

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. STEIL. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

#### CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO HONG KONG—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 118-150)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency with respect to Hong Kong that was declared in Executive Order 13936 of July 14, 2020, is to continue in effect beyond July 14, 2024.

The situation with respect to Hong Kong, including recent actions taken by the People's Republic of China to fundamentally undermine Hong Kong's autonomy, continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat, which has its source in substantial part outside the United States, to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13936 with respect to the situation in Hong Kong.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, July 10, 2024.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 3 o'clock and 28 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. OBERNOLTE) at 4 o'clock and 45 minutes p.m.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

The motion to recommit on H.R. 8281;

Passage of H.R. 8281, if ordered;

Passage of H.J. Res. 165; and

Passage of H.J. Res. 109, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

#### SAFEGUARD AMERICAN VOTER ELIGIBILITY ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to recommit on the bill (H.R. 8281) to amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to require proof of United States citizenship to register an individual to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes, offered by the gentlewoman from Alabama (Ms. SEWELL), on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk will redesignate the motion.

The Clerk redesignated the motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to recommit.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 184, nays 197, not voting 52, as follows:

[Roll No. 344]  
YEAS—184

Adams	Crow	Jeffries
Aguilar	Cuellar	Kamlager-Dove
Alfred	Davids (KS)	Kaptur
Amo	Davis (IL)	Keating
Auchincloss	Davis (NC)	Kelly (IL)
Balint	Dean (PA)	Kennedy
Barragán	DeGette	Khanna
Beatty	DeLauro	Kildee
Bera	DelBene	Kilmer
Beyer	Deluzio	Kim (NJ)
Bishop (GA)	DeSaulnier	Krishnamoorthi
Blumenauer	Dingell	Kuster
Blunt Rochester	Escobar	Landsman
Bonamici	Eshoo	Larsen (WA)
Bowman	Españolat	Larson (CT)
Boyle (PA)	Foushee	Lee (CA)
Brown	Frost	Lee (NV)
Budzinski	Galleo	Lee (PA)
Bush	Garcia (IL)	Leger Fernandez
Caraveo	Garcia (TX)	Levin
Carbajal	Garcia, Robert	Lieu
Carson	Golden (ME)	Lofgren
Carter (LA)	Goldman (NY)	Lynch
Cartwright	Gomez	Magaziner
Casar	Gonzalez,	Manning
Case	Vicente	Matsui
Casten	Gottheimer	McBath
Castor (FL)	Green, Al (TX)	McClellan
Castro (TX)	Hayes	McCollum
Cherfilus-	Himes	McGarvey
McCormick	Horsford	McGovern
Chu	Houlahan	Meeks
Clark (MA)	Hoyer	Menendez
Clarke (NY)	Hoyle (OR)	Meng
Cleaver	Huffman	Mfume
Clyburn	Ivey	Morelle
Cohen	Jackson (IL)	Moulton
Connolly	Jackson (NC)	Mrvan
Correa	Jacobs	Mullin
Crockett	Jayapal	Nadler

Napolitano  
Neal  
Neguse  
Norcross  
Pallone  
Panetta  
Pappas  
Pelosi  
Perez  
Peters  
Pettersen  
Phillips  
Pingree  
Pocan  
Porter  
Pressley  
Quigley  
Raskin  
Ross  
Ruiz  
Ruppersberger  
Ryan  
Salinas

Sánchez  
Scanlon  
Schakowsky  
Schiff  
Schneider  
Scholten  
Schrier  
Scott (VA)  
Sewell  
Sherman  
Slotkin  
Smith (WA)  
Sorensen  
Soto  
Spanberger  
Stansbury  
Stanton  
Stevens  
Strickland  
Suozzi  
Swalwell  
Sykes  
Takano

Thanedar  
Thompson (CA)  
Thompson (MS)  
Tlaib  
Tokuda  
Tonko  
Torres (CA)  
Trahan  
Trone  
Underwood  
Vargas  
Vasquez  
Veasey  
Velázquez  
Wasserman  
Schultz  
Waters  
Watson Coleman  
Wexton  
Wild  
Williams (GA)

#### NAYS—197

Aderholt  
Alford  
Allen  
Amodei  
Armstrong  
Babin  
Bacon  
Baird  
Balderson  
Barr  
Bean (FL)  
Bentz  
Bergman  
Bice  
Biggs  
Bilirakis  
Bishop (NC)  
Boebert  
Bost  
Brecheen  
Buchanan  
Bucshon  
Burchett  
Burgess  
Burlison  
Calvert  
Carey  
Carl  
Carter (GA)  
Carter (TX)  
Chavez-DeRemer  
Ciscomani  
Cline  
Cloud  
Clyde  
Cole  
Collins  
Comer  
Crane  
Crawford  
Curtis  
D'Esposito  
Davidson  
De La Cruz  
DesJarlais  
Donalds  
Duarte  
Duncan  
Dunn (FL)  
Edwards  
Ellzey  
Emmer  
Estes  
Ezell  
Fallon  
Feenstra  
Ferguson  
Finstad  
Fischbach  
Fitzgerald  
Fitzpatrick  
Fleischmann  
Flood  
Fong  
Foxx  
Franklin, Scott

Fry  
Fulcher  
Gaetz  
Garcia, Mike  
Gimenez  
Gonzales, Tony  
Gooden (TX)  
Gosar  
Graves (LA)  
Graves (MO)  
Green (TN)  
Griffith  
Grothman  
Guest  
Guthrie  
Hagman  
Harris  
Harshbarger  
Hern  
Hinson  
Houchin  
Hudson  
Huizenga  
Hunt  
Issa  
Johnson (LA)  
Johnson (SD)  
Joyce (CA)  
Kean (NJ)  
Kelly (MS)  
Kelly (PA)  
Kiggans (VA)  
Kiley  
Kim (CA)  
Kustoff  
LaHood  
LaLota  
LaMalfa  
Lamborn  
Langworthy  
Latta  
Lawler  
Lee (FL)  
Lesko  
Letlow  
Lopez  
Loudermilk  
Lucas  
Luetkemeyer  
Luna  
Luttrell  
Mace  
Malliotakis  
Maloy  
Mann  
Mast  
McClain  
McClintock  
McCormick  
Meuser  
Miller (IL)  
Miller (OH)  
Miller (WV)  
Miller-Meeks  
Mills  
Molinaro

Moolenaar  
Mooney  
Moore (AL)  
Moore (UT)  
Moran  
Murphy  
Nehls  
Newhouse  
Norman  
Nunn (IA)  
Oberholte  
Ogles  
Owens  
Palmer  
Pence  
Perry  
Pfluger  
Posey  
Reschenthaler  
Rodgers (WA)  
Rogers (AL)  
Rogers (KY)  
Rose  
Rosendale  
Rouzer  
Roy  
Rulli  
Schweikert  
Scott, Austin  
Self  
Sessions  
Simpson  
Smith (MO)  
Smith (NE)  
Smith (NJ)  
Smucker  
Spartz  
Stauber  
Steel  
Stefanik  
Steil  
Steube  
Strong  
Thompson (PA)  
Tiffany  
Timmons  
Turner  
Valadao  
Van Drew  
Van Dwyne  
Van Orden  
Wagner  
Walberg  
Waltz  
Weber (TX)  
Webster (FL)  
Wenstrup  
Westerman  
Williams (NY)  
Williams (TX)  
Wilson (SC)  
Wittman  
Womack  
Yakym  
Zinke

#### NOT VOTING—52

Arrington  
Banks  
Brownley  
Cammack  
Cárdenas  
Costa  
Courtney  
Craig  
Crenshaw  
Diaz-Balart  
Doggett  
Evans  
Fletcher  
Foster  
Frankel, Lois  
Garamendi  
Garbarino  
Good (VA)

Granger	LaTurner	Rutherford
Greene (GA)	Massie	Salazar
Grijalva	McCaul	Sarbanes
Harder (CA)	McHenry	Scalise
Higgins (LA)	Moore (WI)	Scott, David
Hill	Moskowitz	Sherrill
Jackson (TX)	Nickel	Tenney
Jackson Lee	Ocasio-Cortez	Titus
James	Omar	Torres (NY)
Johnson (GA)	Pascarell	Wilson (FL)
Jordan	Peltola	
Joyce (OH)	Ramirez	

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Messrs. FLOOD, LUTTRELL, Ms. STEFANIK, Mrs. SPARTZ, Messrs. CLINE, GROTHMAN, NEWHOUSE, and Mrs. HOUCHIN changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Messrs. LEVIN and POCAN changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the motion to recommit was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, today I missed a vote. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 344.

Ms. SHERRILL. Mr. Speaker, today I missed a vote on the House Floor. Had I been present, I would have voted: YEA on Roll Call No. 344, the Democratic Motion to Recommit on H.R. 8281.

Stated against:

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I was not able to vote on the Motion to Recommit H.R. 8281. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 344.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the bill.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

#### RECORDED VOTE

Ms. LEE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

#### THANKING KEITH STERN FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

(Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful House of Representatives, I rise to offer thanks to one of the most skilled staffers that I—and I know many of us agree—have ever worked with.

After nearly three decades of service to the people's House, this is Keith Stern's last week on Capitol Hill. Anyone who has had the pleasure of working with Keith has not only witnessed a commanding knowledge of rules and parliamentary procedure but a commitment to using that knowledge to help all of us serve the American people.

He has helped the House fulfill its critical mission at every stage of his remarkable career. As an eager intern fresh out of Allegheny College, as an

L.A., as a Rules associate, as a chief of staff, as a floor director, and now as my senior adviser, he has brought to every job a reverence for this institution and for its duty to the American people.

No matter what storm may have been raging—the horrors of 9/11, a global financial meltdown, an unprecedented pandemic, and on January 6, when we saw Keith muster calm, steadfast courage as he maintained order in this Chamber and ensured our safety—throughout it all, Keith's service to us and our country has never wavered. His resolve has only strengthened.

Over the years, he has become a friend, a confidant, and an adviser to our entire Caucus. He has earned the profound respect of our colleagues across the aisle because whatever your politics are, true talent is undeniable—on the floor and on the basketball court.

This institution is stronger, our country is better off, and our future more promising because of what Keith has brought to bear. I will always be grateful for his wise counsel that has guided me and so many of us.

While Keith may never come to respect the Boston Celtics, he has always respected the work that we do here in the people's House. He is a model for anyone who enters this building looking to make a difference.

Keith, you will be missed. I thank you for your work, your grace, your humor, and your friendship.

To your family—Cara, Sandy, and Colleen, and your dad and Judy, who are here with us—please know how grateful we are for your service, as well.

We look forward to all the success ahead, and know this: You will always have a home here in the House.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. PELOSI), our Speaker Emerita.

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I thank our distinguished whip for yielding and for her beautiful statement about a great person who has honored us with his work and his patriotism in this body.

It is my privilege to join my colleagues on the floor of the House as we celebrate a true public servant and a trusted aide to so many of us, Keith Stern.

Keith first came to Congress in 1997 to work for Representative Lucille Roybal-Allard. He comes from Los Angeles, so we are very proud of him as a Californian—even though he is a Dodger fan, but that is a different story.

Over the next three decades, he went on to hold many top jobs in the House, always working for the people. For JIM MCGOVERN, he was at the center of policy development on the powerful Rules Committee. As floor director of operations for me as Speaker of the House, he provided expertise for Democrats' major legislative achievements. For Whip CLARK, he has provided counsel on major issues facing the House. He

has been tactically, strategically, philosophically, and in every way a major asset.

Working for more than 7 years in my office, he was simply invaluable. Throughout his tenure, Keith has offered indispensable expertise in House procedure. Coming from the Rules Committee, his vast institutional knowledge made Keith a trusted strategic resource in legislating.

In every role, his service has been marked by insight, integrity, dependability, and unending devotion to this House of Representatives, even in the most trying of times.

My staff in the Office of the Speaker were the finest group of public servants in the House. I always brag about them, the greatest staff ever assembled in the history of the House of Representatives. Keith was a shining example of that brilliance, dedication, and patriotism.

Congratulations, Keith, on a job well done. Thank you for your leadership, which has made a difference in the lives of so many people. Best wishes to you, and gratitude for sharing you with us to Cara; your two beautiful children, Sandy and Colleen; your parents, your mom, your stepmom, and your dad, who are here with us in the gallery, as you embark on this new chapter.

Thank you, Keith Stern, for your patriotism and your service, and best wishes to you as you go forward.

Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MCGOVERN), my fellow Bay Stater and ranking member of the Rules Committee.

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Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I join with my colleagues in honoring Keith Stern and expressing gratitude for his service to this Congress and to our country.

In between working for former Representative Lucille Roybal-Allard and then for Speaker PELOSI and Democratic Whip CLARK, he worked with me first as a legislative assistant and then as my top person on the Rules Committee.

Keith has an incredible knowledge of the legislative process. He knows how to get stuff over the finish line. He has made a real difference.

As my colleagues know, ending hunger has been a top priority of mine. In 2022, the Biden administration convened a White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health. It was only the second time a White House convened such a conference. The first one was held in 1969. Keith actually wrote the first bill back in 2010 directing the White House to bring together experts to craft a national plan to end hunger.

I have learned an awful lot from Keith, and he has helped me achieve countless policies to help people here at home and around the world. I will always be grateful.

A lot of Members of Congress and a lot of staff have also benefited from