

only a former Member of the House but a former Governor of the great State of Virginia and a former president of the University of Virginia.

The Chair now recognizes for 1 hour the gentleman from Arkansas, Mr. HAYS. . . .

The SPEAKER. The time of the gentleman has expired.

The Chair wishes to reiterate his own gratitude at the response our invitation has had from those of you who have come here and participated and lent your presence to this occasion. It has been a memorable one. We will expect to repeat it next year.

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at 2 o'clock and 33 minutes p.m.

PRINTING OF PROCEEDINGS
HAD DURING RECESS AND
PERMISSION TO REVISE

Mr. BOGGS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the proceedings had during the recess be printed in the RECORD and that all speakers have the privilege of revising their remarks.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Louisiana?

There was no objection.

§ 18. Birthday Felicitations

The House has often extended formal greetings to a President or

former President on his birthday through the adoption of a congratulatory resolution⁽¹⁾ considered by unanimous consent or under suspension of the rules.

The House has also extended birthday wishes to Speakers of the House,⁽²⁾ Members,⁽³⁾ and the Parliamentarian.⁽⁴⁾

Presidential Birthdays

§ 18.1 Form of resolution extending the congratulations of the House to the President on his birthday.

On Jan. 30, 1934,⁽¹⁾ the House adopted a resolution congratulating the President on his birthday. The proceedings were as follows:

1. See § 18.1, *infra*.
2. See § 18.2, *infra*.
3. See § 18.3, *infra*.
4. See § 18.4, *infra*.
1. 78 CONG. REC. 1636, 73d Cong. 2d Sess.

See also, *e.g.*, 151 CONG. REC. 17162-64, 109th Cong. 1st Sess., July 25, 2005 (H. Res. 329, honoring former President William Jefferson Clinton on the occasion of his 59th birthday); 150 CONG. REC. 21196-99, 108th Cong. 2d Sess., Oct. 6, 2004 (H. Res. 798, honoring former President James Earl Carter on the occasion of his 80th birthday); 150 CONG. REC. 15104-106, 108th Cong. 2d Sess., July 12, 2004 (H. Res. 702,

Mr. [Riley J.] WILSON [of Louisiana]. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the resolution which I send to the desk and ask to have read.

The SPEAKER.⁽²⁾ Is there objection?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read as follows:

House Resolution 246

Resolved, That the House of Representatives extends its congratulations to the President of the United States, Franklin D. Roosevelt, upon his fifty-second birthday, with assurance of appreciation for his aggressive action and service to our country, and joins the Nation in best wishes for continued health, happiness, and accomplishments.

[Applause.]

The resolution was agreed to.

Speakers' Birthdays

§ 18.2 The Minority Leaders joined in extending best wishes to the Speaker on the occasion of his birthday.

On May 10, 1971,⁽¹⁾ the following proceedings occurred:

honoring former President Gerald R. Ford on his 91st birthday); and 149 CONG. REC. 2720–23, 108th Cong. 1st Sess., Feb. 11, 2003 (H.J. Res. 19, recognizing the 92d birthday of former President Ronald Wilson Reagan).

2. Joseph W. Byrns (TN).

1. 117 CONG. REC. 14144, 92d Cong. 1st Sess.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MR. SPEAKER

(Mr. GERALD R. FORD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GERALD R. FORD [of Michigan]. Mr. Speaker, I take this time for the purpose of joining with the distinguished majority leader in extending to the distinguished Speaker⁽²⁾ our very best wishes on his birthday anniversary.

Members' Birthdays

§ 18.3 Consideration by unanimous consent of a resolution honoring the House's eldest statesman on his 88th birthday.

See also 133 CONG. REC. 37089, 100th Cong. 1st Sess., Dec. 21, 1987 (tribute to Speaker James C. Wright, Jr. [TX] on his 65th birthday); and 101 CONG. REC. 129–131, 84th Cong. 1st Sess., Jan. 6, 1955 (remarks of Members honoring Speaker Sam Rayburn [TX] on his birthday).

2. Carl Albert (OK).

On Sept. 8, 1988,⁽¹⁾ the House paid tribute to Rep. Pepper,⁽²⁾ as follows:

TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE
CLAUDE DENSON PEPPER ON
HIS 88TH BIRTHDAY

Mr. [Richard A.] GEPHARDT [of Missouri]. Mr. Speaker, I call up the resolution (H. Res. 530) to recognize CLAUDE DENSON PEPPER, on the occasion of his 88th birthday, for the contributions that he has made to the quality of life of all Americans [sic], and ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore.⁽³⁾ The Clerk will report the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 530

Whereas Claude Denson Pepper has served in public office for a period spanning almost sixty years, including service in the Florida Legis-

1. 134 CONG. REC. 22930, 22931, 100th Cong. 2d Sess.

See also 109 CONG. REC. 22018-21, 88th Cong. 1st Sess., Nov. 18, 1963 (tribute to Rep. Carl Vinson [GA] on his 80th birthday); 109 CONG. REC. 15561, 88th Cong. 1st Sess., Aug. 22, 1963 (tribute to Rep. Charles A. Halleck [IN] on his birthday); 109 CONG. REC. 9182-90, 88th Cong. 1st Sess., May 23, 1963 (tribute to Rep. Francis E. Walter [PA] on the occasion of his 69th birthday); and 93 CONG. REC. 3120, 80th Cong. 1st Sess., Apr. 3, 1947 (honoring Rep. Adolph J. Sabath [IL] on his 81st birthday).

2. Claude Pepper (FL).

3. Thomas S. Foley (WA).

lature, the United States Senate, and the United States House of Representatives;

Whereas Claude Denson Pepper has played an essential role in the formulation and development of policies and programs to protect the health, rights, economic security, and dignity of our Nation's elderly;

Whereas Claude Denson Pepper has been the principal author of key legislation addressing issues ranging from the Lend-Lease plan, to the establishment of the National Institutes of Health, to the elimination of the mandatory retirement age;

Whereas Claude Denson Pepper celebrates his 88th birthday on September 8, 1988; and

Whereas the dedication, commitment, and energy of Claude Denson Pepper stand as an inspiration to people of all ages; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the United States, on the occasion of his 88th birthday, commends and acknowledges Claude Denson Pepper for his continuing contributions to the quality of life of all Americans.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FOLEY). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Missouri?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Missouri [Mr. GEPHARDT] is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, I want to offer this resolution today on behalf of the gentleman from Washington [Mr. FOLEY], the gentleman from California [Mr. COELHO], the gentlewoman from Ohio [Ms. OAKAR], and the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. MICHEL], and many other Members of the House who wish today to extend their heartiest congratulations to our senior Member of the House and one of

our most beloved Members of the House. . . .

Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question on the resolution.

The previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to.

Parliamentarian

§ 18.4 The Majority and Minority Leaders took the floor to congratulate the Parliamentarian, Lewis Deschler, on his birthday and his 40 years of service as Parliamentarian.

On Mar. 4, 1968,⁽¹⁾ the following proceedings occurred:

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO THE
PARLIAMENTARIAN, MR.
LEWIS DESCHLER

Mr. [Carl] ALBERT [of Oklahoma]. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend my remarks.

The SPEAKER.⁽²⁾ Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oklahoma?

Mr. ALBERT. Mr. Speaker, March 4 is a historic day in this Nation, because for many years it was the day when new Congresses convened, and Presidents were inaugurated. March 3, yesterday, Sunday, was also an important day to the Members of the House of Representatives. Yesterday was the

birthday of the great Parliamentarian, Mr. Lew Deschler. It marked the 43d year of dedicated service to this body by this great American whom the Speaker has properly called on many occasions the No. 1 Parliamentarian of the world.

For 40 years Lew Deschler has sat at the right hand of Speakers of the House under both political parties. His advice on parliamentary matters, procedural matters, and indeed on substantive matters has been indispensable to every Speaker and every Member of the House of Representatives. This House would not, could not be the same without Lew Deschler.

Mr. Speaker, I take this time, which is 1 day late because the House was not in session yesterday, to which my good friend, our great Parliamentarian, many happy returns of the day, and many more of them.

Mr. GERALD R. FORD [of Michigan]. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. ALBERT. I am delighted to yield to the distinguished minority leader.

Mr. GERALD R. FORD. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the majority leader yielding at this time.

We on this side all subscribe to all of the generous and richly deserved comments and observations made by the distinguished majority leader concerning our good friend, the Parliamentarian, Mr. Lew Deschler. We wish Lew, as does the majority leader, many happy years ahead. I am sure that he will continue helping to assist us in our day-to-day labors here in the House of Representatives.

We all may have some regrets about annual birthday anniversaries coming

1. 114 CONG. REC. 4919, 90th Cong. 2d Sess.

2. John W. McCormack (MA).

and going, but despite that I am certain the future of the Parliamentarian will be as bright as it has been in the past, and we will continue to enjoy working with him in the future as we have in the past.

Mr. ALBERT. Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend for his comments.

§ 19. Military Awards; Receptions for Generals and Astronauts

The House has honored its heroes in a variety of ways. The House has conducted ceremonies for Congressional Medal of Honor recipients⁽¹⁾ and has honored its astronauts with receptions in the Caucus Room⁽²⁾ and in the House Chamber.⁽³⁾ Various generals have been received by the House and allowed to address the Chamber.⁽⁴⁾ The House has conferred honorary veteran status to an actor who inspired troops⁽⁵⁾ and has commemorated the 50th anniversary of the Department of Veterans' Affairs.⁽⁶⁾ The House also has conducted several war-related

1. See § 19.1, *infra*.
2. See § 19.3, *infra*.
3. See § 19.2, *infra*.
4. See §§ 19.4–19.7, *infra*. See also 5 Hinds' Precedents §§ 7076–7088 for receptions of eminent soldiers.
5. See § 19.8, *infra*.
6. See § 19.9, *infra*.

observances,⁽⁷⁾ including authorizing the use of the Capitol Rotunda for a ceremony honoring military heroism⁽⁸⁾ and the lowering of the flag for missing POWs and MIAs.⁽⁹⁾

Medal of Honor

§ 19.1 Proceedings had at a joint meeting in the House Chamber when the President decorated Sgt. Jake W. Lindsey, United States Army, with the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The Medal of Honor is presented by the President in the name of Congress and is the highest military honor that can be bestowed upon an individual serving in the Armed Services of the United States. The joint resolution authorizing the presentation of “medals of honor” for Army personnel was signed by President Lincoln on July 14, 1862.⁽¹⁾

7. See §§ 19.10–19.17, *infra*.
8. See § 19.12, *infra*.
9. See § 19.13, *infra*.
1. Senate joint resolution of July 12, 1862, 12 Stat. 623, 624. That joint resolution reads, in part, that “the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause two thousand “medals of honor” to be prepared with suitable emblematic devices, and to direct that the