Mr. HILLIARD changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

Ms. KILPATRICK and Messrs. SMITH of New Jersey, HALL of Ohio, EHLERS and GILCHREST changed their vote from "no" to "aye."

So the amendment was rejected.

So the result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD. Mr. Chairman, on rollcall No. 293, I was unavoidably detained and was unable to make this vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

Stated against:

Mr. HAYES. Mr. Chairman, on rollcall No. 293, I was inadvertently detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. OSE) having assumed the chair, Mr. Pease, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 4635) making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on June 15 I was away from the floor on official business and missed rollcall vote number 289, the Weldon amendment to H.R. 4578. If I was present I would have voted no. And on rollcall vote 288, the Nethercut amendment to H.R. 4578, if I was present, I would have voted no.

REPORT ON DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE, JUSTICE, AND STATE, THE JUDICIARY, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 2001

Mr. ROGERS, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 106–680) on the bill (H.R. 4690) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes, which was referred to the Union Calendar and ordered to be printed.

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

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I believe the House needs to understand why we are proceeding with this bill in an expeditious manner.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the distinguished gentleman from New York (Mr. GILMAN).

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of House Resolution 259, a measure to support the goals and ideals of the Olympics. June 23 is the anniversary date on which the Congress of Paris approved the proposal to found the modern Olympics. This resolution recognizes the value of the Olympic games, calls for Congress and the American people to observe the anniversary, and for the President to issue a proclamation in observation.

The Committee on International Relations readily supported this resolution. I want to commend the gentleman from Kansas (Mr. RYUN) for introducing the measure. The Olympics showcases amateur athletes, and our country should encourage the spirit of competition and achievement exemplified by these games.

I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, further reserving the right to object, I yield to the gentleman from Kansas (Mr. RYUN).

Mr. RYUN of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, first I would like to express my thanks to the gentleman from New York (Mr. GILMAN) for bringing this bill before the Committee on International Relations and to the House floor today.

House Resolution 259 recognizes the goals and ideals of the modern Olympic movement as propounded by Pierre de Coubertain, particularly the spread of a better and more peaceful world through sports. On June 23, the Olympic community will recognize this anniversary, so the timing of this bill on the House floor today could not be better.

Mr. Speaker, in September, millions of Americans will gather around their televisions to watch our Olympians compete in Sydney. Who among us can forget the amazing feats of the Olympians throughout the years. While each

SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF THE OLYMPICS

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on International Relations be discharged from further consideration of the resolution (H.Res. 259) supporting the goals and ideals of the Olympics, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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