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During this journey I have made my share of mistakes. I am aware of the ongoing federal investigation into my activities and I am doing my best to address the situation responsibly, cooperate with the investigators, and accept responsibility for my mistakes, for they are my mistakes and mine alone. None of us is immune from our share of shortcomings or human frailties and I pray that I will be remembered for what I did right. It has been a profound honor to serve the constituents of Illinois's Second Congressional District and I thank them for their patience, words of support and prayers during what has been, and what will continue to be a very trying time for me and my family.

I also thank my colleagues and staff for supporting me and the citizens of my district over the past several months. I am proud to have worked alongside each of them over these many years. I know that our work and accomplishments will have a lasting positive impact on our community and our nation.

With optimism and hope I look forward to the day when my treatment is complete and my health improves. I will truly miss serving as a Member of Congress and I will never be able to fully express my gratitude to the people of Chicago, and her Southland for granting me the opportunity to serve them for 17 wonderful years.

Sincerely,

JESSE JACKSON, Jr.,
Member of Congress.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, November 21, 2012.

Governor PAT QUINN,
James A. Thompson Building,
Chicago, IL.

MR. GOVERNOR: In 1995 when I was first elected to the House of Representatives I came to Washington with a singular purpose—to serve the constituents of the Second District of Illinois. During that time for seventeen years I have traveled on a journey with the citizens of the Second District of Illinois, and with their unwavering support we have worked together to transform what was once an underdeveloped and nearly forgotten South Side of Chicago.

Along this journey we have accomplished much. We have built new train stations, water towers, and emergency rooms. We have brought affordable housing, community centers and healthcare clinics to those who needed it most. In all, nearly a billion dollars worth of infrastructure and community improvement has been made on the South Side of Chicago and thousands of new jobs have been created. We began this journey by promising fresh water for the people of Ford Heights and a new airport that would employ upon completion 300,000 people. Today the people of Ford Heights have fresh water and sitting on the Governor's desk is a \$400,000,000 proposal for an airport that will cost the taxpayers nothing and only awaits the Governor's commitment to build it. And while our journey to strengthen our communities and provide a better future for our children will continue, I know that together we have made the Second District of Illinois a better place.

For seventeen years I have given 100 percent of my time, energy, and life to public service. However, over the past several

months, as my health has deteriorated, my ability to serve the constituents of my district has continued to diminish. Against the recommendations of my doctors, I had hoped and tried to return to Washington and continue working on the issues that matter most to the people of the Second District. I know now that will not be possible.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. JACKSON), the whole number of the House is 433.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 27 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1830

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. POE of Texas) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

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:

H.R. 5997, by the yeas and nays; and concurring in the Senate amendment to H.R. 915, by the yeas and nays.

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

MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS ALLOWABLE USE ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5997) to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to codify authority under existing grant guidance authorizing use of Urban Area Security Initiative and State Homeland Security Grant Program funding for enhancing medical preparedness, medical surge capacity, and mass prophylaxis capabilities, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. BILL-RAKIS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 397, nays 1, not voting 34, as follows:

[Roll No. 609]

YEAS—397

Ackerman	Canseco	Dent
Adams	Cantor	DesJarlais
Aderholt	Capito	Deutch
Akin	Capps	Diaz-Balart
Alexander	Capuano	Doggett
Altmire	Carnahan	Dold
Amodel	Carney	Donnelly (IN)
Andrews	Carson (IN)	Doyle
Baca	Carter	Dreier
Bachmann	Cassidy	Duffy
Bachus	Castor (FL)	Duncan (SC)
Baldwin	Chabot	Duncan (TN)
Barletta	Chaffetz	Edwards
Barrow	Chandler	Ellison
Barton (TX)	Chu	Ellmers
Bass (CA)	Cicilline	Emerson
Bass (NH)	Clarke (MI)	Engel
Becerra	Clarke (NY)	Eshoo
Benishchek	Clay	Farenthold
Berg	Cleaver	Farr
Berkley	Clyburn	Fincher
Berman	Coble	Fitzpatrick
Biggert	Coffman (CO)	Flake
Bilbray	Cohen	Fleischmann
Billirakis	Cole	Fleming
Bishop (GA)	Conaway	Flores
Bishop (UT)	Connolly (VA)	Forbes
Black	Conyers	Fortenberry
Blackburn	Cooper	Fox
Blumenauer	Costa	Frank (MA)
Bonamici	Costello	Franks (AZ)
Bonner	Courtney	Fudge
Boren	Cravaack	Garamendi
Boswell	Crawford	Gardner
Boustany	Crenshaw	Garrett
Brady (PA)	Critz	Gerlach
Brady (TX)	Crowley	Gibbs
Braley (IA)	Cuellar	Gibson
Brooks	Culberson	Gingrey (GA)
Brown (GA)	Cummings	Gohmert
Buchanan	Curson (MI)	Gonzalez
Bucshon	Davis (CA)	Goodlatte
Buerkle	Davis (IL)	Gowdy
Burgess	DeFazio	Granger
Burton (IN)	DeGette	Graves (GA)
Butterfield	DeLauro	Graves (MO)
Calvert	DelBene	Green, Al
Camp	Denham	Green, Gene

Griffin (AR) Markey
 Griffith (VA) Massie
 Grijalva Matheson
 Grimm Matsui
 Guinta McCarthy (CA)
 Guthrie McCarthy (NY)
 Hahn McClintock
 Hall McCollum
 Hanabusa McDermott
 Hanna McGovern
 Harper McHenry
 Harris McIntyre
 Hartzler McKeon
 Hastings (FL) McKinley
 Hastings (WA) McMorris
 Hayworth Rodgers
 Heck McNERNEY
 Heinrich Meehan
 Hensarling Meeks
 Herger Mica
 Herrera Beutler Michaud
 Higgins Miller (FL)
 Himes Miller (MI)
 Hinchey Miller (NC)
 Hinojosa Miller, Gary
 Hirono Miller, George
 Hochul Moore
 Holt Moran
 Honda Mulvaney
 Hoyer Murphy (PA)
 Huelskamp Myrick
 Huizenga (MI) Nadler
 Hultgren Napolitano
 Hunter Neal
 Hurt Neugebauer
 Israel Noem
 Issa Nugent
 Jackson Lee Nunes
 (TX) Nunnelee
 Jenkins Olson
 Johnson (GA) Olver
 Johnson (OH) Owens
 Johnson, E. B. Palazzo
 Johnson, Sam Pallone
 Jones Pascrell
 Jordan Pastor (AZ)
 Kaptur Paul
 Keating Paulsen
 Kelly Payne
 Kildee Pearce
 Kind Pelosi
 King (IA) Perlmutter
 King (NY) Peters
 Kingston Peterson
 Kinzinger (IL) Petri
 Kissell Pingree (ME)
 Kline Pitts
 Kucinich Platts
 Labrador Poe (TX)
 Lamborn Polis
 Lance Pompeo
 Landry Posey
 Lankford Price (GA)
 Larsen (WA) Price (NC)
 Larson (CT) Quayle
 Latham Quigley
 LaTourette Rahall
 Latta Rangel
 Lee (CA) Reed
 Levin Reichert
 Lewis (CA) Renacci
 Lewis (GA) Reyes
 LoBiondo Ribble
 Loeb sack Richardson
 Lofgren, Zoe Richmond
 Long Rigell
 Lowey Roby
 Lucas Roe (TN)
 Luetkemeyer Rogers (AL)
 Luján Rogers (KY)
 Lummis Rogers (MI)
 Lungren, Daniel Rohrabacher
 E. Rokita
 Lynch Rooney
 Maloney Ros-Lehtinen
 Marchant Roskam

NAYS—1

NOT VOTING—34

Austria Dingell
 Barber Fattah
 Bartlett Filner
 Bishop (NY) Frelinghuysen
 Bono Mack Gallegly
 Brown (FL) Gosar
 Campbell Gutierrez
 Dicks Holden

Ross (FL) Pence
 Rothman (NJ) Penberg
 Royce Rivera
 Runyan Ross (AR)
 Rumpersberger
 Rush
 Ryan (OH)
 Ryan (WI)
 Sánchez, Linda T.
 Sarbanes
 Scalise
 Schakowsky
 Schiff
 Schilling
 Schmidt
 Schock
 Schrader
 Schwartz
 Schweikert
 Scott (SC)
 Scott (VA)
 Scott, Austin
 Scott, David
 Sensenbrenner
 Serrano
 Sessions
 Sewell
 Sherman
 Shimkus
 Shuler
 Shuster
 Simpson
 Neal
 Slaughter
 Smith (NE)
 Smith (NJ)
 Smith (TX)
 Smith (WA)
 Southerland
 Speier
 Stearns
 Stivers
 Stutzman
 Sullivan
 Sutton
 Terry
 Thompson (CA)
 Thompson (MS)
 Thompson (PA)
 Thornberry
 Tiberi
 Tierney
 Tipton
 Tonko
 Tsongas
 Turner (NY)
 Turner (OH)
 Upton
 Van Hollen
 Velázquez
 Visclosky
 Walberg
 Walden
 Walsh (IL)
 Walz (MN)
 Wasserman
 Schultz
 Waters
 Waxman
 Webster
 Welch
 West
 Westmoreland
 Whitfield
 Wilson (FL)
 Wilson (SC)
 Wittman
 Wolf
 Womack
 Woodall
 Woolsey
 Yarmuth
 Yoder
 Young (AK)
 Young (IN)

Roybal-Allard
 Sanchez, Loretta
 Stark
 Towns
 Watt
 Young (FL)
 □ 1853
 Ms. CLARKE of New York, and Messrs. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania and TIBERI changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”
 So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.
 The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.
 A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.
 Stated for:
 Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall 609, I was away from the Capitol due to prior commitments to my constituents. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea.”
 Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall 609, H.R. 5997, as amended, I was unavoidably detained and missed the vote. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea.”

JAIME ZAPATA BORDER ENFORCEMENT SECURITY TASK FORCE ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 915) to establish a Border Enforcement Security Task Force program to enhance border security by fostering coordinated efforts among Federal, State, and local border and law enforcement officials to protect United States border cities and communities from transnational crime, including violence associated with drug trafficking, arms smuggling, illegal alien trafficking and smuggling, violence, and kidnapping along and across the international borders of the United States, and for other purposes, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. MCCAUL) that the House suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 397, nays 4, not voting 31, as follows:

[Roll No. 610]
 YEAS—397

Ackerman Berg
 Adams Berkeley
 Aderholt Berman
 Akin Biggert
 Alexander Bilbray
 Altmire Bilirakis
 Amodei Bishop (GA)
 Andrews Bishop (NY)
 Baca Bishop (UT)
 Bachmann Black
 Bachus Blackburn
 Baldwin Blumenauer
 Barletta Bonamici
 Barrow Bonner
 Barton (TX) Mack
 Bass (CA) Boswell
 Bass (NH) Boustany
 Becerra Brady (PA)
 Benishek Brady (TX)

Carter
 Cassidy
 Castor (FL)
 Chabot
 Chaffetz
 Chandler
 Chu
 Cicilline
 Clarke (MI)
 Clarke (NY)
 Clay
 Cleaver
 Clyburn
 Coble
 Coffman (CO)
 Cohen
 Cole
 Conaway
 Connolly (VA)
 Conyers
 Cooper
 Costa
 Costello
 Courtney
 Cravaack
 Crawford
 Crenshaw
 Critz
 Crowley
 Cuellar
 Culberson
 Cummings
 Curson (MI)
 Davis (CA)
 Davis (IL)
 DeFazio
 DeGette
 DeLauro
 DelBene
 Denham
 Dent
 DesJarlais
 Deutch
 Diaz-Balart
 Doggett
 Dold
 Donnelly (IN)
 Doyle
 Dreier
 Duffy
 Duncan (SC)
 Duncan (TN)
 Edwards
 Ellison
 Ellmers
 Emerson
 Engel
 Eshoo
 Farenthold
 Farr
 Fattah
 Fincher
 Fitzpatrick
 Flake
 Fleischmann
 Fleming
 Flores
 Forbes
 Fortenberry
 Foxx
 Frank (MA)
 Franks (AZ)
 Fudge
 Garamendi
 Gardner
 Garrett
 Gerlach
 Gibbs
 Gibson
 Gingrey (GA)
 Gonzalez
 Goodlatte
 Gowdy
 Granger
 Graves (GA)
 Graves (MO)
 Green, Al
 Green, Gene
 Griffin (AR)
 Griffith (VA)
 Grijalva
 Grimm
 Guinta
 Guthrie
 Hahn
 Hall
 Hanabusa
 Hanna
 Harper

Harris
 Hartzler
 Hastings (FL)
 Hastings (WA)
 Hayworth
 Heck
 Heinrich
 Hensarling
 Herger
 Herrera Beutler
 Higgins
 Himes
 Hinchey
 Hinojosa
 Hirono
 Honda
 Hoyer
 Huelskamp
 Huizenga (MI)
 Hultgren
 Hunter
 Hurt
 Israel
 Issa
 Jackson Lee
 (TX)
 Jenkins
 Johnson (GA)
 Johnson (OH)
 Johnson, E. B.
 Johnson, Sam
 Jones
 Jordan
 Kaptur
 Keating
 Kelly
 Kildee
 Kind
 King (IA)
 King (NY)
 Kingston
 Kinzinger (IL)
 Kissell
 Kline
 Labrador
 Lamborn
 Lance
 Landry
 Langevin
 Lankford
 Larsen (WA)
 Larson (CT)
 Latham
 LaTourette
 Latta
 Lee (CA)
 Levin
 Lewis (CA)
 Lewis (GA)
 LoBiondo
 Loeb sack
 Lofgren, Zoe
 Long
 Lowey
 Lucas
 Luetkemeyer
 Luján
 Lummis
 Lungren, Daniel
 E.
 Lynch
 Maloney
 Marchant

Miller, Gary
 Miller, George
 Moore
 Moran
 Neal
 Mulvaney
 Murphy (PA)
 Myrick
 Nadler
 Napolitano
 Neal
 Neugebauer
 Noem
 Nugent
 Nunes
 Nunnelee
 Olson
 Olver
 Owens
 Palazzo
 Pallone
 Pascrell
 Pastor (AZ)
 Paulsen
 Payne
 Pearce
 Pelosi
 Perlmutter
 Peters
 Peterson
 Petri
 Pingree (ME)
 Pitts
 Platts
 Poe (TX)
 Polis
 Pompeo
 Posey
 Price (GA)
 Price (NC)
 Quayle
 Quigley
 Rahall
 Rangel
 Reed
 Rehberg
 Reichert
 Renacci
 Reyes
 Ribble
 Richardson
 Richmond
 Roby
 Roe (TN)
 Rogers (AL)
 Rogers (KY)
 Rogers (MI)
 Rohrabacher
 Rokita
 Rooney
 Ros-Lehtinen
 Roskam
 Ross (FL)
 Rothman (NJ)
 Royce
 Runyan
 Rumpersberger
 Rush
 Ryan (OH)
 Ryan (WI)
 Sánchez, Linda T.
 Sarbanes
 Scalise
 Schakowsky
 Schiff
 Schilling
 Schmidt
 Schock
 Schrader
 Schwartz
 Schweikert
 Scott (SC)
 Scott (VA)
 Scott, Austin
 Scott, David
 Sensenbrenner
 Serrano
 Sessions
 Sewell
 Sherman
 Shimkus
 Shuler
 Shuster
 Simpson
 Sires
 Slaughter
 Smith (NE)
 Smith (NJ)
 Smith (TX)