

Gallagher	Lee (NV)	Rogers (KY)
Garbarino	Lesko	Rose
Garcia, Mike	Letlow	Rosendale
Gimenez	Loudermilk	Rouzer
Gonzales, Tony	Lucas	Roy
Good (VA)	Luetkemeyer	Rutherford
Gooden (TX)	Luna	Salazar
Graves (LA)	Luttrell	Scalise
Graves (MO)	Mace	Schrier
Green (TN)	Malliotakis	Schweikert
Greene (GA)	Maloy	Scott, Austin
Griffith	Mann	Self
Grothman	Massie	Sessions
Guest	Mast	Simpson
Guthrie	McCaul	Smith (MO)
Hageman	McClain	Smith (NE)
Harris	McClintock	Smith (NJ)
Harshbarger	McCormick	Smucker
Hern	McHenry	Spartz
Higgins (LA)	Meuser	Stauber
Hill	Miller (IL)	Steel
Hinson	Miller (OH)	Stefanik
Houchin	Miller (WV)	Steil
Houlahan	Miller-Meeks	Steube
Hudson	Mills	Strong
Huizenga	Molinaro	Takano
Hunt	Moolenaar	Tenney
Issa	Mooney	Thompson (PA)
Jackson (TX)	Moore (AL)	Tiffany
James	Moore (UT)	Timmons
Johnson (SD)	Moran	Turner
Jordan	Moulton	Van Drew
Joyce (OH)	Moylan	Van Duyn
Joyce (PA)	Murphy	Van Orden
Kean (NJ)	Nehls	Wagner
Kelly (MS)	Newhouse	Walberg
Kelly (PA)	Norman	Waltz
Kiggans (VA)	Nunn (IA)	Weber (TX)
Kiley	Oberholte	Webster (FL)
Kim (CA)	Ogles	Wenstrup
Kustoff	Owens	Westerman
LaHood	Palmer	Williams (NY)
LaLota	Pence	Williams (TX)
LaMalfa	Perez	Wilson (SC)
Lamborn	Perry	Wittman
Langworthy	Pfluger	Womack
Latta	Posey	Yakym
LaTurner	Reschenthaler	Zinke
Lawler	Rodgers (WA)	
Lee (FL)	Rogers (AL)	

## NOT VOTING—11

Buck	Grijalva	Radewagen
González-Colón	Kelly (IL)	Schiff
Gosar	Kim (NJ)	Valadao
Granger	Porter	

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Mrs. CAMMACK, Mr. TURNER, and Ms. SALAZAR changed their vote from “aye” to “no.”

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. PORTER. Mr. Chair, I was unable to be present to cast my votes. Had I been present, I would have voted “nay” on rollcall 66, “yea” on rollcall 67, “nay” on rollcall 68, “nay” on rollcall 69, “nay” on rollcall 70, “nay” on rollcall 71, and “yea” on rollcall 72.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Chair, due to a family emergency, I was not present for today's votes on H.R. 7511 and H.R. 3843, as well as the amendments to H.R. 2799. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall No. 66, “yea” on rollcall No. 67, “yea” on rollcall No. 68, “yea” on rollcall No. 69, “yea” on rollcall No. 70, “yea” on rollcall No. 71, and “nay” on rollcall No. 72.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Chair, due to events in California, I will unfortunately be unable to cast my vote for legislation considered on the House floor today. Had I been able to be present, I would have voted according to the following: “no” on rollcall No. 66, Passage of H.R. 7511—Laken Riley Act, “yea” on rollcall No. 67, H.R. 3843—Action for Dental Health

Act of 2023, “no” on rollcall No. 68, Lawler #1 Amendment on H.R. 2799—Expanding Access to Capital Act, “no” on rollcall No. 69, Huizenga #2 Amendment on H.R. 2799—Expanding Access to Capital Act, “no” on rollcall No. 70, Lucas #3 Amendment on H.R. 2799—Expanding Access to Capital Act, “no” on rollcall No. 71, Wagner #4 Amendment on H.R. 2799—Expanding Access to Capital Act, and “yea” on rollcall No. 72, Sherman #5 Amendment on H.R. 2799—Expanding Access to Capital Act.

Mrs. WAGNER. Mr. Chair, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MURPHY) having assumed the chair, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Acting Chair of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2799) to make reforms to the capital markets of the United States, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

#### ERADICATING NARCOTIC DRUGS AND FORMULATING EFFECTIVE NEW TOOLS TO ADDRESS NATIONAL YEARLY LOSSES OF LIFE ACT

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 (S. 206) to require the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection to regularly review and update policies and manuals related to inspections at ports of entry.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. GREEN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### DHS BIODETECTION IMPROVEMENT ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GARBARINO). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and passing the bill (H.R. 6174) to improve the biodetection functions of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. GREEN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### MISCOMMUNICATION FROM THE FLOOR

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

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to take note of the fact that some of us on the Energy and Commerce Committee were in executive session on a very important national security matter, and we were told that the first vote this evening was going to be held for us for a few minutes so we could get down here and vote.

Unfortunately, that did not happen. I was upset by it. It was obviously a miscommunication from the floor. However, I do want everyone to understand that those of us who were not able to vote on that first matter this evening did so because of the executive session on national security, and it was through no fault of our own that we missed that first vote.

#### REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF 6542.

Mr. BABIN. Mr. Speaker, I hereby remove my name as cosponsor of H.R. 6542.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman's request is granted.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. After consultation among the Speaker and the majority and minority leaders, and with their consent, the Chair announces that, when the two Houses meet tonight in joint session to hear an address by the President of the United States, only the doors immediately opposite the Speaker and those immediately to his left and right will be open.

No one will be allowed on the floor of the House who does not have the privilege of the floor of the House. Due to the large attendance that is anticipated, the rule regarding the privilege of the floor must be strictly enforced. Children of Members will not be permitted on the floor. The cooperation of all Members is requested.

The practice of purporting to reserve seats prior to the joint session by placement of placards or personal items will not be allowed. Chamber Security may remove these items from the seats. Members may reserve their seats only by physical presence following the security sweep of the Chamber.

All Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in still photography or audio or video recording in the Chamber. Taking unofficial photographs detracts from the dignity of the proceedings and presents security and privacy challenges for the House.

#### RECESS

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

declares the House in recess until approximately 8:35 p.m. for the purpose of receiving in joint session the President of the United States.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 43 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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# JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS PURSUANT TO HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 93 TO RE- CEIVE A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at 8 o'clock and 36 minutes p.m.

The Assistant to the Sergeant at Arms, Ms. Kathleen Joyce, announced the Vice President and Members of the U.S. Senate, who entered the Hall of the House of Representatives, the Vice President taking the chair at the right of the Speaker, and the Members of the Senate the seats reserved for them.

The SPEAKER. The joint session will come to order.

The Chair appoints as members of the committee on the part of the House to escort the President of the United States into the Chamber:

The gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. SCALISE);

The gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. EMMER);

The gentlewoman from New York (Ms. STEFANIK);

The gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. HUDSON);

The gentleman from Alabama (Mr. PALMER);

The gentleman from Utah (Mr. MOORE);

The gentlewoman from Michigan (Mrs. MCCLAIN);

The gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. COLE);

The gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. RESCHENTHALER);

The gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. ROGERS);

The gentleman from New York (Mr. JEFFRIES);

The gentlewoman from Massachusetts (Ms. CLARK);

The gentleman from California (Mr. AGUILAR);

The gentleman from California (Mr. LIEU);

The gentlewoman from Washington (Ms. DELBENE);

The gentleman from Colorado (Mr. NEGUSE);

The gentlewoman from Illinois (Ms. UNDERWOOD);

The gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. ESCOBAR);

The gentlewoman from Massachusetts (Mrs. TRAHAN); and

The gentleman from Michigan (Mr. KILDEE).

The VICE PRESIDENT. The President of the Senate, at the direction of that body, appoints the following Senators as members of the committee on the part of the Senate to escort the President of the United States into the House Chamber:

The Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER);

The Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN);

The Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY);

The Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW);

The Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR);

The Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER);

The Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN);

The Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL);

The Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE);

The Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO);

The Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO); and

The Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST).

The Assistant to the Sergeant at Arms announced the Dean of the Diplomatic Corps, His Excellency Hersey Kyota, the Ambassador of the Republic of Palau.

The Dean of the Diplomatic Corps entered the Hall of the House of Representatives and took the seat reserved for him.

The Assistant to the Sergeant at Arms announced the Chief Justice of the United States and the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court.

The Chief Justice of the United States and the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court entered the Hall of the House of Representatives and took the seats reserved for them in front of the Speaker's rostrum.

The Assistant to the Sergeant at Arms announced the Cabinet of the President of the United States.

The members of the Cabinet of the President of the United States entered the Hall of the House of Representatives and took the seats reserved for them in front of the Speaker's rostrum.

At 9 o'clock and 16 minutes p.m., the Sergeant at Arms, the Honorable William P. McFarland, announced the President of the United States.

The President of the United States, escorted by the committee of Senators and Representatives, entered the Hall of the House of Representatives and stood at the Clerk's desk.

(Applause, the Members rising.)

The PRESIDENT. Good evening. Good evening.

If I were smart, I would go home now.

Mr. Speaker, Madam Vice President, Members of Congress, my fellow Americans, in January 1941, Franklin Roosevelt came to this Chamber to speak to the Nation, and he said: "I address you . . . at a moment unprecedented in the history of the Union."

Hitler was on the march. War was raging in Europe. President Roosevelt's purpose was to wake up Congress and alert the American people that this was no ordinary time. Freedom and democracy were under assault in the world.

Tonight, I come to this same Chamber to address the Nation. Now, it is we

who face an unprecedented moment in the history of the Union, and, yes, my purpose tonight is to wake up the Congress and alert the American people that this is no ordinary moment, either.

Not since President Lincoln and the Civil War have freedom and democracy been under assault at home as they are today. What makes our moment rare is that freedom and democracy are under attack both at home and overseas at the very same time.

Overseas, Putin of Russia is on the march, invading Ukraine and sowing chaos throughout Europe and beyond. If anybody in this room thinks Putin will stop at Ukraine, I assure you, he will not. But Ukraine can stop Putin.

Ukraine can stop Putin if we stand with Ukraine and provide the weapons that it needs to defend itself. That is all. That is all Ukraine is asking. They are not asking for American soldiers. In fact, there are no American soldiers at war in Ukraine, and I am determined to keep it that way. But, now, assistance to Ukraine is being blocked by those who want to walk away from our world leadership.

It wasn't long ago when a Republican President named Ronald Reagan thundered: "Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall."

Now, my predecessor, a former Republican President, tells Putin: Do whatever the hell you want.

That is a quote. The former President actually said that, bowing down to a Russian leader.

I think it is outrageous, it is dangerous, and it is unacceptable.

America is a founding member of NATO, the military alliance of democratic nations created after World War II to prevent war and keep the peace, and today, we have made NATO stronger than ever. We welcomed Finland to the alliance last year, and, just this morning, Sweden officially joined, and their Minister is here tonight.

Stand up.

Welcome. Welcome. Welcome. Welcome.

And they know how to fight.

Mr. Prime Minister, welcome to NATO, the strongest military alliance the world has ever seen.

I say this to Congress: We have to stand up to Putin. Send me a bipartisan national security bill. History is literally watching. History is watching.

If the United States walks away, it will put Ukraine at risk. Europe is at risk. The free world will be at risk, emboldening others to do what they wish to do us harm.

My message to President Putin, whom I have known for a long time, is simple. We will not walk away. We will not bow down. I will not bow down. In a literal sense, history is watching.

History is watching, just like history watched 3 years ago on January 6th.

Insurrectionists stormed this very Capitol and placed a dagger to the throat of American democracy.