

NOT VOTING—32

Buchanan	Lamborn	Pascarell
Buck	Maloy	Phillips
Carter (GA)	McHenry	Rodgers (WA)
Ciscomani	Meng	Rogers (KY)
Curtis	Mfume	Scalise
Davis (IL)	Miller (OH)	Schiff
Graves (MO)	Moore (UT)	Simpson
Griffith	Moulton	Swalwell
Grijalva	Nehls	Thompson (CA)
Hunt	Norcross	Torres (NY)
Kelly (MS)	Ogles	

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

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 21.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, due to flight disruptions, I was unfortunately unable to cast my vote for legislation considered on the House floor today. Had I been able to be present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 20, H.R. 5528, as amended, and "yea" on rollcall No. 21, S. 3427.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, today I missed a series of Roll Call votes. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 20 and "yea" on rollcall No. 21.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. TORRES of New York. Mr. Speaker, today I was not present in the House Chamber. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 20 and "yea" on rollcall No. 21.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. MOORE of Utah. Mr. Speaker, due to plane mechanical issues delaying my flight, I was unable to vote today. Had I been present, I would have voted: "yea" on rollcall No. 20 and "yea" on rollcall No. 21.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mrs. RODGERS of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I missed votes this evening. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 20 and "yea" on rollcall No. 21.

PERMISSION FOR MEMBER TO BE CONSIDERED AS FIRST SPONSOR OF H.R. 1633

Mrs. SYKES. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that I may hereafter be considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 1633, a bill originally introduced by Representative JOHNSON of Ohio, for the purposes of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII.

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

There was no objection.

HONORING TENNESSEE STATE SENATOR ART SWANN

(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, I rise today to honor my dear friend, State Senator Art Swann, who served in the Tennessee State Senate since 2017.

Senator Swann is a seventh-generation Tennessean who was born and raised in Blount County, where he now represents. He graduated from Maryville High School, pronounced Maryville if you are from there, and got his bachelor's degree at the University of Tennessee at Martin in 1975.

Senator Swann was serving the Tennessee General Assembly on the house side when State Senator Doug Overbey, another good friend of mine, was appointed by President Donald Trump to be the U.S. attorney for east Tennessee. The Blount County Commission appointed Art to fill the vacancy, appropriately, and he has been in the role ever since. He recently announced, though, that he won't run for reelection.

Senator Swann is an outstanding public servant who has served the folks in Blount and Sevier Counties very well. He has proudly stood for the conservative principles that make east Tennessee so wonderful and that make our country the best in the world.

It is not in my notes, but I would be remiss without saying that the State of Tennessee has zero debt, Mr. Speaker—zero debt.

I wish him and his wife, Janet, the very best in his retirement.

SUPPORTING LEADER HAKEEM JEFFRIES

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

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to support Democratic Leader HAKEEM JEFFRIES and declare this Congress a Republican do-nothing Congress of epic proportions.

House Republicans continue to focus on chaos, dysfunction, and extremism. They continue to put politics and personal profit over the needs of the American people.

Democrats help Americans. Thanks to President Biden's leadership, wages and the stock market are up; inflation and gas prices are down.

Also, in the last 4 years, the Biden administration has created 14 million new jobs and supported a record-setting number of American businesses.

House Democrats want to work with Republicans to solve issues, such as protecting our border and Social Security. We are ready to get to work with our colleagues across the aisle. Hopefully we can build something together.

GREATER DUBOIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS BASH

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for one minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, the Greater DuBois

Chamber of Commerce held its annual Business Bash Saturday evening, where outstanding organizations and individuals were recognized.

The 2023 Small Business of the Year Award was presented to Penn Central Door, the premier provider of exceptional garage door solutions in the DuBois, Pennsylvania, area and beyond.

The 2023 Community Cup Award was presented to the DuBois Central Catholic School, DuBois Central Catholic, since DCC has emerged as a leader in academic excellence and character formation.

The 2023 DuBois Area Jaycees Distinguished Service Award was presented to Libby Gray. Known for more than 50 years of service to the DuBois area, Mrs. Gray has served on the board and as president of many groups, including the DuBois Regional Medical Center, YMCA, United Way, Public Broadcasting, the American Red Cross, the Catholic Social Services, and the Catholic Charities of the diocese of Erie.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to offer my congratulations and thanks to all of those recognized for their impactful contribution to the DuBois area community.

DEFEND DEMOCRACY AGENDA

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

Mr. DELUZIO. Mr. Speaker, I love this country, as so many here do. I remain as committed to it today as I was when I entered the Naval Academy as a 17-year-old. Through my voting rights, election security, and cybersecurity security work at Pitt Cyber and the Brennan Center, I know, like others, that the threats to this beautiful and fragile democracy of ours are serious.

In this very Chamber on January 6, insurrectionists attacked the people's government, spurred on by lies and conspiracy. Every patriotic American understands that government of, by, and for the people is a lot stronger than the guns and threats of extremists.

With antidemocratic forces on the rise, Congress needs an all-hands-on-deck approach to protecting our Constitution.

That is why, today, I launched my defend democracy agenda, a three-part policy roadmap to strengthen American democracy. Public trust is central, so my agenda starts with a critical slate of policies to try and earn back that trust.

I hope all with a love of country will join me in supporting these anticorruption, transparency, and reform measures for Congress and for political campaigns.

BRING THEM ALL HOME

(Mr. GUEST asked and was given permission to address the House for one

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share the story of Eitan Levy. Eitan Levy was a cab driver from Bat Yam. On October 7, 2023, Eitan called his son to let him know that he would be dropping off a passenger, and 15 minutes later, he called back again to tell his son about the Hamas attack.

Eitan's son heard him shouting and was told that a drone had landed on his father's car. His son stayed on the phone with his father until terrorists kidnapped him. Eitan was not heard from again.

In December, his family was notified that Eitan had been murdered by Hamas. His body is still being held by Hamas in Gaza to this day.

I stand here today to demand that Hamas release the body of Eitan, that it be released immediately to his family, as well as to release all remaining hostages. We must stand with Israel as it works to destroy Hamas and free its citizens wrongly held by the terrorist group.

It is time to bring Eitan's body home. It is time to bring them all home.

HONORING BRIGADIER GENERAL DAN GABRIELLI

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

Ms. OMAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Brigadier General Dan Gabrielli, who retires after 35 years with the Minnesota National Guard and the United States Air Force.

Under his leadership, the Minnesota Guard addressed complex challenges, including overseeing 59,000 COVID vaccines and massive domestic airlifts during Operation Capitol Response in 2021.

I first met General Gabrielli as the 133rd Airlift Wing commander, where his impact on shaping airmen to serve with dignity was unmistakable. His leadership led to frequent and high recognition for the 133rd.

In 2022, I witnessed his exemplary command at Task Force Holloman during Operation Allies Welcome, successfully resettling over 7,000 Afghans.

His commitment extends beyond his official office as he continues to advocate for Afghan refugees in his personal capacity.

Mr. Speaker, Brigadier General Gabrielli epitomizes selfless service and excellence. It is my greatest privilege to honor and thank Brigadier General Dan Gabrielli for his distinguished career and celebrate his well-deserved retirement.

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RECOGNIZING HARVEY "JACK" MURPHY

(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 recognize Dr. Jack Murphy who passed away at the age of 74.

While attending Mercer University, Jack was introduced to Mrs. Peggy Jewel Womack, and they married in 1959. The couple remained in the area to allow Jack to begin his surgical residency at Macon Hospital.

After starting a family of three children, Dr. Murphy worked as a surgeon at Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah. He also worked as the first team physician for local K-12 schools in Savannah, hoping to encourage kids to remain in sports and away from drugs and violence.

Dr. Murphy also served as the chairman of the St. Joseph's/Candler Central Credentials Committee and the Health System's Board of Directors. Nurses who noted Dr. Murphy's energetic and personable character gave him the nickname "Happy Jack." In 2006, the Georgia Medical Society honored Dr. Murphy's contributions with a "Healthcare Heroes" award.

Dr. Murphy will be remembered for his commitment to his family, his friends, and his community. His legacy of serving others will live on forever.

THE PROGRAM INC.

(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, I rise to recognize and congratulate The Program Inc., a mentorship program in our Ninth District of Ohio that exists to provide an opportunity for young boys to develop their social and life skills.

The program leads them to learn and deal effectively with the demands of everyday life. The organization's Tie Event paints a vivid picture of young boys finding guidance and inspiration in the absence of father figures.

Tramain Rayford, the CEO and co-founder, is committed to being that crucial figure for other young men. The Tie Event started with the simple act of teaching young boys how to tie a tie.

As Mr. Rayford reflects on what young men need, he emphasizes attributes of respect. Each boy receives a tie and learns to tie it. The young men are guided by 18-year-old Mr. Kyree King, whose 5-year journey with the organization transformed not just his skills but his self-respect and confidence.

In essence, The Program Inc.'s commitment to mentorship transcends the practicality of tying a tie. It becomes a narrative of personal growth and self-confidence and achieves the profound impact of positive mentorship on young lives.

HONORING AND REMEMBERING OFFICER DANIEL P. DIDATO

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

Mr. LAWLER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor and remember Officer Daniel P. DiDato, a dedicated servant to the town of East Fishkill for 19 years.

Tragically taken from us on December 18, Officer DiDato's legacy is one of unwavering commitment, camaraderie, and a passion for life that touched all who knew him.

Starting his career at the New York City Department of Environmental Protection in 2001 and joining the East Fishkill Police Department in 2005, Dan was a beacon of joy and strength in the East Fishkill community and amongst his fellow officers. Known for his quick wit, love of Marvel Comics, and an aficionado of pizza and other Italian cuisine, Dan connected with colleagues and friends through his humor, vast knowledge, and generous spirit.

Colleagues recall his spot-on impression, music recommendations, and heartfelt conversations. His presence brightened even the toughest days, leaving a lasting impression on everyone from seasoned officers to newcomers.

By honoring Officer DiDato here on the House floor, we celebrate a life of service, laughter, and profound impact. Dan was more than an officer, he was a beloved friend, a cherished community member, a beloved brother, and a true hero.

Thank you, Officer Daniel P. DiDato, for your service, your friendship, and the many lives you have touched. You will never be forgotten, and may God bless your family.

MOURNING THE LOSS OF MATTHEW PETER

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

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to mourn the heavy loss of Matt Peter, a friend to all and a rising star in our community whose light was cut short far too soon.

As a former chief of staff to the mayor of Albany, an Albany County legislator, and executive director of the Albany Parking Authority, Matt was a public servant in the truest sense of the word. His passion and love for his community shone through in everything he did, and he had a determination and the know-how to get things done to improve people's lives.

He accomplished so much during his years as a legislator, from helping modernize the parking authority to championing policies that provide mental health and substance use treatment. While his impact will continue