

He claims a minority party cannot get a resolution passed because of different thresholds. He wants to vote against a bill to prove 'process matters.'

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Rep. John Campbell (R-Newport Beach) this week was out to avenge an earlier Congressional snub of UC Irvine's 2009 championship volleyball team.

Speaking on the House floor Tuesday, **Campbell** railed against a resolution written by House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer (D-Md.) that would honor the University of Maryland for having the Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year and for getting into the NCAA Tournament.

Campbell sponsored a similar resolution in October after the UC Irvine men's volleyball team won the 2009 national championship. Hoyer pulled it from the floor.

It's just a matter of principle, **Campbell** said during his remarks on the House floor.

He pointed to what he called a loss of a sense of equity and fairness in the House.

"It seems like if a school is represented by someone from the minority party, they don't get a recognition, whereas if perhaps if they are from the majority, they do," Campbell said. "It seems like there are different thresholds, different standards, different ways that things happen in this House rather than simple equity and fairness."

Campbell encouraged his colleagues to oppose the resolution to send a message that **"process matters."**

"Little things like this aren't nearly as important as big things, like the government-run health-care bill that we're doing this week," Campbell said.

"But the fact is ... that this little bit is endemic of what is going on in the bigger bills in this House, in the way it operates and has, unfortunately, in this Congress."

Campbell also took his turn at the podium to point out that the Maryland squad had the lowest graduation rate of any of the 65 teams participating in this year's NCAA Tournament - 8%.

Zing.

Hoyer's resolution passed, 279-132, Wednesday.