

There has been no decisions yet. As you know, the President requested this week, that is why we postponed, and we are continuing to work through. I will notify the gentleman as early as we get a decision.

□ 1330

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman.

Let me ask further—and I know the answer to this question is that we will have to see, but I have put our own Caucus on notice, Mr. Leader—if we may need to be here for the week after the break for the holy days. Is that consistent with your thought?

I yield to my friend.

Mr. MCCARTHY of California. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Currently, we are scheduled to be here that last week. There has been no change to that schedule. As I noted just a little earlier, the only change we made is coming back this Monday. I want to make sure all the Members have enough time to digest and get their questions answered, but currently that schedule continues to hold.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman.

With respect to the Appropriations Committee and the CR, it is our expectation that the CR is scheduled to have a date of December 11. I notice Senator CRUZ has made another suggestion. To clarify, is December 11 still the date that the majority is looking for to run the CR through?

I yield to my friend.

Mr. MCCARTHY of California. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Yes, as of this time. We have posted it this week. December 11 is the duration that the continuing resolution would go through.

Mr. HOYER. Lastly, I would say that the majority leader and I have had discussions about this, and so he knows our strong conviction on this side of the aisle that we are still very hopeful that we could have a longer term extension of a reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank. We believe that it is very important to give some stability and competence to the marketplace, to lenders and borrowers and manufacturers, large, medium, and small. I hope the gentleman would continue to consider with his caucus the possibility of having a longer term reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank, which, as the gentleman knows, expires on September 30.

I yield to my friend.

Mr. MCCARTHY of California. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

We have had many discussions. As the gentleman knows, in the last reauthorization, it was a shorter time period, with many reforms in there. Many feel that those reforms have been ignored. Many feel that the bank provides certain things the private sector is doing.

Knowing that we are in a short-term period, also knowing the threat before America today and the time, we want to make sure that we can have this debate. As for the expiration date, we felt

that it was best to extend that out to June in the CR and have that debate later, moving forward, so you are not disrupting any time debating the threat from the terrorists and also doing the work that needs to be done. I do understand the gentleman has talked to me many times about that.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman for his comments, and I yield back the balance of my time.

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2014

Mr. MCCARTHY of California. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, September 15, 2014, when it shall convene at noon for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

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

There was no objection.

AUTHORIZING THE SPEAKER TO DECLARE A RECESS ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2014, FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING IN JOINT MEETING HIS EXCELLEN- LACY PETRO POROSHENKO, PRESIDENT OF UKRAINE

Mr. MCCARTHY of California. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it may be in order at any time on Thursday, September 18, 2014, for the Speaker to declare a recess, subject to the call of the Chair, for the purpose of receiving in Joint Meeting His Excellency Petro Poroshenko, President of Ukraine.

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

There was no objection.

THANKING OUR VETERANS OF WAYNE TOWNSHIP, PENNSYL- VANIA

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank our veterans.

This weekend, I will have the great honor to join the 2014 Hometown Heroes Celebration in Wayne Township, which is Clinton County, Pennsylvania. The focus for this year's celebration is honoring those from the Vietnam war, and will also include paying tribute to our veterans from the Korean war and World War II eras. We will honor these local heroes for their service and their brothers in arms, including those who didn't make it home or gave the ultimate sacrifice.

Each day, especially on September 11, we are reminded of the many threats posed to America and its citizens. We are also reminded of how

blessed we are to have brave men and women who have, for generations, served their Nation and laid their lives on the line in protection of our freedoms.

Mr. Speaker, we owe those who have served and are serving in uniform our unwavering support and thanks, and today I offer my sincere praise for the veterans of Wayne Township and the surrounding areas. You are our hometown heroes, and you deserve as much.

REMEMBERING THE FALLEN HEROES OF 9/11

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

Mr. HULTGREN. Mr. Speaker, today we remember those who lost their lives 13 years ago on a day that changed our Nation forever.

Yesterday Congress bestowed the highest civilian honor, the Congressional Gold Medal, on the fallen heroes of 9/11. One of those was Todd Beamer, a high school friend of mine. Declaring, "Let's roll," he and the other brave Americans on Flight 93 helped prevent further catastrophe while sacrificing their own lives in the process.

This summer I had the privilege of touring the Flight 93 National Memorial and museum in Shanksville, Pennsylvania. There I presented a Wheaton Academy High School yearbook to be included in the museum archives. Construction is still underway on this moving tribute to the 40 heroes.

Looking out over the crash site, I was reminded again that the world is still a dangerous place, and our freedoms are only a generation away from extinction. Freedom isn't inherited. It must be protected against those who destroy it. Honoring the sacrifices of Todd and all who perished on 9/11 requires we forever remain vigilant in defense of our Nation's cherished values.

MOURNING 9/11 VICTIMS

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I don't believe there is one American that will forget where they were on 9/11, that crisp morning with the bright sun shining. I was here in the United States Capitol when the unimaginable occurred. We could not have fathomed that the homeland would be attacked.

I rise today to acknowledge the brave men and women who risked their lives and those that lost their lives, along with the families that still mourn. It is particularly important, now that we are in the backdrop of another terrorist act and another President has to rise to defend America. This Congress must also do so.

But we must recognize, as well, that peace is an important value that Americans love. We are peace-loving. We must do that in the name of those who