Latino civil rights leader in the United States and House Resolution 105 requesting a "Cesar Chavez National Holiday" would honor his legacy.

Most importantly, we need to keep his legacy alive by encouraging schools throughout the United States to teach about who Cesar Chavez was and what he did to improve our society.

Future generations should be given the opportunity to learn about Cesar Chavez and about the migrant farm worker community's struggle to achieve better living conditions, better wages, and protection from environmental contaminants.

He was a pioneer in addressing environmental justice issues related to pesticides in food and how farm workers' health was placed at great risks due to exposure to chemicals used in the fields. As a State Senator in California through Cesar Chavez led by example and he motivated thousands of people to become involved in the struggle for justice.

I strongly supported a ban on methyl bromide, an acutely toxic pesticide responsible for poisoning hundreds of farm workers and many have died due to methyl bromide poisoning. I also fought to eliminate the dangerous "short hoe" method for strawberry workers, and worked for clean housing and bathrooms for farm workers.

I am very committed to continue Cesar Chavez' legacy by supporting pro-labor and environmental legislation in Congress to help remedy some of these environmental and labor injustices.

Cesar Chavez was a great man who exemplified justice, love and humility. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Cesar, whose dedication to the plight of farmworkers has inspired us all. I salute him for his courage and commitment to La Causa (the cause).

On this anniversary of his birthday, it is appropriate to mention that today across the nation, and in this Chamber there are numerous efforts to commemorate the life and work of Cesar Chavez. I am grateful for the opportunity to express my thoughts about Cesar and to be among the many to celebrate the life of one of the most heroic figures in American history.

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**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. BALDWIN (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of a death in the family.

**SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED**

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. RODRIGUEZ) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LANGEVIN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SKEKTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. OSBORNE) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. GOS, for 5 minutes, today.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

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

The House agreed to; accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 28 minutes p.m.), pursuant to House Resolution 107, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Friday, March 30, 2001, at 10 a.m., in memory of the late Hon. Norman Sisisky of Virginia.

**OATH FOR ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION**

Under clause 13 of rule XXIII, the following Members executed the oath for access to classified information: