

Can the gentleman tell me whether or not, if that comes back, it will be on the floor? I have heard some discussion about the fact that the Speaker says it will be on the floor, but the Export-Import Bank would be open to amendment.

Would the gentleman tell me whether or not there are any plans along those lines.

I yield to my friend.

Mr. McCARTHY. I thank the gentleman for yielding to me one more time.

The gentleman is well aware of how I feel about the Export-Import Bank, and we have a difference of opinion. I am one who has always believed in the principle that you should just deal with the subject that is before you.

We have passed the highway bill. The best advice I can give to the Senate—it is a clean highway bill until December 18—is to pass a clean highway bill and move it to the President.

Mr. HOYER. I understand that that is the gentleman's desire. I know he is opposed to the Ex-Im Bank reauthorization.

As you know, we passed it in a bipartisan fashion when the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. Cantor) was the majority leader, and the gentleman voted for it. He has changed his mind. Certainly many of us do that from time to time.

But my question to him is: If they don't do what the gentleman suggests—i.e., a clean highway bill—and they send it back, as, apparently, Leader McConnell thought that they would do, consistent with his representation to the Senator from Washington State and others—if they add the Ex-Im Bank to that bill and it comes back—I know the gentleman is reluctant to speculate. But we have a very, very short period of time left in this session before the August break.

Does the gentleman believe that, if it comes back and is in the highway bill, that we would make the Export-Import Bank portion of that bill at least open to amendment?

I yield to my friend.

Mr. McCARTHY. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

And if I just may correct the gentleman, he took the liberty of saying whether I changed my mind. I did vote for the Ex-Im Bank 2 years ago, but I voted for an Ex-Im Bank that had reform in it. I have not seen that reform. I did not change my mind. I kept my principle. The same principle that I have is my best advice to the Senate.

I know you want to talk hypotheticals, and I know our colloquy is about next week. But none of that is scheduled for next week.

But to the gentleman and to the Senate, my best advice for them is to pass our clean highway bill and send it to the President.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman.

Mr. Speaker, the problem with the suggestion the majority leader makes is the Export-Import Bank will be out of business. If that happens, Speaker

BOEHNER has said it is going to adversely affect jobs in America. It will adversely affect the ability of small, medium, and large businesses to sell our goods overseas by people working here in America.

The Export-Import Bank is about jobs, and to simply let it twist in the wind and let it be unauthorized simply because of inattention, when it has the majority of votes on this floor? Mr. Speaker, I have said that over and over again and have not been contradicted.

There are 60 Republicans who have sponsored the Export-Import Bank's reauthorization. There are 188 Democrats—or at least 185 Democrats who will vote for it. That is 249 votes. All you need is 218. There is no doubt that the Export-Import Bank has the votes to pass this House and the Senate, and, yet, we fiddle while jobs are being burned.

Mr. Speaker, that is not good policy for our country. It is not good policy for our workers. It is not good policy for our businesses, for our exporters. It makes us uncompetitive with the rest of the world. Sixty countries have a similar facility. I know in a perfect world perhaps that wouldn't exist. But 60 of our competitors around the world have such a facility that make their goods cheaper than we will be making ours.

That is not good sense. It is not good policy. It is not the expectation, I think, of the American people. And it is not the will of this House.

I regret that we have not addressed this already. But I certainly hope when the Senate—as I expect them to do—adds it to the House highway bill—and I am not sure whether it will be our bill or their bill or our bill amended—we may have to go to conference or we may have to get to an agreement.

But one way or the other, we ought to adopt the will of this House and reauthorize the Export-Import Bank so that we will protect jobs.

It was Speaker BOEHNER who said that it was shortly after we took the action we took on June 30 and allowed the Export-Import Bank to expire that we would lose jobs. In fact, that is happening. So I would hope that that would not be the case.

Lastly, Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the majority leader this: I get a lot of rumors on my side. I know you get a lot of rumors on your side. And I sort of smile at them and I say, "I think not."

But I have had 20 Members today ask me, Mr. Speaker, are we not going to be here the last week of July that is presently scheduled. And I would like to clear that up.

I yield to my friend for a definitive answer on the schedule for—this is a scheduling question, by the way, as to whether or not, in fact, we are going to be here the last week of July.

Mr. McCARTHY. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

I smile because the only rumor I heard more of was about Taylor Swift in the Capitol the other day.

I think this is just wishful thinking of the Members. But the American people expect us to get our work done. We have a lot of work to get done. No, we will be here, as the schedule says, and we will finish it. But we will not be leaving early.

Mr. HOYER. I appreciate the majority leader's clarification. My Members will not necessarily appreciate it, but I understand it.

I yield back the balance of my time.

ADJOURNMENT FROM THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2015, TO MONDAY, JULY 20, 2015

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that, when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday next and that the order of the House of January 6, 2015, regarding morning-hour debate not apply on that day.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ABRAHAM). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

#### FETAL BODY PARTS TRAFFICKING

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, evidence has been made public that the largest abortion provider in America has been actively engaged in the illegal and horrific practice of trafficking of fetal body parts.

Planned Parenthood performs over 300,000 abortions annually. This organization financially gains from the destruction of innocent, unborn children and now has been shown to profit from the selling of children's organs to fetal tissue brokers.

Those who defend Planned Parenthood and these evil practices argue these clinics simultaneously provide access to other needed health services. Well, Mr. Speaker, one does not justify the other.

Throughout the United States, there is no shortage of faith-based health service providers that, unlike Planned Parenthood, honor, respect, and care for all women and unborn children. They do not prey on vulnerable individuals for profit.

Mr. Speaker, I have joined my colleagues, calling for an investigation into the trafficking of fetal tissue and activities of abortion providers, such as Planned Parenthood, companies that broker fetal tissue, and any incentives created by National Institutes of Health funding for research using body parts of unborn children.

#### PRIDE PARADE FESTIVAL IN ISTANBUL, TURKEY

(Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express my deep concern over the atrocities that recently occurred at this year's pride parade in Istanbul, Turkey.

For years, the Turkish LGBT community and their supporters have been able to partake in one of the few permitted pride parades in the Muslim world, but this year this peaceful parade was broken up when police dispersed the parade with tear gas, rubber bullets, and water cannons, reminiscent of the worst full countertactics of the American civil rights movement.

LGBT pride gatherings are peaceful, focusing on love and solidarity and the human rights of all people, including LGBT people, which is a stark contrast to the unnecessary and brutal violence endured by those parade-goers.

This past May I had the opportunity to visit the brave LGBT activists in Turkey and to speak to them about their hopes for a better community.

As a member of the LGBT community and of the Congressional Equality Caucus, I am deeply disturbed by the way in which such a positive festival was received by the Turkish Government.

Turkey has long expressed, by its commitments to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, its dedication to freedom of assembly and freedom of speech. Turkey is a NATO ally. Its actions are at odds with these previous commitments to freedom.

I am urging this Congress to join me in condemning these actions. Today we will send a letter signed by more than 50 Members of this body to the Turkish Ambassador, expressing our outrage by these actions and our support of the Turkish people.

#### PLANNED PARENTHOOD'S SALE OF FETAL TISSUE

(Mrs. LOVE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. LOVE. Mr. Speaker, I stand before this body because I am outraged at the recent revelation by a Planned Parenthood director who speaks on video about harvesting an unborn baby's body parts to sell.

She details the horrific and barbaric practice of aborting babies in such a cold, casual way as to preserve certain body parts for sale.

Mr. Speaker, this is an organization that receives Federal funds to do their work. Is this what the taxpayers are paying for? Is this what they asked for? No.

Given Planned Parenthood's official comments on video and the list of serious questions that are raised, I am calling for a full congressional investigation.

I demand information about Planned Parenthood's donation of fetal tissue for research or for any other purpose

and for Federal funds to be completely withdrawn.

This is not over. We will press on. I will continue to remind this body that we work for the American people—not the other way around—that we swore to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States, and we will preserve life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

This is un-American and absolutely unacceptable.

#### FETAL TISSUE TRAFFICKING

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

Mr. HUELSKAMP. Mr. Speaker, earlier this year Members of Congress stood on this House floor and condemned the evils of trafficking humans, especially the exploitation of women and children who are treated as commodities to be bought, used, and disposed of.

And we then walked the talk, refusing to turn a blind eye to these horrors, and passed sweeping reforms to combat and end this egregious human rights abuse.

Now we must urgently act again. Abortion giant Planned Parenthood has exposed itself as a perpetrator of another shocking form of trafficking: the illegal selling and buying of baby body parts and intact organs.

That is right. It is not enough that Planned Parenthood kills babies in the womb. No. It has to profit off the death of its victims by first dismembering these unborn children and then selling their organs piece by piece to the highest bidder.

Enough is enough. We will investigate this unlawful, barbaric practice and bring an end to these horrifying abuses.

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#### HONORING THE NEW HORIZONS MISSION

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

Mr. DOLD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate NASA's New Horizons mission. Yesterday, after traveling more than 3 billion miles, the New Horizons probe passed just 7,800 miles from the surface of Pluto.

Pluto was discovered in 1930 by a 24-year-old astronomer from my home State of Illinois. In 2006, NASA launched New Horizons in an effort to learn more about Pluto, the Kuiper belt, and the formation of our solar system. Yesterday, New Horizons sent us back our first closeup pictures of Pluto's surface.

Mr. Speaker, the New Horizons mission is a great success for NASA. Not only will we learn great things about our solar system, but I hope that these

pictures will serve to inspire a new generation of astronomers and physicists.

America's future relies on a strong and robust program of science, technology, engineering, and math education, or STEM, and I hope that the success of this mission will encourage more students to follow that path.

#### FORT HOOD

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, as a representative from the 25th Congressional District of Texas, it is my pleasure to represent Fort Hood in the United States Congress.

From its state-of-the-art training facilities to its experienced leadership and world-renowned reputation, Fort Hood demonstrates 21st century training for the 21st century soldier. Fort Hood is a treasure of Texas, but it is also the gold standard for the Army, the Department of Defense, and our Nation's overall national security posture.

Last week, in an address to the National Commission on the Future of the Army, I presented my thoughts on the recent troop reduction announcement and how it relates to Fort Hood.

If sequestration takes effect in October as planned, the U.S. Army will have to cut 30,000 soldiers in addition to the 40,000 soldiers that will be removed from ranks over the next 2 years. At this level, our military may not be able to commit to current deployments, let alone successfully take on new challenges.

Mr. Speaker, with the expansion of ISIS in Syria and Iraq, the instability of governments in the Middle East, and an aggressive Russia and China, I do not believe this is the time to be cutting our Army to pre-World War II levels.

Mr. Speaker, Fort Hood is a resilient community made up of the finest soldiers I have ever met. They have been dealt some serious challenges in recent years, and each time, they have overcome them.

Fort Hood is the Great Place; even so, Mr. Speaker, it is imperative this Congress relieves the strain the sequester has put on Fort Hood and our entire military. It is not fair for our brave men and women to suffer the consequences of our inability to properly govern.

I would like to express my gratitude to Fort Hood, the Department of the Army, our soldiers and their families, and fellow Texans.

May God bless our troops; may God bless the Great Place, and God bless the United States of America.

In God We Trust.

#### THE WAR ON POVERTY

(Mr. HILL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1