

Newhouse	Ros-Lehtinen	Thompson (PA)
Noem	Roskam	Thornberry
Nunes	Ross	Tiberi
O'Halleran	Rothfus	Tipton
Olson	Rouzer	Trott
Palazzo	Royce (CA)	Turner
Palmer	Russell	Upton
Paulsen	Rutherford	Valadao
Pearce	Sanford	Wagner
Perry	Scalise	Walberg
Pittenger	Schweikert	Walden
Poe (TX)	Scott, Austin	Walorski
Poliquin	Sensenbrenner	Walters, Mimi
Posey	Sessions	Walz
Ratcliffe	Shimkus	Weber (TX)
Reed	Shuster	Webster (FL)
Reichert	Simpson	Wenstrup
Renacci	Sinema	Westerman
Rice (SC)	Smith (MO)	Williams
Roby	Smith (NE)	Wilson (SC)
Roe (TN)	Smith (NJ)	Wittman
Rogers (AL)	Smith (TX)	Womack
Rogers (KY)	Smucker	Woodall
Rohrabacher	Stefanik	Yoder
Rokita	Stewart	Yoho
Rooney, Francis	Stivers	Young (AK)
Rooney, Thomas J.	Taylor	Young (IA)
	Tenney	Zeldin

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Adams	Fudge	Nadler
Aguilar	Gabbard	Napolitano
Barragan	Galleo	Neal
Bass	Garamendi	Nolan
Beatty	Gonzalez (TX)	Norcross
Bera	Gottheimer	O'Rourke
Beyer	Green, Al	Pallone
Blumenauer	Green, Gene	Panetta
Blunt Rochester	Grijalva	Pascrell
Bonamici	Gutiérrez	Payne
Boyle, Brendan F.	Hanabusa	Pelosi
Brady (PA)	Heck	Perlmutter
Brown (MD)	Higgins (NY)	Peters
Brownley (CA)	Himes	Pocan
Bustos	Hoyer	Polis
Butterfield	Huffman	Price (NC)
Capuano	Jackson Lee	Quigley
Carbajal	Jayapal	Raskin
Cárdenas	Jeffries	Rice (NY)
Carson (IN)	Johnson (GA)	Richmond
Cartwright	Johnson, E. B.	Rosen
Castor (FL)	Kaptur	Roybal-Allard
Castro (TX)	Keating	Ruiz
Chu, Judy	Kelly (IL)	Ruppersberger
Ciilline	Kennedy	Ryan (OH)
Clarke (NY)	Khanna	Sánchez
Clay	Kihuen	Sarbanes
Cleaver	Kildee	Schakowsky
Clyburn	Kilmer	Schiff
Cohen	King (NY)	Schneider
Connolly	Krishnamoorthi	Schrader
Conyers	Kuster (NH)	Scott (VA)
Cooper	Langevin	Scott, David
Correa	Larsen (WA)	Serrano
Costa	Larson (CT)	Sewell (AL)
Courtney	Lawrence	Shea-Porter
Crist	Lawson (FL)	Sherman
Crowley	Lee	Sires
Cummings	Levin	Slaughter
Davis (CA)	Lewis (GA)	Smith (WA)
Davis, Danny	Lieu, Ted	Soto
DeFazio	Lipinski	Speier
DeGette	Loeb sack	Suozzi
Delaney	Lofgren	Swalwell (CA)
DeLauro	Lowenthal	Takano
DelBene	Lowe y	Thompson (CA)
Demings	Lujan Grisham,	Thompson (MS)
DeSaulnier	M.	Titus
Deutch	Luján, Ben Ray	Tonko
Dingell	Maloney,	Tsongas
Doggett	Carolyn B.	Vargas
Donovan	Maloney, Sean	Veasey
Doyle, Michael F.	Matsui	Vela
Ellison	McCollum	Visclosky
Engel	McEachin	Wasserman
Eshoo	McGovern	Schultz
Espallat	McNerney	Waters, Maxine
Esty	Meeke s	Watson Coleman
Evans	Meng	Welch
Foster	Moore	Wilson (FL)
	Moulton	Yarmuth
	Murphy (FL)	

NOT VOTING—17

Brooks (AL)	Hastings	Mulvaney
Clark (MA)	Jones	Peterson
Davidson	LaMalfa	Pingree
Frankel (FL)	Lynch	

Price, Tom (GA)	Torres	Walker
Rush	Velázquez	Zinke

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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.

ELECTING MEMBERS TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF CONGRESS ON THE LIBRARY AND THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING

Mr. HARPER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on House Administration be discharged from further consideration of House Resolution 82, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

There was no objection.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 82

Resolved,

SECTION 1. ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO JOINT COMMITTEE OF CONGRESS ON THE LIBRARY AND JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

(a) JOINT COMMITTEE OF CONGRESS ON THE LIBRARY.—The following Members are hereby elected to the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library, to serve with the chair of the Committee on House Administration and the chair of the Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch of the Committee on Appropriations:

- (1) Mr. Loudermilk.
- (2) Mr. Brady of Pennsylvania.
- (3) Ms. Zoe Lofgren of California.

(b) JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.—The following Members are hereby elected to the Joint Committee on Printing, to serve with the chair of the Committee on House Administration:

- (1) Mr. Rodney Davis of Illinois.
- (2) Mr. Walker.
- (3) Mr. Brady of Pennsylvania.
- (4) Mr. Raskin.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GROUNDHOG DAY

(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, today is a big day in the Fifth Congressional District of Pennsylvania, specifically, in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, as our most famous resident had his day in the sun, literally.

Early this morning, Punxsutawney Phil, our weather-expert groundhog saw his shadow. For those of you who know the old German legend, this means that we are in for six more weeks of winter.

Punxsy Phil has been forecasting the weather since the 1800s. He drinks a

magical punch annually on February 2, which is an elixir of life that extends his life by 7 years.

Crowds gathered on Gobbler's Knob before sunrise today for the 131st celebration. While there are many wannabes, accept no substitution for the original prognosticator.

The crowd chanted Phil's name repeatedly to awaken him, and then Phil, known in his hometown as the Seer of Seers, came to deliver the news. Records going back to 1887 show that Phil has forecasted a longer winter 103 times and an early spring just 18 times.

Today in Punxsutawney it was a balmy 30 degrees, so don't pack up your winter gear just yet. Phil says we have six more weeks.

Happy Groundhog Day.

IMPACTS OF THE IMMIGRANT BAN

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

Mr. CARBAJAL. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to tell the story of how last week's reckless and poorly implemented executive order indiscriminately banning immigrants from seven countries directly impacted two University of California, Santa Barbara graduate students in my district.

My office was contacted by Hassan Arbabi, a Ph.D. student in mechanical engineering at UCSB. Hassan reached out to me on behalf of his girlfriend, Maryam Rasekh, who has also been accepted into UCSB's Ph.D. program for electrical engineering.

Maryam, an Iranian citizen, left the United States to undergo the vetting process for her F-1 student visa in order to attend graduate school in Santa Barbara. For months, Maryam interviewed and underwent an exhaustive administrative immigration process.

Maryam's F-1 student visa was approved on Friday, January 26, the same day the President signed his executive order banning all immigrants from Iran. The order prevented Maryam from returning to the United States to begin her studies.

We have in place the strictest vetting process in the world. Banning immigrants like Maryam from pursuing higher education degrees does not make us safer. It prevents people like Maryam from making important scientific advances and contributing to our Nation.

REMEMBERING THOMAS J. MAHONEY, JR.

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

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember Mr. Thomas J. Mahoney, Jr. of Savannah, Georgia, a highly-respected local attorney and community leader. He passed away on January 20 at 80 years of age.

Mr. Mahoney graduated from Savannah's Benedictine Military School in 1954 and earned his law degree from the University of South Carolina.

In his first career after college, he worked as an FBI Special Agent in Chicago, Baltimore, and Washington. During this time, Mr. Mahoney met the love of his life, Judy, with whom he had four children.

After 2 years in the FBI, Mr. Mahoney returned to Savannah and joined the law firm Mahoney & Cole, P.C. Through his hard work and determination, he worked up the ranks to become its president and CEO.

He used his legal knowledge to make coastal Georgia a better place to live, serving as the Chatham County attorney, city attorney for Tybee Island, judge for Tybee Island, and assistant city attorney for Savannah. He also served as the special assistant attorney general for the Georgia Ports Authority since 1987, helping it to grow to its current, impressive size.

Thank you, Mr. Mahoney, for everything you have done for the Savannah community. You will be missed.

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VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING

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

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, we all know that human trafficking is a major problem right here in the United States. It is happening in every one of our communities.

This week, as millions of Americans gather to watch the Super Bowl, I would like to shine a light on another troubling fact, and that is that there is an increase in the human trafficking and sex trafficking in the days surrounding the Super Bowl.

Last year, in a few weeks leading up to the Super Bowl event, the Santa Clara Sheriff's Office identified 42 potential victims of sex trafficking during a series of stings and cited 30 additional men for soliciting prostitution.

The good news is, Mr. Speaker, we are drawing attention to this fact and working hard to end this heinous practice. Next year, my home State of Minnesota will be hosting the Super Bowl, and our host committee is already working hard in collaboration with Federal and local law enforcement, with government agencies, with advocacy groups and victims' service organizations to develop a comprehensive and coordinated plan to address the issue. That is because, Mr. Speaker, over the next year, we will continue to end the practice of human trafficking, working tirelessly, and this is a wonderful opportunity to showcase how we can have freedom from the ugliness of trafficking.

THIDWICK BOOKS

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, Thidwick Books is a small, 865-square-foot bookshop that has been in the same building since 1999, but now it is being forced to either close its doors forever or move away.

Serial plaintiff Craig Yates has sued multiple other merchants, including Thidwick Books. He generally makes vague claims about the designs of retail stores and claims that they violate the Americans with Disabilities Act.

These small businesses do not have the resources to contest unfounded lawsuits or, in many cases, even know what the alleged violations are. The businesses are told to either pay a settlement or get sued with further litigation. Oftentimes, small businesses choose to pay the extortion rather than to defend the expensive, unfounded drive-by lawsuit.

The bipartisan bill, the ADA Education and Reform Act of 2017, improves access to public accommodations for the disability community while preventing well-meaning businessowners from falling victim to drive-by lawsuits.

Mr. Speaker, the ADA was designed to improve access for the disabled, not to enrich unscrupulous lawyers and the plaintiffs.

And that is just the way it is.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PROTECTS SENIORS' SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS

(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, I am thankful we have in the process here as elected officials the ability to hold accountable Federal agencies and new rules that will be made at midnight. I am speaking of legislation passed today to allow, in many cases, seniors who might see their Second Amendment rights limited or taken away by a last-minute rule that would require them to be turned in to the national background check system in this country, thereby, because they might be on SSI or disability, losing their ability perhaps to own a firearm under their Second Amendment rights.

The House of Representatives took steps today to ensure their ability to not be singled out because they might be in a particular system and assumed to be a risk—unlike anybody else. So we can do good work sometimes, and we do when we strike out for protecting people's rights.

SUPPORTING JUDGE NEIL GORSUCH'S NOMINATION TO U.S. SUPREME COURT

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

Mr. GARRETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my support of the

President's selection of Neil Gorsuch as nominee to the United States Supreme Court. Mr. Speaker, it is my sincerest hope that the Members of this body and our body down at the other end of the building will recognize just what a wonderful selection Mr. Trump has made.

In fact, candidly, Mr. Speaker, were it my selection, I probably would not pick someone who had clerked for liberal jurist Byron "Whizzer" White or the split vote on the Court, Anthony Kennedy. In fact, I wonder if the habits of the individuals in the Senate—who might have the opportunity to confirm—to resist every single thing that comes across their desks these days might not, in fact, lead to a more conservative nominee should Judge Gorsuch not be nominated.

I would again commend Mr. Trump for this middle-of-the-road selection. I think he will maintain the balance on the Court that Mr. Kennedy has here today.

I hope my colleagues on the other side of the aisle are wise enough to understand just what a benevolent and middle-of-the-road selection Mr. Gorsuch is.

LET US SHOW MERCY

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow is going to be a devastating day for so many. For decades, America has been engaged in resettling refugees. I remember the Vietnamese, the Iraqis, and the people from Afghanistan. More importantly, I remember the excitement I had in visiting the Statue of Liberty and being reminded of what a great country this is.

Tomorrow, with the 120-day suspension, we will literally devastate refugee families, some of whom waited 10, 12, 15 years, who have sold all their goods and who are good people who want to come to this country, and, as well, their documents will expire.

I am asking the administration to have mercy and to be as the Chaplain ordered us to do: to find our grounding in being able to be servants.

I would ask that we not devastate these families causing them to completely be derailed from moving toward being refugees in this country. No terrorist has been found in refugees.

I believe it is crucial that we show mercy in the spirit of prayer, as in the prayer breakfast this morning. Let us show mercy.

SUPPORT FOR BLM METHANE RULE

(Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, late last