the great cost in lives and money, the United States should empower and recognize Afghanistan's ethnic diversity through free local and provincial elections and replace the present failed centralized system of government with a federal political structure that ensured the full participation of all ethnic communities; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. WATERS:

H. Res. 424. A resolution honoring the Cultural Initiative, Inc. on the 20th anniversary of the first hip hop conference at Howard University; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

157. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, relative to House Resolution No. 96 urging the Congress to modernize the Toxic Substances Control Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

158. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of California, relative to Assembly Joint Resolution No. 3 urging the Congress to extend the alternative minimum tax holiday for private activity bonds; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

159. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 173 urging the Congress to take such actions as are necessary to provide adequate funding for essential dredging activities and removal of navigation hazards on the Calcasieu Ship Channel; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

160. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 90 urging the Congress to provide a cost-of-living adjustment or some alternate benefit increase for Social Security recipients as soon as practicable; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. KLINE:

H.R. 3094.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, section 8 of the Constitution of the United States

By Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas:

H.R. 3095.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

''The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically clause 1 (relating to providing for the general welfare of the United States) and clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress), and Article IV, section 3, clause 2 (relating to the power of Congress to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States).''

By Mr. SCALISE:

H.R. 3096.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. GOODLATTE:

H.R. 3097.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8.

By Mr. GOODLATTE:

H.R. 3098.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8.

By Mr. SCALISE:

H.R. 3099.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. CANSECO:

H.R. 3100.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 (relating to the power of Congress to provide for the general welfare of the United States) and Clause 18 (relating to the power of Congress to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress and the Executive Branch), and Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 (relating to the power of Congress to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States) of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. CONAWAY:

H.R. 3101.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the powers granted to Congress under Article I, Section 9, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. DELAURO:

H.R. 3102.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA:

H.R. 3103.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18—The Congress shall have Power * * * To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. GRAVES of Georgia:

H.R. 3104.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

16th Amendment—The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several States, and without regard to any census or enumeration.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida:

H.R. 3105.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Sixteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California:

H.R. 3106.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to exercise exclusive legislation, in all cases whatsoever, over the District of Columbia as described in Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution of the United States of America.

By Mr. NEUGEBAUER:

H.R. 3107.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

The Congress shall have Power to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 3108.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Ms. PINGREE of Maine:

H.R. 3109.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1—The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

By Mr. REED:

H.R. 3110.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3—the Power to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

By Mr. STUTZMAN:

H.R. 3111.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution bestows upon Congress the authority ''To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.''

Congress is within its constitutionally prescribed role to reform, limit, or abolish programs maintained by the United States Department of Agriculture, a body which has regulated interstate commerce under the auspices of Congress.

By Mr. TURNER of Ohio:

H.R. 3112.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

The Congress shall have Power * * * to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 3113.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3 and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 10: Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN and Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California.

H.R. 104: Mr. ROSKAM.

H.R. 178: Ms. TSONGAS.

H.R. 196: Ms. CASTOR of Florida.

H.R. 210: Mr. PASTOR of Arizona, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. KUCINICH, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, and Ms. MCCOLLUM.

H.R. 361: Mr. CARTER.