

Rigell	Sewell (AL)	Vargas
Roby	Sherman	Veasey
Roe (TN)	Shimkus	Vela
Rogers (AL)	Shuster	Velázquez
Rogers (KY)	Simpson	Visclosky
Rohrabacher	Sinema	Wagner
Rokita	Sires	Walberg
Ros-Lehtinen	Slaughter	Walden
Roskam	Smith (MO)	Walker
Ross	Smith (NE)	Walorski
Rothfus	Smith (NJ)	Walters, Mimi
Rouzer	Smith (TX)	Walz
Roybal-Allard	Smith (WA)	Wasserman
Royce	Speier	Schultz
Ruiz	Stefanik	Waters, Maxine
Ruppersberger	Stewart	Watson Coleman
Rush	Stivers	Weber (TX)
Russell	Stutzman	Webster (FL)
Ryan (OH)	Swalwell (CA)	Welch
Ryan (WI)	Takai	Wenstrup
Salmon	Takano	Westerman
Sánchez, Linda T.	Thompson (CA)	Westmoreland
Sanchez, Loretta	Thompson (MS)	Whitfield
Sanford	Thompson (PA)	Williams
Scalise	Thornberry	Wilson (SC)
Schakowsky	Tiberi	Wittman
Schiff	Tipton	Womack
Schrader	Titus	Woodall
Schweikert	Tonko	Yarmuth
Scott (VA)	Torres	Yoder
Scott, Austin	Trott	Yoho
Scott, David	Tsongas	Young (IA)
Sensenbrenner	Turner	Young (IN)
Serrano	Upton	Zeldin
Sessions	Valadao	Zinke
	Van Hollen	

## NOT VOTING—14

Amodi	Hinojosa	Payne
Clarke (NY)	Maloney	Rooney (FL)
Cummings	Carolyn	Sarbanes
Edwards	Maloney, Sean	Wilson (FL)
Fattah	Meeks	Young (AK)

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. On this rollcall, 421 Members have recorded their presence.

A quorum is present.

## FAREWELL ADDRESS

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

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to inform you that I will resign as Speaker of the House effective upon the election of my successor. I will also resign as Representative from Ohio's Eighth District at the end of this month.

I leave with no regrets, no burdens. If anything, I leave the way I started—just a regular guy, humbled by the chance to do a big job. That is what I am most proud of. I am still just me, the same guy who came here 25 years ago as a small-business man and spent all these 25 years trying to just be me.

Now, sometimes my staff thought I was too much like me, but it really is the thing I am most proud of. I am the same regular guy who came here to try to do a good job for my district and my country.

Before I go, I want to express what an honor it has been to serve with all of you. The people's House is, in my view, the great embodiment of the American Dream. Everybody here comes from somewhere, and everybody here is on some mission.

I come from a part of the world where we are used to working. As far back as I can remember, I was working. My staff was asking me the other day:

Well, you know, on November 1st, you're not going to have a job. When was the last time you didn't have a job?

I thought about it and thought about it and thought about it. I thought, well, I had to be 8 or 9 years old because I was throwing newspapers back then and working in my dad's bar. As a matter of fact, I used to work from 5 a.m. on Saturday morning until 2 p.m. for \$2. Not \$2 an hour. \$2.

I never thought about growing up as the easy way or the hard way. It was just the Cincinnati way. Our city takes its name from the great Roman general Cincinnatus, a farmer who answered the call of his nation to lead and then surrendered his power to go back to his plow.

For me, it wasn't a farm. It was a small business. And it wasn't so much a calling as it was a mission—a mission to strive for a smaller, less costly, and more accountable Federal Government here in Washington.

How did we do? Here are some facts. For the first time in nearly 20 years, we have made some real entitlement reforms, saving trillions of dollars over the long term.

We have protected 99 percent of the American people from an increase in their taxes. We are on track to save taxpayers \$2.1 trillion over the next 10 years, the most significant spending reductions in modern times. We have banned earmarks altogether. Sorry.

We have protected this institution. We have made it more open to the people. Every day in this capital city there are hundreds of kids from the toughest neighborhoods who are finally getting a chance at a decent education.

I am proud of these things, but the mission is not complete. And the truth is it may never be. One thing I came to realize over the years that I have been here is that this battle over the size and scope and cost of our government in Washington has been going on for more than 200 years, and the forces of the status quo go to an awful lot of trouble to prevent change from happening.

Real change takes time. Yes, freedom makes all things possible, but patience is what makes all things real. So believe in the long, slow struggle. Believe in this country's ability to meet her challenges and to lead the world. And, remember, you can't do a big job alone, especially this one.

So I am grateful to my family, Deb and my two girls. My two girls were 3 and 1 when I first ran for office. Now they are a lot older. So they have been through a lot. You all know what your families go through. It is one thing for us to take the bricks and the boards and everything that gets thrown at us, but it is another thing for our families. Their skin isn't as thick as ours.

I am also grateful to all of my colleagues: my fellow leaders, Mr. MCCARTHY and Mr. SCALISE, Ms. MCMORRIS RODGERS; and many on my side of the aisle, our committee chairs, people I have worked with for a long time.

But I am just as grateful to Ms. PELOSI, Mr. HOYER, Mr. CLYBURN, and Mr. BECERRA and others for all of the work that we have done together. Over these last 5 years, we have done an awful lot of work together. There was probably more work done across the aisle over the last 5 years than in the 25 years that I have served in this institution.

Now, as much as I enjoy working with all of you, some of you still could learn to dress better. You know who you are. I saw one of the culprits, one of the usual suspects who shows up here once in a while without a tie. This morning he didn't look dressed very well, but he did have a tie on.

I am grateful to the people who work in this institution every day, whether it is the Reading Clerks or—you know, there are a lot of people, thousands of people, who allow us to do our jobs and to help make this institution what it is. Whether it is the people you see here today or the people in the CAO's office or the Capitol Police or legislative counsel, there really are thousands of people who really do allow us to do our job.

I am grateful to my staff. Now, you all know I am a big believer in staff. None of us can be what we are without a good staff, and I certainly would never have gotten to this job without having built a great team. So I really am grateful to my staff. As they like to say to each other, once you are part of Boehnerland, you are always a part of Boehnerland, and that certainly goes for me as well.

I am especially grateful to all my constituents and the volunteers over the years. That includes a student at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, in 1990, who was putting up campaign signs for me. His name was PAUL RYAN. I don't think he could pronounce my name back in 1990 when he was putting up yard signs for me.

But, as Cincinnatus understood, there is a difference between being asked to do something and being called to do something. PAUL is being called. I know he will serve with grace and with energy, and I want to wish him and his family all the best.

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My colleagues, I have described my life as a chase for the American Dream. That chase began at the bottom of the hill, just off the main drag in Reading, Ohio, right outside of Cincinnati. At the top of the hill was a small house with a big family, a shining city in its own right.

The hill had twists. The hill had turns, and even a few tears. Nothing wrong with that. But let me tell you, it was just perfect.

Never forget, we are the luckiest people on the Earth. In America, you can do anything that you are willing to work for, willing to work hard at, and anything can happen if you are willing to make the necessary sacrifices in life.

If you falter—and you will—you can just pick yourself up, dust yourself off, and go do it again, because hope always springs eternal. And if you just do the right things for the right reasons, good things will happen.

And this, too, can really happen to you.

God bless you, and God bless our great country.

#### ELECTION OF SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to the Speaker's announcement of October 29, 2015, the Chair will receive nominations for the Office of Speaker.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Washington (Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS).

Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS. Mr. Speaker, today, in the people's House, it gives me great honor to nominate the people's Speaker.

You don't need to look any further than the architecture of Washington, D.C., to see what our Founders envisioned. It is not by mistake that the dome over the Congress is the very center of the Federal city. The White House and the Supreme Court are set about us, satellites to the supreme power of the people expressed in this legislative body.

In the House, we are eager for a fresh start that will make us more effective to fulfill our obligation to reflect the will of the people and to reestablish the balance of power.

There is no better person to lead us in that calling than the man I am about to nominate. He was first elected to the House at the ripe old age of 28, and he has served here now for almost 17 years.

We all remember when he led the House Budget Committee: the visionary proposals, the lengthy debates. And who could forget those PowerPoints?

He is now the chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee. But he is more than a chairman to us. He is more than a colleague. He is our friend. He is a leader.

Through it all, he has never forgotten his roots. He lives on the same block he grew up on in Janesville, Wisconsin. There is no place he would rather be than at home with his family.

He will continue to put the people of this country first. And I can say, in all candor, he did not seek this office. The office sought him.

As chair of the House Republican Conference, I am directed by the vote of that Conference to present for election to the Office of Speaker of the House of Representatives for the 114th Congress the Representative from the State of Wisconsin, the man from Janesville, the Honorable PAUL D. RYAN.

The SPEAKER. The Chair now recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. BECERRA).

Mr. BECERRA. Mr. Speaker, I offer my congratulations to my friend, the

gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. RYAN), on his nomination by his colleagues.

At this time, as chairman of the Democratic Caucus of this House, I wish to place in nomination the name of a proven leader for the Office of Speaker of the House of Representatives:

A leader who has accomplished, in this Chamber and for this country, what few can match;

A leader who, as Speaker of this House, secured passage of landmark economic recovery package legislation in 2009 which transformed a diving economy, losing 800,000 jobs each month, to one which has now created more than 13 million jobs over the last 67 consecutive months of job growth;

A leader who, as Speaker, accomplished what 70 years of Congresses could not, enactment of our lifesaving health security law, which has put 18 million more Americans in control of their and their children's health care;

A leader who had the foresight, in 2008, to fight for the biggest investment in our troops since World War II, with the passage of the Post-9/11 GI Bill, and the largest investment in our veterans' health care and benefits in the 77-year history of the VA;

A leader who was not afraid to take on the challenge of fixing our broken immigration system and secured passage of the DREAM Act in 2010.

Mr. Speaker, leadership is about making the tough choices and getting things done. It means knowing how to build a majority, not just with the members of your own political party, but with the 435 elected Members of the House of Representatives so we can get things done. This leader understands that and knows how to get things done, even while serving in the minority in this House.

That is why, less than 24 hours ago, this leader succeeded in breaking through the gridlock in this House and secured the votes needed to avert a senseless government shutdown and a perilous default on the payment of America's bills. Thanks to this leader, 16.5 million seniors will not suffer a \$55-per-month increase in their Medicare premiums and Congress will not cut the Social Security benefits of 11 million disabled Americans by 20 percent.

Mr. Speaker, that is leadership, and that is what Americans expect from those they elect. That is why it is my privilege, as chairman of the House Democratic Caucus and as directed by the colleagues of the Democratic Caucus, to nominate for election to the Office of Speaker of the House of Representatives, from the 12th District of the great State of California, the Honorable NANCY PATRICIA D'ALESSANDRO PELOSI.

The SPEAKER. The names of the Honorable PAUL D. RYAN, a Representative from the State of Wisconsin, and the Honorable NANCY PELOSI, a Representative from the State of California, have been placed in nomination.

Are there further nominations?

There being no further nominations, the Chair appoints the following tellers:

The gentlewoman from Michigan (Mrs. MILLER);

The gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. BRADY);

The gentlewoman from Ohio (Ms. KAPTUR); and

The gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN).

The tellers will come forward and take their seats at the desk in front of the Speaker's rostrum.

The roll will now be called, and those responding to their names will indicate by surname the nominee of their choosing.

The Reading Clerk will now call the roll.

The tellers having taken their places, the House proceeded to vote for the Speaker.

The following is the result of the vote:

[Roll No. 581]  
RYAN (WI)—236

Abraham	Fleming	Love
Aderholt	Flores	Lucas
Allen	Forbes	Luetkemeyer
Amash	Fortenberry	Lummis
Amodei	Fox	MacArthur
Babin	Franks (AZ)	Marchant
Barletta	Frelinghuysen	Marino
Barr	Garrett	McCarthy
Barton	Gibbs	McCaul
Benishek	Gibson	McClintock
Bilirakis	Goodlatte	McHenry
Bishop (MI)	Gowdy	McKinley
Bishop (UT)	Granger	McMorris
Black	Graves (GA)	Rodgers
Blackburn	Graves (LA)	McSally
Blum	Graves (MO)	Meadows
Boehner	Griffith	Meehan
Bost	Grothman	Messer
Boustany	Guinta	Mica
Brady (TX)	Guthrie	Miller (FL)
Bridenstine	Hanna	Miller (MI)
Brooks (AL)	Hardy	Moolenaar
Brooks (IN)	Harper	Mooney (WV)
Buchanan	Harris	Mullin
Buck	Hartzler	Mulvaney
Bucshon	Heck (NV)	Murphy (PA)
Burgess	Hensarling	Neugebauer
Byrne	Herrera Beutler	Newhouse
Calvert	Hice, Jody B.	Noem
Carter (GA)	Hill	Nugent
Carter (TX)	Holding	Nunes
Chabot	Hudson	Olson
Chaffetz	Huelskamp	Palazzo
Coffman	Huizenga (MI)	Palmer
Cole	Hultgren	Paulsen
Collins (GA)	Hunter	Pearce
Collins (NY)	Hurd (TX)	Perry
Comstock	Hurt (VA)	Pittenger
Conaway	Issa	Pitts
Cook	Jenkins (KS)	Poe (TX)
Costello (PA)	Jenkins (WV)	Poliquin
Cramer	Johnson (OH)	Pompeo
Crawford	Johnson, Sam	Price, Tom
Crenshaw	Jolly	Ratcliffe
Culberson	Jordan	Reed
Curbelo (FL)	Joyce	Reichert
Davis, Rodney	Katko	Renacci
Denham	Kelly (MS)	Ribble
Dent	Kelly (PA)	Rice (SC)
DeSantis	King (IA)	Rigell
DesJarlais	King (NY)	Roby
Diaz-Balart	Kinzinger (IL)	Roe (TN)
Dold	Kline	Rogers (AL)
Donovan	Knight	Rogers (KY)
Duffy	Labrador	Rohrabacher
Duncan (SC)	LaHood	Rokita
Duncan (TN)	LaMalfa	Rooney (FL)
Ellmers (NC)	Lamborn	Ros-Lehtinen
Emmer (MN)	Lance	Roskam
Farenthold	Latta	Ross
Fincher	LoBiondo	Rothfus
Fitzpatrick	Long	Rouzer
Fleischmann	Loudermilk	Royce