

Passenger rail's benefits indeed are myriad. The Department of Transportation has described the problem of congestion on our highways and in the air as "chronic". Amtrak removes almost 8 million cars from the road annually. Airports are also experiencing significant delays, with more than 550,000 flights departing or arriving late in 2008. Amtrak eases air congestion by eliminating the need for 50,000 fully loaded airplanes each year.

Amtrak is substantially more environmentally friendly than automobiles or airplanes. In fact, according to the World Resources Institute, rail transportation produces 57 percent less carbon emissions than airplanes, and 40 percent less carbon emissions than cars. Additionally, Amtrak has taken decisive action to reduce its carbon footprint as well, committing to reduce emissions from its diesel locomotives by 6 percent from 2003 through 2010, the largest voluntary emissions commitment in the United States.

Amtrak serves more than 500 destinations in 46 States over 21,000 miles of routes, and employs more than 18,000 people. Amtrak has come a long way since its inception in 1971 and now its beginning its 39th year of operation. The service has faced many challenges over the years, but continues to grow stronger with each passing year. Despite past uneven Federal investment, Amtrak has persevered, achieving many successes in improved operating efficiency, increased ridership, and higher revenue.

In fact, in FY 2008, Amtrak set new ridership and revenue records for the sixth year in a row, exceeding 28.7 million passengers and \$2.45 billion in revenue. These increases are being enjoyed across Amtrak's entire network. In FY 2008, Amtrak held a 62 percent share of the air/rail market between New York and Washington, and a 47 percent share of the air/rail market between New York and Boston, up 6 percent in each market from FY 2007. This increase shows that, where Amtrak is provided the resources to succeed, it provides a triptime competitive alternative to air and car.

At a time when jobs are being lost, the transportation network is getting more congested, and global climate change is taking its toll, supporting passenger rail has never been so critical. Recognizing the need for passenger rail investment, Congress passed the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act last fall, reigniting America's commitment to both intercity and high-speed passenger rail. Among the steps taken to broaden our use of passenger rail, this legislation provided capital grants for Amtrak to bring the Northeast Corridor and other rail network infrastructure to a state-of-good-repair, encouraged intercity passenger rail investment through an 80–20 matching grant program, and created a grant program to finance the construction and equipment for 11 authorized high-speed rail corridors.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act gave high-speed and intercity passenger rail another immediate boost, providing \$8 billion in capital grants to States for development of high-speed rail and another \$1.3 billion for Amtrak. This funding is setting us on a course to link regions of the country with a safe, fast, and environmentally friendly mode of transportation. It truly is an exciting and historic time for our transportation network.

Madam Speaker, I lend my strong support to Amtrak and the commemoration of National

Train Day on May 9, 2009, and encourage all of my colleagues to use this excellent opportunity to reflect on the benefits that Amtrak and intercity passenger rail provide to our Nation.

Mr. SHUSTER. I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida. I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. CORRINE BROWN) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 367.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the yeas have it.

Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida. Madam 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 and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

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:

House Resolution 299, by the yeas and nays;

House Resolution 338, by the yeas and nays;

House Resolution 353, de novo.

Proceedings on House Resolutions 348 and 367 will resume on another day.

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

PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 299, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. LYNCH) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 299.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 419, answered "present" 4, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 231]  
YEAS—419

Abercrombie  
Ackerman  
Aderholt  
Adler (NJ)  
Akin

Alexander  
Altmire  
Andrews  
Arcuri  
Austria

Baca  
Bachmann  
Bachus  
Baird  
Baldwin

Barrett (SC)  
Barrow  
Bartlett  
Barton (TX)  
Bean  
Becerra  
Berkley  
Berman  
Berry  
Biggert  
Billbray  
Bilirakis  
Bishop (GA)  
Bishop (NY)  
Bishop (UT)  
Blumenauer  
Blunt  
Boccheri  
Boehner  
Bonner  
Bono Mack  
Boozman  
Boren  
Boswell  
Boustany  
Boyd  
Brady (PA)  
Brady (TX)  
Braley (IA)  
Bright  
Broun (GA)  
Brown (SC)  
Brown, Corrine  
Brown-Waite,  
Ginny  
Buchanan  
Burgess  
Burton (IN)  
Butterfield  
Buyer  
Calvert  
Camp  
Cantor  
Cao  
Capps  
Cardoza  
Carnahan  
Carney  
Carson (IN)  
Carter  
Cassidy  
Castle  
Castor (FL)  
Chaffetz  
Chandler  
Childers  
Clarke  
Clay  
Clever  
Clyburn  
Coble  
Coffman (CO)  
Cohen  
Cole  
Connolly (VA)  
Cooper  
Costa  
Costello  
Courtney  
Crenshaw  
Crowley  
Cuellar  
Culberson  
Cummings  
Dahlkemper  
Davis (AL)  
Davis (CA)  
Davis (IL)  
Davis (KY)  
Davis (TN)  
DeFazio  
DeGette  
Delahunt  
DeLauro  
Dent  
Diaz-Balart, L.  
Diaz-Balart, M.  
Dicks  
Doggett  
Donnelly (IN)  
Doyle  
Dreier  
Driehaus  
Duncan  
Edwards (MD)  
Edwards (TX)  
Ehlers  
Ellison  
Ellsworth

Emerson  
Engel  
Eshoo  
Etheridge  
Fallin  
Farr  
Fattah  
Filner  
Flake  
Fleming  
Forbes  
Foster  
Foxy  
Frank (MA)  
Franks (AZ)  
Frelinghuysen  
Fudge  
Gallegly  
Garrett (NJ)  
Gerlach  
Giffords  
Gingrey (GA)  
Gohmert  
Gonzalez  
Goodlatte  
Gordon (TN)  
Granger  
Graves  
Grayson  
Green, Al  
Green, Gene  
Griffith  
Grijalva  
Guthrie  
Gutierrez  
Hall (NY)  
Hall (TX)  
Halvorson  
Hare  
Harman  
Harper  
Hastings (FL)  
Hastings (WA)  
Heinrich  
Heller  
Hensarling  
Herger  
Herseth Sandlin  
Higgins  
Hill  
Himes  
Hinchey  
Hinojosa  
Hirono  
Hodes  
Hoekstra  
Holden  
Holt  
Honda  
Hoyer  
Hunter  
Inglis  
Insee  
Israel  
Issa  
Jackson (IL)  
Jackson-Lee  
(TX)  
Jenkins  
Johnson (GA)  
Johnson (IL)  
Johnson, E. B.  
Johnson, Sam  
Jones  
Jordan (OH)  
Kagen  
Kanjorski  
Kaptur  
Kennedy  
Kildee  
Kilpatrick (MI)  
Kilroy  
Kind  
King (IA)  
King (NY)  
Kingston  
Kirk  
Kirkpatrick (AZ)  
Kissell  
Klein (FL)  
Kline (MN)  
Kosmas  
Kratovil  
Kucinich  
Lamborn  
Lance  
Langevin  
Larsen (WA)  
Larson (CT)

Latham  
LaTourette  
Latta  
Lee (CA)  
Lee (NY)  
Levin  
Lewis (CA)  
Lewis (GA)  
Linder  
Lipinski  
LoBiondo  
Loeb  
Loehsack  
Lofgren, Zoe  
Lowey  
Lucas  
Luetkemeyer  
Lujan  
Lummis  
Lungren, Daniel  
E.  
Lynch  
Mack  
Maffei  
Maloney  
Manullo  
Marchant  
Markey (CO)  
Markey (MA)  
Marshall  
Massa  
Matheson  
Matsui  
McCarthy (CA)  
McCarthy (NY)  
McCaul  
McClintock  
McCollum  
McCotter  
McDermott  
McGovern  
McHenry  
McHugh  
McIntyre  
McKeon  
McMahon  
McMorris  
Rodgers  
McNerney  
Meek (FL)  
Meeks (NY)  
Melancon  
Mica  
Michaud  
Miller (FL)  
Miller (MI)  
Miller (NC)  
Miller, Gary  
Miller, George  
Minnick  
Mitchell  
Mollohan  
Moore (KS)  
Moore (WI)  
Moran (KS)  
Moran (VA)  
Murphy (CT)  
Murphy (NY)  
Murphy, Patrick  
Murphy, Tim  
Myrick  
Nadler (NY)  
Napolitano  
Neal (MA)  
Nunes  
Nye  
Oberstar  
Obey  
Olson  
Olver  
Ortiz  
Pallone  
Pastor (AZ)  
Paul  
Paulsen  
Payne  
Pence  
Perlmutter  
Perriello  
Peters  
Peterson  
Petri  
Pingree (ME)  
Pitts  
Platts  
Poe (TX)  
Polis (CO)  
Pomeroy  
Posey  
Price (GA)

Price (NC)	Schrader	Thompson (PA)	Austria	Doggett	Klein (FL)	Peters	Sarbanes	Terry
Putnam	Schwartz	Thornberry	Baca	Donnelly (IN)	Kline (MN)	Peterson	Scalise	Thompson (CA)
Quigley	Scott (GA)	Tiahrt	Bachmann	Doyle	Kosmas	Petri	Schakowsky	Thompson (MS)
Radanovich	Scott (VA)	Tiberi	Bachus	Dreier	Kratovich	Pingree (ME)	Schauer	Thompson (PA)
Rahall	Sensenbrenner	Tierney	Baird	Driehaus	Kucinich	Pitts	Schiff	Thornberry
Rangel	Serrano	Titus	Baldwin	Duncan	Lamborn	Platts	Schmidt	Tiahrt
Rehberg	Sessions	Tonko	Barrett (SC)	Edwards (MD)	Lance	Poe (TX)	Schock	Tiberi
Reichert	Sestak	Towns	Barrow	Edwards (TX)	Langevin	Polis (CO)	Schrader	Tierney
Reyes	Shadegg	Tsongas	Bartlett	Ehlers	Larsen (WA)	Pomeroy	Schwartz	Titus
Richardson	Shea-Porter	Turner	Barton (TX)	Ellison	Larson (CT)	Posey	Scott (GA)	Tonko
Rodriguez	Sherman	Upton	Bean	Ellsworth	Latham	Price (GA)	Scott (VA)	Towns
Roe (TN)	Shimkus	Van Hollen	Becerra	Emerson	LaTourette	Price (NC)	Sensenbrenner	Tsongas
Rogers (AL)	Shuler	Velázquez	Berkley	Engel	Latta	Putnam	Serrano	Turner
Rogers (KY)	Shuster	Visclosky	Berman	Eshoo	Lee (CA)	Quigley	Sessions	Upton
Rogers (MI)	Simpson	Walden	Berry	Etheridge	Lee (NY)	Radanovich	Sestak	Van Hollen
Rohrabacher	Sires	Walz	Biggert	Fallin	Levin	Rahall	Shadegg	Velázquez
Rooney	Skelton	Wamp	Bilbray	Farr	Lewis (CA)	Rangel	Shea-Porter	Visclosky
Ros-Lehtinen	Slaughter	Wasserman	Bilirakis	Fattah	Lewis (GA)	Rehberg	Sherman	Walden
Roskam	Smith (NE)	Schultz	Bishop (GA)	Flake	Linder	Reyes	Shuler	Walz
Ross	Smith (NJ)	Waters	Bishop (NY)	Flake	Lipinski	Richardson	Shuster	Wamp
Rothman (NJ)	Smith (TX)	Watson	Bishop (UT)	Fleming	LoBiondo	Rodriguez	Simpson	Wasserman
Roybal-Allard	Smith (WA)	Watt	Blackburn	Forbes	Loebsock	Roe (TN)	Sires	Schultz
Royce	Snyder	Waxman	Blumenauer	Poster	Lofgren, Zoe	Rogers (AL)	Skelton	Waters
Ruppersberger	Souder	Weiner	Blunt	Fox	Lowey	Rogers (KY)	Slaughter	Watson
Rush	Space	Welch	Boccheri	Frank (MA)	Lucas	Rogers (MI)	Smith (NE)	Watt
Ryan (OH)	Speier	Westmoreland	Boehner	Frank (AZ)	Luetkemeyer	Rohrabacher	Smith (NJ)	Waxman
Ryan (WI)	Spratt	Wexler	Bonner	Frelinghuysen	Luján	Rooney	Smith (TX)	Weiner
Salazar	Stearns	Whitfield	Bono Mack	Fudge	Lummis	Ros-Lehtinen	Smith (WA)	Welch
Sánchez, Linda T.	Stupak	Wilson (OH)	Boozman	Gallegly	Lungren, Daniel E.	Roskam	Snyder	Westmoreland
Sanchez, Loretta	Sutton	Wilson (SC)	Boren	Garrett (NJ)	Lynch	Ross	Souder	Wexler
Sarbanes	Tanner	Wittman	Boswell	Gerlach	Mack	Rothman (NJ)	Space	Whitfield
Scalise	Tauscher	Wolf	Boucher	Giffords	Maffei	Roybal-Allard	Speier	Whitfield
Schakowsky	Taylor	Woolsey	Boustany	Gingrey (GA)	Maloney	Royce	Spratt	Wilson (OH)
Schauer	Teague	Wu	Boyd	Gohmert	Manzullo	Ruppersberger	Stearns	Wilson (SC)
Schiff	Thompson (CA)	Yarmuth	Brady (PA)	Gonzalez	Marchant	Rush	Stupak	Wittman
Schmidt	Thompson (MS)	Young (AK)	Brady (TX)	Goodlatte	Markey (CO)	Ryan (OH)	Sullivan	Wolf
Schock	Young (FL)		Braley (IA)	Gordon (TN)	Markey (MA)	Ryan (WI)	Sutton	Woolsey
			Bright	Granger	Marshall	Salazar	Tanner	Wu
			Brown (GA)	Graves	Massa	Sánchez, Linda T.	Tauscher	Yarmuth
			Brown (SC)	Grayson	Matheson		Taylor	Young (AK)
			Brown, Corrine	Green, Al	Matsui	Sanchez, Loretta T.	Teague	Young (FL)
			Brown-Waite, Ginny	Green, Gene	McCarthy (CA)			
			Buchanan	Griffith	Grijalva			
			Burgess	Guthrie	Guthrie			
			Burton (IN)	Gutierrez	Hall (NY)			
			Butterfield	Hall (TX)	Hall (TX)			
			Buyer	Halvorson	Hare			
			Calvert	Hare	Harman			
			Camp	Harper	Cantor			
			Campbell	Hastings (FL)	Cao			
			Cao	Hastings (WA)	Capps			
			Capps	Heinrich	Cardoza			
			Cardoza	Heller	Carnahan			
			Carnahan	Hensarling	Carney			
			Carney	Herger	Carson (IN)			
			Carson (IN)	Hersth Sandlin	Carter			
			Carter	Higgins	Cassidy			
			Cassidy	Hill	Castle			
			Castle	Himes	Castor (FL)			
			Castor (FL)	Hinche	Chaffetz			
			Chaffetz	Hinojosa	Chandler			
			Chandler	Hirono	Childers			
			Childers	Hodes	Clarke			
			Clarke	Hoekstra	Clay			
			Clay	Holden	Cleaver			
			Cleaver	Holt	Clyburn			
			Clyburn	Honda	Coble			
			Coble	Hoyer	Coffman (CO)			
			Coffman (CO)	Hunter	Cohen			
			Cohen	Inglis	Cole			
			Cole	Inslee	Conaway			
			Conaway	Issa	Connolly (VA)			
			Connolly (VA)	Jackson (IL)	Cooper			
			Cooper	Jackson-Lee	Costa			
			Costa	(TX)	Costello			
			Costello	Jenkins	Courtney			
			Courtney	Johnson (GA)	Crenshaw			
			Crenshaw	Johnson (IL)	Crowley			
			Crowley	Johnson, E. B.	Cuellar			
			Cuellar	Johnson, Sam	Culberson			
			Culberson	Jones	Cummings			
			Cummings	Jordan (OH)	Dahlkemper			
			Dahlkemper	Kagen	Davis (AL)			
			Davis (AL)	Kanjorski	Davis (CA)			
			Davis (CA)	Kaptur	Davis (IL)			
			Davis (IL)	Kennedy	Davis (KY)			
			Davis (KY)	Kildee	Davis (TN)			
			Davis (TN)	Kilpatrick (MI)	DeFazio			
			DeFazio	Kilroy	DeGette			
			DeGette	Kind	Delahunt			
			Delahunt	King (IA)	DeLauro			
			DeLauro	King (NY)	Dent			
			Dent	Kingston	Diaz-Balart, L.			
			Diaz-Balart, L.	Kirk	Diaz-Balart, M.			
			Dicks	Kirkpatrick (AZ)	Dicks			
			Dingell	Kissell	Dingell			

## ANSWERED "PRESENT"—4

Blackburn Conaway  
Campbell Neugebauer

## NOT VOTING—10

Boucher Deal (GA) Pascrell  
Capito Dingell Stark  
Capuano Fortenberry  
Conyers Murtha

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are reminded there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1534

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SUPPORTING NATIONAL  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE MONTH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 338, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. POLIS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 338.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 424, nays 0, not voting 9, as follows:

[Roll No. 232]

YEAS—424

Abercrombie Adler (NJ) Altmire  
Ackerman Akin Andrews  
Aderholt Alexander Arcuri

## NOT VOTING—9

Capito Deal (GA) Murtha  
Capuano Fortenberry Pascrell  
Conyers Israel Stark

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are reminded there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1545

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SUPPORTING GLOBAL YOUTH  
SERVICE DAYS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 353.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. POLIS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 353.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the yeas have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—aye 424, noes 0, not voting 9, as follows: