

survived and those changed forever. May all who leave here know the impact of violence. May this memorial offer comfort, strength, peace, hope and serenity." And, may we as Americans, never permit ourselves to forget the pilfered vitality those 168 empty chairs signify, especially the 16 smaller seats—each one a life, literally in its infancy, extinguished by the unmitigated cruelty of a terrorist plot planted and brought to fruition on American soil.

Moreover, we cannot dismiss the somber relevance the beloved departed lend to the grievous affairs of that morning. We cannot dismiss the 580 injured. Nor can we dismiss the countless number of volunteers from every corner of this country who came from near and far to aid in Oklahoma City's continued recovery. April 19th must remain firmly in our minds as the day America was altered permanently, as the day I urge us to recognize and to never forget.

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H. Res. 1206, "Remembering the victims of the attack on the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and supporting the goals and ideals of the National Week of Hope."

Let me begin by thanking my colleague Representative MARY FALLIN for introducing this important piece of legislation into the House of Representatives as it is important that we always remember the men, women and children who lost their lives in the tragic bombing of the Oklahoma City Federal Building. I would also like to recognize Congresswoman FALLIN for her bravery and leadership in the aftermath of the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing.

Just four months after taking her initial oath of office as Lieutenant Governor of Oklahoma, Representative FALLIN was faced with this horrible attack. Through her courage and dedication to the people of Oklahoma however, Representative FALLIN successfully worked toward the recovery and reconstruction of ground-zero and also formed a task force to rebuild the childcare center lost in the disaster.

In one of the most shocking and horrifying terrorist attacks ever directed against the United States homeland, the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma was bombed by homegrown terrorist Timothy McVeigh, leading to the deaths of over one-hundred citizens and Federal employees.

Timothy McVeigh detonated his homemade bomb in front of the Federal building on the morning of April 19, 1995, just as employees and citizens were arriving at work for the day. The large explosion took the lives of 168 people and injured more than 850 others in the area around ground-zero.

I deplore in the strongest terms possible this cowardly act of terrorism against the men, women and children in a Federal building. This type of senseless violence is not welcome in our democratic society and we must work to see that this type of action is never allowed to take place again.

I would especially like to recognize the fine men and women of the police, fire department and other first responders who provided immediate assistance in the aftermath of the bombing. Because of their courageous actions that day, many lives were able to be saved.

As the Chairwoman of the Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure protection I have consistently worked towards increasing the security in and around Federal buildings most notably through my sponsorship of H.R. 3225. I introduced H.R. 3225 right after 9/11 and pushed for the implementation of a uniform Federal alert standard that would go into effect in the event of an emergency or threat against a Federal or private facility.

We must always ensure that the safety of the American people remains our top priority. Furthermore it is vitally important that we continue to work together to protect Federal infrastructure from future attack. Through the passage of this bill, we will help to ensure that the horrible bombing on the Oklahoma City Federal building, and those lost in the attack are never forgotten. We will also ensure that a strong emphasis is put on the protection of Federal infrastructure across the nation and across the globe.

I would like to again thank my colleague Representative MARY FALLIN for introducing H. Res. 1206. I ask my colleagues for their support of this legislation as well as their continued support for the families of those lost in the Oklahoma City Bombing and other acts of terrorism.

Mr. Speaker, I strongly support H. Res. 1206.

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. CONNOLLY) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1206, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

The title was amended so as to read: "Resolution remembering the victims of the attack on the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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 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 (Mrs. HALVORSON) at 6 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings

will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

House Resolution 1222, by the yeas and nays;

House Resolution 1041, by the yeas and nays;

House Resolution 1042, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

SUPPORTING NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1222, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1222.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 397, nays 0, not voting 32, as follows:

[Roll No. 196]  
YEAS—397

Ackerman	Buyer	Dicks
Aderholt	Calvert	Dingell
Adler (NJ)	Camp	Doggett
Akin	Cantor	Donnelly (IN)
Alexander	Cao	Doyle
Altmire	Capito	Dreier
Andrews	Capps	Driehaus
Arcuri	Capuano	Duncan
Austria	Cardoza	Edwards (MD)
Baca	Carnahan	Edwards (TX)
Bachmann	Carson (IN)	Ehlers
Bachus	Cassidy	Ellison
Baird	Castle	Ellsworth
Baldwin	Castor (FL)	Emerson
Barrow	Chandler	Engel
Bartlett	Childers	Eshoo
Barton (TX)	Chu	Etheridge
Bean	Clarke	Farr
Becerra	Clay	Fattah
Berkley	Cleaver	Filner
Berman	Clyburn	Flake
Berry	Coble	Fleming
Biggert	Coffman (CO)	Forbes
Bilirakis	Cohen	Fortenberry
Bishop (GA)	Cole	Foster
Bishop (NY)	Conaway	Fox
Blackburn	Connolly (VA)	Frank (MA)
Blumenauer	Conyers	Franks (AZ)
Bocchieri	Cooper	Frelinghuysen
Boehner	Costa	Fudge
Bonner	Costello	Garamendi
Bono Mack	Courtney	Garrett (NJ)
Boozman	Crenshaw	Gerlach
Boren	Crowley	Giffords
Boswell	Cuellar	Gingrey (GA)
Boucher	Culberson	Goodlatte
Boustany	Cummings	Gordon (TN)
Boyd	Dahlkemper	Granger
Brady (PA)	Davis (CA)	Graves
Brady (TX)	Davis (IL)	Grayson
Bralley (IA)	Davis (KY)	Green, Al
Bright	Davis (TN)	Green, Gene
Brown (GA)	DeFazio	Griffith
Brown (SC)	DeGette	Guthrie
Buchanan	DeLauro	Hall (NY)
Burgess	Dent	Hall (TX)
Burton (IN)	Diaz-Balart, L.	Halvorson
Butterfield	Diaz-Balart, M.	Hare