

this floor who would come to the floor and a Member of this Congress who would come to the floor and suggest to us that they may misuse it, they may abuse it. I do not think we want to entertain that. I do not think we want to be a part of denying basic help to people who need it so desperately.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I appreciate the gentlewoman's comments. However, the hyperbole and the emotion brought with it is curious, again in light of the remarkable assistance that the American people have provided out of their own generosity privately and the generosity that this Congress has provided to the tune of greater than \$100 billion of assistance to individuals who have suffered from the greatest devastation of Hurricane Katrina.

The purpose of this amendment is an attempt to move in albeit a small direction, but a small direction of fiscal responsibility. We hear comments by the Members on the other side all the time about how they want to bring new fiscal responsibility to Congress. Well, Mr. Chairman, in fact, what we have had is a step in the opposite direction ever since they have taken charge.

So I would hope that Members would appreciate that this bill, again, is a small step in the direction of financial and fiscal responsibility. It does not preclude the use of previous moneys prior to this bill. If \$110 billion is not enough then to provide for allowing individuals to have some local assistance use, I am not certain how much will be.

So, Mr. Chairman, I again state that this is a small step for fiscal responsibility and encourage my colleagues to adopt this amendment.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve my time.

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Chairman, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. WATT).

Mr. WATT. Mr. Chairman, I thank the gentlewoman for yielding.

I thank the gentleman from Georgia for the way he has framed this issue as a fiscal responsibility issue; although I think he frames it incorrectly in this case.

There really is no precedent in disaster situations if you go back throughout all the disaster situations for even requiring a local 10 percent match, and I think in another bill there will be language that would actually waive the 10 percent local match.

This component of it disallows the use of Federal money that has been granted to the local communities to provide that 10 percent match. I think the issue is going to go away in another context anyway, but it is counterintuitive to say to local communities whose complete tax base has been destroyed that they should somehow provide a 10 percent match for Federal funds that are given, and historically in disaster situations, there really has never been a 10 percent match at all because we have recog-

nized that the distress situation that is created by a disaster makes it highly unlikely, improbable, impossible in many circumstances, that the 10 percent match would be able to be met by the local community.

You take that and multiply it times five, because this is five times the worst natural disaster that our country has ever had. So we should reject this five times, not just once.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I reserve my time.

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Chairman, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. MELANCON).

□ 1200

Mr. MELANCON. I thank the gentlelady.

Mr. Chairman, first let me talk about the fraud. The fraud was perpetrated by people throughout this country in Florida, in California, in Colorado, that used addresses in Louisiana. The money that was spent was spent by the Federal agencies, and not misspent by the State of Louisiana.

I am speaking today to urge my colleagues to vote in favor of the Gulf Coast Recovery Act and against the Price amendment, which would keep in place a major roadblock to Louisiana's recovery from Hurricanes Rita and Katrina. Rebuilding in the wake of these two hurricanes is the biggest challenge people on the gulf coast and, for that matter, in this country, have ever faced.

Katrina was the worst natural disaster ever in the United States history. Rita, which has been dubbed the forgotten storm, was the third worst catastrophic event in this country. Local governments are valiantly moving forward to try and rebuild, but without the ability to have the tax base that they need just to do day-to-day operations. If you have lived in a gulf coast community, you know the communities come back under normal circumstances. That is not happening.

This was devastating, totally devastating. Bureaucratic red tape is holding us back. Our local tax base in south Louisiana is gone. Local governments have no way of coming up with money for the 10 percent match. For some parishes, the cost of local match for projects is many millions of dollars and could go as high as \$1 billion across the devastated area. Ninety thousand miles, square miles, of devastation was caused by these two storms the size of Great Britain. We are sitting here and worrying about a 10 percent match that was harmful to these small communities and the City of New Orleans but has devastated this entire area.

One thing that I need to point out: The President has the authority to waive the local match requirements with the stroke of his pen. In fact, this authority has been exercised 32 times since 1985 for other major disasters.

In 1992, George H.W. Bush waived the requirement when the per capita recovery cost of Hurricane Andrew reached

\$139 per person. It was also waived for New York City following the attacks of September 11, \$390 a person.

But despite a \$6,700 per capita recovery cost following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the administration has refused to waive the local match, despite repeated requests. How is this fair to Louisiana? I am a fiscal conservative, but this policy is ridiculous. It is dooming the recovery to failure, and it's time we correct it.

I emphatically urge you to defeat the Price amendment, and pass the Gulf Coast Recovery Act, which will help thousands of people return home and begin rebuilding their lives.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WATERS. May I inquire of the Chair, do I have the right to close?

The CHAIRMAN. The gentlelady has the right to close.

Ms. WATERS. I yield to the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. TAYLOR) for 2 minutes.

Mr. TAYLOR. First let me tell the gentleman from Georgia I appreciate him trying to save some money. I think his efforts, though, are a year late. If you want to look for Katrina fraud, look for Katrina fraud that was perpetrated by the Bush administration.

In south Mississippi we had 40,000 people at one point living in FEMA trailers. We are grateful for every one of them, but those trailers were delivered by a friend of the President, Riley Bechtel, a major contributor to the Bush administration. He got \$16,000 to haul a trailer the last 70 miles from Purvis, Mississippi down to the gulf coast, hook it up to a garden hose, hook it up to a sewer tap and plug it in; \$16,000.

So the gentleman never came to the floor once last year to talk about that fraud. But now little towns like Waveland, Bay Saint Louis, Pas Christian, that have no tax base because their stores were destroyed in the storm, a county like Hancock County where 90 percent of the residents lost everything, or at least substantial damage to their home, he wants to punish Bay Saint Louis, he wants to punish Waveland, he wants to punish Pas Christian.

Mr. PRICE. I wish you would have the decency, if you are going to do that to the people of south Mississippi, that maybe you ought to come visit south Mississippi before you hold them to a standard that you would never hold your own people to and that you failed to hold the Bush administration to.

With that, I yield back my time.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIRMAN

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The Chair would ask Members to address their remarks to the Chair.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I would inquire as to whether or not those words are eligible to be taken down.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The Chair cannot render an advisory opinion on that point.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I demand that his words be taken down.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. Would the gentleman specify the words?

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. The words accusing this Member of action unbecoming of the House as it relates to having Members of my district not be held to the same account.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. Members will suspend, and the Clerk will report the words.

□ 1232

The Acting CHAIRMAN (Mr. HOLDEN). The Clerk will report the words.

The Clerk read as follows:

“Mr. PRICE, I wish you would have the decency, if you are going to do that to the people of south Mississippi, that maybe you ought to come visit south Mississippi before you hold them to a standard that you would never hold your own people to and that you failed to hold the Bush administration to. With that, I yield back my time.”

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The Committee will rise.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PASTOR) having assumed the chair, Mr. HOLDEN, Acting Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 1227) to assist in the provision of affordable housing to low-income families affected by Hurricane Katrina, when certain words used in debate were objected to and, on request, were taken down and read at the Clerk’s desk, and he herewith reported the same to the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union reports that during consideration of H.R. 1227 certain words used in debate were objected to and, on request, were taken down and read at the Clerk’s desk and now reports the words objected to to the House. The Clerk will report the words objected to in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

The Clerk read as follows:

“Mr. PRICE, I wish you would have the decency, if you are going to do that to the people of south Mississippi, that maybe you ought to come visit south Mississippi before you hold them to a standard that you would never hold your own people to and that you failed to hold the Bush administration to. With that, I yield back my time.”

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair holds that remarks in debate that question the decency of another Member improperly descend to personality. The words are not in order.

Without objection, the words are stricken from the RECORD.

There was no objection.

Without objection, the gentleman from Mississippi may proceed in order on this day.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Mr. Speaker, I object.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Objection is heard.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state it.

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, is it in order to move that the gentleman from Mississippi’s right to address the House be restored?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. That motion may be offered.

MOTION TO PERMIT TO PROCEED IN ORDER ON THIS DAY

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I move that the rights of the gentleman from Mississippi to speak during the remainder of the day be restored.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. FRANK) that the gentleman from Mississippi be permitted to proceed in order.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. 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. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 265, nays 160, answered “present” 0, not voting 8, as follows:

[Roll No. 167]

YEAS—265

Abercrombie	Clyburn	Gonzalez
Ackerman	Cohen	Gordon
Aderholt	Conyers	Green, Al
Allen	Cooper	Green, Gene
Altmore	Costa	Grijalva
Andrews	Costello	Gutierrez
Arcuri	Courtney	Hall (NY)
Baca	Cramer	Hare
Baird	Crowley	Harman
Baldwin	Cuellar	Hastings (FL)
Barrow	Cummings	Herseth
Bartlett (MD)	Davis (AL)	Higgins
Bean	Davis (CA)	Hill
Becerra	Davis (IL)	Hinchey
Berkley	Davel, Lincoln	Hinojosa
Berman	DeFazio	Hirono
Berry	DeGette	Hobson
Bilbray	DeLaunt	Hodes
Bishop (GA)	DeLauro	Holden
Bishop (NY)	Dent	Holt
Blumenauer	Dicks	Honda
Bonner	Dingell	Hoolley
Boren	Doggett	Hoyer
Boswell	Donnelly	Hunter
Boucher	Doyle	Inslee
Boyd (FL)	Edwards	Israel
Boyd (KS)	Ehlers	Jackson (IL)
Brady (PA)	Ellison	Jackson-Lee
Braley (IA)	Ellsworth	(TX)
Brown, Corrine	Emanuel	Jefferson
Butterfield	Emerson	Johnson (GA)
Capito	Engel	Johnson (IL)
Capps	Eshoo	Johnson, Sam
Capuano	Etheridge	Jones (NC)
Cardoza	Farr	Jones (OH)
Carnahan	Filner	Kagen
Carney	Flake	Kaptur
Carson	Frank (MA)	Kennedy
Castor	Franks (AZ)	Kildee
Chandler	Gerlach	Kilpatrick
Clarke	Giffords	Kind
Clay	Gilchrest	Klein (FL)
Cleaver	Gillibrand	Kucinich

Lampson	Nadler	Shea-Porter
Langevin	Napolitano	Sherman
Lantos	Neal (MA)	Shuler
Larsen (WA)	Oberstar	Sires
Larson (CT)	Obey	Skelton
Lee	Olver	Slaughter
Levin	Ortiz	Smith (NJ)
Lewis (GA)	Pallone	Smith (WA)
Lipinski	Pascarell	Snyder
LoBiondo	Pastor	Solis
Loeback	Payne	Space
Lofgren, Zoe	Perlmutter	Spratt
Lowey	Peterson (MN)	Stark
Lungren, Daniel E.	Pickering	Stupak
Lynch	Platts	Sutton
Mahoney (FL)	Pomeroy	Tanner
Maloney (NY)	Porter	Tauscher
Markey	Price (NC)	Taylor
Marshall	Putnam	Thompson (CA)
Matheson	Rahall	Thompson (MS)
Matsui	Ramstad	Thornberry
McCarthy (NY)	Rangel	Tierney
McCollum (MN)	Renzi	Towns
McDermott	Reyes	Turner
McGovern	Rodriguez	Udall (CO)
McIntyre	Rogers (MI)	Udall (NM)
McNerney	Rohrabacher	Van Hollen
McNulty	Ross	Velázquez
Meehan	Rothman	Visclosky
Meek (FL)	Roybal-Allard	Walz (MN)
Meeks (NY)	Ruppersberger	Wamp
Melancon	Rush	Wasserman
Michaud	Ryan (OH)	Schultz
Millender-McDonald	Salazar	Waters
Miller (NC)	Sánchez, Linda T.	Watson
Miller, George	Sanchez, Loretta	Watt
Mitchell	Sarbanes	Waxman
Mollohan	Saxton	Weiner
Moore (KS)	Schakowsky	Welch (VT)
Moore (WI)	Schiff	Wexler
Moran (KS)	Schwartz	Wicker
Moran (VA)	Scott (GA)	Wilson (NM)
Murphy (CT)	Scott (VA)	Wilson (OH)
Murphy, Patrick	Serrano	Woolsey
Murtha	Sestak	Wu
	Shays	Wynn
		Yarmuth

NAYS—160

Akin	Feeney	McCotter
Alexander	Ferguson	McCrery
Bachmann	Forbes	McHenry
Bachus	Fortenberry	McHugh
Barrett (SC)	Fossella	McKeon
Barton (TX)	Fox	McMorris
Bigert	Frelinghuysen	Rodgers
Bilirakis	Galleghy	Mica
Bishop (UT)	Garrett (NJ)	Miller (FL)
Blackburn	Gillmor	Miller (MI)
Blunt	Gingrey	Miller, Gary
Boehner	Gohmert	Murphy, Tim
Bono	Goode	Musgrave
Boozman	Goodlatte	Myrick
Boustany	Granger	Neugebauer
Brady (TX)	Graves	Nunes
Brown (SC)	Hall (TX)	Paul
Brown-Waite,	Hastert	Pearce
Ginny	Hastings (WA)	Peterson (PA)
Buchanan	Hayes	Petri
Burgess	Heller	Pitts
Burton (IN)	Hensarling	Poe
Buyer	Herger	Price (GA)
Calvert	Hoekstra	Pryce (OH)
Camp (MI)	Hulshof	Radanovich
Campbell (CA)	Inglis (SC)	Regula
Cannon	Issa	Rehberg
Cantor	Jindal	Reichert
Carter	Jordan	Reynolds
Castle	Keller	Rogers (AL)
Chabot	King (IA)	Rogers (KY)
Coble	King (NY)	Ros-Lehtinen
Cole (OK)	Kingston	Roskam
Conaway	Kirk	Royce
Crenshaw	Kline (MN)	Ryan (WI)
Cubin	Knollenberg	Sali
Culberson	Kuhl (NY)	Schmidt
Davis (KY)	LaHood	Sensenbrenner
Davis, David	Lamborn	Shadegg
Davis, Tom	Latham	Shimkus
Deal (GA)	LaTourette	Shuster
Diaz-Balart, L.	Lewis (CA)	Simpson
Diaz-Balart, M.	Lewis (KY)	Smith (NE)
Doolittle	Linder	Smith (TX)
Drake	Lucas	Souder
Dreier	Mack	Stearns
Duncan	Manzullo	Sullivan
English (PA)	Marchant	Tancredo
Everett	McCarthy (CA)	Terry
Fallin	McCaul (TX)	Tiahrt

Tiberi	Walsh (NY)	Whitfield
Upton	Weldon (FL)	Wilson (SC)
Walberg	Weller	Wolf
Walden (OR)	Westmoreland	Young (AK)

## NOT VOTING—8

Baker	Johnson, E. B.	Sessions
Davis, Jo Ann	Kanjorski	Young (FL)
Fattah	Pence	

□ 1301

Messrs. MILLER of Florida, SULIVAN, WELDON of Florida and Ms. GRANGER changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Messrs. CARNEY, SAXTON, ROTHMAN, LOBIONDO, PORTER, OBERSTAR, SHAYS, JOHNSON of Illinois, FLAKE, PLATTS, ROHRBACHER, JONES of North Carolina, GILCHRIST, DENT, DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, and MORAN of Kansas changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the motion was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

LEADERSHIP FROM BOTH SIDES  
MUST COME TOGETHER

(Mr. LEWIS of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, first I appreciate your recognizing me.

Mr. Speaker, the process we have just gone through where we had a vote whereby a significant majority voted to overrule the ruling of the Chair would suggest to me it is very important at the highest level our leadership come together from both sides of the aisle and discuss how this kind of thing can happen in the House. It is not good for the body. It does not allow us to go forward with our work effectively.

I thank the Speaker.

## PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRIES

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Parliamentary inquiry, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, is it not the case that the vote did not overrule the Chair? Is it not the case that the Chair's ruling that the words were out of order was not challenged, and was it not the case that the motion was simply to restore the right of the gentleman from Mississippi to speak and in no way overruled the ruling of the Chair?

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PASTOR). The gentleman is correct. The motion was to allow the gentleman from Mississippi to proceed in order on this day.

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Parliamentary inquiry, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Georgia.

Mr. WESTMORELAND. We just had a vote to restore the floor privileges for a Member who had his words taken down. Is it not true that the Democratic leadership, Speaker PELOSI, made the comments that we were going

to have a more civil House and that we—

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Point of order, Mr. Speaker. The gentleman has not stated a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman may state a parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Parliamentary inquiry: Is it true that we did not pass rules in this House that talked about civility?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The rules that have been adopted address order in the House.

The gentlewoman from Texas.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, parliamentary inquiry.

I am not sure everyone heard you. I would appreciate it, so the vote we just voted is clarified, would you please restate the vote and also indicate whether or not that was an overruling of the Chair? Would you restate it for the full body, please?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. By motion, the gentleman from Mississippi was allowed to proceed in order on this day.

The gentleman from Mississippi.

Mr. TAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to address the House for 1 minute.

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

Mr. ISSA. I object.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Objection is heard.

Mr. STEARNS. Parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Florida.

Mr. STEARNS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to inquire of the Rules of the House, when the words of a Member is taken down and the Speaker rules that these words were incorrect and not within the decorum of the House and that these words would be stricken, is the normal procedure, notwithstanding the motion from Mr. FRANK, is the normal procedure that the Member is no longer allowed to debate for the full day in the House? Is that the procedure? I want to confirm that procedure.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The answer is yes; the presumptive sanction is a disability from further recognition on that day; but in this case, by motion, the gentleman from Mississippi is allowed to proceed in order on this day.

Mr. STEARNS. I have a follow-up question, Mr. Speaker.

If that is the normal procedure, when is the last time we have allowed someone to speak on the floor after his words were taken down and stricken from the RECORD? Would the Parliamentarian please provide it to this Member? When was the last time we allowed someone to continue to debate on this floor after his words were stricken from the RECORD?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair cannot place today's proceedings in historical context. That is not the role of the Chair.

Mr. BUYER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Mississippi be recognized for 1 minute out of order.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. TAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thank you, Mr. BUYER.

In the course of the debate I encouraged, with words that were a little bit too strong, my colleague from Georgia to come visit south Mississippi and see the aftermath of Katrina. I used the word "decency" when I should have said "the courtesy." If I have offended his decency, then I apologize for that.

But the offer stands. The gentleman was good enough to admit privately that he has not visited south Mississippi since the storm, has not seen that the town of Waveland is virtually gone, that Bay Saint Louis is virtually gone, that Pass Christian is virtually gone. To the point of his amendment: How does a town that is gone come up with matching funds to restore itself?

So I appreciate the gentleman yielding. I hope I have made my point to the membership, and I thank the body.

GULF COAST HURRICANE HOUSING  
RECOVERY ACT OF 2007

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 254 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 1227.

□ 1308

## IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1227) to assist in the provision of affordable housing to low-income families affected by Hurricane Katrina, with Mr. HOLDEN (Acting Chairman) in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. When the Committee of the Whole rose earlier today, 5 minutes debate remained on amendment No. 7 printed in part B of House Report 110-53 by the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. PRICE).

The gentleman from Georgia (Mr. PRICE) has 3½ minutes remaining and the gentlewoman from California (Ms. WATERS) has 1½ minutes remaining.

Who yields time?

□ 1310

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I appreciate the apology of the gentleman from Mississippi. It should be noted that it was an offer from this Member to forego what occurred over the past hour in this House to the gentleman from Mississippi during the process, and that offer was declined. But I appreciate his apology, and I accept his apology.

Mr. Chairman, it is indeed a remarkable privilege for each and every one of us to serve in this House of Representatives. This is the greatest deliberative body in the world, and it is the greatest deliberative body in the world because we treat one another with respect during our deliberations. Our deliberative process works because of a level of comity. It is not appropriate to impugn the motives of individuals, nor is it appropriate to call one's personal character into question.

My amendment to this bill simply would move us in the direction of financial responsibility, a small direction admittedly, but in the direction of financial responsibility.

To correct some historical inaccuracies that have been stated on this floor, during the 1998 floods in the Midwest, the local match that was required by our government was 25 percent. During the 2004 Florida hurricanes, the local match that was required for Federal grants was 10 percent.

This amendment would simply state that more resources provided for the local communities from this remarkably generous Nation who have already provided, authorized over \$100 billion for recuperation after the remarkable devastation of Hurricane Katrina, that further moneys would not be allowed to be utilized for the local match. That does not preclude this administration or the Secretary of HUD being able to waive that requirement.

This amendment is a very small step in the direction of fiscal responsibility, of respecting the hard-earned taxpayer money that is sent to Washington. I would encourage my colleagues to support this commonsense amendment that respects that hard work and moves us in the direction of accountability in an area that is desperately requiring that kind of accountability.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WATERS. May I inquire of the Chair if we have the right to close?

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The gentleman from California has the right to close.

Ms. WATERS. Has the gentleman exhausted his time?

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The gentleman has 30 seconds remaining on his time.

Ms. WATERS. If the gentleman would like to use his 30 seconds, then we would proceed.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The gentleman reserves the balance of her time?

Ms. WATERS. Yes.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. May I inquire if the gentlewoman has any other speakers?

Ms. WATERS. No, we will use our balance of the time for our close.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, then I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself the remaining time.

First, I would like to congratulate Mr. TAYLOR not only for his passion,

but for all of the work that he has done to try and help restore the gulf coast and his town and his city, and to get the kind of development that is necessary for people to restore their lives. He has worked very hard, as other Members of the gulf coast have. They were on the floor today, Mr. MELANCON, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. TAYLOR, trying to make the case that this gulf coast catastrophe should not be penalized.

We do not know why and they do not know why they would be prohibited from using their CDBG, Community Development Block Grant, funds as a match. It is unheard of, it is unprecedented that any town, any city, any region that has been hit by this kind of disaster, and there is no other like it in the history of this country, would be prohibited from using as a match the Community Development Block Grant funds.

These communities have been virtually destroyed, their city halls, their water systems, their schools, their hospitals. They do not have any money. They are cash strapped. They do not have any money to use as a match, and we do not know why they would be singled out with this disaster and told that they could not use Community Development Block Grant funds. This is not new money. This would simply allow them to use that CDBG money as a match.

I would ask that this amendment be rejected, and I ask my colleagues to vote "no."

The Acting CHAIRMAN. All time has expired.

The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. PRICE).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chairman announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Georgia will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIRMAN

The Acting CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those amendments on which further proceedings were postponed, in the following order:

Amendment No. 6 printed in part B by Mr. NEUGEBAUER of Texas.

Amendment No. 7 printed in part B by Mr. PRICE of Georgia.

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the first vote in this series.

AMENDMENT NO. 6 OFFERED BY MR. NEUGEBAUER

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. NEUGEBAUER) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 185, noes 247, not voting 6, as follows:

[Roll No. 168]

AYES—185

Aderholt	Galleghy	Neugebauer
Akin	Garrett (NJ)	Nunes
Alexander	Gerlach	Paul
Bachmann	Gilchrest	Pearce
Bachus	Gillmor	Peterson (PA)
Baker	Gingrey	Petri
Barrett (SC)	Gohmert	Pickering
Bartlett (MD)	Goode	Pitts
Barton (TX)	Goodlatte	Platts
Biggert	Granger	Poe
Bilbray	Graves	Porter
Bilirakis	Hall (TX)	Price (GA)
Bishop (UT)	Hastert	Pryce (OH)
Blackburn	Hastings (WA)	Putnam
Blunt	Hayes	Radanovich
Boehner	Heller	Ramstad
Bonner	Hensarling	Regula
Bono	Herger	Rehberg
Boozman	Hobson	Reichert
Brady (TX)	Hoekstra	Renzi
Brown (SC)	Hulshof	Reynolds
Brown-Waite,	Hunter	Rogers (AL)
Ginny	Inglis (SC)	Rogers (KY)
Buchanan	Issa	Rogers (MI)
Burgess	Johnson (IL)	Rohrabacher
Burton (IN)	Johnson, Sam	Roskam
Buyer	Jones (NC)	Royce
Calvert	Jordan	Ryan (WI)
Camp (MI)	Keller	Saii
Campbell (CA)	King (IA)	Saxton
Cantor	King (NY)	Schmidt
Capito	Kingston	Sensenbrenner
Carter	Kirk	Sessions
Castle	Klaine (MN)	Shadegg
Chabot	Knollenberg	Shays
Coble	Kuhl (NY)	Shimkus
Cole (OK)	Lamborn	Shuster
Conaway	Latham	Simpson
Crenshaw	Lewis (CA)	Smith (NE)
Cubin	Lewis (KY)	Smith (NJ)
Culberson	Linder	Smith (TX)
Davis (KY)	LoBiondo	Souder
Davis, David	Lucas	Stearns
Davis, Tom	Lungren, Daniel	Sullivan
Deal (GA)	E	Tancredo
Dent	Mack	Terry
Doollittle	Manzullo	Thornberry
Drake	Marchant	Tiahrt
Dreier	McCarthy (CA)	Tiberi
Duncan	McCaul (TX)	Turner
Ehlers	McCotter	Upton
English (PA)	McCreery	Walberg
Everett	McHenry	Walden (OR)
Fallin	McKeon	Walsh (NY)
Feeney	McMorris	Wamp
Ferguson	Rodgers	Welch (VT)
Flake	Mica	Weldon (FL)
Forbes	Miller (MI)	Weller
Fortenberry	Miller, Gary	Westmoreland
Fossella	Moran (KS)	Wilson (SC)
Foxx	Murphy, Tim	Wolf
Franks (AZ)	Musgrave	Young (AK)
Frelinghuysen	Myrick	

NOES—247

Abercrombie	Boren	Clarke
Ackerman	Boswell	Clay
Allen	Boucher	Cleaver
Altmire	Boustany	Clyburn
Andrews	Boyd (FL)	Cohen
Arcuri	Boyd (KS)	Conyers
Baca	Brady (PA)	Cooper
Baird	Braley (IA)	Costa
Baldwin	Brown, Corrine	Costello
Barrow	Butterfield	Courtney
Bean	Capps	Cramer
Becerra	Capuano	Crowley
Berkley	Cardoza	Cuellar
Berman	Carnahan	Cummings
Berry	Carney	Davis (AL)
Bishop (GA)	Carson	Davis (CA)
Bishop (NY)	Castor	Davis (IL)
Blumenauer	Chandler	Davis, Lincoln
Bordallo	Christensen	DeFazio

DeGette  
Delahunt  
DeLauro  
Diaz-Balart, L.  
Diaz-Balart, M.  
Dicks  
Dingell  
Doggett  
Donnelly  
Doyle  
Edwards  
Ellison  
Ellsworth  
Emanuel  
Emerson  
Engel  
Eshoo  
Etheridge  
Faleomavaega  
Farr  
Fattah  
Filner  
Fortuño  
Frank (MA)  
Giffords  
Gillibrand  
Gonzalez  
Gordon  
Green, Al  
Green, Gene  
Grijalva  
Gutierrez  
Hall (NY)  
Hare  
Harman  
Hastings (FL)  
Herse  
Higgins  
Hill  
Hinche  
Hinojosa  
Hirono  
Hodes  
Holden  
Holt  
Honda  
Hooly  
Hoyer  
Inslee  
Israel  
Jackson (IL)  
Jackson-Lee  
(TX)  
Jefferson  
Jindal  
Johnson (GA)  
Jones (OH)  
Kagen  
Kaptur  
Kennedy  
Kildee  
Kilpatrick  
Kind  
Klein (FL)  
Kucinich

NOT VOTING—6

Cannon  
Davis, Jo Ann

Johnson, E. B.  
Kanjorski

Pence  
Young (FL)

□ 1336

Messrs. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, BLUMENAUER, and MILLER of Florida changed their vote from “aye” to “no.”

Mr. DOOLITTLE and Mr. PICKERING changed their vote from “no” to “aye.”

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 7 OFFERED BY MR. PRICE OF GEORGIA

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. PRICE) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE  
The Acting CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.  
The Acting CHAIRMAN. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 98, noes 333, not voting 7, as follows:

[Roll No. 169]

AYES—98

Akin  
Bachmann  
Barrett (SC)  
Barton (TX)  
Bilbray  
Bishop (UT)  
Blackburn  
Boehner  
Bono  
Boozman  
Brown (SC)  
Burton (IN)  
Buyer  
Campbell (CA)  
Cannon  
Cantor  
Carney  
Carter  
Chabot  
Coble  
Conaway  
Crenshaw  
Cubin  
Davis (KY)  
Davis, David  
Deal (GA)  
Dreier  
Duncan  
English (PA)  
Fallin  
Feeney  
Flake  
Forbes

NOES—333

Abercrombie  
Ackerman  
Aderholt  
Alexander  
Allen  
Altmire  
Andrews  
Arcuri  
Baca  
Bachus  
Baird  
Baker  
Baldwin  
Barrow  
Bartlett (MD)  
Bean  
Becerra  
Berkley  
Berman  
Berry  
Biggert  
Bilirakis  
Bishop (GA)  
Bishop (NY)  
Blumenauer  
Blunt  
Bonner  
Bordallo  
Boren  
Boswell  
Boucher  
Boustany  
Boyd (FL)  
Boyd (KS)  
Brady (PA)  
Brady (TX)  
Braley (IA)  
Brown, Corrine  
Brown-Waite,  
Ginny  
Buchanan  
Burgess  
Butterfield  
Calvert  
Camp (MI)  
Capito  
Capps  
Capuano  
Cardoza

Jefferson  
Jindal  
Johnson (GA)  
Jones (NC)  
Jones (OH)  
Kagen  
Kaptur  
Kennedy  
Kildee  
Kilpatrick  
Kind  
King (NY)  
Kirk  
Klein (FL)  
Kucinich  
Kuhl (NY)  
LaHood  
Lampson  
Langevin  
Lantos  
Larsen (WA)  
Larson (CT)  
Latham  
LaTourette  
Lee  
Levin  
Lewis (CA)  
Lewis (GA)  
Lipinski  
LoBiondo  
Loebsack  
Loigren, Zoe  
Lowey  
Lucas  
Lungren, Daniel  
E.  
Lynch  
Mahoney (FL)  
Maloney (NY)  
Markey  
Marshall  
Markey  
Marshall  
Matheson  
Matsui  
McCarthy (CA)  
McCarthy (NY)  
McCaul (TX)  
McCollum (MN)  
McCotter  
McCrery  
McDermott  
McGovern  
McHugh  
McIntyre  
McMorris  
Rodgers  
McNerney  
McNulty  
Meehan  
Meek (FL)  
Meeks (NY)  
Meeke (NY)  
Melancon  
Michaud  
Millender-  
McDonald  
Miller (FL)

NOT VOTING—7

Davis, Jo Ann  
Delahunt  
Johnson, E. B.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIRMAN

The Acting CHAIRMAN (during the vote). Members are advised that there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1345

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina changed his vote from “no” to “aye.”

Mr. DICKS changed his vote from “aye” to “no.”

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Chairman, I rise today in support of House Resolution 1227, the Gulf Coast Hurricane Housing Recovery Act of 2007. This resolution will improve flexibility for previously appropriated funds for hurricane recovery efforts on the Gulf Coast. In addition, the bill would free up for use \$1.175 billion in funds previously made available to the State of Louisiana under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, but not being utilized by

Foxx  
Franks (AZ)  
Gallegly  
Garrett (NJ)  
Gingrey  
Goode  
Graves  
Hall (TX)  
Hastert  
Hastings (WA)  
Hayes  
Hensarling  
Herger  
Hoekstra  
Hulshof  
Cannon  
Hunter  
Inglis (SC)  
Johnson (IL)  
Johnson, Sam  
Jordan  
Keller  
King (IA)  
Kingston  
Kline (MN)  
Knollenberg  
Lamborn  
Lewis (KY)  
Linder  
Mack  
Manzullo  
Marchant  
McHenry  
McKeon

Miller (NC)  
Miller, George  
Mitchell  
Mollohan  
Moore (KS)  
Moore (WI)  
Moran (VA)  
Murphy (CT)  
Murphy, Patrick  
Murphy, Tim  
Murtha  
Musgrave  
Myrick  
Nadler  
Napolitano  
Neal (MA)  
Neugebauer  
Norton  
Oberstar  
Obey  
Oliver  
Ortiz  
Pallone  
Pascrell  
Pascarella  
Lee  
Payne  
Perlmutter  
Peterson (MN)  
Peterson (PA)  
Pickering  
Platts  
Poe  
Pomeroy  
Porter  
Price (NC)  
Pryce (OH)  
Putnam  
Rahall  
Ramstad  
Rangel  
Regula  
Rehberg  
Reichert  
Renzi  
Reyes  
Reynolds  
Rodriguez  
Rogers (KY)  
Rogers (MI)  
Ros-Lehtinen  
Roskam  
Ross  
Rothman  
Roybal-Allard  
Ruppersberger  
Rush  
Ryan (OH)  
Ryan (WI)  
Salazar  
Sánchez, Linda  
T.  
Sanchez, Loretta  
Sarbanes  
Saxton  
Schakowsky

Kanjorski  
Pence  
Shadegg

Young (FL)

Schiff  
Schwartz  
Scott (GA)  
Scott (VA)  
Serrano  
Sestak  
Shays  
Shea-Porter  
Sherman  
Shimkus  
Shuler  
Simpson  
Sires  
Skelton  
Slaughter  
Smith (NJ)  
Smith (WA)  
Snyder  
Solis  
Space  
Spratt  
Stark  
Stupak  
Sutton  
Tanner  
Tauscher  
Taylor  
Thompson (CA)  
Thompson (MS)  
Thiart  
Tiberti  
Tierney  
Towns  
Turner  
Udall (CO)  
Udall (NM)  
Upton  
Van Hollen  
Velázquez  
Visclosky  
Walberg  
Walden (OR)  
Walsh (NY)  
Walz (MN)  
Wasserman  
Schultz  
Waters  
Watson  
Watt  
Waxman  
Weiner  
Welch (VT)  
Wexler  
Whitfield  
Wicker  
Wilson (NM)  
Wilson (OH)  
Wolf  
Woolsey  
Wu  
Wynn  
Yarmuth  
Young (AK)