley (CA)	Fleischmann	Lamborn
Buchanan	Fleming	Lance
Bucshon	Flores	Langevin
Burgess	Forbes	Lankford
Bustos	Fortenberry	Larsen (WA)
Butterfield	Foster	Larson (CT)
Byrne	Fox	Latham
Calvert	Frankel (FL)	Latta
Camp	Franks (AZ)	Levin
Capito	Frelinghuysen	Lewis
Capps	Fudge	Lipinski
Capuano	Gabbard	LoBiondo
Cardenas	Galleo	Loeb
Carney	Garamendi	Lofgren
Carson (IN)	Gardner	Long
Carter	Garrett	Lowenthal
Cartwright	Gibbs	Lowe
Castor (FL)	Gibson	Lucas
Castro (TX)	Gingrey (GA)	Luetkemeyer
Chabot	Gohmert	Lujan Grisham
Chaffetz	Goodlatte	(NM)
Chu	Gosar	Lujan, Ben Ray
Cicilline	Granger	(NM)
Clark (MA)	Graves (GA)	Lynch
Clarke (NY)	Grayson	Maffei
Clawson (FL)	Green, Gene	Maloney, Sean
Clay	Griffin (AR)	Marino
Cleaver	Griffith (VA)	Massie
Clyburn	Grimm	Matheson
Coble	Guthrie	Matsui
Coffman	Gutiérrez	McCarthy (CA)
Cohen	Hahn	McCarthy (NY)
Cole	Hanabusa	McCaul
Collins (GA)	Hanna	McClintock
Collins (NY)	Harper	McCollum
Conaway	Harris	McDermott
Connolly	Hartzler	McGovern
Conyers	Hastings (FL)	McHenry
Cook	Hastings (WA)	McIntyre
Cooper	Heck (NV)	McKeon
Cotton	Heck (WA)	McKinley
Courtney	Hensarling	McMorris
Cramer	Herrera Beutler	Rodgers
Crawford	Higgins	Meadows
Crenshaw	Himes	Meehan
Crowley	Holding	Meeks
Cuellar	Holt	Meng
Culberson	Horsford	Messer
Cummings	Hoyer	Mica
Daines	Hudson	Michaud
Davis (CA)	Huelskamp	Miller (FL)
Davis, Danny	Huizenga (MI)	Miller (MI)

Miller, George	Roby	Stewart
Moore	Roe (TN)	Stivers
Mullin	Rogers (AL)	Stockman
Mulvaney	Rogers (KY)	Stutzman
Murphy (FL)	Rogers (MI)	Takano
Murphy (PA)	Rokita	Terry
Nadler	Rooney	Thompson (MS)
Napolitano	Ros-Lehtinen	Thompson (PA)
Neal	Roskam	Thornberry
Negrete McLeod	Ross	Tierney
Noem	Rothfus	Titus
Nolan	Roybal-Allard	Tonko
Nugent	Royce	Tsongas
Nunes	Ruiz	Turner
Nunnelee	Runyan	Upton
O'Rourke	Ruppersberger	Valadao
Olson	Ryan (OH)	Van Hollen
Owens	Ryan (WI)	Vargas
Palazzo	Salmon	Veasey
Pallone	Sánchez, Linda	Vela
Pascarella	T.	Velázquez
Paulsen	Sanford	Visclosky
Payne	Sarbanes	Wagner
Pearce	Scalise	Walberg
Pelosi	Schakowsky	Walden
Perlmutter	Schiff	Walorski
Perry	Schneider	Walz
Peters (CA)	Schock	Wasserman
Peters (MI)	Schrader	Schultz
Peterson	Schwartz	Waters
Petri	Schweikert	Waxman
Pittenger	Scott (VA)	Weber (TX)
Pitts	Scott, Austin	Webster (FL)
Pocan	Scott, David	Welch
Poe (TX)	Sensenbrenner	Wenstrup
Polis	Serrano	Westmoreland
Pompeo	Sessions	Whitfield
Posey	Sewell (AL)	Williams
Price (GA)	Shea-Porter	Wilson (FL)
Price (NC)	Sherman	Wilson (SC)
Quigley	Shimkus	Wittman
Rahall	Simpson	Womack
Rangel	Sinema	Woodall
Reed	Slaughter	Yarmuth
Reichert	Smith (MO)	Yoder
Renacci	Smith (NE)	Yoho
Rice (SC)	Smith (TX)	Young (AK)
Rigell	Southerland	Young (IN)

#### NOT VOTING—49

Bachus	Honda	Pingree (ME)
Barletta	Huffman	Ribble
Bentley	Jackson Lee	Richmond
Braley (IA)	Johnson, Sam	Rohrabacher
Campbell	Kind	Rush
Cassidy	Labrador	Sánchez, Loretta
Costa	Lee (CA)	Shuster
Duckworth	Lummis	Sires
Enyart	Maloney,	Smith (NJ)
Garcia	Carolyn	Smith (WA)
Gerlach	Marchant	Speier
Gowdy	McAllister	Swalwell (CA)
Graves (MO)	McNerney	Thompson (CA)
Green, Al	Miller, Gary	Tiberi
Grijalva	Moran	Tipton
Hall	Neugebauer	Wolf
Hinojosa	Pastor (AZ)	

□ 1854

Mr. TERRY changed his vote from “no” to “aye.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the Senate amendment was concurred in.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I missed the following vote: Senate Amendment to H.R. 4194—Government Reports Elimination Act. Had I been present, I would have voted “yes” on this bill.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, November 6, 2014.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a scanned copy of a letter received from the Honorable Kimberly M. Guadagno, New Jersey Lieutenant Governor/Secretary of State, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held November 4, 2014, the Honorable Donald W. Norcross was elected Representative to Congress for the First Congressional District, State of New Jersey.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,

*Clerk.*

Enclosure.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
Trenton, NJ, November 6, 2014.

Hon. KAREN L. HAAS,  
*Clerk, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. HAAS: This is to advise you that the unofficial results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, for Representative in Congress from the First Congressional District of New Jersey, show that Donald W. Norcross received 85,923 of the total number of votes cast for that office.

It would appear from these unofficial results that Donald W. Norcross was elected as Representative in Congress from the First Congressional District of New Jersey.

To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this election.

As soon as the official results are certified, to this office by the Burlington, Camden and Gloucester County Clerks involved, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

Sincerely,

KIMBERLY M. GUADAGNO,  
*Lieutenant Governor/Secretary of State.*

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, November 5, 2014.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a scanned copy of a letter received from Ms. Kim Strach, Executive Director of the North Carolina State Board of Elections, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held November 4, 2014, the Honorable Alma Adams was elected Representative to Congress for the Twelfth Congressional District, State of North Carolina.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,

*Clerk.*

Enclosure.

NORTH CAROLINA  
STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS,  
Raleigh, NC, November 5, 2014.

Hon. KAREN L. HAAS,  
*Clerk, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. HAAS: This is to advise that the unofficial results of the Special Election