

out the Land Trust's vision: To inspire love of the land and conservation of our treasured landscapes.

Mr. Speaker, Big Sur is truly one of our national treasures and the Big Sur Land Trust has played an instrumental role in keeping it safe. I know I speak for the whole House in celebrating the Big Sur Land Trust's many achievements and wish it many more years of success.

GOV'T SHUTDOWN

HON. JOSEPH CROWLEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 30, 2013

Mr. CROWLEY. Mr. Speaker, let's cut through the static and stop throwing around terms like CR, shutdown and numbers like 988 and 1058.

Let's get to the crux of what's happening here tonight.

Congress has two basic jobs: Passing a budget; and Paying its bills.

The Republican Congress, right now, is refusing to do either. They're refusing to do our most basic duties and putting the American economy at risk in the process.

Here's what failure to keep the government running means for average Americans.

Tomorrow, Americans will continue to pay their taxes—same rates, same costs.

But tomorrow, Americans will get far less in return.

Tomorrow, the backlog at the VA will get worse; as Veterans Administration claims workers are furloughed.

Tomorrow, our troops will have to keep fighting on the frontlines in Afghanistan, but they will no longer get paid for their service.

Tomorrow, loans to American small businesses will stop.

Yes, Americans will pay their taxes tomorrow. They will do the right thing.

Yet we won't honor the taxpayers who sent us here by doing the most basic jobs we were entrusted to do.

If Americans still have to pay their taxes, we should still do our jobs.

The Republican House is holding hostage: benefits for our veterans, pay for our military, aid for American small businesses—all in the name of denying access to health insurance for hardworking Americans.

Let's do the right thing for those hardworking Americans—let's do our jobs and keep government running.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SUSAN A. DAVIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 30, 2013

Mrs. DAVIS of California. Mr. Speaker, on Saturday, September 28, I missed the following votes:

H. Res. 361—Waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, and relating to consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 2642, to provide for the reform of agricultural pro-

grams of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2018.

On agreeing to the resolution had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 493.

H. Res. 366—Providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 59) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3210) making continuing appropriations for military pay in the event of a Government shutdown

On ordering the previous question had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 494.

H. Res. 366—Providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 59) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014 . . .

On agreeing to the resolution had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 495.

H.R. 2251—To designate the United States courthouse located at 118 South Mill Street, in Fergus Falls, Minnesota, as the "Edward J. Devitt United States Courthouse."

On motion to suspend the rules and pass, as amended had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on rollcall No. 496.

H.J. Res. 59—Making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes.

On concurring in the Senate amendment with amendment #1 (permanently repeal medical device tax) had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 497.

H.J. Res. 59—Making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes.

On concurring in the Senate amendment with amendment #2 (delay implementation of the ACA by one year) had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 498.

H.R. 3210—Making continuing appropriations for military pay in the event of a Government shutdown.

On passage had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on rollcall No. 499.

H.R. 2848—Department of State Operations and Embassy Security Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2014.

On motion to suspend the rules and pass, as amended had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on rollcall No. 500.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RUSH HOLT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 30, 2013

Mr. HOLT. Mr. Speaker, on September 28, I was not present to vote.

Had I been present, I would have voted: "aye" on rollcall vote 500—H.R. 2848: Department of State Operations and Embassy Security Authorization, FY2014; "aye" on rollcall vote 499—H.R. 3210: Making continuing appropriations for military pay in the event of a government shutdown; "no" on rollcall vote 498—H.J. Res. 59: On concurring to the in the Senate amendment with amendment #2; "no" on rollcall vote 497, H.J. Res. 59: On concurring in the Senate amendment with amendment #1; "aye" on rollcall vote 496, H.R.

2251: On motion to suspend the rules and pass, as amended; "no" on rollcall vote 495, H.Res. 366: Agreeing to the Resolution—Providing for the consideration of the Senate amendment to joint resolution (H.J. Res. 59) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and providing for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 3210) making continuing appropriations for military pay in the event of a Government shutdown; and "no" on rollcall vote 494, H.Res. 366: Ordering the Previous Question, Providing for the consideration of the Senate amendment to the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 59), making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill.

CELEBRATING WHITE MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER'S CENTENNIAL

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 30, 2013

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate White Memorial Medical Center on its centennial celebration marking one hundred years of healing and caring for the people of Boyle Heights and the surrounding communities.

White Memorial Medical Center was founded in 1913 to improve the quality of life of the residents of Boyle Heights and East Los Angeles by giving care to the whole person—body, mind and spirit. As a non-profit, faith-based, teaching hospital which provides our community with inpatient, outpatient, emergency and diagnostic services, White Memorial Medical Center embodies a unique sense of family, loyalty, trust and commitment.

White Memorial Medical Center plays an important role in training the next generation of physicians, nurses and other medical professionals. Its physicians are some of the finest in Los Angeles. White Memorial Hospital is known for quality outcomes and patient satisfaction. It is one of the top hospitals in the Los Angeles metropolitan area.

White Memorial Medical Center employees, physicians and volunteers extend their mission of healing and caring by supporting community projects and organizations such as Dolores Mission, the Homeless Outreach Project and the House of Ruth. They also participate in medical missions around the world including Africa, Mexico, Haiti, Peru and the Philippines.

Through its ongoing operations, capital improvements and physician activities, each year White Memorial Medical Center generates approximately \$1 billion in economic activity and supports more than 6,000 jobs in the Southern California region.

White Memorial Medical Center is a strong community anchor which provides quality health services that improve the health and well-being of all Angelenos.

I extend my sincere congratulations to White Memorial Medical Center on its centennial celebration, and I sincerely thank its outstanding staff and volunteers for their quality service to the Los Angeles community and for the significant impact they make in health care, medical education and charitable contributions.

May their outstanding service continue for another hundred years and beyond.