

Because damage from a hurricane can be substantial, the National Hurricane Center recommends that people in areas prone to hurricanes prepare a personal evacuation plan that identifies ahead of time several options of places to go in the event of evacuation, the telephone numbers of these places, and a local road map. When a hurricane threatens the United States, people in potential flood zones must evacuate if told to do so, keep abreast of road conditions through the news media, move to a safe area before access is cut off by flood water, and develop a flood emergency action plan.

H. Res. 1388 encourages the staff of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, especially the National Weather Service and the National Hurricane Center, to continue their outstanding work of educating people in the United States about hurricane preparedness. In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, I support this legislation to promote increased safety measures during hurricane season.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting H. Res. 1388.

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my strong support for H. Res. 1388, Supporting the Goals and Ideals of National Hurricane Preparedness Week. As a representative of a Congressional District along Florida's Gulf Coast, many of my constituents have witnessed the destruction that hurricanes can cause. Although the Tampa Bay area has been fortunate enough to evade the path of a major storm for the past five years, we must not forget the importance of being prepared.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has predicted that this could be an extremely active hurricane season, with 14 to 23 named storms. I worry that predictions of an active season exacerbated by the still unknown implications of the effects of the oil spill could be a recipe for the most devastating season we've yet to experience.

Although we hope and pray that this will not become reality, we must also call to mind the memories of the power outages and physical damage caused by the high speed winds. We must put ourselves in a position of preparedness.

I encourage all individuals, especially those who reside along the Gulf Coast and Eastern Seaboard, to take the necessary precautions to prepare themselves and their families should these predictions prove accurate. Develop an emergency plan. Make a disaster preparedness kit that includes water, non-perishable food items, a first aid kit, medications, and important documents. Know emergency evacuation routes. The best time to prepare is now.

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H. Res. 1388, a resolution that supports the goals and ideals of National Hurricane Preparedness Week. I also want to thank my colleague, the honorable MARIO DIAZ-BALART, for introducing this important resolution.

My district is in the wake of many hurricanes that make their way into the Gulf of Mexico. Hurricane season has a profound impact on our way of life in the gulf. Hurricane season is upon us, and with it comes the distinct possibility of Mother Nature wreaking more havoc on our gulf coast. Our oceans are

in peril. Reams of film from the field reach all of our doorsteps, pictures of oil covered birds, ailing mammals, and other creatures that couldn't possibly survive the copious amounts of oil. The harm done to our gulf is already at an unprecedented level.

Unfortunately, as long as oil plumes continue to form nebulous clouds of black a mile beneath the deep blue sea, we will continue to push that unprecedented level of destruction even further, continue to see our gulf shores littered with amorphous lumps of oil, continue to see the gulf coast crowded with sick animals, continue to see the gulf fishing industry suffer.

Lost in the discussion of Sunday's World Refugee Day was the group of internally displaced individuals from Ike, Rita, and especially Katrina.

For example, our latest hurricane, Hurricane Ike, wreaked havoc on Texas, particularly in Galveston and Houston. As we moved forward with recovery efforts, it was clear that the impact of this storm had been widespread and many people were still in need of assistance.

Hurricane Ike pummeled the Texas Gulf Coast, resulting in at least 38 deaths in Texas, evacuation of over 1 million residents, hundreds more are either missing or remain unaccounted for, over 2,000 residents were rescued from harrowing conditions, and more than \$11 billion worth of damage according to preliminary estimates, making this the most costly storm in Texas history.

In the weeks that followed Hurricane Ike, over 2.5 million families struggled to survive with no electricity, including no air conditioning in the sweltering heat, which had a particularly severe impact on the elderly, disabled, impoverished and other vulnerable populations. Clearly, we need to invest substantial funds to improve our electric grids to ensure that the disparate impact on vulnerable populations is corrected and never allowed to reoccur.

Just as we saw in the Ninth Ward of New Orleans, Louisiana Post-Hurricane Katrina, internally displaced individuals from hurricanes do not receive the proper access to government aid to rebuild and recover. In fact, there is still a desperate need of housing and much more rebuilding that needs to be done to restore previous hurricane disaster victims and assist the residents who remain there.

We cannot allow the hurricane victims to be forgotten. Throughout our Post-Hurricane recovery efforts, many individuals have had difficulties and challenges getting the government aid that they need to rebuild after the storm. Many lost their jobs or are at risk of losing their employment due to damages incurred by the hurricane.

There are men, women, and children who have lost so much due to flood waters and storm winds. I have been proud to stand up repeatedly in Congress to fight on their behalf by securing the necessary federal funds. We must work together to ensure that our nation does its part to help hurricane victims fully recover by ensuring the delivery of funds that we worked so hard to appropriate. As a senior Member of the House Homeland Security Committee, which has oversight over the Federal Emergency Management Administration, FEMA, I am working to ensure that our communities respond expeditiously to natural dis-

asters. The protection of our homeland and the security of our neighborhoods are at the forefront of my agenda.

While Hurricane Ike has left an enormous amount of devastation, it has demonstrated yet again the amazing unity, strength and resilience that Texans possess. Whether rich or poor, black or white, young or old, Democrat or Republican, everyone has been working together to respond, recover, rebuild and move forward.

We must work together to improve access to housing and the critical infrastructure necessary to ensure that the residents of North Galveston and their communities are safe. Where unacceptable vulnerabilities remain, swift action must be taken to eliminate them. I am committed to ensuring the implementation of such action.

My friends, this oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico threatens the livelihood of the citizens of the south central region of these United States, and deprives all Americans of the beauty and reasonable use of the seas and its inhabitants. I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. CARNAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I just want to add again my thanks to the gentlelady from Illinois for her leadership on the High-Performance Buildings Caucus and for being here to speak on behalf of the prior resolution.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. CARNAHAN) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1388.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. CARNAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

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.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

## RECESS

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

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 58 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 6 p.m.

□ 1800

## AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CARNAHAN) at 6 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: H. Con. Res. 288; H. Res. 546; and H. Res. 1407, in each case by the yeas and nays.

Remaining postponed proceedings will resume later in the week.

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

SUPPORTING NATIONAL MEN'S  
HEALTH WEEK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 288) supporting National Men's Health Week, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

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. DAVIS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 388, nays 0, not voting 44, as follows:

[Roll No. 376]

YEAS—388

Ackerman	Broun (GA)	Crowley
Aderholt	Brown, Corrine	Cueilar
Adler (NJ)	Brown-Waite,	Cummings
Akin	Ginny	Dahlkemper
Altmire	Buchanan	Davis (CA)
Andrews	Burgess	Davis (IL)
Arcuri	Burton (IN)	Davis (KY)
Austria	Calvert	Davis (TN)
Baca	Camp	DeFazio
Bachmann	Campbell	DeGette
Bachus	Cantor	Delahunt
Baird	Cao	DeLauro
Baldwin	Capito	Dent
Barrow	Capps	Deutch
Bartlett	Capuano	Diaz-Balart, L.
Barton (TX)	Cardoza	Diaz-Balart, M.
Bean	Carnahan	Dicks
Becerra	Carney	Dingell
Berkley	Carson (IN)	Djou
Berman	Cassidy	Doggett
Berry	Castle	Donnelly (IN)
Biggert	Castor (FL)	Doyle
Bilbray	Chaffetz	Dreier
Bilirakis	Chandler	Driehaus
Bishop (GA)	Childers	Duncan
Bishop (NY)	Chu	Edwards (MD)
Bishop (UT)	Clarke	Edwards (TX)
Blackburn	Clay	Ehlers
Blumenauer	Cleaver	Ellison
Boccieri	Clyburn	Ellsworth
Boehner	Coble	Emerson
Bonner	Coffman (CO)	Engel
Bono Mack	Cohen	Eshoo
Boozman	Cole	Etheridge
Boren	Conaway	Fattah
Boswell	Connolly (VA)	Filner
Boucher	Conyers	Flake
Boustany	Cooper	Fleming
Boyd	Costa	Forbes
Brady (PA)	Costello	Foster
Brady (TX)	Courtney	Foxx
Braley (IA)	Crenshaw	Frank (MA)
Bright	Critz	Franks (AZ)

Frelinghuysen	Lungren, Daniel	Rooney	Goodlatte
Fudge	E.	Ros-Lehtinen	Graves (MO)
Gallegly	Lynch	Roskam	Griffith
Garamendi	Mack	Ross	Lee (CA)
Garrett (NJ)	Maffei	Rothman (NJ)	Grijalva
Gerlach	Maloney	Royer-Allard	Himes
Giffords	Manzullo	Royce	Hinchey
Gingrey (GA)	Marchant	Ruppersberger	Hodes
Gohmert	McCarthy (CO)	Rush	Hoekstra
Gonzalez	Markey (MA)	Ryan (OH)	Honda
Gordon (TN)	Marshall	Ryan (WI)	Inglis
Granger	Matsui	Salazar	Johnson, Sam
Graves (GA)	McCarthy (CA)	Sánchez, Linda T.	Jordan (OH)
Grayson	McCaull	Sanchez, Loretta	Kirk
Green, Al	McClintock	Sarbanes	Putnam
Green, Gene	McCollum	Scalise	Rangel
Guthrie	McCotter	Shadeggi	Schrader
Gutierrez	McDermott	Sheakowsky	Sessions
Hall (NY)	McGovern	Schauer	Stark
Hall (TX)	McHenry	Schiff	McCarthy (NY)
Halvorson	McIntyre	Schmidt	McNerney
Hare	McKeon	Schock	Moran (VA)
Harman	McMahon	Schwartz	Murphy, Patrick
Harper	McMorris	Scott (GA)	Olson
Hastings (FL)	Rodgers	Scott (VA)	Young (FL)
Hastings (WA)	Meek (FL)	Sensenbrenner	□ 1833
Heinrich	Meeks (NY)	Serrano	Mr. AUSTRIA changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."
Heller	Melancon	Sestak	So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed to.
Hensarling	Mica	Shadegg	The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.
Herger	Michaud	Shea-Porter	A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.
Herseth Sandlin	Miller (FL)	Sherman	RECOGNIZING JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY
Higgins	Miller (MI)	Shimkus	The SPEAKER pro tempore. The un-
Hill	Miller (NC)	Shuler	finished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 546) recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day, and ex-
Hinojosa	Miller, Gary	Shuster	pressing the sense of the House of Rep-
Hirono	Miller, George	Simpson	resentatives that history should be re-
Holden	Minnick	Sires	garded as a means for understanding
Holt	Mitchell	Skelton	the past and more effectively facing
Hoyer	Mollohan	Slaughter	the challenges of the future, on which
Hunter	Moore (KS)	Smith (NE)	the yeas and nays were ordered.
Inslee	Moore (WI)	Smith (NJ)	The Clerk read the title of the resolu-
Israel	Moran (KS)	Smith (TX)	tion.
Issa	Murphy (CT)	Smith (WA)	The SPEAKER pro tempore. The
Jackson (IL)	Murphy (NY)	Snyder	question is on the motion offered by
Jackson Lee (TX)	Murphy, Tim	Space	the gentleman from Illinois (Mr.
Jenkins	Myrick	Speier	DAVIS) that the House suspend the
Johnson (GA)	Nadal (NY)	Spratt	rules and agree to the resolution, H.
Johnson (IL)	Napolitano	Stearns	Res. 546.
Johnson, E. B.	Neal (MA)	Stupak	This will be a 5-minute vote.
Jones	Neugebauer	Sullivan	The vote was taken by electronic de-
Kagen	Nunes	Sutton	vice, and there were—yeas 390, nays 0,
Kanjorski	Oberstar	Tanner	not voting 42, as follows:
Kaptur	Obey	Taylor	[Roll No. 377]
Kennedy	Olver	Teague	YEAS—390
Kildee	Ortiz	Terry	Ackerman
Kilpatrick (MI)	Owens	Thompson (CA)	Bonner
Kilroy	Pallone	Thompson (MS)	Bono Mack
Kind	Pascarella	Thompson (PA)	Castle
King (IA)	Pastor (AZ)	Thornberry	Adler (NJ)
King (NY)	Paul	Tiaht	Boozman
Kingston	Paulsen	Tiberi	Chaffetz
Kirkpatrick (AZ)	Payne	Tierney	Andrews
Klein (FL)	Pence	Titus	Altmine
Kline (MN)	Perrillo	Tonko	Boswell
Kosmas	Peters	Towns	Boucher
Kratovil	Peters	Towns	Childers
Kucinich	Pingree (ME)	Tsongas	Arcuri
Lamborn	Pitts	Velázquez	Boustany
Lance	Polsen	Visclosky	Boyd
Langevin	Polis (CO)	Watson	Baca
Larsen (WA)	Pomeroy	Walden	Brady (PA)
Larson (CT)	Posey	Walz	Bachmann
Latham	Price (GA)	Wasserman	Brady (TX)
LaTourette	Price (NC)	Schultz	Bachus
Latta	Quigley	Van Hollen	Baley (IA)
Lee (NY)	Radanovich	Waters	Bright
Levin	Reahall	Watson	Baldwin
Lewis (CA)	Rehberg	Watt	Brown (GA)
Lewis (GA)	Reichert	Waxman	Coble
Linder	Reyes	Weiner	Barrow
LoBiondo	Richardson	Welch	Bartlett
Lowey	Rodriguez	Westmoreland	Brown, Corrine
Roe (TN)	Rogers (AL)	Reyes	Brown-Waite,
Rogers (KY)	Rogers (MI)	Richardson	Ginny
Rogers (PA)	Rogers (WI)	Whitfield	Conaway
Rohrabacher	Young (AK)	Wilson (OH)	Buchanan
NOT VOTING—44		Wittman	Burgess
		Wolf	Berkley
		Yarmuth	Burton (IN)
		Zimmerman	Calvert
			Costello
			Cole
			Crowley
			Costello
			Cummings
			Dahlkemper
			Davis (CA)
			Davis (IL)
			Davis (KY)
			Davis (TN)

Goodlatte	Graves (MO)	Jordan (OH)
Griffith	Grijalva	Kirk
Lee (CA)	Loebssack	Putnam
Grijalva	Lofgren, Zoe	Rangel
Himes	Matheson	Schrader
Hinchey	Stark	Sessions
Hodes	McCarthy (NY)	Wamp
Hoekstra	McNerney	Wilson (SC)
Honda	Moran (VA)	Woolsey
Inglis	Murphy, Patrick	Young (FL)
Johnson, Sam	Olson	