

So I argue we did not have sufficient protections for intellectual property. But here is the key. In addition to not having a direct correlation and an oversight on the passage of these bills which passed in the Senate last night and the creation of jobs that our population, our citizens, those that we are here to protect, those who we're here to create a pathway of economic opportunity for—a nexus of jobs, that's what you need to prove to me. And so I believe that we are missing a manufacturing strategy. It is interesting that we consider that old stuff and how proud we were of the Model T.

I believe that we cannot go forward on trade bills, Mr. Speaker, until we focus on manufacturing in America, make it in America, and putting people back to work at all levels of education. That's going to be my cause for now and forever and ever. I want America back to work. It's a great Nation. It's the greatest country in the world. Let us focus on our folks getting jobs and getting our folks back to manufacturing, making things, selling things, and America continues to serve this world as the greatest democracy and the greatest country in the world.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 11:30 a.m. today.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 44 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess until 11:30 a.m.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. EMERSON) at 11:30 a.m.

PRAYER

Reverend Jesse Reyes, San Jose Catholic Church, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, offered the following prayer:

Gracious and loving Father, we thank You for this beautiful day.

We ask You to send Your Holy Spirit of good counsel and fortitude to all who make the law; enlighten their minds and their hearts to be moved with compassion and to be conducted in righteousness and be eminently useful to Your people over whom they represent.

May they have the courage to promote peace and harmony, and bring us the blessings of liberty and equality.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. HOCHUL) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. HOCHUL led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

WELCOMING REVEREND JESSE REYES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentleman from the Northern Mariana Islands (Mr. SABLAN) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. SABLAN. Today, I welcome Father Jesse T. Reyes, from the Diocese of Chalan Kanoa in the Northern Mariana Islands, as our guest chaplain.

Father Reyes, or "Pale Jesse" as we say in the Marianas, was ordained in 2007. Since then, he has devoted himself to serving our people as the parochial vicar for the parish of San Jose in the village of Oleai.

Pale Jesse's ministry also includes serving as chaplain at the adult correctional facility, as vocation director for the diocese, and as the spiritual director for the Christian Mothers and the Divine Mercy prayer group.

I am very grateful that Pale Jesse was able to set aside that work for a few days to accept the invitation to be here. This marks the first time that a member of the clergy of the Northern Mariana Islands has offered the opening prayer for the U.S. House of Representatives; and it is, indeed, a great honor for the people of our islands—people of all creeds and denominations.

Welcome, Pale Jesse, and thank you for your blessings.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 13, 2011.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in clause 2(h) of rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on October 13, 2011 at 9:20 a.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3080.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3079.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3078.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 further requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

EXPRESSING FRUSTRATION WITH WASHINGTON POLITICIANS

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

Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio. Madam Speaker, last week we witnessed shocking, shocking hypocrisy from President Obama. His Justice Department filed a lawsuit, a frivolous lawsuit, to block the State of Alabama from enforcing a law that would keep illegal immigrants from taking American jobs.

In the lawsuit, Mr. Obama's lawyers claimed that the law would expose those whom authorities suspect might be here illegally from "new difficulties in routine dealings." Now, keep in mind that this is the same Obama administration that is strangling small businesses with job-killing regulations, and because of Barack Obama, virtually every small business in America is now facing "new difficulties in routine dealings."

The people I represent are beyond frustrated with Washington politicians, who are slow to protect America's businesses, yet who are quick to sue over a law that would help American citizens get jobs. Americans have given up on their leadership, so here is a message for President Obama:

Stop targeting small businesses, and let these job creators get back to doing what they do best—creating jobs.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair would remind all Members to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

CHINESE CURRENCY BILL

(Ms. HOCHUL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. HOCHUL. I rise in support of bipartisan, job-creating legislation to crack down on the unfair manipulation of Chinese currency.

Businesses in my district, like Pyrotek and I Squared R Element, are ready to lead the resurgence of American manufacturing, but these businesses are competing on an unlevel playing field.

For far too long, China has gotten away with manipulating its currency to make Chinese exports to America cheaper and American exports to China more expensive. There is overwhelming bipartisan support to hold China accountable. Level the playing field, and I would put my team up against any team in this world—second to none. The Currency Reform for Fair Trade

Act would enhance our economic security; it would enhance our national security; and it would help create over 1 million jobs here in America.

I call on the leadership of this House to bring this legislation to a vote, and I call on all of my colleagues to support it.

JOHN 3:16 MINISTRIES

(Mr. CRAWFORD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CRAWFORD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to speak on the important role that John 3:16 Ministries plays in the lives of recovering addicts in the First District of Arkansas, which I am privileged to represent.

John 3:16 Ministries is a nonprofit, faith-based recovery center, located in Cord, Arkansas, which offers men an opportunity to overcome their addictions through faith and service to others. This organization was founded by Bryan and Beverly Tuggle, who were inspired to open a spiritual boot camp for addicts after Bryan sought help for his own addictions years earlier at the New Beginnings Ministry.

John 3:16 Ministries took its first resident on May 5, 2003, and it has been helping men who struggle with addiction ever since. Residents receive lodging, are taught skills to help them become more productive citizens in their communities, and are encouraged to enroll in classes offered through the local community college. Most importantly, residents of John 3:16 Ministries are given an opportunity to heal physically and spiritually.

Unlike most recovery centers, John 3:16 Ministries offers these services free of charge and is funded by donations only from local churches, businesses, and individuals. When asked about the cost of the services that John 3:16 Ministries provides, Bryan always has the same response: Jesus Christ has paid the cost in full.

Mr. and Mrs. Tuggle provide an incredible service, and I am honored to serve such selfless constituents in the First District of Arkansas.

GREAT LAKES RESTORATION

(Mr. HIGGINS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HIGGINS. Madam Speaker, the Great Lakes are one of America's most overlooked and underappreciated resources. They are the largest source of surface freshwater in the world, providing more than 30 million people with drinking water and supporting a multibillion dollar boating, shipping, fishing, and recreation economy. The Great Lakes fishery alone generates \$7 billion in economic activity and directly supports 75,000 jobs.

Yet the lakes are threatened by toxic algal blooms that are fueled by agriculture runoff, sewer overflows, and other pollution. Lake Erie, in par-

ticular, as the shallowest of the lakes, is exceptionally vulnerable to excess nutrients and phosphorus.

According to a recent report by the National Wildlife Federation, this summer, Lake Erie saw the most severe algal blooms since the 1960s. Madam Speaker, the Brookings Institution reports that every dollar invested in Great Lakes restoration results in a \$2 return in the form of increased fishing, tourism, and home values.

This program is cost-effective, and I urge Congress to reject cuts to Great Lakes restoration.

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TRIBUTE TO RAY REID

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

Mr. WOMACK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Arkansas' "fifth Congressman," Colonel (Retired) Raymond T. Reid, who passed away last weekend at the age of 90.

Ray Reid had an amazing love for his country. At the outbreak of World War II, he left school to join the Army and over the ensuing 31 years, faithfully served his Nation in uniform. His record of service placed him among our Nation's most unique: a veteran of World War II, Korea, and Vietnam.

And, Madam Speaker, as if his distinguished military service was not enough, Ray Reid came to Capitol Hill and served a quarter-century on the staffs of John Paul Hammerschmidt, Tim Hutchinson, and Asa Hutchinson, where, upon his retirement, he earned the nickname of Arkansas' "fifth Congressman."

Ray Reid was an institution. He enjoyed a long and adventurous life. Married to his sweetheart, Jean, for 51 years, he was the father of four, grandfather of six, and great-grandfather of two.

I am honored to acknowledge the dedicated service of this great American hero.

OPPOSITION TO THE KOREA, COLOMBIA, AND PANAMA TRADE AGREEMENTS

(Ms. FUDGE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. FUDGE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to address the need to keep good-paying jobs in America. I voted "no" on the trade agreements passed in this House last night, but in that same vote I voted "yes" for American jobs, I voted "yes" for jobs on American soil, I voted "yes" for human rights and "yes" for labor protections.

The trade agreements will cost us jobs at a time when we should be investing in America, and they will lead to further decline of the middle class.

These agreements are toxic for Ohioans who work in manufacturing and other sectors.

The U.S.-Korea trade agreement alone will cost almost 160,000 jobs in this country in the first 7 years. Stand with me for the middle class and against shipping jobs overseas.

MESSAGE FOR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT: BACK OFF

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Madam Speaker, when I meet with businesses across southeast Texas, their message for the Federal Government is clear. Back off.

Over 14 million Americans are unemployed because companies are not hiring. Companies are not hiring because of the uncertainty in the economy.

The Federal Government redtape, high taxes, and unnecessary regulations are crippling job creators and adding to the uncertainty. America has become an unfriendly place to do business, so businesses are either not hiring or they move out of the country.

The Judiciary Committee will soon vote on the REINS Act. I support this bill because it says that Congress must approve every major rule proposed by the executive branch before it could be imposed on the American people and the American companies.

So the EPA's dust regulation, among several, would be no more. It is the responsibility of Congress to rein in the administration's runaway regulators. That is how we get America back to work.

The Federal Government cannot create jobs, but its self-inflicted overregulation is destroying jobs. It's time to end the out-of-control Federal regulation terror on American businesses.

And that's just the way it is.

URGING ACTION ON JOBS LEGISLATION

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

Mr. HIMES. Madam Speaker, 2 days ago the United States Senate, the Republicans in the United States Senate, unanimously decided to not bring for consideration the jobs bill. I don't understand the workings of the United States Senate, and I don't understand the logic behind that decision, but I do understand why on a good day the approval ratings of the United States Congress are 12 percent.

Maybe the bill wasn't perfect. The only justification for not bringing the jobs bill today is because you've got a better bill.

So I ask the Senate and I ask the leadership of this House, there are 14 million Americans who today need a job; so if the bill's not perfect, that's fine; let's make it good. But let's do it today.