

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from California very much for yielding to me.

Mr. Speaker, what a great day for the State of California. All of us in this House know the honor of being sworn in as a Member of the House of Representatives, the only place in Washington where everyone has to be elected in order to take the oath of office.

It is a distinct pleasure that we honor another Californian in that regard, a person who has a great deal of experience in public life, and brings to this Chamber experience as a member of the board of trustees with a community college, was elected to the California State Assembly, was elected as the first pro tempore, the first Latino pro tempore in California history to that job, served in the California State Senate, and now is elected to serve his district in Southern California.

He is following in the footsteps of a great Member of this House, George Brown. We all remember the great service that he gave to this country and the deeds that he left, the great record that he left.

So JOE BACA comes to us with his own career of distinction, and I think he will be a great addition to this House. So I congratulate you.

On behalf of the California Democratic delegation, which I am Chair of, along with the gentleman from California (Mr. LEWIS), who is Dean of the Republican delegation from California, and as a joint bipartisan effort, we welcome the newest Member of our delegation, a delegation which has had over eight Members elected in special elections. So we know the special moment you are having right now, you are sharing with your family who is watching this on C-SPAN, and we appreciate the fact that you are here today to get sworn in. Congratulations on a great race and a great election.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time, JOE, you should note with interest that a very sizable number of the Members on the floor happen to be from the California delegation. It was not always the case that we would have an occasion like this and we would have almost the entire delegation present.

But in recent years, we have had kind of a reawakening of our State. In the past, we have often been laughed at by States like Texas who come together regularly on issues relative to their own interests. Today, California is working together as it never has in its history, and our numbers are here to have a positive impact on the country.

So working with you in the seat of the former Dean of the California delegation, you have a great career ahead of you. We look forward to your help as we go about attempting to improve the country as we work on behalf of California's interest. So welcome, JOE. It is a great day for all of us.

OPENING REMARKS OF THE HONORABLE JOE BACA

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

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, I ask permission to address the House for 1 minute. I wanted to make sure that I followed the rules and procedures that are here.

Mr. Speaker, I do appreciate the gentleman from California (Mr. FARR) lowering this podium. I used to be 6 foot 5 as a paratrooper, but I made a lot of jumps; that is why I am only 5 foot 6.

It is really an honor to be here. I would like to thank the leadership for their support, the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. GEPHARDT), all of the Members, the DCCC individuals who are very helpful.

I want to thank God because God gave me the courage to run and to serve. Too many times we forget that it is the strength that we have, and God provided that strength to give us that courage. So I want to thank God.

I want to thank my family. I wish my mom and dad were here to see this. They are both deceased, but I know it is a proud moment in their lives. I know that somewhere up above they are seeing this even though they cannot be here right now. But I know very well that they are proud of their son, because I am one of 15. I am the 15th child.

Like a lot of us, I come from a poor family, an individual, the only one that graduated from high school and college. My other brothers and sisters graduated, but I was able to pursue that. I know that they are very proud.

I wish my wife were here right now. She is watching this right now. She is Barbara Dominguez Baca, with whom I will be celebrating 31 years of marriage next week. On November 23, it will be our anniversary, so it will be 31 years of marriage to one wife, not two wives or three wives, but one wife.

I would like to also thank my children, because my children were supporters. I believe in strong family values, because family values are the core of what makes America great. It is what makes our country. I would like to thank my family, because they have been very supportive.

I would like to thank Joe, Jr. That is my first son. He is now 30. Then Jeremy Baca; that is my second son. Then my daughter, first daughter, and that is Natalie. Then, of course, my daughter that is 13 years of age. She is the reason my wife cannot be here because we believe it is important to have our children in school and to obtain that, and we did not want to take her out of school during that time. It was important for her to be there. My wife realizes that, because she is also a great student, a 4.0 student, doing well in school, so we want to make sure she continues to receive those grades. Of

course, Mom is always there to help her.

So I love my family very much. I want to thank them.

But I also want to thank the voters, the voters of my district who made it possible for me to be here. Without the voters' support, I would not be here today.

I look forward to working in this House. It is going to be an honor for me to work on a bipartisan basis. I look forward to working with my colleague directly associated with me, and that is the gentleman from California (Mr. LEWIS). I look forward to working with him on issues that are important to all of us, the issues that are important to the State of California, because all of us care about the economy. All of us care about education, public safety, protecting Social Security, Medicare, drug prescriptions, areas that are important to a lot of us, health reform.

But most of all, we want to make sure that, as I look at the 52 Members of California, that we work together on a bipartisan basis to make California, like everybody else wants to make their State, a lot better. But I also look forward to working with the 52 delegates from California in assuring that we get our fair share of revenue coming back to California. No offense to the rest of the Members. But I believe, in reference to California, it is pretty big in population. We have over 34 million people in California. But it is important that we address those issues.

I want to work with them and also work with you on a bipartisan basis on other issues that are important with us as well that impact all of us.

What we all want is to improve the quality of life. We cannot do it by ourselves. We have to come together collectively. It has to come from a compromise, individuals willing to come together and do what is necessary to make our State and our Nation a lot better. It is not going to happen if we have political wedges that divide us. There are times that we have to come together to address those areas. We need to address those areas.

I want to thank you. I want to thank my family. I want to thank the leadership. I thank the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. GEPHARDT) very much for coming and getting all of the colleagues, the whips, you know, that raised all of the funds that were necessary.

I look forward to additional help from the other side in giving me additional monies. So it is very important for your support as well as we begin to work on a bipartisan effort.

Again, I thank the Speaker and my colleagues very much.

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman from California (Mr. BACA) yield back the remainder of his time?

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. OBEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. OBEY).

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. OBEY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 24, nays 379, not voting 31, as follows:

[Roll No. 605]

YEAS—24

Baldwin	Klecza	Peterson (MN)
Barrett (WI)	Luther	Petri
Berry	Manzullo	Rahall
Brown (FL)	McDermott	Ryan (WI)
Filner	McKinney	Sensenbrenner
Green (WI)	Minge	Taylor (MS)
Gutknecht	Oberstar	Towns
Kind (WI)	Obey	Wise

NAYS—379

Aderholt	Chabot	Fletcher
Allen	Chambliss	Foley
Andrews	Chenoweth-Hage	Forbes
Archer	Clay	Ford
Armey	Clayton	Fossella
Baca	Clement	Frank (MA)
Bachus	Clyburn	Franks (NJ)
Baird	Coble	Frelinghuysen
Baker	Coburn	Galleghy
Baldacci	Collins	Ganske
Ballenger	Combest	Gejdenson
Barcia	Condit	Gephardt
Barr	Cook	Gibbons
Barrett (NE)	Cooksey	Gilchrest
Bartlett	Costello	Gillmor
Barton	Cox	Gilman
Bass	Coyne	Gonzalez
Bateman	Cramer	Goode
Becerra	Crane	Goodlatte
Bentsen	Crowley	Goodling
Bereuter	Cubin	Gordon
Berkley	Cummings	Goss
Biggart	Cunningham	Graham
Bilbray	Danner	Granger
Bilirakis	Davis (FL)	Green (TX)
Bishop	Davis (IL)	Hall (OH)
Blagojevich	Davis (VA)	Hall (TX)
Bliley	Deal	Hansen
Blumenauer	DeFazio	Hastings (FL)
Blunt	DeGette	Hastings (WA)
Boehler	DeLauro	Hayes
Boehner	DeLauro	Hayworth
Bonilla	DeLay	Hefley
Bonior	DeMint	Herger
Bono	Deutsch	Hill (IN)
Borski	Diaz-Balart	Hill (MT)
Boswell	Dickey	Hilleary
Boucher	Dicks	Hilliard
Boyd	Dixon	Hinchey
Brady (PA)	Doggett	Hinojosa
Brady (TX)	Dooley	Hobson
Brown (OH)	Dreier	Hoefel
Bryant	Duncan	Hoekstra
Burr	Dunn	Holden
Burton	Edwards	Holt
Buyer	Ehlers	Hooley
Callahan	Emerson	Horn
Calvert	Engel	Hostettler
Camp	English	Houghton
Campbell	Eshoo	Hoyer
Canady	Etheridge	Hulshof
Cannon	Evans	Hunter
Capuano	Everett	Hyde
Cardin	Ewing	Inslee
Carson	Farr	Isakson
Castle	Fattah	Istook

Jackson (IL)	Moakley	Sherman
Jackson-Lee	Mollohan	Sherwood
(TX)	Moore	Shimkus
Jenkins	Moran (KS)	Shows
John	Morella	Shuster
Johnson (CT)	Myrick	Simpson
Johnson, E. B.	Nadler	Sisisky
Johnson, Sam	Napolitano	Skeen
Jones (NC)	Neal	Skelton
Jones (OH)	Nethercutt	Slaughter
Kanjorski	Ney	Smith (NJ)
Kaptur	Northup	Smith (TX)
Kasich	Norwood	Smith (WA)
Kelly	Nussle	Snyder
Kennedy	Oliver	Souder
Kildee	Ortiz	Spence
King (NY)	Ose	Stabenow
Kingston	Owens	Stark
Klink	Oxley	Stearns
Knollenberg	Packard	Stenholm
Koibe	Pallone	Strickland
Kucinich	Pascarell	Stump
Kuykendall	Pastor	Stupak
LaFalce	Paul	Sununu
LaHood	Payne	Sweeney
Lampson	Pease	Talent
Lantos	Pelosi	Tancredo
Largent	Peterson (PA)	Tanner
Larson	Phelps	Tauscher
Latham	Pickering	Tauzin
LaTourette	Pickett	Taylor (NC)
Lazio	Pitts	Terry
Leach	Pomeroy	Thomas
Lee	Porter	Thompson (CA)
Levin	Portman	Thompson (MS)
Lewis (CA)	Price (NC)	Thornberry
Lewis (GA)	Pryce (OH)	Thune
Lewis (KY)	Quinn	Thurman
Linder	Radanovich	Tiahrt
Lipinski	Ramstad	Tierney
LoBiondo	Rangel	Toomey
Lofgren	Regula	Traficant
Lowe	Reyes	Turner
Lucas (KY)	Reynolds	Udall (CO)
Lucas (OK)	Riley	Udall (NM)
Maloney (NY)	Rivers	Upton
Markey	Rodriguez	Velazquez
Martinez	Roemer	Vento
Mascara	Rogan	Visclosky
Matsui	Rogers	Vitter
McCarthy (MO)	Rohrabacher	Walden
McCarthy (NY)	Rothman	Walsh
McCollum	Roybal-Allard	Wamp
McCrery	Royce	Waters
McGovern	Rush	Watkins
McHugh	Sabo	Watts (OK)
McInnis	Salmon	Waxman
McIntosh	Sanchez	Weiner
McIntyre	Sanders	Weldon (FL)
McKeon	Sandlin	Weldon (PA)
McNulty	Sanford	Weller
Meek (FL)	Sawyer	Weygand
Meeks (NY)	Saxton	Whitfield
Menendez	Schaffer	Wicker
Metcalfe	Schakowsky	Wilson
Millender	Scott	Wolf
McDonald	Serrano	Woolsey
Miller (FL)	Sessions	Wu
Miller, Gary	Shadegg	Wynn
Miller, George	Shaw	Young (AK)
Mink	Shays	Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—31

Abercrombie	Gekas	Pombo
Ackerman	Greenwood	Ros-Lehtinen
Berman	Gutierrez	Roukema
Capps	Hutchinson	Ryun (KS)
Conyers	Jefferson	Scarborough
Dingell	Kilpatrick	Smith (MI)
Doollittle	Maloney (CT)	Spratt
Doyle	Meehan	Watt (NC)
Ehrlich	Mica	Wexler
Fowler	Moran (VA)	
Frost	Murtha	

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Messrs. TANCREDO, BRADY of Texas, and NORWOOD changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So the motion to adjourn was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS, FISCAL YEAR 2000

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 385, I call up the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 82) making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the joint resolution.

The text of House Joint Resolution 82 is as follows:

H.J. RES. 82

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Public Law 106-62 is further amended by striking “November 18, 1999” in section 106(c) and inserting in lieu thereof “November 23, 1999”. Public Law 106-46 is amended by striking “November 18, 1999” and inserting in lieu thereof “November 23, 1999”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). Pursuant to House Resolution 385, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. YOUNG) and the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. OBEY) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida (Mr. YOUNG).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on H.J. Res. 82, and that I may include tabular and extraneous material.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

This continuing resolution extends the current CR for 5 days, until November 23, specifically for the purpose of allowing the Senate to have time to consider the measures that we will send them today.

Mr. Speaker, in the interest of allowing our Members to get home to their families and preparing for the Thanksgiving period, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. OBEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself 20 minutes.

Mr. Speaker, I would very much like to see Members get home for Thanksgiving, but I think my public duty is to help Members understand what they are going to be voting on before they go home, because otherwise when they do go home, their experience with the news media and angry constituents is not going to be a very pleasant one; and I am afraid there are a lot of nasty surprises in this bill, some of which I will be discussing over the next 12 to 15 hours.

Let me say, first of all, that this bill has been a battleground about national priorities and national direction. It has