

We do not have to tell people or remind them about how this economy is suffering: almost 2 million jobs lost in the last several years and still not anywhere near back to where we were in January of 2001.

We know what a generator of jobs, what a booster of the economy small businesses can be, and we also know how important the Small Business Administration is in providing capital for these businesses. So if we could do the bill that is before us today but also bring forward the Small Business Administration reauthorization, we could deal with that issue of capital.

At a time when the economy is suffering as much as it is, many businesses are starting to fail. They need that capital so that they can retool. Some need it to grow. And we need some new businesses to fill in where others have left. That cannot happen without this bill coming forward.

The so-called 7(a) loans are by far the most critical capital vehicles that we have for small businesses: \$11 billion in loans to small businesses every year. That aspect has to be assured to businesses. If we do nothing by the end of this month, fees for that will double, freezing out many businesses from the opportunity to get access to this money so that they can expand or they can start up.

Time after time, we hear on the floor and we hear in people's individual districts how much they feel for small business and how certain they are that small businesses add to the benefit of our country.

Mr. Speaker, we need to put our money where our mouth is. We need this measure to be brought forward. I support today's bill because it does a good thing, particularly with respect to the women's business centers across the country, but realize that we have to do more and move the Small Business Administration reauthorization forward.

Mrs. CAPITO. Mr. Speaker, I continue to reserve the balance of my time.

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

Mr. Speaker, there is no disagreement that we should pass this extension. It is, though, embarrassing that it has come to this. We expect small businesses to meet their taxes, comply with Federal regulations and pay their employees on time. But when it comes to Congress, we are not held accountable for our failure to meet their needs.

At a time when our economy is struggling, at a time when small businesses are struggling, Congress should be holding up its end of the deal. Passing the Small Business Administration Reauthorization Act must be a priority.

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

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

I would like to thank the gentlewoman from New York (Ms.

VELÁZQUEZ) for not only her advocacy for this bill before us today, but for her advocacy for small business. She is one of the staunchest cheerleaders for small businesses across this Nation, and I appreciate her service and her ability to get things done.

I thank our chairman, the gentleman from Illinois (Chairman MANZULLO), who is not with us today, to thank him also for his small business advocacy. It is good to know that we have a bipartisan opinion on this bill. I look forward to its passage, and I look forward to all of us working together to see that small business not only grows but thrives under this bill and also under further legislation.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FLAKE). The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5008.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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 5 o'clock and 27 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. WALDEN of Oregon) 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:

House Concurrent Resolution 363, by the yeas and nays;

House Resolution 667, by the yeas and nays; and

House Resolution 760, by the yeas and nays.

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

EXPRESSING GRAVE CONCERN OF CONGRESS REGARDING CONTINUING GROSS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND CIVIL LIBERTIES OF SYRIAN PEOPLE BY GOVERNMENT OF SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 363, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 363, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 342, nays 0, answered "present" 1, not voting 90, as follows:

[Roll No. 441]
YEAS—342

Abercrombie	Costello	Granger
Aderholt	Cox	Graves
Akin	Cramer	Green (TX)
Alexander	Crane	Green (WI)
Allen	Crenshaw	Greenwood
Andrews	Cubin	Gutknecht
Baca	Culberson	Hall
Bachus	Cummings	Harman
Baird	Cunningham	Harris
Baldwin	Davis (AL)	Hart
Barrett (SC)	Davis (CA)	Hastings (WA)
Bartlett (MD)	Davis (FL)	Hayes
Barton (TX)	Davis (IL)	Hayworth
Bass	Davis (TN)	Hefley
Becerra	Davis, Jo Ann	Hensarling
Bell	Davis, Tom	Herseth
Berkley	Deal (GA)	Hill
Berman	DeFazio	Hinojosa
Berry	DeGette	Hobson
Bilirakis	Delahunt	Holden
Bishop (GA)	DeLauro	Holt
Bishop (NY)	DeLay	Honda
Blackburn	Deutsch	Hooley (OR)
Blumenauer	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hostettler
Blunt	Diaz-Balart, M.	Hoyer
Boehner	Dicks	Hulshof
Bonilla	Dingell	Hunter
Bonner	Doggett	Hyde
Bono	Dooley (CA)	Israel
Boswell	Doolittle	Issa
Boucher	Doyle	Istook
Boyd	Dreier	Jackson (IL)
Bradley (NH)	Duncan	Jackson-Lee
Brady (PA)	Dunn	(TX)
Brady (TX)	Edwards	Jefferson
Brown (SC)	Ehlers	Jenkins
Brown, Corrine	Emanuel	John
Brown-Waite,	Eshoo	Johnson (CT)
Ginny	Etheridge	Johnson (IL)
Burgess	Farr	Johnson, Sam
Burns	Fattah	Jones (NC)
Burton (IN)	Feeney	Jones (OH)
Butterfield	Ferguson	Kanjorski
Buyer	Filner	Keller
Calvert	Flake	Kelly
Camp	Foley	Kennedy (MN)
Cantor	Forbes	Kildee
Capito	Ford	Kilpatrick
Capps	Fossella	Kind
Cardin	Frank (MA)	King (IA)
Cardoza	Franks (AZ)	King (NY)
Carson (IN)	Frelinghuysen	Kingston
Case	Galleghy	Kirk
Castle	Garrett (NJ)	Kline
Chabot	Gibbons	Knollenberg
Chandler	Gilchrest	Kolbe
Chocoma	Gillmor	LaHood
Clyburn	Gingrey	Lampson
Coble	Gonzalez	Lantos
Cole	Goode	Larsen (WA)
Collins	Goodlatte	Larson (CT)
Cooper	Gordon	Latham

Leach	Oliver	Sherman
Lee	Ortiz	Sherwood
Levin	Osborne	Shimkus
Lewis (CA)	Ose	Shuster
Lewis (GA)	Otter	Simmons
Lewis (KY)	Oxley	Skelton
Linder	Pallone	Smith (NJ)
LoBiondo	Pastor	Smith (TX)
Lofgren	Payne	Snyder
Lowey	Pearce	Solis
Lucas (OK)	Pelosi	Souder
Maloney	Pence	Spratt
Manzullo	Peterson (MN)	Stearns
Marshall	Petri	Stenholm
Matheson	Pickering	Strickland
McCarthy (MO)	Pitts	Stupak
McCarthy (NY)	Platts	Sullivan
McCollum	Pombo	Tancredo
McCotter	Pomeroy	Tanner
McCrery	Porter	Tauscher
McDermott	Portman	Terry
McHugh	Price (NC)	Thomas
McIntyre	Putnam	Thomson (CA)
McNulty	Radanovich	Thornberry
Meehan	Rahall	Tiahrt
Meek (FL)	Ramstad	Tiberi
Meeks (NY)	Rehberg	Tierney
Menendez	Renzi	Turner (OH)
Mica	Reyes	Udall (CO)
Michaud	Reynolds	Upton
Millender-	Rodriguez	Van Hollen
McDonald	Rogers (AL)	Velázquez
Miller (FL)	Rohrabacher	Visclosky
Miller (MI)	Ros-Lehtinen	Walden (OR)
Miller (NC)	Ross	Walsh
Miller, Gary	Rothman	Wamp
Miller, George	Roybal-Allard	Watson
Mollohan	Royce	Watt
Moore	Ruppersberger	Weldon (FL)
Moran (KS)	Rush	Weldon (PA)
Moran (VA)	Ryan (OH)	Weiler
Murphy	Ryan (WI)	Wexler
Musgrave	Ryun (KS)	Whitfield
Myrick	Sánchez, Linda	Wicker
Nadler	T.	Wilson (NM)
Napolitano	Sanchez, Loretta	Schiff
Neugebauer	T.	Wilson (SC)
Ney	Scott (GA)	Wolf
Northup	Scott (VA)	Woolsey
Norwood	Sensenbrenner	Wu
Nunes	Sessions	Wynn
Nussle	Shadegg	Young (AK)
Oberstar	Shaw	Young (FL)
Obey	Shays	

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Waters

NOT VOTING—90

Ackerman	Herger	Pryce (OH)
Baker	Hinchey	Quinn
Ballenger	Hoeffel	Rangel
Beauprez	Hoekstra	Regula
Biggart	Houghton	Rogers (KY)
Bishop (UT)	Insole	Rogers (MI)
Boehlert	Isakson	Sabo
Boozman	Johnson, E. B.	Sanders
Brown (OH)	Kaptur	Sandlin
Burr	Kennedy (RI)	Saxton
Cannon	Kleczka	Schakowsky
Capuano	Kucinich	Schrock
Carson (OK)	Langevin	Serrano
Carter	LaTourette	Simpson
Clay	Lipinski	Slaughter
Conyers	Lucas (KY)	Smith (MI)
Crowley	Lynch	Smith (WA)
DeMint	Majette	Stark
Emerson	Markey	Sweeney
Engel	Matsui	Tauzin
English	McGovern	Taylor (MS)
Evans	McInnis	Taylor (NC)
Everett	McKeon	Thompson (MS)
Frost	Murtha	Toomey
Gephardt	Neal (MA)	Towns
Gerlach	Nethercutt	Turner (TX)
Goss	Owens	Udall (NM)
Grijalva	Pascrell	Vitter
Gutierrez	Paul	Waxman
Hastings (FL)	Peterson (PA)	Weiner

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WALDEN of Oregon) (during the vote). Members are advised there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1857

Mr. TIERNEY changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So (two-thirds of those present having voted in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The title of the concurrent resolution was amended so as to read: "Concurrent resolution expressing the grave concern of Congress regarding the continuing gross violations of human rights and civil liberties of the Syrian and Lebanese people by the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, and notwithstanding intervening debate, the next two electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

There was no objection.

IN HONOR OF WILLIAM D. FORD

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

Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise with great sadness this evening to announce the death of our dear friend and former colleague, Congressman William D. Ford. He died on August 14.

Congressman Ford spent 3 decades serving the Nation in this institution. He was a great champion for the causes that concerned so many Americans, from ensuring that each child had a quality education to become successful citizens, to making sure that our workplaces were safer.

His father's death in a factory accident led to a lifelong commitment to protect the health and safety of employees in the workplace. Congressman Ford worked every day in his life to be the champion of the working poor and the middle class.

Bill Ford was a member of the House from 1965 to 1995, representing Michigan's 15th and 13th congressional districts. During his 30-year-and-more tenure, he served as chairman of the House Committee on the Post Office and Civil Service, as well as the chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor.

He was the oldest son of immigrant Spanish parents and the first member of his family to attend college. He served his Nation in the United States Navy. He attended the University of Denver on the GI Bill.

He was the author of many important pieces of legislation to benefit ordinary, working Americans.

Prior to serving in the Congress, he was a delegate to the Michigan Constitutional Convention and a member

of the Michigan State Senate. He served as city attorney in a number of communities in Michigan.

He is survived by his three children, William D. Ford, Jr.; Margaret Van Fleet Ford; and John Ford; three grandchildren; a sister, Janet Ford; and a brother, Robert Ford.

Our Nation is a better place because of his work and dedication. His life left a mark on this Nation. His death is a tremendous loss, and those of my colleagues who knew him understand the sorrow that I feel tonight, as I am sure they feel their own.

A memorial service will be held tomorrow in Washington.

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR FREEDOM IN HONG KONG

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 667.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 667, 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 345, nays 0, answered "present" 1, not voting 87, as follows:

[Roll No. 442]

YEAS—345

Abercrombie	Cantor	Doyle
Aderholt	Capito	Dreier
Akin	Capps	Duncan
Alexander	Cardin	Dunn
Allen	Cardoza	Edwards
Andrews	Carson (IN)	Ehlers
Baca	Case	Emanuel
Bachus	Castle	Eshoo
Baird	Chabot	Etheridge
Baldwin	Chandler	Farr
Barrett (SC)	Chocola	Fattah
Bartlett (MD)	Clyburn	Feeney
Barton (TX)	Coble	Ferguson
Bass	Cole	Filner
Becerra	Collins	Flake
Bell	Cooper	Foley
Berkley	Costello	Forbes
Berman	Cox	Ford
Berry	Cramer	Fossella
Bilirakis	Crane	Frank (MA)
Bishop (GA)	Crenshaw	Franks (AZ)
Bishop (NY)	Cubin	Frelinghuysen
Blackburn	Culberson	Gallely
Blumenauer	Cummings	Garrett (NJ)
Blunt	Cunningham	Gibbons
Boehner	Davis (AL)	Gilchrest
Bonilla	Davis (CA)	Gillmor
Bonner	Davis (FL)	Gingrey
Bono	Davis (IL)	Gonzalez
Boswell	Davis (TN)	Goode
Boucher	Davis, Jo Ann	Goodlatte
Boyd	Davis, Tom	Gordon
Bradley (NH)	Deal (GA)	Granger
Brady (PA)	DeFazio	Graves
Brady (TX)	DeGette	Green (WI)
Brown (SC)	Delahunt	Greenwood
Brown, Corrine	DeLauro	Gutknecht
Brown-Waite,	DeLay	Hall
Ginny	Deutsch	Harman
Burgess	Diaz-Balart, L.	Harris
Burns	Diaz-Balart, M.	Hart
Burton (IN)	Dicks	Hastings (WA)
Butterfield	Dingell	Hayes
Buyer	Doggett	Hayworth
Calvert	Dooley (CA)	Hefley
Camp	Doolittle	Hensarling