

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF JOHN ANDRIST

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

Mr. CRAMER. Mr. Speaker, John Andrist, a North Dakota State senator from Crosby for 22 years, died last week on Wednesday. He was a patriotic American who loved his Lord, loved his country, loved his State, and loved his community. John was a strong conservative who exercised his convictions with grace and facilitated dignified deliberations.

While John made a mark as a public servant at many levels, it was his work as a newspaperman that leaves the most impressive legacy. His columns were sometimes provocative, always profound, but never mean.

John was the president of the North Dakota Newspaper Association in 1970 and, in 1989, became the only North Dakotan ever elected president of the National Newspaper Association. John was inducted into the North Dakota Newspaper Hall of Fame in 2000 and received the national association's award for distinguished service. Distinguished service is the perfect description for John.

While he is being laid to rest this weekend because his servant's heart has stopped beating, his legacy lives on in his words and his witness to decency. May we all strive to his very high standard of statesmanship.

God rest your soul, John. I love you.

LET'S END THE TRUMP SHUTDOWN

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

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, well, it is day two of the Trump shutdown, the first government shutdown in history when one party has control of the House, the Senate, and the White House. But I believe that the issues at the heart of this debate actually have support from a majority of Americans and a majority in Congress. So I ask my Republican colleagues:

Who are the 218 Republicans who would vote against funding community health centers as well as the Children Health Insurance Program?

Who are the 218 Republicans who oppose addressing veterans' programs, workers' pensions, and the opioid epidemic?

And, yes, who are the 218 Republicans who would vote against the young DACA recipients and the Dream Act?

We don't lack votes. We lack willingness from President Trump and Republican leadership to negotiate.

I am here. We are here ready to work. The Democrats want to come together with the Republicans on a bipartisan deal to end the Trump shutdown.

Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to bring up H.R. 4872, the End the Shutdown Act of 2018, a continuing res-

olution that would immediately reopen the government through Tuesday while negotiations continue on a budget agreement that adheres to parity and on other critical issues.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. As the Chair has previously advised, that request cannot be entertained absent appropriate clearance.

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE CAN COUNT

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

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the American people can count. Forty-four Senate Democrats voted to shut down the government. Ten times as many Democrats as Republicans supported denying funds to our military, to children's healthcare, and to everyday Americans.

The Senate Democrats must be held accountable. Their actions halted government services. They can't blame anyone else.

The numbers don't lie, and the American people can count. Forty-four Senate Democrats voted to shut down the government. Let's hope they change their minds and vote to get back to work. We have much to do to make America great.

DEMOCRATS CAN'T GET A VOTE ON ENDING THE TRUMP SHUTDOWN

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

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Mr. Speaker, I served on Active Duty. I want a functioning government. But yet we are in day two of the Trump shutdown.

How did we get here?

Well, Republicans control the House, they control the Senate, they control the White House, and they could not come up with a bill that would pass both Houses, signed by the President. In fact, the harmful House CR was rejected by the U.S. Senate on a bipartisan basis. It couldn't even get to 51 votes.

But Democrats have a variety of ideas to reopen government, and we can't even get a vote on it because we don't control the floor, we don't control the agenda, and we do not control this government.

And watch this: my request to reopen the government won't even get a vote. Watch this request get shut down.

Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to bring up H.R. 4872, the End the Shutdown Act of 2018, a continuing resolution that would immediately reopen the government through Tuesday while negotiations continue on a long-term budget agreement that adheres to parity and on other critical issues.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. As the Chair has previously advised, that re-

quest cannot be entertained absent appropriate clearance.

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND RELEASE OF FISA DOCUMENTS

(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, we are starting hour 39 of the Schumer shutdown weekend.

I would like everybody to understand that this is a 4-week spending bill—4 weeks. It has nothing to do with the March 5 deadline for DACA, has nothing to do with DACA at all. Indeed, it is just to keep the government running. So, if we get 9 or 10 Senators on the Democratic side to realize it has nothing to do with DACA, maybe we can go on and do the people's business.

That said, many of my constituents are calling up, asking about the FISA documents, the FISA memo. I do want to see them put out in front of the public, and the supporting documents that go with them, after having had a chance to look at those confidential documents earlier downstairs.

But I also want us to be confident in the process that Chairman BOB GOODLATTE, Chairman TREY GOWDY, and Intelligence Committee Chairman DEVIN NUNES have in place to do this methodically and carefully, because we want to be sure these documents are brought forward and used in a way that is most advantageous to get to the truth. So part of that will entail that we need a special counsel to investigate and not have the DOJ and FBI investigate themselves.

PASS A BUDGET

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

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, the previous speaker said this is a 4-week budget for the government, and another speaker said they have done their job.

The most basic function of the majority party who controls the House, the Senate, and the White House is to write a permanent, 1-year budget for the Government of the United States. This is the fourth temporary continuing resolution. You are 113 days late.

Now, what is wrong with that?

Well, the Secretary of Defense says operating under a continuing resolution is about as unwise as could be. And you say you are here for the troops? Four weeks, now 18 days, maybe?

It has cost the Pentagon billions. It has cost us \$1.4 billion of lost transportation projects. That is 21,000 jobs. That is hundreds of projects across the country.

Social Security needs new computers. They can't sign a contract to get them.

Instead of accepting responsibility for your failures to pass a single appropriation bill, you are now demonizing the DREAMers.

Pass a budget. Give us our appropriations—not 18 days, not 30 days—for the rest of the fiscal year.

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IT IS SIMPLE UNTIL YOU MAKE IT COMPLICATED

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

Mr. ROTHFUS. Mr. Speaker, it is simple until you make it complicated. There is a poster in my office that says just that, and it kind of describes where we are at today.

We are having a lot of debate in this House about the current government funding situation, our military, and the Children's Health Insurance Program, which, by the way, House Republicans actually voted to extend more than 2 months ago and did again this past week.

Here is the simple part: the Children's Health Insurance Program can be reauthorized, the government can be reopened, and paychecks sent to our troops without delay if Senators CHUCK SCHUMER and BOB CASEY and other Senate Democrats change their votes to make that happen.

The short-term funding bill and Children's Health Insurance Program reauthorization is about as bipartisan and noncontroversial as you can get around here, yet Senator SCHUMER decided to make a crisis out of it.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to be able to ask Senator SCHUMER and Senator CASEY: Would you vote to reopen the government today? Would it make a difference, if I said "please?"

HERE ARE THE FACTS

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

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. Speaker, here are the facts: the first shutdown in modern history when one party has controlled the House, the Senate, and the White House; the fifth Republican shutdown in 30 years; and four continuing resolutions since September.

Four Republicans joined Democrats in voting "no" on the House bill last week because it is not a solution.

Mr. Speaker, this Trump shutdown is no way to govern. Republicans had plenty of time to pass CHIP reauthorization, but instead, they want to use it for hostage taking. They have the will to act on the GOP tax scam to benefit corporations and the wealthiest, but not on pensions for working families.

And they certainly had no interest in a solution for DREAMers, an issue that 87 percent of the American people

agree on, and Republicans right here would vote with Democrats to pass a solution to.

There are two bipartisan bills in the House to protect DREAMers and one in the Senate, but this isn't about real solutions. Republicans just want to continue to use immigrants as a scapegoat and end legal immigration as we know it.

Mr. Speaker, as an immigrant myself, I am tired of being called the worst of the worst. I am tired of hearing Mexicans be called rapists or Africans called vulgarities that I cannot even repeat on this floor.

Mr. Speaker, let's end the shutdown now with real solutions for the American people.

Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to bring up H.R. 4872, the End the Shutdown Act of 2018, a continuing resolution that would immediately reopen the government through Tuesday while negotiations continue on a budget agreement that adheres to parity and on other critical issues.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. As the Chair previously advised, that request cannot be entertained absent appropriate clearance.

ELECTING A MEMBER TO A CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. CROWLEY. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Democratic Caucus, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 709

Resolved, That the following named Member be and is hereby elected to the following standing committee of the House of Representatives:

(1) COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE.—Ms. Plaskett.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Maryland will state his parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, am I parliamentarily correct that a continuing resolution is not necessary if, in fact, an appropriations bill has been passed to fund the government?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman has not stated a proper parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, am I correct?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman has not stated a proper parliamentary inquiry.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair

declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 34 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MEADOWS) at 9 o'clock and 47 minutes p.m.

HOOR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. GOWDY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon tomorrow.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from South Carolina?

There was no objection.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GOWDY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 48 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Monday, January 22, 2018, at noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

3801. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Specialty Crops Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting The Department's final rule — Hazelnuts Grown in Oregon and Washington; Increased Assessment Rate [Doc. No.: AMS-SC-17-0036; SC17-982-1 FR] received January 17, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3802. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Specialty Crops Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Pecans Grown in the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Carolina, and Texas; Establishment of Reporting Requirements and New Information Collection [Doc. No.: AMS-SC-17-0032; SC17-986-2 FR] received January 17, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3803. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-116, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3804. A letter from the Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Iraq Stabilization and Insurgency Sanctions Regulations received January 4, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-