

Meng	Roby	Stewart
Messer	Roe (TN)	Stivers
Mitchell	Rogers (AL)	Suoizzi
Moolenaar	Rogers (KY)	Swalwell (CA)
Mooney (WV)	Rohrabacher	Takano
Moore	Rokita	Taylor
Moulton	Rooney, Francis	Tenney
Mullin	Rosen	Thompson (CA)
Murphy (FL)	Roskam	Thompson (MS)
Nadler	Ross	Thompson (PA)
Napolitano	Rothfus	Tipton
Neal	Rouzer	Tonko
Newhouse	Roybal-Allard	Torres
Noem	Royce (CA)	Trott
Nolan	Ruiz	Tsongas
Norcross	Ruppersberger	Turner
Norman	Rush	Upton
Nunes	Russell	Valadao
O'Halleran	Rutherford	Vargas
O'Rourke	Ryan (OH)	Veasey
Olson	Sánchez	Velázquez
Pallone	Sarbanes	Visclosky
Palmer	Scalise	Wagner
Panetta	Schakowsky	Walberg
Pascrell	Schiff	Walden
Paulsen	Schneider	Walker
Payne	Schrader	Walorski
Pearce	Schweikert	Walters, Mimi
Pelosi	Scott (VA)	Wasserman
Perlmutter	Scott, Austin	Schultz
Perry	Scott, David	Waters, Maxine
Peters	Serrano	Watson Coleman
Peterson	Sessions	Weber (TX)
Pingree	Sewell (AL)	Webster (FL)
Pittenger	Shea-Porter	Welch
Pocan	Sherman	Wenstrup
Poliquin	Shimkus	Westerman
Polis	Shuster	Williams
Posey	Simpson	Wilson (FL)
Price (NC)	Sinema	Wilson (SC)
Quigley	Sires	Wittman
Raskin	Smith (MO)	Womack
Ratcliffe	Smith (NE)	Woodall
Reed	Smith (NJ)	Yarmuth
Reichert	Smith (TX)	Yoder
Renacci	Smith (WA)	Yoho
Rice (NY)	Smucker	Young (AK)
Rice (SC)	Soto	Young (IA)
Richmond	Stefanik	Zeldin

## NAYS—4

Amash	Massie	Sanford
	Biggs	

## NOT VOTING—19

Babin	Eshoo	Ros-Lehtinen
Blackburn	Jenkins (WV)	Sensenbrenner
Boyle, Brendan	Maloney, Sean	Speier
F.	Palazzo	Thornberry
Capuano	Poe (TX)	Titus
DeSantis	Rooney, Thomas	Vela
Ellison	J.	Walz

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So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana). The unfinished business is the question on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal, which the Chair will put de novo.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

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

## ELECTING A MEMBER TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Republican Conference, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

## H. RES. 1050

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

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY: Mr. Balderson.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS: Mr. Balderson.

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS (during the reading). Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be considered as read and printed in the RECORD.

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

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 6691, COMMUNITY SAFETY AND SECURITY ACT OF 2018, AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 115-920) on the resolution (H. Res. 1051) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6691) to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the definition of "crime of violence", and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

## REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 4457

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my name be removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 4457.

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

There was no objection.

## THANKING THE USO FOR ITS COMMITMENT TO MILITARY SPOUSES

(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, the USO was on Capitol Hill earlier today for a service project where volunteers assembled care packages for spouses of servicemembers who are currently deployed.

In May, the USO kicked off the Salute to Military Spouses, a 6-month spotlight on the contributions and challenges of our military spouses. This campaign aims to raise public awareness of these unsung heroes.

The USO strengthens America's military servicemembers by keeping them

connected to family, home, and country through their service to the Nation. For more than 75 years, the USO has been by the side of America's military servicemembers and their families, too.

There are USO centers at or near military installations across the United States and throughout the world, including in combat zones and even un-staffed USO service sites in places too dangerous for anyone but combat troops to occupy.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the USO for its dedication to our servicemembers and their families. I salute our Nation's military spouses; and I thank them for their dedication to their family and also this country.

## FEMA BUNGLING IN PUERTO RICO

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

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, recently FEMA released a report into its own response after Hurricane Maria swept Puerto Rico last year.

To sum up the report, FEMA screwed up.

FEMA underestimated how much food people would need.

FEMA miscalculated how much fresh water people would need.

FEMA didn't foresee how difficult it would be to get supplies to the island.

And when Hurricane Maria struck, FEMA's warehouse in Puerto Rico was basically empty.

I was most shocked by FEMA's admission that its plans for a crisis in Puerto Rico were based on a focused disaster like a tsunami, not a major hurricane devastating the whole island.

Just last week, the island's death toll was adjusted to reflect the reality that thousands of people died because of Hurricane Maria. Mr. Speaker, these were American citizens.

The Federal Government must do better. Lives are at stake.

## REMEMBERING THE LIVES OF JOSEPH AND JOSEPHINE MENGONI

(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 the lives of two outstanding Georgians, Joseph and Josephine Mengoni, who passed away last month only a day apart and after 63 years of marriage.

Mr. Mengoni dedicated his life to practicing pharmacy, advancing the profession in Georgia for both pharmacists and their patients. He practiced retail pharmacy for nearly a decade before serving as vice president of the Georgia Pharmacy Association, becoming a certified diabetes instructor, and being the chairman of the board for DataRX Management. His work is exemplified by his creation of a program that helped pharmacists help their patients to quit smoking.

Mrs. Mengoni devoted her life to her husband and raising their three children. She was deeply involved with the 4-H Club and even started the 4-H Club location in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she lived for a number of years.

Mr. and Mrs. Mengoni, their children, and other family members will be in my thoughts and prayers.

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#### PUSH BACK ON CLEARANCES BEING REVOKED

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

Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, last month, President Trump stripped former CIA Director John Brennan of his security clearance. That was not done because Director Brennan posed a threat to national security. No, it was done to silence a political opponent.

Mr. Speaker, all Americans agree that the President should not be able to order the IRS to initiate an audit against a rival, and we should all be able to agree that he may not use his authority to revoke a security clearance. Yet the President has announced that he intends to invalidate the clearances of other current and former officials who disagree with his policies.

That is why I introduced H.R. 6680 with my colleagues, Mr. LIEU and Ranking Member SCHIFF of the Intelligence Committee, that will prevent the administration from revoking security clearances for political reasons. My bill would give agency officials the basis to push back on White House demands that more clearances be revoked outside of judicial processes and protocols.

Mr. Speaker, granting, denying, or revoking security clearances for political retribution or the stifling of political dissent is un-American, and it should never be tolerated or allowed. I urge my colleagues to support this important legislation.

#### HONORING THE FIREFIGHTERS OF CALIFORNIA

(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, as we return this week to Washington after our district work period this last month, I rise today to recognize and honor the many firefighters around California, particularly in my own district, who have been fighting so hard to extinguish these devastating wildfires of hundreds of thousands of acres.

The Carr fire quickly became one of the most devastating fires in northern California history, and, unfortunately, claimed the lives of three firefighters in the process. I am very grateful for their sacrifice and their unwavering efforts in the face of what had to seem

nearly impossible odds. After all, when California's poor forest management practices turn our public lands into tinderboxes, containing a wildfire becomes extremely difficult.

I spent a lot of time in Redding last month, and I saw firsthand the challenges they faced and the great work being done to protect the citizens, the communities, and each other.

Local firefighters, CalFire, the Hotshots, Forest Service, smoke jumpers, all of them were ready to go and were working, participating, putting their lives on the line. We owe all these men and women a great deal of gratitude.

We can debate what may cause these catastrophic fires, the fuel load in our forests, and lack of management, but there is no question who put these fires out. We are very grateful to them.

#### KAVANAUGH HEARING PROCEEDS

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

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, as the Kavanaugh hearing proceeds, the House gets no say on Supreme Court nominees, but our constituents have much to lose if Judge Kavanaugh is confirmed.

As chair of the Congressional Black Caucus' Judicial Nominations Task Force, I have studied Judge Kavanaugh's record closely. African Americans have the most to lose because they, more than other Americans, have advanced their rights through the court.

However, most Americans have much to lose, too, as Kavanaugh's record on the Affordable Care Act, criminal justice, and reproductive rights shows. Let the House also note, Kavanaugh's vision of executive power would enhance the authority of the executive at the expense of the other branches of government, including Congress, and, therefore, would pose a special danger to the Constitution's careful balance of power.

Brett Kavanaugh does not belong on the Supreme Court.

#### DAIRY FARMERS FACING A CRISIS

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

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Speaker, our dairy farmers are facing a crisis. Family farms have shaped our upstate communities, built our local economies, and put food on our tables, but the great tradition of family farming is in jeopardy.

Our farmers need help. Unfair trade agreements; rising regulatory costs; high taxes, especially in New York, which has some of the highest property, sales, and income taxes in the Nation; and distortions in the labor market have pushed our farmers to the brink of bankruptcy. Sadly, many have

chosen to close in New York altogether, the third largest dairy-producing State in the Nation.

I am grateful that the Trump administration is hearing our desperate call. In a recent visit to Trinity Valley Farm and Brabant Farm in New York's 22nd District, the U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue heard our farmers' pleas for help.

He visited our district, the first time a sitting Secretary of Agriculture has visited our district in over 20 years. He provided insight and took our concerns back to Washington.

It is time to turn the tide and end this crisis. Preserving the great tradition of farming is vital to preserving our heritage, our families, and our economy.

#### HIGHLIGHTING CRUCIAL ISSUES

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, 1 minute is really not enough time, but I really wanted to highlight, as quickly as I can, some crucial issues that we have experienced over the work recess.

First of all, I condemn the actions of Saudi Arabia as it relates to the bombing of the two or at least one bus of children. I believe the United States should address this question immediately, for children are our most precious resource.

I am concerned that now 497 children still remain without their families at the border, that 300 of those parents have been deported, and most of the children are under 5. This is inhumane, cruel. And it is, of course, the most tragic act that this Federal Government could have done. I ask the Trump administration immediately to respond.

Listening to the hearings of Justice Kavanaugh, let me indicate that there is no comment on the character of the man, but there is a comment on the appointment. And that appointment involves an individual, the President of the United States, who is under investigation, and, also, the papers that are needed have not been provided.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, let me indicate that I note that the State Department and the Defense Department decided to cut the funding for Pakistan. Pakistan is a nation that we should attempt to continue negotiations and diplomacy, and we should recognize that those military dollars are important for the fight against terrorism. These things should be taken up on behalf of the American people.

#### TIME TO REAUTHORIZE FVPSA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2017, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the opportunity to join my colleagues on the