

On June 20, 2010, President Obama issued Proclamation 8534 in honor of the bicentennial of the unification of Hawaii. The President, who like me and others who were born in Hawaii, recognizes the significance of King Kamehameha to our history. A relevant part of his statement is, "On this bicentennial King Kamehameha Day, we celebrate the history and heritage of the Aloha State, which has immeasurably enriched our national life and culture. The Hawaiian narrative is one of both profound triumph and, sadly, deep injustice. It is the story of Native Hawaiians oppressed by crippling disease, aborted treaties, and the eventual conquest of their sovereign kingdom. These grim milestones remind us of an unjust time in our history, as well as the many pitfalls in our Nation's long and difficult journey to perfect itself. Yet, through the peaks and valleys of our American story, Hawaii's steadfast sense of community and mutual support shows the progress that results when we are united in a spirit of limitless possibility."

I would like to also add, as Chairman LUNGREN pointed out, what King Kamehameha is also known for is creating the law of the land, the law, as we call it, the Law of the Splintered Paddle. In Hawaii we also call it Ke Kanawai Mamalahoe. This is an interesting story, and one that people may not believe. It is really the story of a warrior king and his humanity. It was a law to protect the civilians at a time of war. It is a lesson in human life because the king, warrior king, decreed that any human life was precious, and it was wrong for the powerful to mistreat the weaker.

Though many of us think of it as a celebration with parades and, as we call it at home hoolauleas, festivities, and parties, it is more importantly a symbol of that which is Hawaii, that which makes us so unique.

I would like to express my appreciation on behalf of the people of Hawaii, to Speaker BOEHNER, Chairman LUNGREN, the architect of the Capitol, the Capitol Police, and all others who assist in this event.

I yield back the balance of my time. Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California. Mr. Speaker, in closing, I would just say that it gives me great pleasure to join my colleague from Hawaii in bringing this resolution to the floor, particularly because my daughter, who was married in this town on Sunday, is on her way to Hawaii to celebrate her honeymoon and I believe will actually still be there on the 5th of June, so that she will see that up close and personal.

I would urge all my colleagues to support this resolution.

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of S. Con. Res. 16, legislation to authorize the use of the Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for the Lei Draping Ceremony to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha on June 5, 2011. The concurrent resolution, already passed in

the Senate, is cosponsored by the two Senators and my good friends from the State of Hawaii, Senator AKAKA and Senator INOUE. And I wish to thank all the Hawaiian congressional delegation for their support of this resolution to commemorate this historical event.

Mr. Speaker, the Kamehameha Lei Draping Ceremony in the Statuary Hall of the U.S. Capitol has been hosted by the Hawaii congressional delegation and Hawaii State Society of Washington, D.C. since 1969. For more than 40 years now we have conducted this ceremony each year on or about the second week of June to coincide with the celebration of King Kamehameha Day in the State of Hawaii.

Mr. Speaker, the King Kamehameha statue has now been moved to Emancipation Hall of the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center, and in doing so, under section 103 of Public Law 110-437, it requires the enactment of a congressional resolution to authorize this annual celebration—hence, the resolution before the House floor today.

Mr. Speaker, King Kamehameha was one of the greatest Hawaiian warrior kings known among the Polynesian people. After some 2,000 years of tremendous rivalries among the warring chiefs of the Hawaiian Islands, it was prophesied among the Hawaiian priests that there will one day be born a high chief who will be a slayer of other high chiefs and he will unite all of the Hawaiian Islands under one rule. King Kamehameha fulfilled that prophecy, after almost 10 years of fighting against other rival chiefs of the Hawaiian Islands.

Mr. Speaker, King Kamehameha was about 6 feet, 8 inches and weighed almost 300 pounds. He learned the ancient martial arts, known among the Hawaiian people as lua. He also learned military tactics and the art of warfare from his warrior chief, Kekuhaupio. He was able to lift the ancient Naha Stone, which weighed 4,500 pounds. One of his favorite sports to prove agility and combat readiness involved the ability to dodge spears thrown at him simultaneously. King Kamehameha was able to do this with six spears—he would grab two, parry two more, and let the last two go by.

Mr. Speaker, King Kamehameha unified the islands and established peace and stability. He was shrewd in building prosperity for his people by encouraging agricultural development and promoting commercial trade in Europe and even with the United States. While he was open to new ideas, he was cautious and circumspect in the old way. He instituted the Law of the Splintered Paddle, or Mamalahoe as known among the Hawaiian people, which protected elderly men and women and children from any harm as they'd travel along the roadside.

Mr. Speaker, S. Con. Res. 16 reaffirms that the United States is built upon diversity, and we all share the same ideals of freedom and democracy and a commitment to justice for all people. These ideals embody the legacy of King Kamehameha the Great. It is only fitting that we not only honor the birth date of this great Hawaiian warrior king, but we continue to have the special ceremony of draping hundreds of flower leis on his statue that now stands prominently in the Emancipation Hall of the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center.

I urge my colleagues to support S. Con. Res. 16.

Ms. HIRONO. Mr. Speaker, aloha. I rise today in support of S. Con. Res. 16, which au-

thorizes the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor's Center for the 42nd Annual Kamehameha Day Lei Draping.

I would like to thank Speaker BOEHNER, Chairman LUNGREN, and Ranking Member BRADY for their support of this bill. The location of the Kamehameha statue in Emancipation Hall requires that a concurrent resolution be passed to authorize the use of the space for this event.

The Kamehameha Day Lei Draping has been hosted by the Hawaii Congressional Delegation and the Hawaii State Society of Washington D.C. since 1969. The event has been held on or about June 11th to coincide with the celebration of Kamehameha Day, a state holiday in Hawaii. This year, the event will be held on Sunday, June 5.

Born in 1758, Kamehameha was the first monarch to unify the Hawaiian Islands and is fondly remembered as a leader who was daring, strong, and courageous.

As King of all Hawaii, Kamehameha appointed governors for each island, made laws for the protection of all his people, planted taro, built houses and irrigation ditches, restored important cultural sites, encouraged industries like farming and fishing, managed the island's natural resources, and entered into trading agreements with other nations. The flag design he ordered for his kingdom later became the Seal of the State of Hawaii. He would rule the islands until his death in 1819.

I would like to close by thanking the staff of the Committee on House Administration, the Office of the Architect of the Capitol, and the Office of the Sergeant At Arms who each year help make this event possible. I urge my colleagues support of S. Con. Res. 16.

Mahalo nui loa (thank you).

Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN) that the House suspend the rules and concur in the concurrent resolution, S. Con. Res. 16.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was concurred in.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 1484, by the yeas and nays;

S. 1082, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 1954, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

#### VETERANS APPEALS IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2011

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GARDNER). The unfinished business is

the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1484) to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the appeals process of the Department of Veterans Affairs and to establish a commission to study judicial review of the determination of veterans' benefits, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. MILLER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 419, nays 1, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 377]

YEAS—419

Ackerman	Coble	Gosar
Adams	Coffman (CO)	Govdry
Aderholt	Cohen	Granger
Akin	Cole	Graves (GA)
Alexander	Conaway	Graves (MO)
Altmire	Connolly (VA)	Green, Al
Andrews	Conyers	Green, Gene
Austria	Cooper	Griffin (AR)
Baca	Costa	Griffith (VA)
Bachmann	Costello	Grijalva
Bachus	Courtney	Grimm
Baldwin	Cravaack	Guinta
Barletta	Crawford	Guthrie
Barrow	Crenshaw	Gutierrez
Bartlett	Critz	Hall
Barton (TX)	Crowley	Hanabusa
Bass (CA)	Cuellar	Hanna
Bass (NH)	Culberson	Harper
Becerra	Cummings	Harris
Benishek	Davis (CA)	Hartzler
Berg	Davis (IL)	Hastings (FL)
Berkley	Davis (KY)	Hastings (WA)
Berman	DeFazio	Hayworth
Biggert	DeGette	Heck
Bilbray	DeLauro	Heinrich
Bilirakis	Denham	Hensarling
Bishop (GA)	Dent	Herger
Bishop (NY)	DesJarlais	Herrera Beutler
Bishop (UT)	Deutch	Higgins
Black	Diaz-Balart	Himes
Blackburn	Dicks	Hinchev
Blumenauer	Dingell	Hinojosa
Bonner	Doggett	Hirono
Bono Mack	Dold	Holden
Boren	Donnelly (IN)	Holt
Boswell	Doyle	Honda
Boustany	Dreier	Hoyer
Brady (PA)	Duffy	Huelskamp
Brady (TX)	Duncan (TN)	Huizenga (MI)
Brooks	Edwards	Hultgren
Broun (GA)	Ellison	Hunter
Brown (FL)	Ellmers	Hurt
Buchanan	Emerson	Inslee
Bucshon	Engel	Israel
Buerkle	Eshoo	Issa
Burgess	Farenthold	Jackson (IL)
Burton (IN)	Farr	Jackson Lee
Butterfield	Fattah	(TX)
Calvert	Filner	Jenkins
Camp	Fincher	Johnson (GA)
Campbell	Fitzpatrick	Johnson (IL)
Canseco	Flake	Johnson (OH)
Cantor	Fleischmann	Johnson, E. B.
Capito	Fleming	Johnson, Sam
Capps	Flores	Jones
Capuano	Forbes	Jordan
Cardoza	Fortenberry	Kaptur
Carnahan	Fox	Keating
Carney	Frank (MA)	Kelly
Carson (IN)	Franks (AZ)	Kildee
Carter	Frelinghuysen	Kildee
Cassidy	Fudge	King (IA)
Castor (FL)	Gallegly	King (NY)
Chabot	Garamendi	Kingston
Chaffetz	Gardner	Kinzinger (IL)
Chandler	Garrett	Kissell
Chu	Gerlach	Kline
Cicilline	Gibbs	Kucinich
Clarke (MI)	Gibson	Labrador
Clarke (NY)	Gingrey (GA)	Lamborn
Clay	Gohmert	Lance
Cleaver	Gonzalez	Landry
Clyburn	Goodlatte	Langevin

Lankford	Palazzo	Scott (SC)
Larsen (WA)	Pallone	Scott (VA)
Larson (CT)	Pascarell	Scott, Austin
Latham	Pastor (AZ)	Scott, David
LaTourette	Paul	Sensenbrenner
Latta	Paulsen	Serrano
Lee (CA)	Payne	Sessions
Levin	Pearce	Sewell
Lewis (CA)	Pelosi	Sherman
Lewis (GA)	Pence	Shimkus
Lipinski	Perlmutter	Shuler
LoBiundo	Peters	Shuster
Loeb	Peterson	Simpson
Loeb	Petri	Sires
Loftis	Pingree (ME)	Slaughter
Long	Pitts	Smith (NE)
Lowe	Platts	Smith (NJ)
Luetkemeyer	Poe (TX)	Smith (TX)
Lujan	Polis	Smith (WA)
Lummis	Pompeo	Southerland
Lungren, Daniel E.	Posey	Speier
Lynch	Price (GA)	Stark
Mack	Price (NC)	Stearns
Maloney	Quayle	Stivers
Manzullo	Quigley	Stutzman
Marchant	Rahall	Sullivan
Marino	Rangel	Sutton
Markey	Reed	Terry
Matheson	Rehberg	Thompson (CA)
Matsui	Reichert	Thompson (MS)
McCarthy (CA)	Renacci	Thompson (PA)
McCarthy (NY)	Reyes	Thornberry
McCaul	Ribble	Tiberti
McClintock	Richardson	Tipton
McCollum	Richmond	Tonko
McCotter	Rigell	Towns
McDermott	Rivera	Tsongas
McGovern	Roby	Turner
McHenry	Roe (TN)	Upton
McIntyre	Rogers (AL)	Van Hollen
McKeon	Rogers (KY)	Velázquez
McKinley	Rogers (MI)	Visclosky
McNerney	Rohrabacher	Walberg
Meehan	Rokita	Walden
Meeks	Rooney	Walsh (IL)
Mica	Ros-Lehtinen	Wasserman
Michaud	Roskam	Schultz
Miller (FL)	Ross (AR)	Waters
Miller (MI)	Ross (FL)	Watt
Miller (NC)	Rothman (NJ)	Waxman
Miller, Gary	Roybal-Allard	Webster
Miller, George	Royce	Weiner
Moore	Runyan	Welch
Moran	Ruppersberger	West
Mulvaney	Rush	Westmoreland
Murphy (CT)	Ryan (OH)	Whitfield
Murphy (PA)	Ryan (WI)	Wilson (FL)
Nadler	Sanchez, Linda	Wilson (SC)
Napolitano	T.	Wittman
Neal	Sarbanes	Wolf
Neugebauer	Scalise	Womack
Noem	Schakowsky	Woodall
Nugent	Schiff	Woolsey
Nunes	Schilling	Wu
Nunnelee	Schmidt	Yoder
Olson	Schock	Young (AK)
Olver	Schrader	Young (FL)
Owens	Schweikert	Young (IN)

NAYS—1

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NOT VOTING—11

Braley (IA)	McMorris	Schwartz
Duncan (SC)	Rodgers	Tierney
Giffords	Myrick	Walz (MN)
Lucas	Sanchez, Loretta	Yarmuth

□ 1852

Messrs. LABRADOR and HINOJOSA, Mrs. CAPPS, and Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

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.

The title was amended so as to read: "A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the appeals process of the Department of Veterans Affairs."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SMALL BUSINESS ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY EXTENSION ACT OF 2011

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 1082) to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, and for other purposes, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

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

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 387, nays 33, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 378]

YEAS—387

Ackerman	Cleaver	Gohmert
Adams	Clyburn	Gonzalez
Aderholt	Coble	Goodlatte
Akin	Coffman (CO)	Gosar
Alexander	Cohen	Govdry
Altmire	Cole	Granger
Austria	Conaway	Graves (MO)
Baca	Connolly (VA)	Green, Al
Bachmann	Cooper	Green, Gene
Bachus	Costa	Griffin (AR)
Baldwin	Costello	Griffith (VA)
Barletta	Courtney	Grijalva
Barrow	Cravaack	Grimm
Bartlett	Crawford	Guinta
Barton (TX)	Crenshaw	Guthrie
Bass (CA)	Critz	Gutierrez
Bass (NH)	Crowley	Hall
Becerra	Cuellar	Hanabusa
Benishek	Culberson	Hanna
Berg	Davis (CA)	Harper
Berkley	Davis (IL)	Harris
Berman	Davis (KY)	Hartzler
Biggert	DeFazio	Hastings (WA)
Bilbray	DeGette	Hayworth
Bilirakis	DeLauro	Heck
Bishop (GA)	Denham	Heinrich
Bishop (NY)	Dent	Hensarling
Bishop (UT)	DesJarlais	Herger
Black	Deutch	Herrera Beutler
Blackburn	Diaz-Balart	Higgins
Blumenauer	Dicks	Himes
Bonner	Dingell	Hinchev
Bono Mack	Doggett	Holden
Boren	Dold	Holt
Boswell	Donnelly (IN)	Hoyer
Boustany	Doyle	Huelskamp
Brady (PA)	Dreier	Huizenga (MI)
Brady (TX)	Duffy	Hultgren
Brooks	Edwards	Hunter
Brown (FL)	Ellmers	Hurt
Buchanan	Emerson	Inslee
Bucshon	Engel	Israel
Buerkle	Eshoo	Issa
Burgess	Farenthold	Jackson (IL)
Burton (IN)	Farr	Jackson Lee
Butterfield	Fattah	(TX)
Calvert	Filner	Jenkins
Camp	Fincher	Johnson (GA)
Campbell	Fitzpatrick	Johnson (IL)
Canseco	Flake	Johnson (OH)
Cantor	Fleischmann	Johnson, E. B.
Capito	Fleming	Johnson, O. B.
Capps	Flores	Jones
Capuano	Forbes	Jordan
Cardoza	Fortenberry	Kaptur
Carnahan	Fox	Keating
Carney	Frank (MA)	Kelly
Carson (IN)	Franks (AZ)	Kildee
Carter	Frelinghuysen	Kind
Cassidy	Fudge	King (IA)
Castor (FL)	Gallegly	King (NY)
Chabot	Garamendi	Kingston
Chaffetz	Gardner	Kinzing (IL)
Chandler	Garrett	Kissell
Chu	Gerlach	Kline
Cicilline	Gibbs	Kucinich
Clarke (MI)	Gibson	Labrador
Clarke (NY)	Gingrey (GA)	Lamborn
Clay	Gohmert	
Cleaver	Gonzalez	
Clyburn	Goodlatte	