

miss the vote. Had I been present, I would have voted nay.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, please excuse my absence. I was notified that I was exposed to COVID-19 and am following quarantine guidelines set by the CDC. Had I been present, I would have voted “nay” on rollcall No. 230, PQ, “nay” on rollcall No. 231, Rule, and “nay” on rollcall No. 232, HR 1380.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. BACON. Madam Speaker, I had a possible exposure to COVID-19 and have gone into quarantine in accordance with CDC guidelines. Had I been present, I would have voted “nay” on rollcall No. 230, “nay” on rollcall No. 231, and “yea” on rollcall No. 232.

MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE
RESOLUTION 965, 116TH CONGRESS

Barragán (Beyer)	Kaptur (Dingell)	Payne
Bera (Aguilar)	Kennedy (Kuster)	(Wasserman
Bonamici (Clark (MA))	(NH)	Schultz)
Boyle, Brendan F. (Jeffries)	Kim (Davids (KS))	Peters (Kildee) Pingree (Kuster (NH))
Brownley (CA) (Clark (MA))	Kirkpatrick (Stanton)	Pocan (Raskin) Lamb (Golden)
Carson (IN) (Cleaver)	Langevin (Lynch)	Porter (Wexton) Pressley (Trahan)
Castor (FL) (Demings)	Lawson (FL) (Demings)	Price (NC) (Butterfield)
Cohen (Beyer)	Lee (NV) (Kuster (NH))	Royal-Allard (Garcia (TX))
Costa (Cooper)	Lieu, Ted (Beyer)	Ruiz (Dingell)
DeSaulnier (Matsui)	Lipinski (Schrader)	Rush (Underwood)
Deutch (Rice (NY))	Lofgren (Jeffries)	Schneider (Casten (IL))
Doggett (Raskin)	Lowenthal (Beyer)	Schrirer (DelBene)
Doyle, Michael F. (Cartwright)	Lowey (Tonko)	McEachin (Wexton)
Escobar (Garcia (TX))	Meng (Kuster (NH))	Serrano (Jeffries)
Frankel (Clark (MA))	Moore (Beyer)	McNerney (Raskin)
Garamendi (Sherman)	Mucarsel-Powell (Wasserman Schultz)	(Pallone)
Grijalva (Garcia (IL))	Nadler (Jeffries)	Meng (Kuster (NH))
Hastings (Wasserman Schultz)	Napolitano (Correa)	Thompson (CA) (Kildee)
Higgins (NY) (Sánchez)	Pascall (Pallone)	Titus (Connolly) Watson Coleman (Pallone)
Jayapal (Raskin)		Welch (McGovern)
Johnson (TX) (Jeffries)		Wilson (FL) (Hayes)

RECOGNIZING JIMMY DODSON

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

Mr. CONAWAY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect and honor that I rise today to recognize Jimmy Dodson as he completes his term as the chair of the Farm Credit Council Board of Directors.

Jimmy is a third-generation farmer, and he grows cotton, corn, wheat, milo, and operates a seed sales business near Robstown, Texas, where he and his wife, Barbara, live today.

Jimmy is a great leader in the cotton industry, as the past chair of the National Cotton Council of America, the American Cotton Producers, and the Cotton Foundation. He is a founding member of Cotton LEADS, the cotton industry's sustainability program, and a member of the boards of Cotton Incorporated, the Texas Agricultural Cooperative Council, and the Gulf Coast Cooperative. He was one of the first

farm leaders to visit China to work to expand U.S. ag exports into that country.

He is also a great leader within the cooperative Farm Credit System, which he first joined in 1974. Jimmy was first elected by his fellow south Texas farmers to represent them on the board of the Coastal Bend Production Credit Association in February 1982. Jimmy went on to become a lifelong board member of the Farm Credit Bank of Texas, where he serves today as board chair and oversees efforts to support farmers in Texas, New Mexico, Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi. This year, Jimmy will complete his term as board chair of the Farm Credit Council, where he has led efforts to support farmers and farm families across the United States.

Jimmy Dodson has devoted his life to agriculture, and our Nation's farm families have benefited tremendously from his efforts. On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives and the House Agriculture Committee, I extend my deepest gratitude to Jimmy for his tireless efforts and his tireless support of American farmers and ranchers. I wish him the very best as he continues his lifelong service to Texas and U.S. agriculture.

RESTAURANTS AND STORES ARE
BEING FORCED TO SHUT THEIR
DOORS

(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, the Christmas season is here, a time during which our small businesses typically thrive, the season that gets them through much of the rest of the year fiscally.

This year, however, restaurants and stores are forced into shutting their doors on much of Main Street America. However, the Paycheck Protection Program has saved 51 million jobs across the country.

Speaker PELOSI could use this legislative week to free up the remaining \$135 billion in PPP reserves, but instead we are voting on legalizing a schedule I narcotic, and then whether to pass a Carole Baskin anti-tiger bill.

Now is not the time to play politics by withholding money that has been already allocated on behalf of small business. At the end of the year, if we do not use these funds, they will expire.

I encourage all my colleagues to join me in signing the discharge petition for H.R. 8265, freeing up these funds immediately and reviving the tested and effective PPP to save more small businesses this year, especially as governments clamp down even more so on their closures.

AMERICANS ARE CRYING OUT FOR
RELIEF

(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, American people are hungry. Americans are losing their homes. And one American every 30 seconds is dying. We need to be able to address this question and address it immediately.

We passed the HEROES Act so many months ago that had testing money. It had restaurant money for all our local restaurants. It had PPP to save businesses. It had PPE money in terms of helping getting the equipment that is needed to save nurses and doctors, but it was not done.

There is no reason for us to leave this place without recognizing the American people are crying out for relief. I am willing to look very carefully at the bipartisan legislation that would include dollars for local governments finally and as much for education and vaccines. But the main message is the American people are crying out. Do something for us.

We have done it as Democrats. I extend my hand of friendship so that we can negotiate, pass legislation to save lives in America. COVID-19 is raging. Let's do something about it.

RECOGNIZING CAPE ASSIST

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

Mr. VAN DREW. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Cape Assist, a substance misuse prevention and treatment agency which serves Cape May County in south Jersey.

From prevention and education programs for our community to recovery services for those in need, the services that they offer are invaluable. They are invaluable to our community and to the lives that they literally help save.

During this pandemic, people have, unfortunately, turned to more drugs and more alcohol and more substance abuse. Cape Assist helps individuals who are struggling with these addictions to turn the corner of their addictions and help them to get better.

I thank the staff of Cape Assist for the diligent and lifesaving work they do to ensure our community is educated in these issues and that those in need have the support to get through the most difficult times of their lives.

Keep up the great work, Cape Assist. God bless you and God bless the work that you do.

CONGRESS NEEDS TO GET THEIR
PRIORITIES STRAIGHT

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

Mr. BURCHETT. Mr. Speaker, with this body back to work this week, I was hoping we would be here to work and to address the ongoing health and economic crisis. Unfortunately, that is not

the case. While small businesses and hardworking Americans struggle to get by, we are spending what little time we have left during this Congress voting on marijuana legislation.

Mr. Speaker, we need to get our priorities straight and start governing responsibly. And we can do that right now by reopening the applications for the Paycheck Protection Program, which still has \$133 billion available to small businesses and workers trying to get through this crisis.

Luckily, there is a way around the obstruction that currently exists in this body. I am one of the 186 members on the discharge petition that would bring H.R. 8265 to the floor for a vote. This commonsense legislation would reopen the applications for the Paycheck Protection Program and give small businesses access to unspent money. Members of this body know how important this bill is in this current situation. It is a shame that those who set the floor schedule are focused on advancing partisan priorities rather than rising to meet the challenges facing our workers and small businesses.

OTHER MEDICATIONS TO TREAT COVID-19 SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO

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

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, this past July, medical research teams at Israel's Hebrew University in Jerusalem and New York's Mount Sinai Hospital released a study indicating that the FDA-approved cholesterol drug fenofibrate may significantly downgrade the severity of COVID-19.

The medical teams were led by Hebrew University Professor Ya'acov Nahmias and Mount Sinai's Dr. Benjamin tenOever. During their research, they found the novel coronavirus and studies conducted on human lung tissue found that COVID-19 prevents the routine burning of carbohydrates, which leads to fat in the lungs, which causes people to die.

What happens is that people take fenofibrate, which is a drug that was commonly used for high cholesterol treatment, and it stops this inflammation and improves people's respiratory systems.

Right now, these doctors are not given the support they should be given by the CDC and the NIH. We have a lot of people dying of coronavirus, and I think our people should not be too proud to recognize that sometimes cures are made in other countries.

I strongly encourage the CDC to look at fenofibrate and these two great researchers.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana (at the request of Mr. McCARTHY) for December 2

and the balance of the week on account of quarantining.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ALLRED). Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 9 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Friday, December 4, 2020, at 9 a.m.

OATH OF OFFICE MEMBERS, RESIDENT COMMISSIONER, AND DELEGATES

The oath of office required by the sixth article of the Constitution of the United States, and as provided by section 2 of the act of May 13, 1884 (23 Stat. 22), to be administered to Members, Resident Commissioner, and Delegates of the House of Representatives, the text of which is carried in 5 U.S.C. 3331:

“I, AB, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God.”

has been subscribed to in person and filed in duplicate with the Clerk of the House of Representatives by the following Member of the 116th Congress, pursuant to the provisions of 2 U.S.C. 25:

KWANZA HALL, Fifth District of Georgia.

BUDGETARY EFFECTS OF PAYGO LEGISLATION

Pursuant to the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (PAYGO), Mr. YARMUTH hereby submits, prior to the vote on passage, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, that H.R. 1380, the Big Cat Public Safety Act, as amended, would have no significant effect on the deficit, and therefore, the budgetary effects of such bill are estimated as zero.

Pursuant to the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (PAYGO), Mr. YARMUTH hereby submits, prior to the vote on passage, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, that H.R. 3682, the Land Grant-Mercedes Traditional Use Recognition an Consultation Act, as amended, would have no significant effect on the deficit, and therefore, the budgetary effects of such bill are estimated as zero.

Pursuant to the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (PAYGO), Mr. YARMUTH hereby submits, prior to the vote on passage, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, that H.R. 8199, the 504 Credit Risk Management Improvement Act of 2020, as amended, would

have no significant effect on the deficit, and therefore, the budgetary effects of such bill are estimated as zero.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-5728. A letter from the Inspector General, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's investigative report of the three Forest Service (FS) fatalities that occurred during the Twisp River Fire outside of Twisp, Washington on August 19, 2015, pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2270c; Public Law 107-203, Sec. 2; (116 Stat. 744); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5729. A letter from the Commissioner, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting a report of the Climate-Related Market Risk Subcommittee, Market Risk Advisory Committee entitled “Managing Climate Risk in the U.S. Financial System”; to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5730. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Poultry Improvement Plan and Auxiliary Provisions [Docket No.: APHIS-2018-0062] (RIN: 0579-AE49) received November 4, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5731. A letter from the Regulations Management Division, Rural Development Innovation Center, Rural Development-Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Request for comments on Rural Energy Savings Program (RESP) (RIN: 0572-AC45) received November 16, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5732. A letter from the Regulations Management Division, Rural Development-Innovation Center, Rural Business Cooperative Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Biorefinery, Renewable Chemical, and Biobased Product Manufacturing Assistance Program [Docket Number: RBS-20-BUSINESS-0015] (RIN: 0570-AA73) received November 16, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5733. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Tolerance Crop Grouping Program V [EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0766; FRL-10015-19] (RIN: 2070-AJ28) received November 16, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5734. A letter from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the 2019 annual report of the Farm Credit Administration; to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5735. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Legal, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Branch Application Procedures (RIN: 3064-AF54) received November 16, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-5736. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the 38th Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975