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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members have 2 minutes remaining to vote.

□ 1911

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.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. BRALEY of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I missed votes on Monday, July 27, 2009. If I were present, I would have voted:

"Yea" on rollcall 647, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H. Res. 593—Recognizing and celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the entry of Hawaii into the Union as the 50th State:

"Yea" on rollcall 648, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 1376—Waco Mammoth National Monument Establishment Act of 2009;

"Yea" on rollcall 649, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 1121—Blue Ridge Parkway and Town of Blowing Rock Land Exchange Act of 2009.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. RODRIGUEZ. Mr. Speaker, unfortunately I was unable to vote today, Monday, July 27, 2009 because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present to vote, I would have voted in support of the three bills that were before the floor of the House of Representatives today; H. Res. 593, Recognizing and celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the entry of Hawaii into the Union as the 50th State; H.R. 1376, the Waco Mammoth National Monument Establishment Act of 2009; and H.R. 1121, the Blue Ridge Parkway and Town of Blowing Rock Land Exchange Act of 2009.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, although I voted for all amendments and for the motion to recommit, because of responsibilities in commemorating Apollo 11 in Houston, I missed the final vote on H.R. 3293, Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, the appropriations bill, on Friday, July 24, 2009.

Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

REGARDING POSSIBLE REINSTATEMENT OF PETE ROSE

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

Mrs. SCHMIDT. Mr. Speaker, I rise this evening to discuss Major League Baseball's possible reinstatement of Pete Rose. I was pleased to hear reports over the weekend that Commissioner Bud Selig is seriously considering ending the ban that has kept baseball's all-time hits leader from consideration for enshrinement in the Hall of Fame.

Beginning in 1963 until his playing days ended in 1986, Pete Rose accumulated some of the most heralded baseball statistics known to the game. Most notably are his 4,256 career hits, a Major League record, one that may never be broken. Pete did not get this record without earning the nickname "Charlie Hustle."

It will always be hard to forget that September evening in 1985 when Rose belted his record-breaking hit into left-center off pitcher Eric Show of the San Diego Padres. Additionally, Rose won two World Series championships with the Cincinnati Reds in 1975 and 1976, a squad commonly known as the Big Red Machine, and also one with the Philadelphia Phillies in 1980.

Even Pete Rose has admitted to making some serious mistakes in his life. Mr. Speaker, we are a country of second chances and of forgiveness. After 20 years of Major League Baseball banishment, Pete Rose deserves to have his second chance.

HOUSTON FEDERAL JOBS FAIR

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

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. On July 25, the Sunday Chronicle read: Houston fair draws more than expected despite the stifling heat. Thousands sweat out the chance to get Federal jobs. Houston fair draws more than expected despite the stifling heat.

A Federal jobs fair that was held by my office in Houston on this past Saturday, July 25, shows that Texas is vulnerable to the unemployment numbers, and it also shows why the stimulus dollars do count.

Houstonians and Texans and Americans want to work. These stimulus dollars are beginning to impact our communities, even those who are viewed as not being vulnerable to this high unemployment. We realize that we have to face this while we rebuild our economic structure. That is what we are trying to do with the passage of health care reform and in providing more jobs for our constituents.

I will have another Federal jobs fair in collaboration with many of my friends—with the private sector, with community colleges, and with othersto ensure that Americans know that their tax dollars are working for them. We want Federal jobs to be known and to be available throughout America beyond the beltway, and we'll be working with our government, with our administration and with our Department of Labor to let Americans know there are jobs there for them that their tax dollars are paying for. In essence, we need you to work for the United States Government, and jobs are there for you.

Houston, we will be back again for a second U.S. Federal jobs fair.

□ 1915

CITY OF EDINA IN TOP TEN

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

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise tonight to recognize one of the many great communities in my congressional district. The City of Edina, Minnesota, was recently named one of the top 10 best towns for families by Family Circle magazine. Edina was chosen from an initial list of 1,700 towns and cities nationwide with populations between 15,000 people and 150,000 people.

The annual rankings are based on a number of criteria, including the quality of schools, access to health care, affordable homes, green space, crime rates, and financial stability. In fact, Edina was the only city on the list to receive a Great Schools rating of a 10—the best score possible—which is determined by looking at standardized test scores of students in the public school district.

Mr. Speaker, I offer my congratulations to the City of Edina and the parents and the students and the friends and neighbors who make that community great.

ALEXANDER HEARD

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

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I attended Vanderbilt University and graduated in 1971. My chancellor was a gentleman named Alexander Heard. Alexander Heard passed away last week at the age of 92. He was an exceptional educator, one of the best Tennessee or this Nation will ever know.

During the tumultuous times of the 1960s, a student group invited both Dr. Martin Luther King and Stokely Carmichael to address the students at Vanderbilt University. Protests came in as expected. Chancellor Heard knew that colleges were about openness, about free speech and exchange of ideas. In fact, he said the university's obligation is not to protect students from ideas, but rather to expose them to ideas to help make them capable of handling them and hopefully having ideas.

Chancellor Heard wrote quite a few texts on southern politics, was a respected academician as well as an educator. He was a gentleman, he was a scholar, he made Vanderbilt a great university.

He will be missed.

HEALTH CARE THIEVES

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

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it's time to put common sense into health care reform. The first thing to do is focus on current fraud and waste. The part of health care that the government already runs, like Medicare and Medicaid, wastes billions of dollars every year, and billions more are lost through fraud.

The national health care antifraud system says Medicare fraud costs American taxpayers \$68 billion every year. The FBI says health care fraud may be as high as 10 percent of costs, which means the crooks and the cheats are stealing \$226 billion a year from taxpayers. That's money that should be going to treat the sick and the disabled. Now taxacrats want to hand all of our health care money over to the bureaucrats.

Law enforcement needs to go after Medicare and Medicaid cheats before we consider nationalized health care. We can save billions of dollars on health care by simply sending the crooks to jail. Fix the obvious stealing and waste before we encourage more fraud and abuse under a universal government-run health care system.

And that's just the way it is.

HONORING DANIEL PAUL

(Mrs. BACHMANN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. BACHMANN. Mr. Speaker, this last Saturday was a very sad day in Minnesota. We laid to rest a fallen hero named Daniel Paul. His parents were in attendance, his family, our community, and we came together in sorrow and tears, our governor, our two Senators, and we went as a community for this fallen hero.

He was really a remarkable man, Daniel Paul. He was so remarkable, 22 years old, he didn't fear anything. And he willingly laid his life on the altar of freedom for all of us. And it was one more reminder, Mr. Speaker, of how heavy the cost of our freedom is and yet how remarkable these young men and women are who voluntarily, with full assurance in their heart, lay their life down for us.

So, Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to come today and make reference and thanks to this young man who gave his life for us to his parents, to his siblings, to his extended family who have all sacrificed so much with the loss of this young life.

So, Mr. Speaker, I want to honor the memory of Daniel Paul and thank him for his service to our country. And also for those in our community who doff their hats, the patriot guards, the motorcyclists who lined the streets with their flags. I was never more proud to be an American than this last Saturday when I saw our community recognize this cost and pause and honor his memory.

REPUBLICAN HEALTH CARE PLAN NEEDS TO COME TO THE FLOOR

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

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I'm looking at the list of the things to be covered this week. It has, "Friday, health care legislation???"

I hope that the American people will let their voices be heard. This is not good for America. It is going to cost tremendous amounts of money, and then our seniors, especially, get particularly vulnerable. They go on lists and they are not prioritized, and then they die waiting in line, just as the man I met here recently from Canada, just as his father did after being on the list for 2 years to get a bypass surgery.

We don't need to go here. People don't need to be dying in line. We can have a better plan, and we have a better plan, but it's been shut out with Leg Counsel and I can't get it out in the form of a bill. That's what we need to do. The plan's there. Just let us get it to the floor.

SOCIALIZED MEDICINE WILL NOT WORK

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

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. About 85 percent of the people in this country do

have health care coverage, Mr. Speaker. And we really need to do something about the indigent, the people that are poor, the 15 percent that don't have coverage. But creating a socialized medical system simply won't work, as my colleague that just preceded me said. Socialism causes a rationing of health care, and in addition to that, it causes a tremendous amount of additional expense on people that they don't really think they're going to have to bear.

We're going to see a tax increase for everybody in this country if we pass the program that's been put forth by the Democrats and the President of the United States. And the rationing of health care for seniors. I can't believe the AARP has come out in favor of this bill, because seniors who have more health problems as they progressively get older are going to be hit the worst. And as my colleague just said, there will be rationing of health care, and many people won't be able to get hip replacements or heart surgery that's absolutely necessary to keep them going and keep their quality of life where it should be.

I hope the people of this country, Mr. Speaker, really pay attention, and I hope we don't get this bill passed until we get back in August, because once the American people find out what's in it, they aren't going to want it.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 2009, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

LADIES OF LIBERTY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. Poe) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the women of Iran are inspiring people around the world leading in the cause and fight for freedom. They have taken to the streets by the thousands because of the fraudulent government elections and repressive government subjugation. They are giving even men courage to protest. The New York Times ran an eyewitness report saying, "For days now, I've seen women urging less courageous men on. I've seen them get beaten and return to the frav." Women shout at the men to "Get up. Get up. Speak out against government oppression."

Untold numbers of Iranian women have been arrested. Shadi Sadr is a journalist, lawyer, and a human rights activist. She was last seen Friday, July 17, on her way to prayer. She was seen struggling with government henchmen as they beat her and dragged her into a car.

Shadi managed to break away for a few moments, but she was chased down, beaten with batons and taken to