

We start off by saying to all the working men and women of this country, "We understand it is your money. You let us use your money on your behalf. We hope that we do with your money things that you understand must need be done and should be done, as a reflection of your compassion, your generosity, your sharing and your caring for your neighbors and for the greatness of your Nation."

And we have done these things. But now we find ourselves at a time where we can say it is time to let the American people keep more of their money and for us to take less of it.

It is time for Mr. and Mrs. America, as they struggle with the needs of their family which they desire and hope and must put first, that they would have a \$500-per-child tax credit so that they can do the things for their children that they know must be done, whether it is buying the diapers; whether it is, in fact, paying for some kindergarten, some preschooling; whether it is that day when they are 13 and the Department of Agriculture says the cost goes up by \$1,000; when they take them for their braces. Whatever they decide they must do with their money, they should have \$500 more back for themselves and their children.

It is time that we recognize that they truly do want to save for and provide for their own children's education, and they should be rewarded and encouraged in the effort that they make with the expansion of IRAs. It is time that we understand that their dream is in fact to own their own house, and they should be facilitated in that with this tax law.

More importantly, their dream is the day when their youngsters come home and say, "Mom, Dad, I got the job, and I am going to have my own house and I will have my own life."

And it is time, then, that we realize they need an economy with the vitality, the generosity, the creativity and the energy to give their children a chance to work out, in their own lives, their hopes and dreams in accordance with the training, the education that we have been so generously giving them.

We pass today a tax bill that says to the men and women of this country who work hard, who play by the rules, "It is your money. You keep more of it, you know better what to do with it," and we honor and respect that.

This is a bill that we must vote "yes" for. We must take pride in our willingness to do that. To vote any other vote than "yes" is to say to the men and women of this country, "We do not know you, we do not appreciate you, we do not respect you." And nobody given the privilege to represent the good people of this Nation, in good conscience, can vote "no" and make that statement.

#### CALL OF THE HOUSE

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I move a call of the House.

A call of the House was ordered.

The call was taken by electronic device, and the following Members responded to their names:

[Roll No. 349]

Abercrombie	Deutsch	Jenkins
Ackerman	Diaz-Balart	John
Aderholt	Dickey	Johnson (CT)
Allen	Dicks	Johnson (WI)
Andrews	Dingell	Johnson, E. B.
Archer	Dixon	Jones
Arney	Doggett	Kanjorski
Bachus	Dooley	Kaptur
Baesler	Doolittle	Kasich
Baker	Doyle	Kelly
Baldacci	Dreier	Kennedy (MA)
Barcia	Duncan	Kennedy (RI)
Barr	Dunn	Kennelly
Barrett (NE)	Edwards	Kildee
Barrett (WI)	Ehlers	Kilpatrick
Bartlett	Ehrlich	Kim
Barton	Emerson	Kind (WI)
Bass	Engel	King (NY)
Bateman	English	Kingston
Becerra	Ensign	Kleczka
Bentsen	Eshoo	Klink
Bereuter	Etheridge	Klug
Berry	Evans	Knollenberg
Bilbray	Everett	Kolbe
Bilirakis	Ewing	Kucinich
Bishop	Farr	LaFalce
Blagojevich	Fattah	LaHood
Bliley	Fazio	Lampson
Blumenauer	Filner	Lantos
Blunt	Flake	Largent
Boehlert	Foley	Latham
Boehner	Forbes	LaTourette
Bonilla	Ford	Lazio
Bonior	Fowler	Leach
Bono	Fox	Levin
Borski	Franks (NJ)	Lewis (CA)
Boswell	Frelinghuysen	Lewis (GA)
Boucher	Frost	Lewis (KY)
Boyd	Furse	Linder
Brady	Galleghy	Lipinski
Brown (CA)	Ganske	Livingston
Brown (FL)	Gejdenson	LoBiondo
Brown (OH)	Gephardt	Lofgren
Bryant	Gibbons	Lowe
Bunning	Gilchrest	Lucas
Burton	Gillmor	Luther
Buyer	Gilman	Maloney (CT)
Callahan	Goode	Maloney (NY)
Calvert	Goodlatte	Manton
Camp	Goodling	Manzullo
Campbell	Gordon	Markey
Canady	Goss	Martinez
Cannon	Graham	Mascara
Capps	Granger	Matsui
Cardin	Green	McCarthy (MO)
Carson	Greenwood	McCarthy (NY)
Castle	Gutierrez	McCollum
Chabot	Gutknecht	McCrery
Chambliss	Hall (OH)	McDade
Chenoweth	Hall (TX)	McDermott
Christensen	Hamilton	McGovern
Clay	Hansen	McHale
Clayton	Harman	McHugh
Clement	Hastings (FL)	McInnis
Clyburn	Hastings (WA)	McIntosh
Coble	Hayworth	McIntyre
Coburn	Hefley	McKeon
Collins	Hefner	McKinney
Combest	Herger	McNulty
Condit	Hill	Meehan
Conyers	Hilleary	Meek
Cook	Hilliard	Menendez
Cooksey	Hinche	Metcalf
Costello	Hinojosa	Mica
Cox	Hobson	Millender-
Coyne	Hoekstra	McDonald
Cramer	Holden	Miller (CA)
Crane	Hooley	Miller (FL)
Crapo	Horn	Minge
Cubin	Hostettler	Mink
Cummings	Houghton	Moakley
Cunningham	Hoyer	Molinari
Danner	Hulshof	Mollohan
Davis (FL)	Hunter	Moran (KS)
Davis (IL)	Hutchinson	Moran (VA)
Davis (VA)	Hyde	Morella
Deal	Inglis	Murtha
DeFazio	Istook	Myrick
DeGette	Jackson (IL)	Nadler
DeLaunt	Jackson-Lee	Neal
DeLauro	(TX)	Nethercutt
Dellums	Jefferson	Neumann

Ney	Ros-Lehtinen	Stenholm
Northup	Rothman	Stokes
Norwood	Roukema	Strickland
Nussle	Roybal-Allard	Stump
Oberstar	Royce	Stupak
Obey	Rush	Sununu
Olver	Ryun	Talent
Ortiz	Sabo	Tanner
Oxley	Salmon	Tauscher
Packard	Sanchez	Tauzin
Pallone	Sanders	Taylor (MS)
Pappas	Sandlin	Taylor (NC)
Parker	Sanford	Thomas
Pascrell	Sawyer	Thompson
Pastor	Saxton	Thornberry
Paul	Scarborough	Thune
Paxon	Schaefer, Dan	Thurman
Payne	Schaffer, Bob	Tiahrt
Pease	Schumer	Torres
Pelosi	Scott	Towns
Peterson (MN)	Sensenbrenner	Trafficant
Peterson (PA)	Serrano	Turner
Petri	Sessions	Upton
Pickering	Shadegg	Velazquez
Pickett	Shaw	Vento
Pitts	Shays	Visclosky
Pombo	Sherman	Walsh
Porter	Shimkus	Wamp
Portman	Sisisky	Waters
Poshard	Skaggs	Watkins
Price (NC)	Skeen	Watt (NC)
Pryce (OH)	Skelton	Watts (OK)
Quinn	Slaughter	Weldon (FL)
Radanovich	Smith (MI)	Weldon (PA)
Rahall	Smith (NJ)	Weller
Ramstad	Smith (OR)	Wexler
Rangel	Smith (TX)	Weygand
Redmond	Smith, Adam	White
Regula	Smith, Linda	Whitfield
Reyes	Snowbarger	Wicker
R Lazio	Snyder	Wise
Rivers	Solomon	Wolf
Rodriguez	Souder	Woolsey
Roemer	Spence	Wynn
Rogan	Spratt	Yates
Rogers	Stabenow	Young (FL)
Rohrabacher	Stearns	

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The SPEAKER. On this rollcall, 414 Members have recorded their presence by electronic device, a quorum.

Under the rule, further proceedings under the call are dispensed with

#### CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2014, TAXPAYER RELIEF ACT OF 1997

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, first let me thank you for interceding in the conference to make certain that a provision was inserted that allows kids who dream about college to get there. The President's proposal finally was given to him in an approved way by the House of Representatives. While all of us appreciate how important education is at the higher level, some of us would not have been able to get to college if it was not that we had the GI bill to get to high school first, and because of the cooperation of the gentleman from Texas [Mr. ARCHER] and the Speaker and the President, we do have that there.

Let me say this, that being bipartisan in my opinion really does not mean that we have given up the principles of our party. It does mean that it was this President that decided that the American people in the middle-income group was entitled to a tax cut. It means that this President thought the people of the United States of America should keep up their education and their technology in order to be a part of this