

NOT VOTING—29

Bachus	Diaz-Balart, M.	Kind
Bonner	Everett	McDermott
Brown, Corrine	Ford	Platts
Calvert	Fortenberry	Reynolds
Clyburn	Gallely	Ros-Lehtinen
Cole (OK)	Goode	Sabo
Costello	Harris	Udall (CO)
Cubin	Hayworth	Weiner
Davis (FL)	Hinchev	Wynn
DeGette	Hyde	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

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Ms. HART and Messrs. ROYCE, TURNER, BUYER, GINGREY and HERGER changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. NUSSLE and Mr. LATHAM changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

FURTHER MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A further message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agreed to the following resolution:

S. RES. 330

In the Senate of the United States, December 12, 2005.

Whereas Eugene J. McCarthy devoted many years of his life to teaching in public high schools and other institutions of higher learning in the service of the youth of our Nation;

Whereas Eugene J. McCarthy served in the House of Representatives from 1949 to 1959;

Whereas Eugene J. McCarthy served the people of Minnesota with distinction from 1959 to 1971 in the United States Senate;

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable Eugene J. McCarthy, former member of the United States Senate;

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns today, it stand adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the Honorable Eugene J. McCarthy.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed without an amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 4340. An act to implement the United States-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed bills of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2093. An act to amend the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental and Native American Public Policy Act of 1992 to provide funds for training in tribal leadership, management, and policy, and for other purposes.

S. 2094. An act to reauthorize certain provisions relating to Indian tribal justice systems.

HONORING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HONORABLE JOHN D. DINGELL'S SERVICE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HASTERT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on House Administration be discharged from further consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 594) honoring the 50th anniversary of the Honorable JOHN D. DINGELL's service in the House of Representatives, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BRADLEY of New Hampshire). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES 594

Whereas John D. Dingell learned firsthand about the institution of Capitol Hill at an early age, serving as a House of Representatives Page from 1938 to 1943;

Whereas John D. Dingell served his country during the World War II as a member of the United States Army;

Whereas John D. Dingell has served 50 years in the House of Representatives, since succeeding his late father, the Honorable John David Dingell, Sr., a 12-term incumbent, in a special election to the 84th Congress on December 13, 1955;

Whereas a member of the Dingell family has represented the Detroit metropolitan area in the House of Representatives since 1933;

Whereas John D. Dingell, the Dean of the House of Representatives since the 104th Congress, is the longest serving current Member of the House of Representatives, having been re-elected on 25 subsequent occasions;

Whereas John D. Dingell's term of service is the third-longest term of service in the history of the House of Representatives and the fifth-longest in Congressional history; and

Whereas John D. Dingell has served on the Energy and Commerce Committee (and its predecessors) since the 85th Congress in 1957, and chaired that panel from the 97th through the 103rd Congresses (1981–1995): Now, therefore, be it

Resolved,

SECTION 1. HONORING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF JOHN D. DINGELL'S SERVICE IN THE HOUSE.

The House of Representatives—

(1) honors the lifelong commitment of the Honorable John D. Dingell to the ideals of our Nation;

(2) recognizes the Honorable John D. Dingell's half-century of exceptional dedication to his constituents, to the State of Michigan, and to the United States; and

(3) congratulates the Honorable John D. Dingell on 50 years of superior service in the United States Congress.

SEC. 2. TRANSMISSION OF ENROLLED RESOLUTION.

The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the Honorable John D. Dingell.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Illinois (Mr. HASTERT) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. HASTERT. Ladies and gentlemen, it is important for the House to recognize important milestones. Tonight, the Democratic leader and I on behalf of the House take this brief time to honor our colleague JOHN DINGELL.

If Members would also like to add words of congratulations, I would encourage them to insert remarks as part of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD or partake in a Special Order following votes tonight.

I rise in support of this resolution saluting and congratulating our good friend, JOHN DINGELL, for 50 years of service in the U.S. House of Representatives.

As the Clerk said, only two other House Members have made the 50-year milestone, Jamie Whitten and Carl Vinson. For a half century, JOHN has walked the Halls of this Capitol doing the business of the people of southeast Michigan. And I must say the Congress is a better place because we have men like JOHN DINGELL.

I first met JOHN when I came to the House in 1986, and he had already been here three decades at that time. We really got to know each other better when I started my third term when I was named to the House Energy and Commerce Committee. I knew him as Mr. Chairman. In fact, I think I only started to call him JOHN after I became Speaker.

Mr. DINGELL earned my respect early on. He knew the issues under his committee's jurisdiction, which was just about everything. He knew their legislative history. He knew how to count votes. He knew how to get legislation through the process. He was tough, but he was fair.

His congressional work has done much to benefit the American people. During his time in the House, he has left his mark on historic legislation like the Clean Air Act of 1990, the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Children's Health Insurance Program, and every other major energy and telecommunications bill since the 1970s. In fact, during the 1980s, he oversaw the investigation into the safety of the Nation's blood supply, including the procedures that we now have to ensure that donated blood is disease free.

As Dean of the House, JOHN DINGELL administers the oath of office to the Speaker. The Speaker then administers the oath of office to all the Members as well. I could not be more proud to have had JOHN DINGELL administer my oath four times.

Mr. Speaker, in this age of sound-bite politicians, JOHN DINGELL is the real deal. You always know where he stands, and you can always rest assured that he stands for something. And so today we salute JOHN DINGELL for 50 years of service with dignity, with dedication, with courage, with principle, and with honor. I thank you, JOHN, for your good work.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. PELOSI), the Democratic leader, for her remarks.