

Boyle, Brendan F.	Fox	Lujan Grisham (NM)	Sánchez, Linda T.	Stefanik	Walker
Brady (TX)	Frankel (FL)	Luján, Ben Ray (NM)	Sanford	Stewart	Walorski
Brat	Frelinghuysen	Lummis	Sarbanes	Stivers	Walters, Mimi
Bridenstine	Gabbard	Lynch	Scalise	Swalwell (CA)	Walz
Brooks (AL)	Gallagher	MacArthur	Schakowsky	Takai	Wasserman
Brooks (IN)	Garamendi	Maloney, Carolyn	Schiff	Takano	Schultz
Brown (FL)	Garrett	Marino	Schrader	Thompson (CA)	Walters, Maxine
Brownley (CA)	Gibbs	Massie	Schweikert	Thompson (MS)	Watson Coleman
Buchanan	Gibson	Matsui	Scott (VA)	Thompson (PA)	Weber (TX)
Buck	Gohmert	McCarthy	Scott, Austin	Thornberry	Welch
Bucshon	Goodlatte	McCaul	Sensenbrenner	Tiberi	Wenstrup
Burgess	Gosar	McClintock	Serrano	Tipton	Westerman
Bustos	Gowdy	McCollum	Sessions	Tonko	Westmoreland
Butterfield	Graham	McDermott	Sewell (AL)	Torres	Williams
Byrne	Granger	McGovern	Sherman	Trott	Wilson (FL)
Calvert	Graves (GA)	McHenry	Shimkus	Tsongas	Wilson (SC)
Capps	Graves (LA)	McKinley	Shuster	Turner	Wittman
Capuano	Graves (MO)	McMorris	Simpson	Upton	Womack
Cárdenas	Grayson	Rodgers	Sinema	Valadao	Woodall
Carney	Green, Al	McNerney	Sires	Van Hollen	Yarmuth
Carson (IN)	Green, Gene	McSally	Slaughter	Vargas	Yoder
Carter (GA)	Griffith	Meadows	Smith (MO)	Veasey	Yoho
Carter (TX)	Grothman	Meehan	Smith (NE)	Vela	Young (AK)
Cartwright	Guinta	Meng	Smith (NJ)	Velázquez	Young (IA)
Castor (FL)	Guthrie	Messer	Smith (TX)	Visclosky	Young (IN)
Castro (TX)	Gutiérrez	Mica	Smith (WA)	Walberg	Zeldin
Chabot	Hahn	Miller (FL)		Walden	Zinke
Chaffetz	Hanna	Moolenaar			
Chu, Judy	Hardy	Mooney (WV)			
Ciçilline	Harper	Moore			
Clark (MA)	Hartzel	Moulton			
Clarke (NY)	Hastings	Mullin			
Clawson (FL)	Heck (NV)	Mulvaney			
Clay	Heck (WA)	Murphy (FL)			
Cleaver	Hensarling	Murphy (PA)			
Clyburn	Herrera Beutler	Nadler			
Coffman	Hice, Jody B.	Napolitano			
Cohen	Hill	Neal			
Collins (GA)	Himes	Neugebauer			
Collins (NY)	Holding	Newhouse			
Comstock	Honda	Noem			
Conaway	Hoyer	Nolan			
Connolly	Hudson	Norcross			
Conyers	Huelskamp	Nunes			
Cook	Huffman	O'Rourke			
Cooper	Huizenga (MI)	Olson			
Costa	Hultgren	Palazzo			
Costello (PA)	Hurt (TX)	Pallone			
Courtney	Hurt (VA)	Palmer			
Cramer	Israel	Pascrell			
Crawford	Jeffries	Paulsen			
Crenshaw	Jenkins (KS)	Payne			
Crowley	Jenkins (WV)	Pearce			
Cuellar	Johnson (GA)	Pelosi			
Culberson	Johnson (OH)	Perlmutter			
Cummings	Johnson, E. B.	Perry			
Curbeo (FL)	Johnson, Sam	Peters			
Davis (CA)	Jolly	Peterson			
Davis, Danny	Jones	Pittenger			
Davis, Rodney	Jordan	Pitts			
DeFazio	Joyce	Pocan			
DeGette	Kaptur	Poe (TX)			
Delaney	Katko	Poliquin			
DelBene	Keating	Polis			
Denham	Kelly (IL)	Pompeo			
Dent	Kelly (MS)	Posey			
DeSantis	Kelly (PA)	Price (NC)			
DeSaulnier	Kildee	Price, Tom			
DesJarlais	Kilmer	Quigley			
Diaz-Balart	King (NY)	Rangel			
Dingell	Kinzing (IL)	Ratcliffe			
Doggett	Kirkpatrick	Reed			
Dold	Kline	Reichert			
Donovan	Knight	Renacci			
Doyle, Michael F.	Kuster	Ribble			
Duckworth	LaHood	Rice (SC)			
Duffy	LaMalfa	Richmond			
Duncan (SC)	Lamborn	Rigell			
Duncan (TN)	Lance	Roby			
Edwards	Langevin	Roe (TN)			
Ellison	Larson (CT)	Rogers (AL)			
Ellmers (NC)	Latta	Rogers (KY)			
Emmer (MN)	Lawrence	Rokita			
Engel	Lee	Rooney (FL)			
Eshoo	Levin	Ros-Lehtinen			
Esty	Lewis	Roskam			
Farenthold	Lieu, Ted	Ross			
Farr	LoBiondo	Rothfus			
Fattah	Loeb	Rouzer			
Fitzpatrick	Loeb	Roybal-Allard			
Fleischmann	Lofgren	Royce			
Fleming	Long	Ruiz			
Flores	Long	Ruppersberger			
Forbes	Loudermilk	Ryan (WI)			
Fortenberry	Love	Salmon			
Foster	Lowenthal				
	Lowe				
	Lucas				
	Luetkemeyer				

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

APPOINTMENT AS MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT, PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 576

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to House Resolution 576, the Chair appoints the following Members to the committee to notify the President of the United States that a quorum of the House has assembled and that the House is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make:

the gentleman from California (Mr. MCCARTHY) and
the gentlewoman from California (Ms. PELOSI).

NOT VOTING—37

Bass	Kennedy	Rush
Becerra	Kind	Russell
Brady (PA)	King (IA)	Ryan (OH)
Cole	Labrador	Sanchez, Loretta
DeLauro	Larsen (WA)	Scott, David
Fincher	Lipinski	Speier
Fudge	Maloney, Sean	Stutzman
Grijalva	Marchant	Titus
Harris	Miller (MI)	Wagner
Higgins	Nugent	Webster (FL)
Hinojosa	Pingree	Whitfield
Issa	Rice (NY)	
Jackson Lee	Rohrabacher	

□ 1857

The SPEAKER. On this roll call, 397 Members have recorded their presence. A quorum is present.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the proceedings of January 4, 2016, and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. POE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. POE of Texas led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

PROVIDING FOR A COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 576

Resolved, That a committee of two Members be appointed by the Speaker to notify the President of the United States that a quorum of the House has assembled and that the House is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make.

□ 1900

TO INFORM THE SENATE THAT A QUORUM OF THE HOUSE HAS ASSEMBLED

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 577

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House inform the Senate that a quorum of the House is present and that the House is ready to proceed with business.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PROVIDING FOR THE HOUR OF MEETING OF THE HOUSE

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 578

Resolved, That unless otherwise ordered, the hour of daily meeting of the House shall be 2 p.m. on Mondays; noon on Tuesdays (or 2 p.m. if no legislative business was conducted on the preceding Monday); noon on Wednesdays and Thursdays; and 9 a.m. on all other days of the week.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MAKING IN ORDER MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the order of the House of January 6, 2015, providing for morning-hour debate be extended for the remainder of the 114th Congress, except that House Resolution 578 shall supplant House Resolution 9.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

MOMENT OF SILENCE IN HONOR OF THE LATE SENATOR DALE BUMPERS

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

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, today our Arkansas delegation rises to pay tribute to a dedicated public servant, an exceptional orator, and a distinguished son of Arkansas.

Former Arkansas Governor and four-term United States Senator Dale Leon Bumpers passed away on Friday, January 1, at the age of 90.

Hailing from the small town of Charleston, Arkansas, Senator Bumpers graduated from the University of Arkansas with a degree in political science and followed that with service in the United States Marine Corps during World War II.

After earning his law degree from Northwestern University, Bumpers and his wife, Betty, returned to their hometown of Charleston, where he practiced law. In the wake of the 1954 Supreme Court decision on *Brown v. Board of Education*, Bumpers advised the Charleston School Board to immediately desegregate its school system. Listed as his proudest achievement, the Charleston School District was the first school district in the former Confederacy to desegregate.

Nicknamed by *The New York Times* as the “giant killer,” Senator Bumpers emerged as a dark horse candidate to defeat long-time Governor Orval Faubus in 1970. In his two terms as Governor, he continued and expanded Governor Rockefeller’s era of expansive governmental reform.

In 1974, he defeated five-term U.S. Senator J. William Fulbright in the Democratic primary with 65 percent of the vote to win the Senate seat and serve for 24 years.

When I was a young Senate staffer, it was a pleasure to work with Senator Bumpers and my Second District predecessor, Congressman Ed Bethune, on the completion of the landmark Arkansas Wilderness Act of 1984.

Mr. Speaker, on Sunday, January 10, Dale Bumpers will be laid to rest.

Those of us in the delegation, as we prepare to make our final good-byes, would ask for a moment of silence to honor this Arkansas leader, public servant, and elder statesman.

BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR GUN OWNERSHIP

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

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of President Obama’s announcement today to fight the growing epidemic of gun violence in America and make our families more secure and communities safer.

It is just common sense that background checks should be required be-

fore an individual is allowed to buy a firearm, yet Congress refuses to pass legislation to close loopholes that allow gun sales to proceed before background checks are completed.

Under the so-called Charleston loophole that contributed to the mass murder of nine of my constituents, sales can proceed after 3 days, even when the background check is not complete. That is just wrong. My bill, the Background Check Completion Act, will ensure that background checks are completed before sales take place.

I thank the President for his leadership today, and I call on my colleagues, many of whom seem to default to “no,” no matter how reasonable the proposed legislation may be, when all else fails, employ common sense.

VISITING WITH CONSTITUENTS OF SOUTH CAROLINA’S SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, yesterday I traveled across the Second Congressional District of South Carolina, visiting communities in Columbia, West Columbia, Aiken, North Augusta, Barnwell, Orangeburg, and Lexington to present my 2016 legislative agenda. At each stop, I was grateful to share my priorities with constituents and answer questions from the media.

In this new legislative year, I will advance legislation to create jobs for American families and reduce harmful regulations that destroy jobs. We also must protect the economic future for our children and grandchildren by passing balanced budgets and reining in Washington’s out-of-control spending, which is a crushing debt on future generations.

As chairman of the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, I am also focusing on promoting peace through strength to support our troops and keep our families safe from Islamic extremists in the global war on terrorism. I will also strive to strengthen our Nation’s cyber capabilities and protect our citizens against cyber attacks by enemies.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and may the President, by his actions, never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

IN MEMORY OF STAFF SERGEANT PETER TAUB

(Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Staff Sergeant Peter Taub, one of six victims of a suicide bombing attack in Afghanistan on December 21.

Peter was a remarkable young man. He was raised in Wyncote, Montgomery

County, which I am proud to represent. He served 8 honorable years in the Air Force, assigned to the Office of Special Investigations, and stationed at the Ellsworth Air Force Base in South Dakota.

At just 30 years old, Peter was a devout father, husband, and son, an exemplary soldier and public servant, an American hero.

I offer my sincere condolences to the family and friends Peter left behind and my greatest thanks for his service to our Nation. He gave us all the ultimate sacrifice.

My heart especially goes out to Peter’s family: his 3-year-old daughter, Penelope; his wife, Christina, expecting another child; his mother, Arlene; his father, Joel; and his brother, Jonathan. No parent should be predeceased by a child, and no child should have to grow up without a parent.

These tragic losses are a reminder of the gravity of our foreign policy decisions and military engagement overseas. We must never take these responsibilities lightly. We must never forget the sacrifice that Staff Sergeant Peter Taub and his family have made to protect our freedoms.

May God bless Peter’s family.

THE HAMMOND SENTENCE

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

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, this week a father and son reported to serve again an additional up to 4 years in Federal prison. Their crime? Setting preventative fires on their own property that accidentally spread to Federal lands.

The Hammonds, family farmers from Oregon, had already served time in Federal prison: Dwight 3 months, Steven a year. However, that wasn’t good enough for U.S. Attorney Billy Williams, who used taxpayer dollars to appeal the Hammonds’ original sentence and urged the Ninth Circuit to impose harsher penalties, over the judge’s objection, who had recommended in his vision much less harsh penalties for the crime in question.

Mr. Speaker, the question isn’t whether or not the Hammonds started these fires. They admit they did. The question is whether the U.S. attorney and his administration are prosecuting real criminals or pursuing a political agenda. Mr. Speaker, when a 74-year-old man and a 45-year-old father of three are forced to return to prison when they have already served time and paid hundreds of thousands of dollars in fines for a nonviolent, unintentional crime, the answer couldn’t be more clear whether this is political or not.

RECOGNIZING CLIFF KOROLL

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