

The WASPs flew military aircraft in noncombat roles, and they served as instructors for male pilots. When the WASP program was created, it was intended that these women would receive full military status. Sadly, this goal has not been achieved. That is why H.R. 4336 is so important. It overturns a previous Army directive and restores the burial rights in Arlington National Cemetery for WASP veterans.

I ask that all of my colleagues join me in supporting these women's rights of putting them in the place they need to be and in receiving those full military benefits.

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from the Second District of Texas (Mr. POE).

Mr. POE of Texas. I thank the chairman for yielding time.

Mr. Speaker, during the peak of World War II, Sandy Thompson, now a Houston resident, left her teaching job and received her aviation wings on September 11, 1943. She had just volunteered for the Women Airforce Service Pilots, known as the WASPs.

These pilots had towed targets for live anti-aircraft practice. Think about that, Mr. Speaker. They are in the air, and these young teenagers are learning how to shoot anti-aircraft guns and to aim them at the targets behind these female pilots who are pulling these—a dangerous occupation. These pilots helped deliver planes to overseas bases, and they tested new aircraft that was used in the Pacific and used in Europe, and, of course, they trained male pilots who went overseas.

Of the 1,000 women who were WASPs, 38 were killed during their missions, and 16 of these original pilots of World War II now live in my State of Texas.

They were considered civilians until 1977. Then Congress gave them veteran status. In 2002, the WASPs were allowed to be cremated and have their ashes placed in Arlington National Cemetery—right down the street from this building. Now bureaucrats have decided that these veterans are not worthy of a proper military burial, and they have revoked the burial rights at Arlington because of space. This is disgraceful, shameful, and is a sorry excuse to dishonor them.

Find space to permanently honor these women. As a former member of the United States Air Force Reserves, I urge that we show respect to these pilots—give them proper burials, and pass this legislation.

And that is just the way it is.

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Ohio (Ms. FUDGE).

Ms. FUDGE. I thank the gentlewoman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, first, let me thank all of the men and women who have sacrificed and served this Nation.

I can't imagine why any person of sound mind would deny women the

right to the same benefits, to the same recognition that men get who serve this Nation. I would think that not one person would deny them this right. I cannot imagine why those who serve would have to fight for the dignity that each and every single person who serves this country should have.

I support this legislation, and I support the people who support it. Anybody who doesn't should not be in this building.

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from the 27th District of the Lone Star State, Texas (Mr. FARENTHOLD).

Mr. FARENTHOLD. I thank the chairman.

Mr. Speaker, it shouldn't take an act of Congress for these women to be inurned in Arlington National Cemetery. We have heard from numerous people on both sides of the aisle that this is simply the right thing to do. The Army should have just said, "Yes, let's get them buried there." The President should have used his pen and phone and ordered the Army to do it if they wouldn't. Guess what. We are here now, and it is going to take an act of Congress, and it is going to be a very strong act of Congress. I can't imagine not passing this out of this House unanimously, and I suspect we will see similar results in the Senate.

The remains of this woman should not have to rest in her granddaughter's closet. They should be inurned in Arlington now. I urge my colleagues to pass this bill unanimously. I urge the Senate to act quickly. I urge President Obama to sign this into law. It is, simply, the right thing to do. We have just got to do it.

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

In recent hearings, many of the service organizations have indicated that this was one of their top priorities. Women have served in every single war in this country, and they deserve the same benefits and recognition as men.

I urge my colleagues to support this important and timely bill in order to honor those brave women and others whose efforts were essential in the victory of World War II.

I yield back the balance of my time.

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Again, I encourage all my fellow colleagues to support H.R. 4336, as amended.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of H.R. 4336, "Women Airforce Service Pilot Arlington Inurnment Restoration Act of 2016" which directs the Department of the Army to ensure that the cremated remains of persons who served as Women's Air Forces Service Pilots are eligible for interment in Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors.

I support this legislation sponsored by Congresswoman MARTHA MCSALLY of Arizona, because the women who have devoted their lives to the armed services deserve appropriate recognition and praise for their sacrifice.

This important bill provides the remains of a person who dies on or after the date of the enactment of this Act, and whose service has been determined to be active duty, eligibility for inurnment in Arlington National Cemetery.

The Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs and the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the interment and inurnment capacity of Arlington National Cemetery.

With respect to the unique and iconic meaning of the cemetery to the United States, the Secretary of the Army determines necessary considerations for additional expansion opportunities beyond the current boundaries of the cemetery.

The Secretary of the Army must submit the estimated date the cemetery will reach maximum interment and inurnment capacity.

The Secretary of the Army has the ability to redefine eligibility criteria for interment and inurnment in the cemetery.

Implementation of the arrangements necessary to facilitate the burial of the cremated remains should be a priority.

It is our responsibility to ensure that the suitable recognition is provided to Americans who have devoted their time and physical assistance towards our freedom.

This bill actively displays our gratitude towards all who participated in the armed services.

Even after death, we reflect on their contributions with our hearts and minds for those who put themselves in harm's way to protect our nation.

I urge all Members to join me in voting to pass H.R. 4336.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. MILLER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4336, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Ms. MCSALLY. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

Ordering the previous question on House Resolution 653;

Adopting House Resolution 653, if ordered; and

Suspending the rules and passing H.R. 4742, H.R. 4755, and H.R. 4336.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2745, STANDARD MERGER AND ACQUISITION REVIEWS THROUGH EQUAL RULES ACT OF 2015, AND PROVIDING FOR PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PERIOD FROM MARCH 24, 2016, THROUGH APRIL 11, 2016

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on the resolution (H. Res. 653) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2745) to amend the Clayton Act and the Federal Trade Commission Act to provide that the Federal Trade Commission shall exercise authority with respect to mergers only under the Clayton Act and only in the same procedural manner as the Attorney General exercises such authority, and providing for proceedings during the period from March 24, 2016, through April 11, 2016, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 231, nays 154, not voting 48, as follows:

[Roll No. 131]

YEAS—231

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

Poliquin	Schweikert	Walberg
Pompeo	Scott, Austin	Walden
Posey	Sensenbrenner	Walker
Price, Tom	Sessions	Walorski
Ratcliffe	Shimkus	Walters, Mimi
Reed	Shuster	Weber (TX)
Renacci	Simpson	Webster (FL)
Rice (SC)	Smith (MO)	Wenstrup
Rigell	Smith (NE)	Westerman
Roby	Smith (NJ)	Whitfield
Roe (TN)	Smith (TX)	Williams
Rogers (AL)	Stefanik	Wilson (SC)
Rogers (KY)	Stewart	Wittman
Rohrabacher	Stivers	Womack
Rokita	Stutzman	Woodall
Rooney (FL)	Thompson (PA)	Yoder
Ros-Lehtinen	Thornberry	Yoho
Roskam	Tiberi	Young (AK)
Ross	Tipton	Young (IA)
Rothfus	Trott	Young (IN)
Rouzer	Turner	Zeldin
Royce	Upton	Zinke
Russell	Valadao	
Salmon	Wagner	

NAYS—154

Adams	Gabbard	Napolitano
Aguilar	Gallego	Neal
Ashford	Garamendi	Norcross
Beatty	Graham	O'Rourke
Bera	Grayson	Pallone
Bishop (GA)	Green, Gene	Pascarell
Bonamici	Gutiérrez	Peters
Boyle, Brendan F.	Hahn	Peterson
Brady (PA)	Hastings	Pingree
Brown (FL)	Heck (WA)	Pocan
Brownley (CA)	Higgins	Polis
Butterfield	Himes	Quigley
Capps	Hinojosa	Rice (NY)
Capuano	Honda	Richmond
Cárdenas	Hoyer	Roybal-Allard
Carney	Huffman	Ruiz
Carson (IN)	Israel	Ruppersberger
Cartwright	Jeffries	Ryan (OH)
Castro (TX)	Johnson (GA)	Sánchez, Linda T.
Chu, Judy	Kaptur	Sanchez, Loretta
Clark (MA)	Keating	Sarbanes
Clarke (NY)	Kennedy	Schiff
Clay	Kildee	Schrader
Cleaver	Kilmer	Scott (VA)
Clyburn	Kind	Scott, David
Connolly	Kirkpatrick	Serrano
Conyers	Kuster	Sewell (AL)
Cooper	Langvin	Sherman
Costa	Larsen (WA)	Sinema
Courtney	Larson (CT)	Sires
Crowley	Lawrence	Slaughter
Crowley	Levin	Swalwell (CA)
DeLoach	Lewis	Takai
Cummings	Lieu, Ted	Takano
Davis (CA)	Lipinski	Takano
Davis, Danny	Loebuck	Thompson (CA)
DeFazio	Loftgren	Thompson (MS)
DeGette	Lowe	Titus
Delaney	Lujan Grisham	Tonko
DeSaulnier	(NM)	Torres
Deutch	Luján, Ben Ray	Tsongas
Dingell	(NM)	Van Hollen
Doggett	Lynch	Vargas
Doyle, Michael F.	Maloney,	Veasey
Duckworth	Carolyn	Vela
Edwards	Maloney, Sean	Velázquez
Ellison	Matsui	Visclosky
Eshoo	McCollum	Walz
Esty	McDermott	Wasserman
Fattah	McNerney	Schultz
Foster	Meng	Waters, Maxine
Frankel (FL)	Moore	Watson Coleman
Fudge	Murphy (FL)	Yarmuth
	Nadler	

NOT VOTING—48

Bass	Green, Al	Payne
Becerra	Grijalva	Pelosi
Beyer	Herrera Beutler	Perlmutter
Bishop (UT)	Jackson Lee	Price (NC)
Blumenauer	Johnson, E. B.	Rangel
Bustos	Kelly (IL)	Reichert
Castor (FL)	Labrador	Ribble
Chaffetz	Lee	Rush
Cicilline	Love	Sanford
Cohen	Lowenthal	Scalise
DeLauro	McGovern	Schakowsky
DeBene	Meeks	Smith (WA)
Emmer (MN)	Moulton	Speier
Engel	Murphy (PA)	Welch
Farr	Nolan	Westmoreland
Fincher	Nugent	Wilson (FL)

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Mr. CUMMINGS changed his vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So the previous question was ordered. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

MOMENT OF SILENCE IN MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE BRUSSELS TERRORIST ATTACKS

The SPEAKER. The Chair would ask all present to rise for the purpose of a moment of silence.

The Chair asks that the House now observe a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the terrorist attacks in Brussels.

Without objection, 5-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the adoption of House Resolution 653.

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER. This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 233, noes 154, not voting 46, as follows:

[Roll No. 132]

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Amodei	Fitzpatrick	King (NY)
Babin	Fleischmann	Kinzinger (IL)
Barletta	Fleming	Kline
Barr	Flores	Knight
Barton	Forbes	LaHood
Benishek	Fortenberry	LaMalfa
Bilirakis	Fox	Lamborn
Bishop (MI)	Franks (AZ)	Lance
Black	Frelinghuysen	Latta
Blackburn	Garrett	LoBiondo
Blum	Gibbs	Long
Bost	Gibson	Loudermilk
Boustany	Gohmert	Lucas
Brady (TX)	Goodlatte	Luetkemeyer
Brat	Gosar	Lummis
Bridenstine	Gowdy	MacArthur
Brooks (AL)	Granger	Marchant
Brooks (IN)	Graves (GA)	Marino
Buchanan	Graves (LA)	Massie
Buck	Graves (MO)	McCarthy
Bucshon	Griffith	McCaul
Burgess	Grothman	McClintock
Byrne	Guinta	McHenry
Calvert	Guthrie	McKinley
Carter (GA)	Hanna	McMorris
Carter (TX)	Hardy	Rodgers
Chabot	Harper	McSally
Clawson (FL)	Harris	Meadows
Coffman	Hartzler	Meehan
Cole	Heck (NV)	Messer
Collins (GA)	Hensarling	Mica
Collins (NY)	Hice, Jody B.	Miller (FL)
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Conaway	Holding	Moolenaar
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Crenshaw	Hunter	Neugebauer
Culberson	Hurd (TX)	Newhouse
Curbelo (FL)	Hurt (VA)	Noem
Davis, Rodney	Issa	Nunes
Denham	Jenkins (KS)	Olson
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DeSantis	Johnson (OH)	Palmer
DesJarlais	Johnson, Sam	Paulsen
Diaz-Balart	Jolly	Pearce
Dold	Jones	Perry
Donovan	Jordan	Pittenger
Duffy	Joyce	Pitts