

Delaney	Kind	Price (NC)
DeLauro	Krishnamoorthi	Quigley
DelBene	Kuster (NH)	Raskin
Demings	Langevin	Reichert
DeSaulnier	Larsen (WA)	Rice (NY)
Deutch	Larson (CT)	Richmond
Dingell	Lawrence	Rosen
Doggett	Lawson (FL)	Royal-Allard
Doyle, Michael F.	Lee	Ruiz
Duncan (TN)	Levin	Ruppersberger
Ellison	Lewis (GA)	Ryan (OH)
Engel	Lieu, Ted	Sánchez
Eshoo	Lipinski	Sanford
Espalliat	Loebssack	Sarbanes
Esty	Lofgren	Schakowsky
Evans	Lowenthal	Schiff
Faso	Lowey	Schneider
Foster	Lujan Grisham, M.	Schrader
Frankel (FL)	Luján, Ben Ray	Scott (VA)
Fudge	Lynch	Scott, David
Gabbard	Maloney, Carolyn B.	Serrano
Gallego	Maloney, Sean	Sewell (AL)
Garamendi	Matsui	Shea-Porter
Gonzalez (TX)	McClintock	Sherman
Gottheimer	McCullum	Sinema
Graves (LA)	McEachin	Sires
Green, Al	McGovern	Smith (WA)
Green, Gene	McNerney	Soto
Grijalva	Meeks	Speier
Gutiérrez	Meng	Stefanik
Hanabusa	Moore	Suozzi
Hastings	Moulton	Swalwell (CA)
Heck	Murphy (FL)	Takano
Herrera Beutler	Nadler	Thompson (CA)
Higgins (NY)	Napolitano	Thompson (MS)
Himes	Neal	Titus
Hoyer	Nolan	Torres
Huffman	Norcross	Tsangas
Jackson Lee	O'Halleran	Vargas
Jayapal	O'Rourke	Veasey
Jeffries	Pallone	Vela
Johnson (GA)	Panetta	Velázquez
Johnson, E. B.	Pascarella	Visclosky
Jones	Payne	Walz
Kaptur	Pelosi	Wasserman
Keating	Perlmutter	Schultz
Kelly (IL)	Peters	Waterson
Kennedy	Peterson	Watson Coleman
Khanna	Pingree	Maxine
Kihuen	Pocan	Wilson (FL)
Kildee	Polis	Yarmuth
Kilmer	Rush	Yoder
		Zeldin

## NOT VOTING—9

Duffy	Pittenger	Simpson
Hill	Ros-Lehtinen	Slaughter
Marino	Rush	Tonko

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE  
The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HULTGREN) (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining.

□ 1756

So the joint resolution was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated against:

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted “nay” on rollcall No. 202.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, March 27 and Tuesday, March 28, I was absent from votes due to business in my Congressional District. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows:

Rollcall No. 195—“Yea.”  
Rollcall No. 196—“Yea.”  
Rollcall No. 197—“Yea.”  
Rollcall No. 198—“Yea.”  
Rollcall No. 199—“Yea.”  
Rollcall No. 200—“Yea.”  
Rollcall No. 201—“Yea.”  
Rollcall No. 202—“Yea.”

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. DUFFY. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 201 on motion to table the appeal of the ruling of

the chair, I am not recorded. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye.”

On rollcall No. 202 on final passage of S.J. Res. 34, I am not recorded. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye” on final passage of S.J. Res. 34.

## COMMUNICATION FROM THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable NANCY PELOSI, Democratic Leader:

MARCH 27, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives, U.S. Capitol, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to clause (5)(a)(4)(A) of Rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives, I designate the following Members to be available to serve as Members of an Investigative Subcommittee established by the Committee on Ethics during the 115th Congress:

Suzanne Bonamici of Oregon
Brian Higgins of New York
Hakeem S. Jeffries of New York
William R. Keating of Massachusetts
Raja Krishnamoorthi of Illinois
Ed Perlmutter of Colorado
Jamie Raskin of Maryland
Terri A. Sewell of Alabama
Darren Soto of Florida
Dina Titus of Nevada

Best regards,

NANCY PELOSI,  
*Democratic Leader.*

## REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1431, EPA SCIENCE ADVISORY BOARD REFORM ACT OF 2017

Mr. NEWHOUSE, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 115-64) on the resolution (H. Res. 233) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1431) to amend the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act of 1978 to provide for Scientific Advisory Board member qualifications, public participation, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

□ 1800

## TAX REFORM

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

Mr. BIGGS. Mr. Speaker, we know the Tax Code is excessively complicated and takes too much money from Americans, thus we overhauled the United States Tax Code.

Over 30 years ago, President Ronald Reagan signed the last major tax reform package. To put this in perspective, this was before the world wide web went live to the public, more than 10 years ago before “google” was a verb, and visiting a Blockbuster was the best way to rent a movie. America is vastly different than it was then, yet

our Tax Code has largely stayed the same.

As we bring our Tax Code into the 21st century, we must simplify the code. The U.S. Tax Code is over 3 million words long, and Americans spend billions of hours and hundreds of billions of dollars complying with Federal tax requirements each year. Imagine if that time and money were spent on innovation and job creation instead. As we work to shrink taxes and erase the excessive compliance rules, we must also make sure that the taxes we collect are spent according to constitutional constraints.

We must propose a plan that will better serve individuals, families, and businesses across the country. We must introduce legislation that lowers taxes, reduces the corporate tax rate, minimizes government interference in the free market, and eases the overall cost to taxpayers to fully comply with the system.

## HONORING THE LIFE OF AHMED “KATHY” KATHRADA

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

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I was awakened today to the news of a gentleman from South Africa, who was one of the great historic men I have experienced in my life, an antiapartheid activist and a blessed man, Ahmed Kathrada, known as Kathy, passed away.

Kathy was an Indian gentleman who went to Johannesburg with his family as a young man and found that, at age 8, he had to move there because there were no Indian schools in South Africa. He became, at a very early age, an activist for social reform and against apartheid, first for Indian rights and then against apartheid and for South African rights.

He was arrested, along with Nelson Mandela, Walter Sisulu, Mbeki, Goldberg, and other leaders of the ANC, tried in the famous Rivonia trial in 1963, and convicted as they all were. He spent 18 years in prison on Robben Island, with Nelson Mandela and others, and 8 additional years in prison. But when released from prison, he didn’t see bitterness, he saw only peace and a period of commitment to resolving race relations in South Africa.

He befriended the people who had been his guards and who had subjected him to minority rights. He was elected to the African National Congress party as a delegate to parliament and served as one of Nelson Mandela’s aides. He received four honorary degrees in his life, one from the University of Kentucky, one from Michigan State, and one from the University of Missouri. He moved back to Robben Island, lived there, and gave tours of the museum.

On my second trip to South Africa, where I met him on a second occasion, he led our group on our tour. It was remarkable to see the prison guards hand

the key to the prison to the former prisoner.

Kathy was a great human being and a humanitarian individual who served the Indian people, the South African nation, and humanity in a superb fashion. His was a life well-lived. I was fortunate to have met him, and I am sorry for his loss.

#### THE MARCHANT FAMILY

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

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I must confess, as my wife and kids know, I am not the most romantic guy. I have never dreamed I would be a matchmaker. Believers say the Lord works in mysterious ways, and, Mr. Speaker, those words are, oh, so true.

In 2007, I came home and ran for Congress. It was brutal: a 10-person primary, a runoff against a former Member, and a general election against an incumbent. But I had a secret weapon on my campaign: this man, Luke Marchant. Luke is the son of our colleague, KENNY. Luke would show up in a campaign office with ratty flip flops, in wrinkled, baggy shorts, and an unwashed T-shirt. Luke was a beast. But a beauty showed up like out of Disney: Katie McDonald. The matchmaking began. Beauty and the beast fell in love.

I was there on June 12, 2016, when they were married. Last week, Walker Ross Marchant was born to these two amazing young friends.

Katie and Luke, congratulations. In the future, for number two, maybe Peter Graham Marchant should be a name you all should consider.

#### HIGHLIGHTING THE DIY GIRLS INVENTEAM

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

Mr. CÁRDENAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to highlight the work of the DIY Girls InvenTeam, a group of 12 incredible young women from the San Fernando Valley. These young scientists invented a tent with solar panels to aid refugees and the homeless. Earlier this month, I had the opportunity to meet these 12 young women at their high school, my alma mater, San Fernando High.

As an engineer myself, I recognize how impressive their work is. Not only did these women create something amazing, but it was rooted in a desire to help other people. The DIY Girls InvenTeam has received one of just fifteen \$10,000 grants awarded by MIT. It is also noteworthy that these young scientists were able to come together through the help of DIY Girls, a grassroots program that empowers young women to become scientists.

As their Representative, I am proud to highlight their work. I know we will

continue to see great accomplishments from these bright, young women as they master science, technology, engineering, art, and math.

#### DON'T CROSS THE NAPOLEON OF SIBERIA

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

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, for the last 8 years, the world turned its cheek while Vladimir Putin—the Napoleon of Siberia—stomped on human rights and broke international law.

I was there right after the Russians invaded Georgia and took one-third of the country. Then Putin went on to annex Crimea and invade Ukraine. Just this month, Denis Voronenkov, a Russian lawmaker who opposed Putin and defected to Ukraine, was gunned down in broad daylight. His assassination is the latest incident in an ongoing pattern of Putin critics who have been killed mysteriously. In the last 15 years, at least 11 other well-known critics of Putin have been killed mysteriously.

The message is clear: cross Putin, and you will face the lethal wrath of the Russian bear. Putin thinks he can continue killing those who oppose him and no one is watching. But I am here to tell him today that America is watching, and America will never stop defending the defenseless and protecting the human rights of people who speak against tyranny—even Russians who speak against tyranny.

And that is just the way it is.

#### THE CLEAN POWER PLAN

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

Mr. PANETTA. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in opposition of the executive order that was signed that attempts to destroy the Clean Power Plan.

Once again, we are seeing politics driving policy. We are seeing the fulfillment of a past campaign promise rather than a focus on our future. The administration claims that the Clean Power Plan limits jobs. The reality is that the jobs were not lost due to tougher carbon emission standards. Instead, jobs were found due to our innovation, more competition based on cheaper natural gas, more mechanization due to advances in technology, and more tax credits for renewable energy.

The reality is that more jobs and property will be lost without reducing our CO<sub>2</sub> output. More CO<sub>2</sub> will lead to more acidification which will lead to less fish and less fishermen. More CO<sub>2</sub> will lead to shrinking icecaps and expanding sea levels causing damage to property not only along the central coast of California, my district, but along all coastlines around the world. Homes, businesses, and even our Navy

bases will be affected, threatening not just our personal but our national security.

The administration needs to stop taking steps backwards when it comes to our CO<sub>2</sub> output. But like many businesses, it needs to start pivoting and taking steps forward to protect our jobs, our coastlines, and our future.

#### STEMMING THE TIDE OF JOB LOSSES

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, recently while announcing his manufacturing jobs initiative, President Trump said: ‘Everything is going to be based on bringing our jobs back. The good jobs, the real jobs. They have to come back.’

Well, this month, more than 700 idled U.S. Steel workers in Lorain, Ohio, were notified they will permanently lose their jobs come this June. Lorain has lost over 1,000 steel jobs since 2015. It is ground zero on the trade and jobs front. This stalwart town and its dear people have been battered by continuing job washout in steel due to unfair trade practices and closed markets abroad, particularly with China and Russia.

Through no fault of their own, workers in too many of America’s steel towns are hurting because of foreign product dumped on U.S. soil undercutting our very way of life.

Last week, I invited Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross to visit Lorain to witness firsthand the urgency of stabilizing our manufacturing sector and fulfilling President Trump’s job promises of only a few months ago.

If our Nation is going to stem the tide of job losses caused by one-sided trade deals on an uneven global playing field, there is no better place to start than Lorain, Ohio. Please, President Trump and Commerce Secretary Ross, come to Lorain, Ohio.

#### ALZHEIMER'S IN AMERICA

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SMUCKER). Under the Speaker’s announced policy of January 3, 2017, the gentleman from California (Mr. GARAMENDI) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, we are going to talk about our health, not about last week’s legislation and the effort to change the Affordable Care Act but rather about another part of the health of the American public.

The most remarkable proposal came from the President recently in his budget proposals.

□ 1815

I know that when I saw what he was proposing, I am thinking: You have got to be kidding. He is proposing a \$5.6 billion reduction in the National Institutes of Health’s research programs.