CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—HOUSE

December 30, 2012

                           HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Ms. ROSE-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at 9 a.m. for morning-hour debate and 10 a.m. for legislative business.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Florida?

There was no objection.

CONGRATULATIONS, ERIC DELL

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I am grateful for the opportunity to recognize Eric Dell, chief of staff for the Second District of South Carolina. Eric has accepted to serve as senior vice president for the National Automatic Merchandising Association. This is a tremendous vote of confidence in his competence, dedication, and integrity.

There are no words to express the amount of appreciation I have had for Eric and for his service to South Carolina’s Second Congressional District over the last 11 years. Throughout my years in public service, whether it be deciding to run for office, serving in the South Carolina Senate, or representing constituents in Congress, I can always count on Eric to offer his support to me, my family, or any constituent in need. He is devoted to serving the people of South Carolina.

It is with mixed feelings but with great happiness that I bid Eric farewell. He and his wife, Torry, will always be cherished by me and my wife, Roxanne, and our sons for their friendship, Godspeed.

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Happy anniversary to my wife, Roxanne—the love of my life—whom I married 35 years ago this moment at Columbia’s First Presbyterian Church in a ceremony conducted by the Reverend Dr. Hugh McClure.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 7 o’clock and 15 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and through January 2 on account of death in the family.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker’s table and, under the rule, referred as attached. I do not intend to take the office of Member of Congress.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION WAIVING REQUIREMENT OF CLAUSE 6(a) OF RULE XIII WITH RESPECT TO CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS

Mr. SESSIONS, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 112–734) on the resolution (H. Res. 843) waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—WASHINGTON, DC, December 30, 2012.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER, Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER BOEHNER: I am writing to inform you that I have notified the Governor of South Carolina of my resignation from the U.S. House of Representatives effective January 2, 2013. A copy of that letter is attached. I do not intend to take the office of Representative for the First Congressional District of South Carolina in the 113th Congress.

It has truly been an honor to serve the First District of South Carolina, and I look forward to continuing that service in my new role as United States Senator. I have enjoyed working with you, Majority Leader Cantor, and all of our colleagues in the House, and wish you the best of luck in the future.

Sincerely,

TIM SCOTT,
Member of Congress.


Hon. NIKKI HALEY, Governor, State of South Carolina, Statehouse, Columbia, SC.

DEAR GOVERNOR HALEY: I am writing to resign my position as United States Representative from the First Congressional District of South Carolina, effective January 2, 2013. It has been a tremendous honor to represent the First District, and I look forward to continuing that service in my new role as the junior United States Senator for our great state.

I look forward to working with you, as well as Senator Graham and my friends in our state’s U.S. House delegation, to build not only a better South Carolina, but a stronger America. Our nation finds itself at a crossroads, and through strong, principled leadership we can ensure a brighter future for our children and grandchildren.

I also want to thank the people of the First District, from Myrtle Beach to Hilton Head Island, for the opportunity to serve our great state in the U.S. House of Representatives. Together we have stood up for our principles, and worked hard every day to lower federal spending and create the right environment for job creation. While the challenges before us may look daunting, I am certain we will look back on them as a positive turning point for our nation.

Sincerely,

TIM SCOTT,
Member of Congress.
ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 1539. An act to designate the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States.

H.R. 1845. An act to provide a demonstration project providing Medicare coverage for in-hospitalization of intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) and to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

H.R. 2338. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 Florida Avenue in Cocoa, Florida, as the ‘‘Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office’’.

H.R. 3069. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 East Capitol Avenue in Little Rock, Arkansas, as the ‘‘Sid B. Sanders McMath Post Office Building’’.

H.R. 3072. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California, as the ‘‘Lance Corporal Victor A. Dow Post Office’’.

H.R. 4033. An act to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending.

H.R. 4310. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on December 30, 2012, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 5490. To extend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for five years.

H.R. 3310. To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. SESSIONS. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o’clock and 22 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Monday, December 31, 2012, at 9 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the fourth quarter of 2012 pursuant to Public Law 95-284 are as follows:

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows:

8949. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department’s final rule — HUD Acquisition Regulations (HUDAR) (Docket No.: FR-5571-P-62) (RIN: 2501-AQ9) received December 19, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.


8951. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Revisions to Authorization Validated End-User Provisions: Requirement for Notice of Export, Reexport or Transfer (In- Country) and Clarification Regarding Termination of Condition on VEU Authorization (Docket No.: 110331231-3668-01) (RIN: 0694-AF19) received December 20, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8952. A letter from the Associate Director, Department of Treasury, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Iranian Transactions and Sanctions Regulations received December 20, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8953. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a letter regarding the deteriorating security situation in the Central African Republic and the