

to work; its bedside tables that include piles of books that we read before we fall asleep, or continue reading when we cannot sleep. Oh, the refuge we find in books and reading, and how mystery, history and intrigue draw us back again and again."

Mr. Speaker, I would dare say there is not one of us who has not had our nose buried in a "whodunit" book, letting our imagination soar in wonderment about what the ending will be. Whether it is Sherlock Holmes or Dick Tracy or Harry Potter, or my childhood favorite, the Hardy Boys mysteries, our support for reading and writing mystery books is a worthy cause. Exciting mystery writers over the years have provided untold hours of enjoyment to child and adult alike. Agatha Christie, Ellery Queen, Alfred Hitchcock, Phyllis Whitney, Mickey Spillane, Mary Higgins Clark, and J.K. Rowling have enriched our lives and stimulated our imaginations.

In the Kids Love a Mystery reading program, participants can earn an Eddie Award Certificate by registering with a local sponsor and reading at least one mystery book. Or participants may write their own mystery story and have a panel selected by an author judge the entry.

I commend the Mystery Writers of America for recognizing the value and importance of reading and for observing October each year as Kids Love a Mystery Month.

Mr. Speaker, it is fitting and appropriate then for Congress to celebrate the reading for children and agree to this concurrent resolution establishing Kids Love a Mystery Month. I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting it.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H. Con. Res. 373, the resolution of the gentleman from California (Mr. GEORGE MILLER) which supports and promotes Kids Love a Mystery Program throughout the United States.

Under the sponsorship of the Mystery Writers of America organization, this program brings together authors who write for juvenile and young adult readers with children, parents, teachers, and librarians in a nationwide series of events each October to celebrate mystery writing.

This year, First Lady Laura Bush will serve as the honorary chair of the Kids Love a Mystery program. H. Con. Res. 373 expresses the sense of Congress that Kids Love a Mystery is a good program that promotes literacy through the creative process and should be encouraged. It underscores our belief that learning to read is the greatest gift one generation can bestow on the next.

With this resolution, we encourage the President to issue a proclamation in support of the Kids Love a Mystery Program. This annual program has proven to be a valuable method to encourage literacy, foster deductive rea-

soning, and enhance critical-thinking skills for our young readers. The Kids Love a Mystery Program was developed by the Mystery Writers of America, a nonprofit entity that serves as the premier organization for mystery writers and other professionals in the mystery field. Through its chapters in all 50 States, the organization has utilized the month of October each year to orchestrate the Kids Love a Mystery Program with particular emphasis on fostering both reading and writing initiatives.

Since its inception in 1998, the Kids Love a Mystery Program has involved more than 15,000 young readers in 31 States plus the District of Columbia. Two of the most popular initiatives within the Kids Love a Mystery Program are the presentation of Eddie Awards, certificates that are given to every child who registers with a local participating library, school, bookstore or even on the Internet and reads at least one mystery book in the month of October.

In addition, young readers are encouraged to write their own mystery stories in October to earn an Eddie Award.

Mr. Speaker, we know that reading is the basis for all learning, and mystery stories have proven to be particularly attractive to young readers. I urge my colleagues to pass this resolution to encourage more young people to read.

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

Mr. GINGREY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

In closing, let me say that nothing is more important to the education of our children than the ability to read and read well. We have often heard it said that we learn to read so we can read to learn. The importance of that needs to be accomplished, indeed, as in the context of No Child Left Behind by the third grade. We will continue to have a strong emphasis on reading programs like this resolution in regard to Kids Love a Mystery. I would just encourage all of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle, and it is nice to have an opportunity to have a good bipartisan piece of legislation that we can all support. We are all behind trying to make sure that all our children can read and read well.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage unanimous support for House Concurrent Resolution 373.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. TERRY). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. GINGREY) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 373.

The question was taken. The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds of those present have voted in the affirmative.

Mr. GINGREY. Mr. 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.

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.

Accordingly (at 3 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m.

□ 1830

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DUNCAN) 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 three motions to suspend the rules previously postponed. Votes will be taken in the following order:

House Resolution 519, by the yeas and nays;

House Resolution 392, by the yeas and nays; and

House Resolution 495, by the yeas and nays.

The votes on S. 1881 and House Concurrent Resolution 373 will be taken tomorrow.

The first and third electronic votes will be conducted as 15-minute votes. The second vote in this series will be a 5-minute vote.

SENSE OF HOUSE WITH RESPECT TO SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, DECEMBER 22, 2003 EARTHQUAKE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 519.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. TOM DAVIS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 519, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 404, nays 0, not voting 29, as follows:

[Roll No. 42]

YEAS—404

Abercrombie	Allen	Baker
Ackerman	Andrews	Baldwin
Aderholt	Baca	Ballance
Akin	Bachus	Ballenger
Alexander	Baird	Barrett (SC)

Bartlett (MD)	Etheridge	Lee	Rogers (AL)	Shimkus	Tiberi	Ballance	English	LaTourette
Bass	Evans	Levin	Rogers (KY)	Shuster	Tierney	Ballenger	Eshoo	Leach
Beauprez	Everett	Lewis (CA)	Rogers (MI)	Simmons	Towns	Barrett (SC)	Etheridge	Lee
Becerra	Farr	Lewis (GA)	Rohrabacher	Simpson	Turner (OH)	Bartlett (MD)	Evans	Levin
Berkley	Fattah	Lewis (KY)	Ros-Lehtinen	Skelton	Turner (TX)	Bass	Everett	Lewis (CA)
Berman	Feeney	Linder	Ross	Slaughter	Udall (NM)	Beauprez	Farr	Lewis (GA)
Berry	Ferguson	Lipinski	Rothman	Smith (MI)	Upton	Becerra	Fattah	Lewis (KY)
Biggert	Filner	LoBiondo	Roybal-Allard	Smith (NJ)	Van Hollen	Berkley	Feeney	Linder
Bilirakis	Flake	Lofgren	Royce	Smith (TX)	Velázquez	Berman	Ferguson	Lipinski
Bishop (GA)	Foley	Lowey	Ruppersberger	Smith (WA)	Visclosky	Berry	Filner	LoBiondo
Bishop (NY)	Forbes	Lucas (KY)	Ryan (OH)	Snyder	Vitter	Biggert	Flake	Lofgren
Bishop (UT)	Ford	Lucas (OK)	Ryan (WI)	Solis	Walden (OR)	Bilirakis	Foley	Lowe
Blackburn	Fossella	Lynch	Ryun (KS)	Souder	Walsh	Bishop (GA)	Forbes	Lucas (KY)
Blumenauer	Frank (MA)	Majette	Sabo	Spratt	Walsh	Bishop (NY)	Ford	Lucas (OK)
Blunt	Franks (AZ)	Maloney	Sanchez, Linda	Stark	Wamp	Bishop (UT)	Fossella	Lynch
Boehrlert	Frelinghuysen	Manzullo	T.	Stearns	Waters	Blackburn	Frank (MA)	Majette
Boehner	Frost	Markey	Sanchez, Loretta	Stenholm	Watson	Blumenauer	Franks (AZ)	Maloney
Bonilla	Gallegly	Marshall	Sanders	Strickland	Watt	Blunt	Frelinghuysen	Manzullo
Bonner	Garrett (NJ)	Matheson	Sandlin	Stupak	Waxman	Boehrlert	Frost	Markey
Bono	Gerlach	Matsui	Saxton	Sullivan	Weiner	Boehner	Gallegly	Marshall
Boozman	Gibbons	McCarthy (MO)	Schakowsky	Sweeney	Weldon (PA)	Bonilla	Garrett (NJ)	Matheson
Boswell	Gilchrest	McCarthy (NY)	Schiff	Tancredo	Weller	Bonner	Gerlach	Matsui
Boucher	Gillmor	McColum	Schrock	Tanner	Whitfield	Bono	Gibbons	McCarthy (MO)
Boyd	Gingrey	McCotter	Scott (GA)	Tauscher	Wicker	Boozman	Gilchrest	McCarthy (NY)
Bradley (NH)	Goode	McCrery	Scott (VA)	Taylor (MS)	Wilson (NM)	Boswell	Gillmor	McColum
Brady (PA)	Goodlatte	McDermott	Sensenbrenner	Taylor (NC)	Wilson (SC)	Boucher	Gingrey	McCotter
Brady (TX)	Gordon	McGovern	Serrano	Terry	Wolf	Boyd	Goode	McCrery
Brown (OH)	Goss	McHugh	Sessions	Thomas	Woolsey	Bradley (NH)	Goodlatte	McDermott
Brown (SC)	Granger	McInnis	Shaw	Thompson (CA)	Wu	Brady (PA)	Gordon	McGovern
Brown, Corrine	Graves	McIntyre	Shays	Thompson (MS)	Wynn	Brady (TX)	Goss	McHugh
Brown-Waite,	Green (TX)	McKeon	Sherman	Thornberry	Young (AK)	Brown (OH)	Granger	McInnis
Ginny	Green (WI)	McNulty	Sherwood	Tiahrt	Young (FL)	Brown (SC)	Graves	McIntyre
Burgess	Greenwood	Meehan				Brown, Corrine	Green (TX)	McKeon
Burns	Grijalva	Meek (FL)				Brown-Waite,	Green (WI)	McNulty
Burr	Gutknecht	Meeks (NY)	Barton (TX)	Gutierrez	Ortiz	Ginny	Greenwood	Meehan
Burton (IN)	Harman	Menendez	Bell	Hall	Reyes	Burgess	Grijalva	Meek (FL)
Buyer	Harris	Mica	Bereuter	Hinojosa	Rodriguez	Burns	Gutknecht	Meeks (NY)
Calvert	Hart	Michaud	Carter	Hoeffel	Rush	Burr	Harman	Menendez
Camp	Hastings (FL)	Millender-	Culberson	Jackson-Lee	Shadegg	Burton (IN)	Harris	Mica
Cannon	Hastings (WA)	McDonald	Davis (IL)	(TX)	Tauzin	Buyer	Hart	Michaud
Cantor	Hayes	Miller (MI)	DeMint	Johnson, Sam	Toomey	Calvert	Hastings (FL)	Millender-
Capito	Hayworth	Miller (NC)	Doggett	Kucinich	Udall (CO)	Camp	Hastings (WA)	McDonald
Capps	Hefley	Miller, Gary	Gephardt	Miller (FL)	Weldon (FL)	Cannon	Hayes	Miller (MI)
Capuano	Hensarling	Miller, George	Gonzalez	Murtha	Wexler	Cantor	Hayworth	Miller (NC)
Cardin	Herger	Mollohan				Capito	Hefley	Miller, Gary
Cardoza	Hill	Moore				Capuano	Hensarling	Miller, George
Carson (IN)	Hinche	Moran (KS)				Cardin	Herger	Mollohan
Carson (OK)	Hobson	Moran (VA)				Cardoza	Hill	Moore
Case	Hoekstra	Murphy				Carson (IN)	Hinche	Moran (KS)
Castle	Holden	Musgrave				Carson (OK)	Hobson	Moran (VA)
Chabot	Holt	Myrick				Case	Hoekstra	Murphy
Chandler	Honda	Nadler				Castle	Holden	Musgrave
Chocola	Hookey (OR)	Napolitano				Chabot	Holt	Myrick
Clay	Hostettler	Neal (MA)				Chandler	Honda	Nadler
Clyburn	Houghton	Nethercutt				Chocola	Hookey (OR)	Napolitano
Coble	Hoyer	Neugebauer				Clay	Hostettler	Neal (MA)
Cole	Hulshof	Ney				Clyburn	Houghton	Nethercutt
Collins	Hunter	Northup				Coble	Hoyer	Neugebauer
Conyers	Hyde	Norwood				Cole	Hulshof	Ney
Cooper	Inslee	Nunes				Collins	Hunter	Northup
Costello	Isakson	Nussle				Conyers	Hyde	Norwood
Cox	Israel	Oberstar				Cooper	Inslee	Nunes
Cramer	Issa	Obey				Costello	Isakson	Nussle
Crane	Istook	Olver				Cox	Israel	Oberstar
Crenshaw	Jackson (IL)	Osborne				Cramer	Issa	Obey
Crowley	Jefferson	Ose				Crane	Istook	Olver
Cubin	Jenkins	Otter				Crenshaw	Jackson (IL)	Osborne
Cummings	John	Owens				Crowley	Jefferson	Ose
Cunningham	Johnson (CT)	Oxley				Cubin	Jenkins	Otter
Davis (AL)	Johnson (IL)	Pallone				Cummings	John	Owens
Davis (CA)	Johnson, E. B.	Pascrell				Cunningham	Johnson (CT)	Oxley
Davis (FL)	Jones (NC)	Pastor				Davis (AL)	Johnson (IL)	Pallone
Davis (TN)	Jones (OH)	Paul				Davis (CA)	Johnson, E. B.	Pascrell
Davis, Jo Ann	Kanjorski	Payne				Davis (FL)	Jones (NC)	Pastor
Davis, Tom	Kaptur	Pearce				Davis (TN)	Jones (OH)	Paul
Deal (GA)	Keller	Pelosi				Davis, Jo Ann	Kanjorski	Payne
DeFazio	Kelly	Pence				Davis, Tom	Kaptur	Pearce
DeGette	Kennedy (MN)	Peterson (MN)				Deal (GA)	Keller	Pelosi
Delahunt	Kennedy (RI)	Peterson (PA)				DeFazio	Kelly	Pence
DeLauro	Kildee	Petri				DeGette	Kennedy (MN)	Peterson (MN)
DeLay	Kilpatrick	Pickering				Delahunt	Kennedy (RI)	Peterson (PA)
Deutsch	Kind	Pitts				DeLauro	Kildee	Petri
Diaz-Balart, L.	King (IA)	Platts				DeLay	Kilpatrick	Pickering
Diaz-Balart, M.	King (NY)	Pombo				Deutsch	Kind	Pitts
Dicks	Kingston	Pomeroy				Diaz-Balart, L.	King (IA)	Platts
Dingell	Kirk	Porter				Diaz-Balart, M.	King (NY)	Pombo
Dooley (CA)	Kleczka	Portman				Dicks	Kingston	Pomeroy
Doolittle	Kline	Price (NC)				Dingell	Kirk	Porter
Doyle	Knollenberg	Pryce (OH)				Dooley (CA)	Kleczka	Portman
Dreier	Kolbe	Putnam				Doolittle	Kline	Price (NC)
Duncan	LaHood	Quinn				Doyle	Knollenberg	Pryce (OH)
Dunn	Lampson	Radanovich				Dreier	Kolbe	Putnam
Edwards	Langevin	Rahall				Duncan	LaHood	Quinn
Ehlers	Lantos	Ramstad				Dunn	Lampson	Radanovich
Emanuel	Larsen (WA)	Rangel				Edwards	Langevin	Rahall
Emerson	Larson (CT)	Regula				Ehlers	Lantos	Ramstad
Engel	Latham	Rehberg				Emanuel	Larsen (WA)	Rangel
English	LaTourette	Renzi				Emerson	Larson (CT)	Regula
Eshoo	Leach	Reynolds				Engel	Latham	Rehberg

NOT VOTING—29

Barton (TX) Gutierrez
Bell Hall
Bereuter Hinojosa
Carter Hoeffel
Culberson Jackson-Lee
Davis (IL) (TX)
DeMint Johnson, Sam
Doggett Kucinich
Gephardt Miller (FL)
Gonzalez Murtha

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DUNCAN) (during the vote). Members are advised 2 minutes remain in this vote.

□ 1856

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) 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.

CONGRATULATING DETROIT SHOCK FOR WINNING 2003 WOMEN'S NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 392.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Michigan (Mrs. MILLER) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 392, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 401, nays 0, not voting 32, as follows:

[Roll No. 43]

YEAS—401

Abercrombie Alexander
Ackerman Allen
Aderholt Andrews
Akin Baca

Bachus
Baird
Baker
Baldwin

Ballance
Ballenger
Barrett (SC)
Bartlett (MD)
Bass
Beauprez
Becerra
Berkley
Berman
Berry
Biggert
Bilirakis
Bishop (GA)
Bishop (NY)
Bishop (UT)
Blackburn
Blumenauer
Blunt
Waxman
Boehrlert
Boehner
Bonilla
Garrett (NJ)
Matheson
Gerlach
Gibbons
McCarthy (MO)
McCarthy (NY)
McColum
Gillmor
Gingrey
McCotter
McCrery
McDermott
McGovern
Goss
McHugh
McInnis
McIntyre
McKeon
McNulty
Meehan
Meek (FL)
Meeks (NY)
Menendez
Mica
Michaud
Millender-
 McDonald
Miller (MI)
Miller (NC)
Miller, Gary
Miller, George
Mollohan
Moore
Moran (KS)
Moran (VA)
Murphy
Musgrave
Myrick
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal (MA)
Nethercutt
Neugebauer
Ney
Northup
Norwood
Nunes
Nussle
Oberstar
Obey
Olver
Osborne
Ose
Otter
Owens
Oxley
Pallone
Pascrell
Pastor
Paul
Payne
Pearce
Pelosi
Pence
Peterson (MN)
Peterson (PA)
Petri
Pickering
Pitts
Platts
Pombo
Pomeroy
Porter
Portman
Price (NC)
Pryce (OH)
Putnam
Quinn
Radanovich
Rahall
Ramstad
Rangel
Regula
Rehberg