

On International Women's Day, we must remember that violence and injustice against women anywhere is violence and injustice against women everywhere.

TIME TO CHANGE DIRECTION OF THE BUDGET

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

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When you consider the fact that of all the 42 Presidents that preceded this President, if you added all of the debt that was bought by foreign nations, none of it comes close to the amount of money that we have now borrowed from foreign nations; almost half of our debt. China, particularly in the last 5 years, has increased their debt holdings of American securities by 300 percent.

But beyond that, when you look at who have been the beneficiaries, you see that there has been smaller job creation in this administration than in any Presidential administration since the days of Herbert Hoover, who experienced, of course, the Great Depression.

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But beyond that, when you look at who have been the beneficiaries of this national indebtedness, you see that it is not the working class. There has been smaller job creation in this administration than in any Presidential administration since the days of Herbert Hoover, who presided, of course, over the Great Depression. The beneficiaries of this indebtedness has been the leisure class through tax cuts.

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APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO BOARD OF VISITORS TO UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. CAPITO). Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 6968(a),

and the order of the House of December 18, 2005, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Member of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy to fill the existing vacancy thereon:

Mr. KLINE, Minnesota

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered or on which the vote is objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken later today.

C.W. "BILL" JONES PUMPING PLANT

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2383) to redesignate the facility of the Bureau of Reclamation located at 19550 Kelso Road in Byron, California, as the "C.W. 'Bill' Jones Pumping Plant".

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 2383

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. REDESIGNATION OF FACILITY.

The facility of the Bureau of Reclamation located at 19550 Kelso Road in Byron, California, and known as the Tracy Pumping Plant, shall be known and designated as the "C.W. 'Bill' Jones Pumping Plant".

SEC. 2. REFERENCES.

Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in section 1 shall be deemed to be a reference to the "C.W. 'Bill' Jones Pumping Plant".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT) and the gentlewoman from the Virgin Islands (Mrs. CHRISTENSEN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas.

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GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. CAPITO). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

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

Madam Speaker, H.R. 2383, introduced by our colleague Mr. NUNES of California, honors the contributions made by Mr. C.W. "Bill" Jones to California water policy.

This bill renames the Bureau of Reclamation's pumping plant in Tracy, California, as the C.W. "Bill" Jones Pumping Plant. Mr. Jones was a legendary water leader in California for decades. He was appointed to the State water commission in 1968 by Governor Ronald Reagan, and served as director of the Firebaugh Canal Company for over 40 years, and as president of the Delta-Mendota Water Authority for over 20 years.

Throughout these years, Bill Jones was directly involved with the Central Valley Project, and I believe it is fitting that a major unit in this project be named in his honor.

After his passing in 2003, the California water community pursued this legislation with the blessing of the Jones family, to pay tribute to his longstanding work on California water issues.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this bipartisan bill.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mrs. CHRISTENSEN asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Madam Speaker, H.R. 2383 recognizes the service of the late C.W. "Bill" Jones to the California Water Commission and his 2 years of service as president of the Delta-Mendota Water Authority.

This legislation rightly renames the Bureau of Reclamation's Tracy Pumping Plant, which raises water from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta into the Delta-Mendota Canal, after Mr. Jones.

We on this side of the aisle have no objection to the enactment of H.R. 2383.

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

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, we yield back the balance of our time as well.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2383.

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.

SAN DIEGO WATER STORAGE AND EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2005

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1190) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a feasibility study to design and construct a four reservoir intertie system for the purposes of improving the water storage opportunities, water supply reliability, and water yield of San Vicente, El Capitan, Murray, and Loveland Reservoirs in San Diego County, California