

LaLota	Napolitano	Sherman
LaMalfa	Neal	Sherrill
Lamborn	Neguse	Simpson
Landsman	Nehls	Slotkin
Langworthy	Nickel	Smith (NJ)
Larsen (WA)	Norcross	Smith (WA)
Latta	Nunn (IA)	Sorensen
LaTurner	Oberholte	Soto
Lawler	Ocasio-Cortez	Spanberger
Lee (CA)	Omar	Stansbury
Lee (FL)	Owens	Stanton
Lee (NV)	Pallone	Stauber
Lee (PA)	Panetta	Steel
Lesko	Pappas	Stevens
Letlow	Pelosi	Strickland
Levin	Peltola	Strong
Lieu	Pence	Suozi
Lofgren	Perez	Swallow
Lucas	Peters	Sykes
Luetkemeyer	Petterson	Takano
Luna	Pfluger	Tenney
Luttrell	Phillips	Thanedar
Lynch	Pingree	Thompson (CA)
Magaziner	Pocan	Thompson (MS)
Malliotakis	Porter	Thompson (PA)
Maloy	Posey	Titus
Manning	Pressley	Tlaib
Massie	Quigley	Tokuda
Mast	Ramirez	Tonko
Matsui	Raskin	Torres (CA)
McBath	Reschenthaler	Trahan
McCaul	Rodgers (WA)	Turner
McClain	Rogers (AL)	Underwood
McClellan	Rogers (KY)	Valadao
McCollum	Ross	Van Drew
McGarvey	Ruiz	Van Orden
McGovern	Rulli	Vargas
McIver	Ruppersberger	Vasquez
Meeks	Rutherford	Veasey
Menendez	Ryan	Velázquez
Meng	Salazar	Wagner
Meuser	Salinas	Walberg
Miller (OH)	Sánchez	Wasserman
Miller-Meeks	Sarbanes	Schultz
Mills	Scanlon	Waters
Molinaro	Schakowsky	Watson Coleman
Moore (AL)	Schiff	Weber (TX)
Moore (WI)	Schneider	Webster (FL)
Morelle	Scholten	Wenstrup
Moskowitz	Schrier	Williams (GA)
Moulton	Scott (VA)	Williams (NY)
Mrvan	Sessions	Williams (TX)
Mullin	Sewell	Yakym
Nadler		

NAYS—75

Allen	Foxx	Murphy
Arrington	Fry	Norman
Baird	Fulcher	Ogles
Bean (FL)	Good (VA)	Palmer
Bentz	Griffith	Perry
Biggs	Grothman	Rose
Bishop (NC)	Harris	Rosendale
Brecheen	Harshbarger	Rouzer
Burchett	Hern	Roy
Burlison	Hoyer	Schweikert
Cammack	Hunt	Scott, Austin
Carter (GA)	Johnson (GA)	Self
Cline	LaHood	Smith (NE)
Clyde	Larson (CT)	Smucker
Collins	Lopez	Spartz
Crane	Loudermilk	Stefanik
Crawford	Mace	Steil
Crenshaw	Mann	Steube
Doggett	McClintock	Tiffany
Donalds	McCormick	Timmons
Duncan	Miller (IL)	Van Duyne
Dunn (FL)	Miller (WV)	Westerman
Edwards	Moolenaar	Wilson (SC)
Estes	Moore (UT)	Womack
Fitzgerald	Moran	Zinke

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Smith (MO)

NOT VOTING—29

Armstrong	Granger	Newhouse
Bowman	Grijalva	Scott, David
Buchanan	Houlihan	Torres (NY)
Bucshon	Kamlager-Dove	Trone
Cartwright	Keating	Waltz
Connolly	Kustoff	Wexton
Evans	Leger Fernandez	Wild
Ferguson	McHenry	Wilson (FL)
Gaetz	Mfume	Wittman
Gomez	Mooney	

□ 1855

Messrs. SMUCKER, CLINE, LOPEZ, GOOD of Virginia, JOHNSON of Georgia, and CARTER of Georgia changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mses. PINGREE, MCCOLLUM, Messrs. HILL, GOSAR, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Messrs. CLYBURN, HUDSON, and BABIN changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

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:

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. WEXTON. Mr. Speaker, I regret that I was not able to be present to vote today. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 456.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, November 12, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of a letter received from Ms. Christina Adkins, Director of Elections, with the Texas Office of the Secretary of State indicating that, according to the unofficial results for the Special General Election held on November 5, 2024, the Honorable Erica Lee Carter was elected Representative to Congress for the Eighteenth Congressional District of Texas.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Acting Clerk.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
JANE NELSON, SECRETARY OF STATE,
November 8, 2024.

Hon. KEVIN F. MCCUMBER:
Acting Clerk, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. MCCUMBER: This is to advise you that the unofficial results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 for Representative in Congress from the Eighteenth Congressional District of Texas, show that ERICA LEE CARTER received 144,660 or 67.8% of the total number of votes cast for that office.

It would appear from these unofficial results that ERICA LEE CARTER was elected as Representative in Congress from the Eighteenth Congressional District of Texas.

To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this election.

As soon as the official results are certified to this office by all counties involved and certified by the Governor of Texas, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

Sincerely,

CHRISTINA ADKINS,
Director of Elections.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, November 12, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of a letter received from Ms. Meagan Wolfe, Administrator, with the Wisconsin Elections Commission indicating that, according to the unofficial results for the Special General Election held on November 5, 2024, the Honorable Tony Wied was elected Representative to Congress for the Eighth Congressional District of Wisconsin.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Acting Clerk.

Enclosure.

WISCONSIN ELECTIONS COMMISSION,
Madison, WI, November 11, 2024.

Hon. KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Acting Clerk, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. MCCUMBER: This is to advise you that the unofficial results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for Representative in Congress from the Eighth Congressional District of Wisconsin show that Tony Wied received approximately 241,930 votes or 57.38% of the total number of votes cast for that office, excluding write-in votes and scattering data for all locations which have not yet been fully reported or canvassed by Wisconsin's election officials. Democratic candidate, Kristin Lysterly, has received approximately 179,862 votes or 42.62% of the total number of votes cast for this office. The Commission's web page provides a link to the real-time data posted by each county: <https://elections.wi.gov/wisconsin-county-election-websites>.

It would appear from these current, unofficial, and non-aggregate results that Tony Wied was elected as Representative in Congress from the Eighth Congressional District of Wisconsin. The latest date that the eleven counties in the Eighth Congressional District of Wisconsin may transmit their completed canvass is November 18, 2024, although they may do so earlier. The Chairwoman of the Wisconsin Elections Commission must conduct the canvass and certification process at the state level once any recount deadline has passed, and only then are the results official.

To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this election. Wisconsin Statutes would only allow a recount for this race if the trailing candidate were "aggrieved," which in this race means the trailing candidate must trail by no more than one percent of the total votes cast. If a recount petition could be submitted, the last possible date for submission would be November 21, 2024, for this race, which is unlikely based on current, unofficial reporting.

As soon as the official results are certified to this office by all county officials involved, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

Sincerely,

MEAGAN WOLFE,
Administrator, Wisconsin Elections
Commission.

**SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE
ERICA LEE CARTER, OF TEXAS,
AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE**

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Texas, the Honorable Erica Lee Carter, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

Her certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to her election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

**SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE
TONY WIED, OF WISCONSIN, AS A
MEMBER OF THE HOUSE**

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Wisconsin, the Honorable Tony Wied, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Wisconsin?

There was no objection.

SWEARING IN OF MEMBERS-ELECT

The SPEAKER. Will the Representatives-elect present themselves in the well.

All Members will rise and the Representatives-elect will please raise their right hand.

Mrs. Lee Carter of Texas and Mr. Tony Wied of Wisconsin appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear or affirm that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations, you are now Members of the 118th Congress.

**WELCOMING THE HONORABLE
ERICA LEE CARTER TO THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. DOGGETT) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to welcome to the House a new addition from Texas, ERICA LEE CARTER. This is a somewhat bittersweet moment for all of us because it was only a few months ago that we gathered here to commemorate the life and legacy of her mother, Sheila Jackson Lee. There is more than physical resemblance between the two.

When I was elected in 1994 in the same small class of 13 that Sheila was a Member of, ERICA was a teenager. She has been here a number of times over the three decades that Sheila served. Sheila was a fierce advocate for justice who fought relentlessly for her community. ERICA, I know, has her mother's tenacity and her compassion.

She carries on a legacy of helping those with the least. She has led initiatives on economic equality and voting rights in Harris County. She spearheaded a funding drive for after-school programs. She has also worked to end discriminatory practices in the workplace and uplift minority- and women-owned businesses.

She is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She earned a master's degree at Duke University's Terry Sanford School of Public Policy. She began her career as an elementary schoolteacher in Houston. Her expertise in the classroom and in making education more accessible for every child, regardless of ZIP Code, is a great example of why her strong voice will be valuable.

While cancer cruelly cut Sheila's term short and ERICA will be with us for a short time, I believe that we can count on her to continue carrying the torch for social justice in whatever role she may play, and we welcome her tonight.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Texas (Mrs. LEE CARTER), our new colleague for her maiden speech.

Mrs. LEE CARTER. Mr. Speaker, I thank Congressman DOGGETT, my fellow colleagues in the Texas delegation, and Mr. JEFFRIES for welcoming me to the House.

I, Congresswoman ERICA LEE CARTER, rise on behalf of the 18th Congressional District of Texas to return their voice and their vote to this esteemed body, the United States House of Representatives, to finish the 118th Congress with dignity, honor, and service.

I thank God, the author and finisher of my faith, for this awesome privilege, which I do not take lightly.

Mr. Speaker, I thank my husband, Dr. Roy L. Carter, Jr., for his unwavering support and sense of humor that keeps me going. To my twin children, Roy Lee Carter, III, and Ellison Bennett Carter, I love you with all of my heart.

To my father, Dr. Elwyn C. Lee, your unconditional love and guidance has continued to lift me.

To my brother, Jason Lee, and cousin Whitney, thank you for being my biggest supporters.

To the Jacksons, Lees, Carters, Cannons, and other extended family, thank you for being with me throughout this enormously challenging time and serving as a source of strength and support.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to be the fifth person to serve the 18th Congressional District of Texas, a line of service which began with the Honorable Barbara Jordan, who was the first

Black woman from the South to be elected to Congress. She was followed by the Honorable Mickey Leland, a global humanitarian who brought attention to the suffering of many around the world, particularly on the continent of Africa.

After Mickey came the Honorable Craig Washington, who was an astute jurist. Then came my mother, the Honorable Sheila Jackson Lee, a prolific legislator who served as a bridge from the civil rights era till now, and a dedicated public servant who was committed to making America better for her children.

I rise in the memory of my mother, the late, great Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, who served this Chamber for nearly three decades. Her legacy of fierce advocacy, a voice for the voiceless, her unwavering commitment to speak truth to power shaped the lives of countless Americans. Her eloquence and mastery in the art of legislation brought forth reforms that echoed from Houston to the entire Nation.

She was a social justice leader who advocated tirelessly for women, survivors of violence, and the wrongfully accused. As a senior member of the Judiciary Committee, she always fought to ensure that the United States Constitution was a living, breathing document that lived up to its promise for all people. She held it close and knew it could create a more perfect Union that we all desire.

This is why she was proud to be the lead sponsor of the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act to recognize when freedom reached all America's shores. As an early member of the Homeland Security Committee, she worked to keep Americans safe at home and abroad and supported creating the Transportation Security Administration.

She was known to work across the aisle through all Presidential administrations and congressional terms, doing what was necessary to make progress, bring resources back to Houston, and bend the moral arc of the universe toward justice.

On behalf of my family, friends, and the 18th Congressional District, I offer my heartfelt thanks to her colleagues, now mine, who offered their support during her illness and beyond. Your kindness was a great comfort to her, and it reassured her that her work would endure.

As for this moment tonight, while joyful, it is bittersweet because I wish she were standing at this podium to finish the 118th Congress on her own terms. Nevertheless, there is much work to do, and it is my honor to finish what she started alongside each of you.

Mr. Speaker, I will stand for justice, freedom, economic opportunity, and the dignity for all Americans. I am so proud to serve all the people of the 18th Congressional District of Texas that starts near the bottoms of Third Ward, travels through Freedmen's Town where the newly emancipated slaves