

**ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
PRO TEMPORE**

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on the next motion to suspend the rules on which the Chair has postponed further proceedings.

**ELWOOD HAYNES "BUD" HILLIS
POST OFFICE BUILDING**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 2043.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Idaho (Mr. OTTER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2043, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 407, nays 0, not voting 24, as follows:

[Roll No. 151]

YEAS—407

Abercrombie	Carson (OK)	Fattah
Aderholt	Castle	Ferguson
Akin	Chabot	Filner
Allen	Chambliss	Flake
Andrews	Clay	Fletcher
Army	Clayton	Foley
Baca	Clement	Ford
Bachus	Clyburn	Fossella
Baker	Coble	Frank
Baldacci	Collins	Frelinghuysen
Baldwin	Combest	Frost
Ballenger	Condit	Galleghy
Barcia	Conyers	Ganske
Barr	Cooksey	Gekas
Barrett	Costello	Gephardt
Bartlett	Cox	Gibbons
Barton	Coyne	Gilchrest
Bass	Cramer	Gilman
Becerra	Crane	Gonzalez
Bentsen	Crenshaw	Goodlatte
Bereuter	Crowley	Gordon
Berkley	Cubin	Goss
Berman	Culberson	Graham
Berry	Cummings	Granger
Biggert	Cunningham	Graves
Bilirakis	Davis (CA)	Green (TX)
Bishop	Davis (FL)	Green (WI)
Blagojevich	Davis (IL)	Greenwood
BlumenaUER	Davis, Jo Ann	Grucci
Blunt	Davis, Tom	Gutierrez
Boehlert	Deal	Gutknecht
Boehner	DeFazio	Hall (OH)
Bonilla	DeGette	Hall (TX)
Bonior	Delahunt	Hansen
Bono	DeLauro	Harman
Borski	DeLay	Hastings (FL)
Boswell	DeMint	Hastings (WA)
Boucher	Deutsch	Hayes
Boyd	Diaz-Balart	Hayworth
Brady (PA)	Dicks	Hefley
Brady (TX)	Dingell	Herger
Brown (OH)	Doggett	Hill
Brown (SC)	Dooley	Hilleary
Bryant	Doyle	Hilliard
Burr	Dreier	HincheY
Buyer	Duncan	Hinojosa
Callahan	Dunn	Hobson
Calvert	Edwards	Hoeffel
Camp	Ehlers	Hoekstra
Cannon	Emerson	Holden
Cantor	English	Holt
Capito	Eshoo	Honda
Capps	Etheridge	Hooley
Capuano	Evans	Horn
Cardin	Everett	Hostettler
Carson (IN)	Farr	Houghton

Hoyer	Meek (FL)	Schakowsky
Hulshof	Meeks (NY)	Schiff
Hunter	Menendez	Schrock
Hutchinson	Mica	Scott
Hyde	Miller (FL)	Sensenbrenner
Insee	Miller, Gary	Serrano
Isakson	Miller, George	Sessions
Israel	Mollohan	Shadegg
Issa	Moore	Shaw
Istook	Moran (KS)	Shays
Jackson (IL)	Moran (VA)	Sherwood
Jackson-Lee	Morella	Shimkus
(TX)	Murtha	Shows
Jefferson	Myrick	Shuster
Jenkins	Nadler	Simmmons
John	Napolitano	Simpson
Johnson (CT)	Neal	Skeen
Johnson, E.B.	Nethercatt	Skelton
Johnson, Sam	Ney	Slaughter
Jones (NC)	Northup	Smith (MI)
Jones (OH)	Norwood	Smith (NJ)
Kanjorski	Nussle	Smith (TX)
Kaptur	Oberstar	Smith (WA)
Keller	Obey	Snyder
Kelly	Olver	Souder
Kennedy (MN)	Ortiz	Spence
Kennedy (RI)	Osborne	Spratt
Kerns	Ose	Stark
Kildee	Otter	Stearns
Kilpatrick	Owens	Stenholm
Kind (WI)	Oxley	Strickland
King (NY)	Pallone	Stump
Kirk	Pascrell	Stupak
Kleczka	Pastor	Sununu
Knollenberg	Paul	Sweeney
Kolbe	Pelosi	Tancredo
Kucinich	Pence	Tanner
LaFalce	Peterson (MN)	Tauscher
LaHood	Peterson (PA)	Tauzin
Lampson	Petri	Taylor (MS)
Langevin	Phelps	Terry
Lantos	Pickering	Thomas
Largent	Pitts	Thompson (CA)
Larsen (WA)	Platts	Thompson (MS)
Larson (CT)	Pomeroy	Thornberry
Latham	Portman	Thune
LaTourette	Price (NC)	Thurman
Leach	Pryce (OH)	Tiahrt
Lee	Putnam	Tiberi
Levin	Quinn	Tierney
Lewis (CA)	Radanovich	Toomey
Lewis (GA)	Rahall	Towns
Lewis (KY)	Ramstad	Traficant
Linder	Rangel	Turner
Lipinski	Regula	Udall (CO)
LoBiondo	Rehberg	Udall (NM)
Lofgren	Reyes	Upton
Lowey	Reynolds	Velazquez
Lucas (KY)	Riley	Visclosky
Lucas (OK)	Rivers	Vitter
Luther	Rodriguez	Walden
Maloney (CT)	Roemer	Walsh
Maloney (NY)	Rogers (KY)	Wamp
Manzulley	Rogers (MI)	Watkins
Markey	Rohrabacher	Watt (NC)
Mascara	Ros-Lehtinen	Watts (OK)
Matheson	Ross	Waxman
McCarthy (MO)	Rothman	Weiner
McCarthy (NY)	Roukema	Weldon (FL)
McCollum	Roybal-Allard	Weldon (PA)
McCrery	Royce	Weller
McDermott	Rush	Whitfield
McGovern	Ryan (WI)	Wicker
McHugh	Ryan (KS)	Wilson
McInnis	Sabo	Wolf
McIntyre	Sanchez	Woolsey
McKeon	Sanders	Wu
McKinney	Sandlin	Wynn
McNulty	Saxton	Young (AK)
Meehan	Schaffer	Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—24

Ackerman	Hart	Sawyer
Baird	Johnson (IL)	Scarborough
Brown (FL)	Kingston	Sherman
Burton	Matsui	Solis
Doolittle	Millender-McDonald	Taylor (NC)
Ehrlich	Mink	Waters
Engel	Payne	Wexler
Gillmor	Pombo	
Goode		

□ 1839

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 151. I was inadvertently detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

**MAKING IN ORDER MOTIONS TO
SUSPEND THE RULES ON
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2001**

Mr. EHLERS. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it be in order at any time on the legislative day of Wednesday, June 6, 2001, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules relating to the following measures: H.R. 1000, H.R. 37, H.R. 640, H.R. 1661, H.R. 1209, H.R. 1914, and H. Con. Res. 150.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

**PERMITTING USE OF ROTUNDA OF
CAPITOL FOR PRESENTATION
POSTHUMOUSLY OF CONGRES-
SIONAL GOLD MEDAL TO
CHARLES M. SCHULZ**

Mr. EHLERS. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on House Administration be discharged from further consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 149) permitting the use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to present posthumously a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Charles M. Schulz, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

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

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, reserving the right to object, and of course, I shall not object and, in fact, I will urge the support for this request, I yield to the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. EHLERS) for an explanation of the concurrent resolution.

Mr. EHLERS. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER) for yielding.

Madam Speaker, this resolution commends Charles Schulz, better known as "Sparky," creator of the Peanuts comic strip which ran for nearly 50 years, which continues to be appear in reruns, and is extremely popular with all ages in this country.

The comic strip appears in 2,600 newspapers and 21 different languages. It is estimated that 350 million readers in 75 different countries read the strip.

Mr. Schulz announced his retirement in December 1999, and he died shortly thereafter on February 12, 2000, in Santa Rosa, California. His death came

just hours before his final Sunday strip ran. He personally drew the final strip, as he had every strip over the previous 5 decades, refusing to let anyone else draw the characters created, because, he said, "The strip is me and I am the strip."

In his farewell message printed in the strip, Schulz wrote, "I have been grateful over the years for the loyalty of our editors and the wonderful support and love expressed to me by fans of the comic strip. Charlie Brown, Snoopy, Linus, Lucy; how can I ever forget them?"

Well, we will never forget them either, and we are grateful to you, Charles Schulz, for enriching our lives with these wonderful characters.

I would like to add a personal note as well. First of all, Mr. Schulz was born in St. Paul, Minnesota, a few years, in fact 12 years, before I was born in Edgerton, Minnesota. I spent the first 14 years of my life there. Neither of us, of course, knew of each other's existence at that time, but our paths crossed when I was a student at the University of California at Berkeley, and I met him.

In fact, my first meeting was when he attended a Bible study that I was meeting with regularly, and he came to talk about his personal faith. He was a very devout believer and also, frankly, a rather good amateur theologian. He gave a very good explication of his faith and it was very inspiring to all of us there. He was a wonderful person in many different ways and part of the charm of his strip is that his characters also were amateur theologians and amateur philosophers.

I find that very fascinating. In fact, it was so fascinating that a young seminary student in the 1970s wrote a book entitled, *The Gospel According to Peanuts*. It was a charming little book written on the basis of the strips. The author reproduced a number of the strips, performed exegesis, and explained the theology of the Peanuts group.

He was a wonderful person. It was a loss for all of us that his life was cut short and we could not enjoy a fresh comic strip every day, Sunday, but the purpose of this resolution is to acknowledge all that he has done and to recognize his achievements by allowing the use of the Rotunda to present him a Congressional Gold Medal posthumously.

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, further reserving the right to object, the Capitol rotunda has been the scene of many ceremonies in our Nation's history, some jubilant, others more somber. The rotunda has witnessed the awarding of Congressional Gold Medals to 34 worthy Americans who have distinguished themselves in various ways in service to our country. I think most of us can think of no American who has brought more smiles to more faces of

children and adults alike, and thus deserves to join the pantheon of distinguished gold medal honorees more than the late Charles Schulz.

In recognition of Mr. Schulz' lifetime of service, last year Congress enacted and President Clinton signed legislation authorizing this honor, which is Congress' greatest expression of national appreciation for civilians.

□ 1845

A gold medal, Madam Speaker, is entirely appropriate for a tireless man who drew every frame of his Peanuts comic strip for nearly half a century.

His cartoonist career followed his service in the infantry in World War II, during which he entertained his comrades with cartoons about military life. I am certain that his cartoons helped many soldiers endure the horrors and hardships that confronted them during that time.

I think all of us regret that Charles Schulz cannot be present to enjoy the honor that the Congress has bestowed. Although Mr. Schulz left us early last year, his work, of course, is timeless.

Fortunately for us and for generations yet unborn, Charlie Brown, Snoopy, Linus, Lucy, and the rest of the Peanuts gang will always be here to amuse us and, yes, to teach us. They have become, as last year's legislation noted correctly, part of the fabric of our national culture.

Madam Speaker, there could be a no more fitting use of the rotunda than to honor Charles Schulz in this way.

Madam Speaker, further reserving the right to object, I yield to the sponsor of the resolution and last year's legislation, the gentleman from California (Mr. THOMPSON), in whose district Mr. Schulz lived.

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House to approve House Concurrent Resolution 149 to allow us to use the rotunda on June 7 to honor Charles Schulz, Sparky Schulz, who not only is an institution in this country and all the other countries where his comic strip was printed daily in all of the different newspapers, but also a very good personal friend and a constituent.

Scott Adams, who is the creator of the Dilbert cartoon, once remarked about Sparky's passing, "It's the end of an era, and it's hard to imagine that cartooning will ever be the same. In basketball, you can say that Michael Jordan was the greatest ever. In cartooning, Charles Schulz was the greatest ever and probably the greatest there will ever be."

I think it is most fitting that this Congress chose to bestow on Mr. Schulz the Congressional Gold Medal, and I think it speaks more to, than just to his cartooning. He was a great American, a great citizen. For 50 years, every day he drew his own Snoopy cartoon. He was also there, it was men-

tioned, in World War II entertaining the troops. It is also important to note that this great American was there on D-Day on the front lines.

Charles Schulz is most deserving of this recognition; and it is appropriate, I believe, that we allow the rotunda to be used for this purpose. I would ask all of my colleagues to support this effort.

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, further reserving the right to object, I thank the gentleman from California (Mr. THOMPSON) for his remarks and for his personal observations with regard to Mr. Schulz.

Madam Speaker, I urge support for the measure.

Madam Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the concurrent resolution, as follows:

H. CON. RES. 149

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Rotunda of the Capitol is authorized to be used on June 7, 2001, for a ceremony to present posthumously a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Charles M. Schulz. Physical preparations for the ceremony shall be carried out in accordance with such conditions as the Architect of the Capitol may prescribe.

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. EHLERS. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H. Con. Res. 149.

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

There was no objection.

ELECTING MEMBERS TO SERVE ON JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING AND JOINT COMMITTEE OF CONGRESS ON THE LIBRARY

Mr. EHLERS. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on House Administration be discharged from further consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 148) electing Members to serve on the Joint Committee on Printing and the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows: