

in Washington State and has spent much of his priesthood in Oregon. Next month, he will mark his 28th year as a Jesuit priest.

Father Pat also served here in our capital city. He was chaplain at Georgetown University for a total of 10 years.

He has a deep appreciation for public service. Before being called into the priesthood, Father Pat had thought he had a calling into politics, specifically the United States Senate.

Father, something tells me that you'll fit in just fine right here.

I think it's important to give the House a sense of Father Pat's character.

This is from a letter he wrote expressing his willingness to serve as chaplain:

"As a Jesuit, I believe it a part of my calling to find God in all things and to discover the spirit of God present in the people I encounter and whom I serve. I wish to say that I am ready and willing should those to be served deem me worthy of this ministry. Though true of any ministry, the position would call me to a radical reliance upon the grace of God, which would also be God's gift."

I think it's clear this loyal servant of the faithful is uniquely suited to serve as chaplain of the people's House.

Leader PELOSI and I have gotten a chance to know Father Pat, and we are honored that he has accepted our invitation to serve as chaplain. We're blessed, I think, to have his guidance and his wisdom as we discharge our duties and fulfill our obligations to current and future generations of Americans.

Please join me in welcoming and congratulating the 60th chaplain of the House of Representatives, Father Pat Conroy.

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

Ms. PELOSI. As the Speaker takes the chair, I join him in commending to the House the spiritual leadership of Father Patrick Conroy.

Speaker BOEHNER, I wish to associate myself with your remarks so beautifully explaining how proud we are that Father Patrick Conroy has agreed to this additional responsibility.

I would only like to add that in his ministering to the needs at Georgetown as a chaplain there, he was engaged in many interfaith ministerings. So that serves him well to come here with the diversity of beliefs that we have within even the Protestant part of our Congress but also throughout the Congress.

Father Pat Conroy comes with a healthy respect for what we do, as Speaker BOEHNER said. He has been a longtime Jesuit and again served very beautifully in that capacity. Before that he was an attorney. So the making of laws is of interest to him. That is not to say that he doesn't understand his first responsibility, and that

is to minister to the spiritual and personal needs of our colleagues.

Yes, Speaker BOEHNER was correct in saying that one of the last gifts that Father Coughlin left us was a recommendation that Father Patrick Conroy would be considered to follow in his footsteps, and huge footsteps they are. For more than 10 years, Father Dan was our spiritual leader, and we were blessed with that.

Today, we are blessed again with the Speaker's recommendation to the body of Father Patrick Conroy as the Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

It is a beautiful honor, steeped in history, deeply personal, free of politics; and we wish him every success in that job.

Father, we pray for you. Please pray for us.

Welcome, Father Patrick Conroy.

SWEARING IN OF THE CHAPLAIN OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Will the Chaplain-designate please take the well.

The Chair will now swear in the Chaplain of the House.

The Chaplain-designate took the oath of office as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations.

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REPEALING MANDATORY FUNDING FOR GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. MILLER of Michigan). Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further proceedings will resume with the third reading of the bill (H.R. 1216) to amend the Public Health Service Act to convert funding for graduate medical education in qualified teaching health centers from direct appropriations to an authorization of appropriations.

The bill was read the third time.

MOTION TO RECOMMIT

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I have a motion to recommit at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman opposed to the bill?

Mr. CLYBURN. In its current form, I am, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion to recommit.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Clyburn moves to recommit the bill H.R. 1216 to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report the

same to the House forthwith with the following amendment:

Page 3, after line 14, insert the following new paragraph (and redesignate subsequent paragraphs accordingly):

(2) in subsection (b)(2), by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(C) ENSURING AUTHORIZED AMOUNTS FIRST PROVIDED TO UNDERSERVED AREAS.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraphs (A) and (B), in determining the amounts payable under this section to qualified teaching health centers for a fiscal year, the Secretary shall—

“(I) first make payments under this section to qualified teaching health centers in underserved areas, based on the full amount determined for such centers pursuant to clause (ii); and

“(II) after application of subclause (I), from any remaining amounts appropriated for such fiscal year pursuant to subsection (g), make payments under this section to qualified teaching health centers not described in subclause (I).

“(ii) DETERMINATION.—For purposes of making payments under clause (i)(I), the Secretary shall determine such amounts that would be payable under this section to qualified teaching health centers described in such clause as if the full amount authorized to be appropriated under subsection (g) for such fiscal year is the amount appropriated to carry out this section for such fiscal year.”;

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from South Carolina is recognized for 5 minutes in support of his motion.

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, last month, Republicans voted to end Medicare. According to the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office, their plan would raise seniors' health care costs by more than \$6,000 per year, doubling their out-of-pocket costs.

Now, this week, Republicans want to cut training for new primary care doctors. This is another part of their attempt to repeal health care reform piece by piece. Madam Speaker, there is bipartisan agreement that we need more primary care physicians. Yet Republicans are bringing up a bill that will make sure that even fewer primary care doctors are trained to meet the growing demand. This is a terrible idea but not surprising.

I oppose this bill because we need to be training more primary care doctors, not fewer; but at a minimum, we must ensure that the Nation's neediest areas have access to the doctors they need.

This final amendment will ensure that training programs in the areas most in need of primary care doctors are to be prioritized for funding. This is common sense.

My district, like so many others represented in this body, has some very rural communities. In many areas, families have to drive for dozens of miles to reach the nearest doctor. People who live in remote communities, like Brittons Neck and Salters, travel great distances in search of primary care, and many don't have public or private transportation. This is not just an abstract debate about compassion. For many people, it is literally a matter of life and death.

Madam Speaker, we all know that, for decades, many communities across

the country have been left out of the American Dream year after year after year. We call these places persistent poverty counties—counties where more than 20 percent of their populations have existed below the poverty level for at least 30 years. Approximately 15 percent of all counties in America qualify as persistent poverty counties under this definition. Because a majority of these counties is rural, it only comprises about 7 percent of the Nation's population. These are the places that this amendment targets for funding.

These communities are diverse and are spread across the country, including Appalachian communities in Kentucky and West Virginia, Native American communities in South Dakota and Alaska, Latino communities in Arizona and New Mexico, African American communities in Mississippi and South Carolina, and urban communities in Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore, and St. Louis.

So I say to my colleagues on the other side: If you're going to cut funding for training new doctors, let us at least ensure that the communities with the greatest needs are placed at the front of the line. I urge my colleagues to vote "yes" on this final amendment.

Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GUTHRIE. Madam Speaker, I rise in opposition to the motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Kentucky is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. GUTHRIE. Madam Speaker, as we began the debate about Medicare just a minute ago, we knew last week when we left to go home to work in our districts that Medicare's actuary said it is going to go bankrupt in 2024.

This side of the aisle has offered a plan to make it stable, secure and sustainable. There is no member—no member as we heard all day yesterday—of the Greatest Generation on whom this will have any effect. As a matter of fact, over half the baby boomer generation will have no changes. We are changing Medicare to make it work so it is sustainable.

If we follow the plan introduced by the President, which does raise taxes on the rich but still does not address the sustainability of Medicare in the future, my daughter, when she is my age 30 years from now, will wake up and go to work, and 100 percent of the Federal income tax she pays will pay for my generation to be retired. The Greatest Generation provided my generation opportunities, and we're working to make sure our children have opportunities as well.

On the underlying bill, what's interesting is that this bill only takes this program back to the way it was passed out of the House in the health care bill. We are doing exactly what the majority passed out of the House. It changed to a mandatory program in the Senate, and was adopted when it came back from the Senate.

So, if this program is so important that it has to be mandatory funding as they say it has to be, why didn't they do it when they debated the health care bill before and include the provision that is in this motion to recommit?

□ 1410

As a matter of fact, this bill authorizes changes in medical education in hospitals, teaching hospitals, children's hospitals, nurses' programs, geriatric programs, pediatric programs. There are all sorts of them, and none of them have the provision that this motion to recommit wants to put on this program.

So I say we need to get a handle on the budget so we can have a future for this country. We need to quit putting programs on autopilot, and put them in the process, that they go through the appropriations process so they can be reviewed and they can be determined which programs are successful and moving forward.

It is important that we have primary care physicians trained at teaching health centers, but it's also important we have them at children's hospitals that were zeroed out in the President's budget. So as we put these programs on mandatory spending, we are losing opportunities to fund other programs. Community health centers, they compete for discretionary funding. This is money that would be taken from that area and on to mandatory funding.

So, Madam Speaker, this side of the House is ready to say to the Greatest Generation, we're preserving what you have. We also want to tell our children they have a future as great as the Greatest Generation gave us.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to vote against this motion to recommit.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to recommit.

There was no objection.

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

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 and clause 9 of rule XX, this 15-minute vote on the motion to recommit will be followed by 5-minute votes on passage of H.R. 1216, if ordered; ordering the previous question on House Resolution 276 and the amendment thereto; adoption of the amendment to House Resolution 276, if ordered; and adoption of House Resolution 276, if ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 184, noes 236, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 339]

AYES—184

Ackerman	Green, Al	Pastor (AZ)
Andrews	Green, Gene	Payne
Baca	Grijalva	Pelosi
Baldwin	Gutierrez	Perlmutter
Barrow	Hanabusa	Peters
Bass (CA)	Heinrich	Peterson
Becerra	Higgins	Pingree (ME)
Berkley	Himes	Polis
Berman	Hincheey	Price (NC)
Bishop (GA)	Hinojosa	Quigley
Bishop (NY)	Hirono	Rahall
Blumenauer	Holden	Rangel
Boren	Holt	Reyes
Boswell	Honda	Richardson
Brady (PA)	Hoyer	Richmond
Brown (FL)	Inslee	Ross (AR)
Butterfield	Israel	Rothman (NJ)
Capps	Jackson Lee	Roybal-Allard
Capuano	(TX)	Rush
Cardoza	Johnson (GA)	Ryan (OH)
Carnahan	Johnson, E. B.	Sánchez, Linda
Carney	Jones	T.
Carson (IN)	Kaptur	Sanchez, Loretta
Castor (FL)	Keating	Sarbanes
Chandler	Kildee	Schakowsky
Chu	Kind	Schiff
Cicilline	Kissell	Schrader
Clarke (MI)	Kucinich	Schwartz
Clarke (NY)	Langevin	Scott (VA)
Clay	Larsen (WA)	Scott, David
Cleaver	Larson (CT)	Serrano
Clyburn	Lee (CA)	Sewell
Cohen	Levin	Sherman
Connolly (VA)	Lewis (GA)	Shuler
Cooper	Lipinski	Sires
Costa	Loeb	Slaughter
Costello	Lofgren, Zoe	Smith (WA)
Courtney	Lowe	Speier
Critz	Luján	Stark
Crowley	Lynch	Sutton
Cuellar	Maloney	Thompson (CA)
Cummings	Markey	Thompson (MS)
Davis (CA)	Matheson	Tierney
Davis (IL)	Matsui	Tonko
DeFazio	McCollum	Towns
DeGette	McDermott	Tsongas
DeLauro	McGovern	Van Hollen
Deutch	McIntyre	Velázquez
Dicks	McNerney	Visclosky
Dingell	Meeks	Walz (MN)
Doggett	Michaud	Wasserman
Donnelly (IN)	Miller (NC)	Schultz
Doyle	Miller, George	Waters
Edwards	Moore	Watt
Ellison	Moran	Waxman
Engel	Murphy (CT)	Weiner
Eshoo	Nadler	Welch
Farr	Napolitano	Wilson (FL)
Fattah	Neal	Woolsey
Frank (MA)	Olver	Wu
Fudge	Owens	Yarmuth
Garamendi	Pallone	
Gonzalez	Pascrell	

NOES—236

Adams	Burton (IN)	Farenthold
Aderholt	Calvert	Fincher
Akin	Camp	Pitzpatrick
Alexander	Campbell	Flake
Altire	Canseco	Fleischmann
Amash	Capito	Fleming
Austria	Carter	Flores
Bachmann	Cassidy	Forbes
Bachus	Chabot	Portenberry
Barletta	Chaffetz	Fox
Bartlett	Coble	Franks (AZ)
Barton (TX)	Coffman (CO)	Gallely
Bass (NH)	Cole	Gardner
Benishek	Conaway	Garrett
Berg	Conyers	Gerlach
Biggart	Cravaack	Gibbs
Bilbray	Crawford	Gibson
Bilirakis	Crenshaw	Gingrey (GA)
Bishop (UT)	Culberson	Gohmert
Black	Davis (KY)	Goodlatte
Blackburn	Denham	Gosar
Bonner	Dent	Gowdy
Bono Mack	DesJarlais	Granger
Boustany	Diaz-Balart	Graves (GA)
Brady (TX)	Dold	Graves (MO)
Brooks	Dreier	Griffin (AR)
Broun (GA)	Duffy	Griffith (VA)
Buchanan	Duncan (SC)	Grimm
Bucshon	Duncan (TN)	Guinta
Buerkle	Ellmers	Guthrie
Burgess	Emerson	Hall

Hanna	McHenry	Ross (FL)	Bilirakis	Guthrie	Petri	Heinrich	McDermott	Sanchez, Loretta
Harper	McKeon	Royce	Bishop (UT)	Hall	Pitts	Higgins	McGovern	Sarbanes
Harris	McKinley	Runyan	Black	Harper	Platts	Himes	McNery	Schakowsky
Hartzler	McMorris	Ryan (WI)	Blackburn	Harris	Poe (TX)	Hinchey	Meehan	Schiff
Hayworth	Rodgers	Scalise	Bonner	Hartzler	Pompeo	Hinojosa	Meeks	Schrader
Heck	Meehan	Schilling	Bono Mack	Hayworth	Posey	Hirono	Michaud	Schwartz
Hensarling	Mica	Schmidt	Boren	Heck	Price (GA)	Holt	Miller (NC)	Scott (VA)
Herger	Miller (FL)	Schock	Boustany	Hensarling	Quayle	Holt	Miller, George	Scott, David
Herrera Beutler	Miller (MI)	Schweikert	Brady (TX)	Herger	Rangel	Honda	Moore	Serrano
Huelskamp	Miller, Gary	Scott (SC)	Brooks	Herrera Beutler	Reed	Hoyer	Moran	Sewell
Huizenga (MI)	Mulvaney	Scott, Austin	Broun (GA)	Huelskamp	Rehberg	Inslee	Murphy (CT)	Sherman
Hultgren	Murphy (PA)	Sensenbrenner	Buchanan	Huizenga (MI)	Reichert	Israel	Nadler	Shuler
Hunter	Myrick	Sessions	Bucshon	Hultgren	Renacci	Jackson Lee	Napolitano	Sires
Hurt	Neugebauer	Shimkus	Buerkle	Hunter	Ribble	(TX)	Neal	Slaughter
Issa	Noem	Shuster	Hurt	Burgess	Rigell	Johnson (GA)	Olver	Smith (WA)
Jenkins	Nugent	Burton (IN)	Issa	Issa	Rivera	Johnson, E. B.	Owens	Speier
Johnson (IL)	Nunes	Calvert	Jenkins	Jenkins	Roby	Kaptur	Pallone	Stark
Johnson (OH)	Nunnelee	Camp	Johnson (IL)	Johnson (IL)	Roe (TN)	Keating	Pascrell	Sutton
Johnson, Sam	Olson	Campbell	Johnson (OH)	Johnson (OH)	Rogers (AL)	Kildee	Pastor (AZ)	Thompson (CA)
Jordan	Palazzo	Canseco	Johnson, Sam	Johnson, Sam	Rogers (KY)	Kind	Payne	Thompson (MS)
Kelly	Paul	Cantor	Jones	Jones	Rogers (MI)	King (IA)	Pelosi	Tierney
King (IA)	Paulsen	Capito	Jordan	Jordan	Rohrabacher	Kissell	Perlmutter	Townes
King (NY)	Pearce	Carter	Kelly	Kelly	Rokita	Kucinich	Peters	Tonko
Kingston	Pence	Cassidy	King (NY)	King (NY)	Rooney	Langevin	Peterson	Tsongas
Kinzinger (IL)	Petri	Chabot	Kingston	Kingston	Ros-Lehtinen	Larsen (WA)	Pingree (ME)	Van Hollen
Kline	Pitts	Chaffetz	Kinzinger (IL)	Kinzinger (IL)	Roskam	Larson (CT)	Polis	Velázquez
Labrador	Platts	Coble	Kline	Kline	Ross (FL)	Lee (CA)	Price (NC)	Visclosky
Lamborn	Poe (TX)	Coffman (CO)	Labrador	Labrador	Royce	Levin	Quigley	Walz (MN)
Lance	Pompeo	Cole	Lance	Lance	Runyan	Lewis (GA)	Rahall	Wasserman
Landry	Posey	Conaway	Lance	Lance	Ryan (WI)	Lipinski	Reyes	Schultz
Lankford	Price (GA)	Cravack	Landry	Landry	Scalise	Loeb sack	Richardson	Waters
Latham	Quayle	Crawford	Lankford	Lankford	Schilling	Lofgren, Zoe	Richmond	Watt
LaTourette	Reed	Crenshaw	Latham	Latham	Schmidt	Lowey	Ross (AR)	Waxman
Latta	Rehberg	Culberson	LaTourette	LaTourette	Schock	Lujan	Rothman (NJ)	Weiner
Lewis (CA)	Reichert	Davis (KY)	Latta	Latta	Schweikert	Lynch	Royal-Allard	Welch
LoBiondo	Renacci	Denham	Lewis (CA)	Lewis (CA)	Scott (SC)	Maloney	Ruppersberger	Wilson (FL)
Lucas	Ribble	Dent	LoBiondo	LoBiondo	Scott, Austin	Markey	Rush	Woolsey
Luetkemeyer	Rigell	DesJarlais	West	West	Sensenbrenner	Matheson	Ryan (OH)	Wu
Lummis	Rivera	Diaz-Balart	Westmoreland	Westmoreland	Sessions	Matsui	Sánchez, Linda	Yarmuth
Lungren, Daniel E.	Roby	Dold	Whitfield	Whitfield	Shimkus	McCollum	T.	
Mack	Roe (TN)	Dreier	Wilson (SC)	Wilson (SC)	Shuster			
Manzullo	Rogers (AL)	Duffy	Wittman	Wittman	Simpson			
Marchant	Rogers (KY)	Duncan (SC)	Wolf	Wolf	Smith (NE)			
Marino	Rogers (MI)	Duncan (TN)	Womack	Womack	Smith (NJ)			
McCarthy (CA)	Rohrabacher	Ellmers	Woodall	Woodall	Smith (TX)			
McCauley	Rokita	Emerson	Yoder	Yoder	Southerland			
McClintock	Rooney	Farenthold	Young (AK)	Young (AK)	Stearns			
McCotter	Ros-Lehtinen	Fincher	Young (FL)	Young (FL)	Stutzman			
	Roskam	Fitzpatrick	Young (IN)	Young (IN)	Sullivan			
		Flake			Terry			
		Fleischmann			Thompson (PA)			
		Fleming			Thornberry			
		Flores			Tiberi			
		Forbes			Tipton			
		Fortenberry			Turner			
		Fox			Upton			
		Gallegly			Walberg			
		Gardner			Walden			
		Garrett			Walsh (IL)			
		Gerlach			Webster			
		Gibbs			West			
		Gibson			Westmoreland			
		Gingrey (GA)			Whitfield			
		Gohmert			Wilson (SC)			
		Goodlatte			Wittman			
		Gosar			Wolf			
		Gowdy			Womack			
		Granger			Woodall			
		Graves (GA)			Yoder			
		Graves (MO)			Young (AK)			
		Griffin (AR)			Young (FL)			
		Griffith (VA)			Young (IN)			
		Grimm						
		Guinta						

NOT VOTING—11

Bralley (IA)	Giffords	Long
Cantor	Hastings (FL)	McCarthy (NY)
Filner	Hastings (WA)	Ruppersberger
Frelinghuysen	Jackson (IL)	

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Messrs. GUTIERREZ and PAYNE changed their vote from “no” to “aye.”

So the motion to recommit was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Mr. FILNER. Madam Speaker, on rollcall 339, I was away from the Capitol region attending the Civil Rights Freedom Riders' 50th Anniversary Celebration. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye.”

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. CASTOR of Florida. Madam Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 234, noes 185, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 340]

AYES—234

Adams	Austria	Bass (NH)
Aderholt	Bachmann	Benishek
Akin	Bachus	Berg
Alexander	Bartlett	Biggert
Amash	Barton (TX)	Bilbray

Ackerman	Carson (IN)	DeLauro
Altmire	Castor (FL)	Deuch
Andrews	Chandler	Dicks
Baca	Chu	Dingell
Baldwin	Cicilline	Doggett
Barletta	Clarke (MI)	Donnelly (IN)
Barrow	Clarke (NY)	Doyle
Bass (CA)	Clay	Edwards
Becerra	Cleaver	Ellison
Berkley	Cohen	Engel
Berman	Connolly (VA)	Eshoo
Bishop (GA)	Cooper	Farr
Bishop (NY)	Costa	Fattah
Blumenauer	Costello	Frank (MA)
Boswell	Courtney	Fudge
Brady (PA)	Critz	Garamendi
Brown (FL)	Crowley	Gonzalez
Butterfield	Cuellar	Green, Al
Capps	Cummings	Green, Gene
Capuano	Davis (CA)	Grijalva
Cardoza	Davis (IL)	Gutierrez
Carnahan	DeFazio	Hanabusa
Carney	DeGette	Hanna

NOES—185

DeLauro	McCollum
Deuch	
Dicks	
Dingell	
Doggett	
Donnelly (IN)	
Doyle	
Edwards	
Ellison	
Engel	
Eshoo	
Farr	
Fattah	
Frank (MA)	
Fudge	
Garamendi	
Gonzalez	
Green, Al	
Green, Gene	
Grijalva	
Gutierrez	
Hanabusa	
Hanna	

NOT VOTING—12

Bralley (IA)	Franks (AZ)	Hastings (WA)
Clyburn	Frelinghuysen	Jackson (IL)
Conyers	Giffords	Long
Filner	Hastings (FL)	McCarthy (NY)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining on this vote.

□ 1439

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated against:

Mr. FILNER. Madam Speaker, on rollcall 340, I was away from the Capitol region attending the Civil Rights Freedom Riders' 50th Anniversary Celebration. Had I been present, I would have voted, “no.”

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. CONYERS. Madam Speaker, on May 25, 2011, I was not present to vote on H.R. 1216. Had I been present, I would have voted, “no.”

Additionally, I inadvertently cast a “nay” vote on the Motion to Recommit H.R. 1216. I intended to vote, “yea.”

PROVIDING FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1540, NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on the amendment and on the resolution (H. Res. 276) providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1540) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department