

He was a statesman and a true southern gentleman who followed his heart while fighting for his constituents.

Whether you agreed with him or not, Walter displayed the type of courage we could all hope to possess. He was willing to admit when he was wrong, like that time he devoted to Jimmy Carter. He would admit it in front of God, his colleagues, and his 750,000 constituents. That is true courage.

Walter's conscience guided his every vote and action in the 6 years that I knew him.

11,266; that is the final number of letters that Walter Jones personally wrote, offering his apologies and condolences to the families of soldiers who lost their lives in the wars in the Middle East. You see, Walter eagerly voted for the Iraq war, but then later came to believe that he had made a grave mistake.

Did he write those letters to prepare him for his next reelection? No. He wrote those letters to prepare him for this day, when he would be judged at the gates of Heaven.

What might seem like a small plight could become Walter's greatest cause, if honor and respect were in the balance. Whenever Walter gave the blessing before the meals that I shared with him, he would mention two marine pilots who had been unfairly implicated in a tragic crash. Clearing the names of Major Brooks Gruber and Lieutenant Colonel John Brow was one of his most important achievements. When I spoke with Walter 2 weeks ago, he said he looked forward to meeting them in Heaven. He was at peace.

Walter told me something else in that hour that we shared a couple of weeks ago. He reminded me that his father had served 13 terms in Congress, and it had been Walter's goal, he said, to match his father's service. For those who don't know, this was Walter's 13th term.

I told Walter, "They never beat you, did they?" Well, I used another word than that. He laughed. You see, all the money in the world was no match for Walter's sincerity, which always shone through to the people he served, even if they didn't always agree with him.

Walter wanted to finish this term, but God called him back too soon. I told Walter he would finish this term because when I would vote, I would ask myself: What would Walter do? He seemed pleased at that.

So please join me. The next time you are torn on what to do or say in this body, ask yourself: What would Walter do? Walter would follow his conscience. Just follow your conscience, and together, we can ensure that Walter's spirit finishes this 13th term.

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I ask that we observe a moment of silence.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair asks all present to rise and observe a moment of silence.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT INFORMATION DATABASE ACT OF 2019

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and passing the bill (H.R. 995) to amend chapter 3 of title 5, United States Code, to require the publication of settlement agreements, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. HILL) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 418, noes 0, not voting 13, as follows:

[Roll No. 84]

AYES—418

Abraham	Chabot	Escobar
Adams	Cheney	Eshoo
Aderholt	Chu, Judy	Espallat
Aguilar	Cicilline	Estes
Allen	Cisneros	Evans
Amash	Clark (MA)	Ferguson
Amodei	Clarke (NY)	Finkenauer
Armstrong	Clay	Fitzpatrick
Arrington	Cleaver	Fleischmann
Axne	Cline	Fletcher
Babin	Cloud	Flores
Bacon	Clyburn	Fortenberry
Baird	Cohen	Foster
Balderson	Cole	Foxx (NC)
Banks	Collins (GA)	Frankel
Barr	Collins (NY)	Fudge
Barragán	Comer	Fulcher
Bass	Conaway	Gaetz
Beatty	Connolly	Gallagher
Bera	Cook	Galleo
Bergman	Cooper	Garamendi
Beyer	Correa	Garcia (IL)
Biggs	Costa	Garcia (TX)
Bilirakis	Courtney	Gianforte
Bishop (GA)	Cox (CA)	Gibbs
Bishop (UT)	Craig	Gohmert
Blumenauer	Crawford	Golden
Blunt Rochester	Crenshaw	Gomez
Bonamici	Crist	Gonzalez (OH)
Bost	Crow	Gonzalez (TX)
Boyle, Brendan F.	Cuellar	Gooden
Brady	Cummings	Gosar
Brindisi	Cunningham	Gottheimer
Brooks (AL)	Curtis	Granger
Brooks (IN)	Davidson (KS)	Graves (GA)
Brown (MD)	Davidson (OH)	Graves (LA)
Brownley (CA)	Davis (CA)	Graves (MO)
Buchanan	Davis, Danny K.	Green (TN)
Buck	Davis, Rodney	Green (TX)
Bucshon	Dean	Griffith
Budd	DeFazio	Grijalva
Burchett	DeGette	Grothman
Burgess	DeLauro	Guest
Bustos	DelBene	Guthrie
Butterfield	Delgado	Haaland
Byrne	Demings	Hagedorn
Calvert	DeSaunier	Harder (CA)
Carbajal	DesJarlais	Harris
Cárdenas	Deutch	Hartzler
Carson (IN)	Diaz-Balart	Hastings
Carter (GA)	Doggett	Hayes
Carter (TX)	Doyle, Michael F.	Heck
Cartwright	Duffy	Hern, Kevin
Case	Duncan	Herrera Beutler
Casten (IL)	Dunn	Hice (GA)
Castor (FL)	Emmer	Higgins (LA)
Castro (TX)	Engel	Higgins (NY)
		Hill (AR)

Hill (CA)	McClintock	Schweikert
Himes	McCollum	Scott (VA)
Holding	McEachin	Scott, Austin
Hollingsworth	McGovern	Scott, David
Horn, Kendra S.	McHenry	Sensenbrenner
Horsford	McKinley	Serrano
Houlihan	McNerney	Sewell (AL)
Hoyer	Meadows	Shalala
Hudson	Meeks	Sherman
Huffman	Meng	Shimkus
Huizenga	Meuser	Simpson
Hunter	Miller	Sires
Hurd (TX)	Mitchell	Slotkin
Jackson Lee	Moolenaar	Smith (MO)
Jayapal	Mooney (WV)	Smith (NE)
Jeffries	Moore	Smith (NJ)
Johnson (GA)	Morelle	Smucker
Johnson (LA)	Moulton	Soto
Johnson (OH)	Mucarsel-Powell	Spanberger
Johnson (SD)	Mullin	Spano
Johnson (TX)	Murphy	Speier
Jordan	Nadler	Stanton
Joyce (OH)	Napolitano	Staubert
Joyce (PA)	Neal	Stefanik
Kaptur	Neguse	Steil
Katko	Newhouse	Steube
Keating	Norcross	Stevens
Kelly (IL)	Norman	Stewart
Kelly (MS)	Nunes	Stivers
Kelly (PA)	O'Halleran	Suozi
Kennedy	Ocasio-Cortez	Swalwell (CA)
Khanna	Olson	Takano
Kildee	Omar	Thompson (CA)
Kilmer	Palazzo	Thompson (MS)
Kim	Pallone	Thompson (PA)
Kind	Palmer	Thornberry
King (IA)	Panetta	Timmons
King (NY)	Pappas	Tipton
Kirkpatrick	Payne	Titus
Krishnamoorthi	Pence	Tlaib
Kuster (NH)	Perlmutter	Tonko
Kustoff (TN)	Perry	Torres (CA)
LaHood	Peters	Torres Small
LaMalfa	Peterson	(NM)
Lamb	Phillips	Trahan
Lamborn	Pingree	Trone
Langevin	Pocan	Turner
Larsen (WA)	Porter	Underwood
Larson (CT)	Posey	Upton
Latta	Pressley	Van Drew
Lawrence	Price (NC)	Vargas
Lawson (FL)	Raskin	Veasey
Lee (CA)	Ratcliffe	Vela
Lee (NV)	Reed	Velázquez
Lesko	Reschenthaler	Vislosky
Levin (CA)	Rice (NY)	Wagner
Levin (MI)	Rice (SC)	Walberg
Lewis	Richmond	Walden
Lieu, Ted	Riggleman	Walker
Lipinski	Roby	Walorski
Loeb sack	Rodgers (WA)	Waltz
Lofgren	Roe, David P.	Wasserman
Long	Rogers (AL)	Schultz
Loudermilk	Rogers (KY)	Waters
Lowey	Rooney (FL)	Watkins
Lucas	Rose (NY)	Watson Coleman
Luetkemeyer	Rose, John W.	Weber (TX)
Luján	Rouda	Webster (FL)
Luria	Rouzer	Welch
Lynch	Roy	Wenstrup
Malinowski	Roybal-Allard	Westerman
Maloney,	Ruiz	Wexton
Carolyn B.	Ruppersberger	Wild
Maloney, Sean	Rush	Williams
Marchant	Rutherford	Wilson (SC)
Marshall	Sánchez	Wittman
Massie	Sarbanes	Womack
Mast	Scalise	Woodall
Matsui	Scanlon	Wright
McAdams	Schiff	Yarmuth
McBath	Schneider	Yoho
McCarthy	Schrader	Young
McCaull	Schrier	Zeldin

NOT VOTING—13

Allred	Pascrell	Smith (WA)
Dingell	Quigley	Taylor
Gabbard	Ryan	Wilson (FL)
Kinzinger	Schakowsky	
Lowenthal	Sherrill	

□ 1653

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. ALLRED. Mr. Speaker, as I am back home in Dallas, Texas, on paternity leave with my family, I submit the following vote explanation. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 84.

RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON RULES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committee on Rules:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 13, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI: I was honored to return to serve on the Rules Committee at the start of the 116th Congress. It has been my privilege to work alongside Chairman McGovern, Ranking Member Cole, and the hardworking members that work so hard to bring serious legislation and policy to the House Floor.

Respectfully, I am writing to tender my resignation as a member of the Rules Committee, effective February 13, 2019.

Thank you for this opportunity and to my colleagues on the Committee for their hard work and friendship.

Sincerely,

DORIS MATSUI,
Member of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted. There was no objection.

ELECTING MEMBERS TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND RANKING MEMBERS ON A CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. JEFFRIES. 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. 125

Resolved, That the following named Members be, and are hereby, elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET: Mr. Sires, Mr. Peters, and Mr. Cooper.

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS: Ms. Meng, Ms. Wild, and Mr. Phillips.

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES: Mr. Cartwright.

COMMITTEE ON RULES: Mr. DeSaulnier.

Resolved, That the following named Member be, and is hereby, ranked as follows on the following standing committee of the House of Representatives:

COMMITTEE ON RULES: Mr. Perlmutter (to rank immediately after Mrs. Torres of California).

Mr. JEFFRIES (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 New York?

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 940

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to be removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 940.

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

There was no objection.

REQUEST TO CONSIDER H.R. 962, THE BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 962) the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman is advised that, under guidelines consistently issued by successive Speakers, as recorded in section 956 of the House Rules and Manual, the Chair is constrained not to entertain the request unless it has been cleared by the bipartisan floor and committee leaderships.

□ 1700

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF CONGRESSMAN WALTER JONES

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

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I want to offer my condolences and prayers to my dear friend, Congressman Walter Jones, and also to the people of North Carolina, who lost a tireless champion.

Throughout his time in service, Congressman Jones never lost sight of those he served: the families in North Carolina, people across the country, and, of course, our brave servicemembers around the globe.

Congressman Jones will be remembered for his limitless compassion and his willingness to reach across the aisle and to find common ground.

I worked with him on many issues over the years, but our greatest collaboration was on our shared effort to draw down our endless wars and bring our brave troops home. He was a colead on several of my bills, including the one to repeal the 2001 and 2002 Authorization for Use of Military Force to finally end our limitless wars abroad.

It fills me with unspeakable sadness, Mr. Speaker, that Congressman Jones did not live to see the end of these wars, but his memory will live on. We will fight harder in his memory to ensure that Congress does its job on matters of war and peace.

I was honored to call Congressman Jones my colleague and my friend. His

spirit will be greatly missed in the Halls of Congress, and tonight I again offer my condolences to his family, his friends; and also, I celebrate his life, because it was truly a life well lived.

REMEMBERING FLIGHT 3407 10 YEARS LATER

(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, yesterday marked the 10th anniversary of the flight 3407 crash that went down outside of Buffalo, New York, resulting in the untimely deaths of 49 people. I rise today with a heavy heart as we commemorate this tragedy.

A decade has gone by, but for families who lost loved ones, the pain will live with them forever. These individuals have suffered an unspeakable loss, yet so many of them have traveled to Washington numerous times over the past 10 years to advocate for improved airline safety.

They advocate for regional flights to operate under the same standards as major airlines and to ensure that the tragedy of flight 3407 is never repeated. They advocate in memory of their loved ones whose lives were cut short.

Nothing can bring back their loved ones, but the standards implemented, thanks to their advocacy, have saved lives, and for that we are grateful.

AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE CORRECTIONS IN ENGROSSMENT OF H.J. RES. 37, REMOVAL OF UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES FROM HOSTILITIES IN YEMEN THAT HAVE NOT BEEN AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS.

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that in the engrossment of H.J. Res. 37, the Clerk be authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, spelling, and cross-references and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House, including the change now at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PAPPAS). The Clerk will report the change.

The Clerk read as follows:

In section 2 of the joint resolution, strike "refueling," and insert "refueling of".

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

There was no objection.

RESTORE AMERICA'S FAITH IN OUR DEMOCRACY

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

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, last week I received a peculiar invitation from