

Russia, the United States, and the European Union, recently convened its first-ever special session marking the liberation of Auschwitz and other concentration camps. Several countries around the globe are taking part in remembrance ceremonies and honoring the victims of Auschwitz and the Holocaust. We must never forget the tragic events that led up to the Holocaust and we must urge all countries and all peoples to strengthen their efforts to fight against racism, anti-Semitism and intolerance around the globe. If we do not remain committed to teaching the lessons of the Holocaust for future generations, then history will be doomed to repeat itself.

Mr. HONDA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a tragic anniversary, one which we can never afford to forget. Last week, my colleagues and I voted unanimously in support of a resolution commending countries and organizations for marking the 60th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau and urging a strengthening of the fight against racism, intolerance, bigotry, prejudice, discrimination, and anti-Semitism.

January 27, 2005—marked the day 60 years ago that Soviet troops opened the gates of the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp in Poland and liberated the Jewish prisoners who had managed to survive the atrocities committed within those walls.

I join with many others in remembering those who perished, in honoring their memory, and in promising survivors: "never again."

Countries around the world will commemorate this event as a reminder to us all of what can befall humanity when we turn away from injustice and fail to speak out when those in power single out innocents for persecution.

Together, we have made progress in battling anti-Semitism around the world. As part of its effort to say "never again", the United Nations General Assembly last week, commemorated the six million Jews who perished in the Holocaust, a signal that the UN will assert leadership in the ongoing struggle against anti-Semitism.

This year's memorial ceremonies are particularly important because concentration camp survivors are aging at a rapid rate and may not be able to participate in such future events.

Despite ongoing efforts, Jews throughout the world continue to suffer vandalism, verbal assaults, and even physical attacks. On this day of commemoration, we should all resolve to work towards a world where the Holocaust can never happen again.

Mr. HYDE. Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. HYDE) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 39.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds of those present have voted in the affirmative.

Mr. LANTOS. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the

Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 3 o'clock and 26 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CULBERSON) at 6 o'clock and 33 minutes p.m.

#### JOINT SESSION OF THE CONGRESS—STATE OF THE UNION MESSAGE

Mr. BEAUPREZ. Mr. Speaker, I offer a privileged concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 20) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the concurrent resolution.

The Clerk read the concurrent resolution, as follows:

#### H. CON. RES. 20

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the two Houses of Congress assemble in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Wednesday, February 2, 2005, at 9 p.m., for the purpose of receiving such communication as the President of the United States shall be pleased to make to them.*

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### PROVIDING FOR AN ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE TWO HOUSES

Mr. BEAUPREZ. Mr. Speaker, I offer a privileged concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 21) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the concurrent resolution, as follows:

#### H. CON. RES. 21

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the House adjourns on the legislative day of Wednesday, January 26, 2005, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 1, 2005, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first; and that when the Senate recesses or adjourns on Wednesday, January 26, 2005, or Thursday, January 27, 2005, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand recessed or ad-*

journed until noon on Monday, January 31, 2005, or at such other time on that day as may be specified by its Majority Leader or his designee in the motion to recess or adjourn, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 2. The Speaker of the House and the Majority Leader of the Senate, or their respective designees, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the House and the Minority Leader of the Senate, shall notify the Members of the House and the Senate, respectively, to reassemble at such place and time as they may designate whenever, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will now resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

House Concurrent Resolution 16, by the yeas and nays.

House Resolution 39, by the yeas and nays.

These will both be 15-minute votes.

#### CONGRATULATING PEOPLE OF UKRAINE FOR DEMOCRATIC, TRANSPARENT AND FAIR RUN-OFF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 16, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. HYDE) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 16, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 392, nays 1, not voting 40, as follows:

[Roll No. 8]

YEAS—392

Abercrombie	Beauprez	Boustany
Ackerman	Becerra	Boyd
Aderholt	Berman	Bradley (NH)
Akin	Berry	Brady (PA)
Alexander	Biggart	Brady (TX)
Allen	Bishop (GA)	Brown (OH)
Andrews	Bishop (NY)	Brown (SC)
Baca	Bishop (UT)	Brown-Waite,
Bachus	Blackburn	Ginny
Baird	Blumenauer	Burgess
Baker	Blunt	Butterfield
Baldwin	Boehert	Buyer
Barrett (SC)	Bonilla	Calvert
Barrow	Bonner	Camp
Bartlett (MD)	Boozman	Cannon
Barton (TX)	Boren	Cantor
Bass	Boswell	Capito
Bean	Boucher	Capps