The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

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 subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 5 o’clock and 50 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. Kosmas) at 9 p.m.

RESIGNATION AS MEMBER AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:


Sincerely,

JOHN KLINE, Member of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted.

There was no objection.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO CANADA-UNITED STATES INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 11 of rule X, clause 11 of rule I, and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Chair announces the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members of the House to the Canadian-United States Interparliamentary Group:

Mr. Oberstar, Minnesota, Chairman
Mr. Meeks, New York, Vice Chairman
Ms. Slaughter, New York
Mr. Stupak, Michigan
Ms. Kilpatrick, Michigan
Mr. Hodes, New Hampshire
Mr. Welch, Vermont

Mr. Manzullo, Illinois
Mr. Stearns, Florida
Mr. Brown, South Carolina
Mrs. Miller, Michigan

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BRITISH-AMERICAN INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d, clause 10 of rule I, and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Chair announces the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members of the House to the British-American Interparliamentary Group:

Mr. Chandler, Kentucky, Chairman
Mr. Sires, New Jersey, Vice Chairman
Mr. Clyburn, South Carolina
Mr. Etheridge, North Carolina
Mrs. Davis, California
Mr. Bishop, New York
Mr. Miller, North Carolina
Mr. Petri, Wisconsin
Mr. Boozman, Arkansas
Mr. Crenshaw, Florida
Mr. Aderholt, Alabama
Mr. LaTta, Ohio

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. Dicks. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 2996, and that I may include tabular material on the same.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Washington?

There was no objection.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 578 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 2996.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 2996) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes, with Mr. Connolly of Virginia in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The CHAIR. Pursuant to the rule, the bill is considered read the first time.

The gentleman from Washington (Mr. Dicks) and the gentleman from Idaho (Mr. Simpson) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Washington.