Roll Call Report

Here's how Observer & Eccentric area members of Congress were recorded on major roll call votes in the week ending Sept. 28. HOUSE:

Earthquake Bill — By a vote of 281 for and 132 against the House passed a bill (IR 3531) authorizing 1545 million between fiscal 1991-1994 for the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program. The multi-agency effort seeks to advance carthquake prediction and preventive measures to hold down death and destruction when tremblors strike. The bill was controversial because of its cost. For example, the fiscal 1991 funding level of \$105 million is 63 percent above the 1990 appropriation. Supporter Robert Roc. D-N.J., said that even at a time of fiscal restraint "We cannot afford to ignore the lessons that the Loma Pricta carthquake presented" in northern California last October. Opponent Robert Walker, R-Pa., akked: "How can we pass such an incredible budget buster when we face the Gramm-Hudman sequester right

at the end of this week?"
A yes vole was to pass the bill.
Voling yes were Dennis Hertel, DHarper Woods, William Ford, DTaylor and Sander Levin, D-Southfield, Voting no from Michigan were
Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth and William Broomfield, R-Birmingham.

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Moacy from Tree Planting — By a vote of 150 for and 269 against, the House refused to kill an authorization of 330 million over one year, and \$180 million over four years, for a new program of tree planting throughout the country. This kept the money in 5 mill Business Administration Londing bill till the 33. State of the country of

Volunteers needed to help Alzheimer's victims in home

Home care volunteers are sought by the Alzheimer's Association, De-troit Area Chapter, this fail. Volunteers are sought for the in-home respite care and adult da-care programs. Both services are used by residents of Wayne and Oak-land counties. The services provide relief for family, friends and other caregivers. caregivers.

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A yes vote opposed creation of a Small Business Administration tree

program.
Voting yes was Broomfield. Voting no from Michigan were Pursell, Hertel and Levin. William Ford did not

Campaign Finance — By a vote of 194 for and 225 against, members rejected GOP proposals to instruct the House side of a conference com-mittee working on campaign finance reform bills passed by the House and Senate.

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The GOP instructions were that House members be required to periodically tell the public about the mass-mailings they send home, just as senators presently must disclose control and the mass-mailings they send home, just as senators presently must disclose control and the mass-mailings and periodical control and provide and the franking privilege as a campaign tool, while lawmakers defend mass mailings as official communication.

This vote also rejected GOP instructions that House conferees accept certain Senate-approved PAC reforms, including a ban on receipts from PACs whose administrative costs are picked up by their sponsoring organization. Republicans say union-backed Democratic candidates benefit more DACs whose sending the reconnected PACs.

A yes vote was for certain PAC

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reforms and requiring House members to begin teiling the public about their individual use of franked mail.
Voting yes were Pursell and Broomfield. Voting no from Michigan were Hertel, William Ford and Levin.

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Auto Mileage — By a vote of 57 for and 42 against, the Senate fell short of the three-fifths majority needed to end a fillibuster and move ahead on legislation requiring more fuel-efficient autos. This caused the bill to be pulled off the floor and shelved indefinitely.

The bill (5 1224) sought to increase a manfacturer's fuel efficiency from the present fleet average of 27.5 maps to 40 maps for 2001 models. Sponsor Richard Bryan, D-Nex, said "a vote against this legislation is a vote against this legislation for continued dependence on foreign oil."

Wendell Ford, D-Ky., called the

oil."
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bill hazardous because "all things
being equal, people in large cars sustain fewer injuries in crashes than
people in smaller cars."
A yes vote was to move toward
more fuel-efficient autos.
Voting no-from Michigan were
Democrats Carl Levin and Donald
Riegle.

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Abortion Information - The Sen-

ate voted 53 for and 35 against to permit abortion counseling by clinics that receive federal money under Title X of the Public Health Service Act. The amendment was attached to a bill (81 10) reauthorizing certain bealth care and family planning programs for the poor. It would nullify a Bush administration ban on Title X. Chiles advising nations, that abore. clinics advising patients that abortion is a family planning option.

Sponsor John Chafee, R-R.I., said the issue was not abortion but "sole-ly whether the (pregnant) woman, when she asks, can be given the full range of options before her."

Opponent William Armstrong, R-Colo., said "If you want to take a more permissive attitude toward abortion, you would vote for the Chafee amendment."

A yes vote supported the amendment. Voting yes from Michigan were both Levin and Reigle.

Veter Registration — By a vote of 55 for and 42 against, the Senate fell short of the three-fifths majority needs to be considered to the conference of the three fifths of the conference of th

stage for registation by mail and the setting up of registration booths in public buildings nationwide.

The bill produced a sharp partisan-split in view of the conventional wissom that Democrats benefit most from wholesale sign-ups of unregistered voters.

Alan Cranston, D-Callf., said the

Alan Cranston, D-Calif., said the bill would "reinvigerate our democ-racy by opening it more fully to citizen participation." Bob Dole, R-Kans., said it would open the door for rampant fraud" and impose on state authority. A yes vote was to move toward the passage of the voter registration bill. Voting yes from Michigan were Levin and Reigle.

Meeting set on options to incinerator

Alternatives to incineration will be discussed by Dr. Paul Connett, as-sociate professor of chemistry at St. Lawrence University, at 7 p.m. to-day at the County Commissioner's Auditorium, 1200 Telegraph Road, Pontiac.

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