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The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Loving God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

We thank You again today for Your divine inspiration, which led to the creation of the Republican democracy we enjoy today, mindful that our responsibility is to faithfully carry forward this legacy to all those Americans who will follow us.

By law, the Congress meets this day in joint session to count the electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States. May all who attend to these proceedings, and those responsible for the management of government, be mindful that something greater than each and any of us gathered, or affected by these events, is coming to pass.

Bless our great Nation and those entrusted with its care throughout this first session of the 115th Congress, the 226th session of the Supreme Court, and the imminent administration of the 45th President. May all, by their actions, remember that we are a Nation which claims to put our trust in You.

And may all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. HOLDING)

come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HOLDING led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE TO COUNT ELECTORAL VOTES

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 2, 115th Congress, the Chair appoints as tellers on the part of the House to count the electoral votes:

The gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. HARPER) and

The gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. BRADY).

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 12:55 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at 1 p.m.

COUNTING ELECTORAL VOTES—JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE HELD PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 2

At 1 p.m., the Sergeant at Arms, Paul D. Irving, announced the Vice President and the Senate of the United States.

The Senate entered the Hall of the House of Representatives, headed by

the Vice President and the Secretary of the Senate, the Members and officers of the House rising to receive them.

The Vice President took his seat as the Presiding Officer of the joint convention of the two Houses, the Speaker of the House occupying the chair on his left. Senators took seats to the right of the rostrum as prescribed by law.

The joint session was called to order.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Mr. Speaker and Members of Congress, pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the United States, the Senate and House of Representatives are meeting in joint session to verify the certificates and count the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President of the United States.

After ascertainment has been had that the certificates are authentic and correct in form, the tellers will count and make a list of the votes cast by the electors of the several States.

The tellers on the part of the two Houses will take their places at the Clerk's desk.

The tellers, Senator BLUNT and Senator KLOBUCHAR on the part of the Senate, and Mr. HARPER and Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania on the part of the House, took their places at the desk.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, the tellers will dispense with reading formal portions of the certificates.

There was no objection.

The VICE PRESIDENT. After ascertaining that certificates are regular in form and authentic, the tellers will announce the votes cast by the electors for each State, beginning with Alabama.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Alabama seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 9 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 9 votes for Vice President.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. President, I object to the certificate from the State of Alabama on the grounds that the electoral votes were not, under all of the known circumstances, regularly given and that the electors were not lawfully certified, especially given the confirmed and illegal activities engaged in by the Government of Russia that were designed to interfere with our election and the widespread violations of the Voting Rights Act that unlawfully suppressed thousands of votes in the State of Alabama.

Mr. VICE PRESIDENT. Sections 15 and 17 of title 3 of the United States Code require that any objection be presented in writing, signed by a Member of the House of Representatives and a Senator.

Is the objection in writing and signed not only by a Member of the House of Representatives but also by a Senator?

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. President, the objection is in writing and is signed by a Member of the House of Representatives but not yet by a Member of the United States Senate.

Mr. VICE PRESIDENT. In that case, the objection cannot be entertained.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Alaska seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 3 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 3 votes for Vice President.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Arizona seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 11 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 11 votes for Vice President.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Arkansas seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 6 votes for President and Michael R. Pence from the State of Indiana received 6 votes for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of California seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 55 votes for President and TIM Kaine of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 55 votes for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Colorado seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 9 votes for President and TIM Kaine of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 9 votes for Vice President.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral

vote of the State of Connecticut seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 7 votes for President and TIM Kaine of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 7 votes for Vice President.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Delaware seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 3 votes for President and TIM Kaine of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 3 votes for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the District of Columbia seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 3 votes for President and TIM Kaine of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 3 votes for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Florida seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 29 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 29 votes for Vice President.

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The VICE PRESIDENT. For what purpose does the gentleman from Maryland rise?

Mr. RASKIN. Mr. President, I have an objection because 10 of the 29 electoral votes cast by Florida were cast by electors not lawfully certified because they violated Florida's prohibition against dual office holding.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Debate is out of order.

Section 15 and 17 of title 3 of the United States Code requires that any objection presented be in writing, signed by both a Member of the House of Representatives and a Senator.

Is the objection in writing and signed not only by the Member of the House of Representatives, but also by a Senator?

Mr. RASKIN. It is in writing, Mr. President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Is it signed by a Senator?

Mr. RASKIN. Not as of yet, Mr. President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. In that case, the objection cannot be entertained.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Georgia seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 16 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 16 votes for Vice President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. For what purpose does the gentlewoman from Washington rise?

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. President, I object to the certificate from the State of

Georgia on the grounds that the electoral votes were not—

The VICE PRESIDENT. There is no debate. There is no debate.

Section 15 and 17 of title 3 of the United States Code requires that any objection be presented in writing, signed by both a Member of the House of Representatives and a Senator.

Is the objection in writing and not only signed by the Member, but by a United States Senator?

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. President, even as people waited hours in Georgia—

The VICE PRESIDENT. There is no debate. There is no debate.

If there is not one signed by a Senator, the objection cannot be entertained.

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. President, the objection is signed by a Member of the House, but not yet by a Member of the Senate.

The VICE PRESIDENT. It is over.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Hawaii seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 3 votes for President, and BERNIE SANDERS of the State of Vermont received 1 vote for President, and TIM Kaine of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 3 votes for Vice President, and ELIZABETH WARREN of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts received 1 vote for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Idaho seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 4 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 4 votes for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Illinois seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 20 votes for President and TIM Kaine of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 20 votes for Vice President.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Indiana seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 11 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 11 votes for Vice President.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Iowa seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 6 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 6 votes for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Kansas seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears

therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 6 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 6 votes for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the Commonwealth of Kentucky seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 8 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 8 votes for Vice President.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Louisiana seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 8 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 8 votes for Vice President.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Maine seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 3 votes for President and Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 1 vote for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 3 votes for Vice President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 1 vote for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Maryland seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 10 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 10 votes for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 11 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 11 votes for Vice President.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Michigan seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 16 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 16 votes for Vice President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. For what purpose does the gentlewoman from California rise?

Ms. LEE. Mr. President, I object because people are horrified by the overwhelming evidence of Russian interference in our elections.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Section 18, title 3 of the United States Code prohibits debate in the joint session.

Section 15 and 17 of title 3 of the U.S. Code requires any objection be presented in writing, signed by both a

Member of the House and a Member of the Senate.

Is the objection in writing and signed not only by the Member of the House, but also by a Senator?

Ms. LEE. Mr. President, even with the malfunction of 87 voting machines at predominantly African—

The VICE PRESIDENT. There is no debate in order.

Ms. LEE. I have grave concerns—

The VICE PRESIDENT. The objection cannot be entertained.

Ms. LEE. Unfortunately, it is not yet signed by a Senator.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Chair is prepared to proceed with the count.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Minnesota seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 10 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 10 votes for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Mississippi seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 6 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 6 votes for Vice President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. For what purpose does the gentlewoman from Texas rise?

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. President, I object on the massive voter suppression that is provisional that denied individual ballots—

The VICE PRESIDENT. Debate is not in order. Debate is not in order.

The gentlewoman will suspend.

Section 15 and 17 of title 3 of the U.S. Code requires that any objection be presented in writing and signed by both the Member of the House of Representatives and a Senator.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. President, I have an objection.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Is it signed by a United States Senator?

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Not yet. We are seeking a United States Senator.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Well, in that case, the objection cannot be entertained.

We will proceed with the count.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Missouri seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 10 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 10 votes for Vice President.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Montana seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 3 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 3 votes for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Nebraska seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 5 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 5 votes for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Nevada seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 6 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 6 votes for Vice President.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of New Hampshire seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 4 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 4 votes for Vice President.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of New Jersey seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 14 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 14 votes for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of New Mexico seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 5 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 5 votes for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of New York seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 29 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 29 votes for Vice President.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of North Carolina seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 15 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 15 votes for Vice President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. For what purpose does the gentleman from Arizona rise?

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. President, I object to the certificate from the State of North Carolina based on violations of the Voting Rights Act and confirmed hacking by the—

The VICE PRESIDENT. There is no debate in the joint session.

The Chair has previously ruled that a signature from a Senator is required. Is there a signature from a Senator?

Mr. GRIJALVA. There is a signature from the House of Representatives, myself, and—

The VICE PRESIDENT. The objection cannot be received without a signature from a Senator.

The tellers will continue the count.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. For what purpose does the gentlewoman from Texas rise?

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. President, I object to the 15 votes from the State of North Carolina because of the massive voter suppression and the closing of voting massive suppression that occurred from African American—

The VICE PRESIDENT. There is no debate. There is no debate. There is no debate.

The gentlewoman will suspend.

As the Chair has previously ruled, a signature from a Senator is required.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Vice President, I do have in writing a signature from myself, not yet a signature from a Senator.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The objection cannot be received.

The tellers will continue the count.

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Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of North Dakota seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 3 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 3 votes for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Ohio seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 18 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 18 votes for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Oklahoma seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 7 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 7 votes for Vice President.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Oregon seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 7 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 7 votes for Vice President.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 20 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 20 votes for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Rhode Island seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 4 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 4 votes for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of South Carolina seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 9 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 9 votes for Vice President.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. For what purpose does the gentlewoman from Texas rise?

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. President, I object to the votes from South Carolina because—

The VICE PRESIDENT. The gentlewoman will suspend.

As the Chair has previously ruled, there is no debate in the joint session. As the Chair has previously ruled, a Senator is required to sign.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. President, I have it in writing. I am now seeking a signature from a United States Senator.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The objection cannot be received.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of South Dakota seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 3 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 3 votes for Vice President.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Tennessee seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 11 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 11 votes for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Texas seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 36 votes for President, John R. Kasich of the State of Ohio received 1 vote for President, and Ron Paul of the State of Texas received 1 vote for President, and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 37 votes for Vice President, and Carly Fiorina of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 1 vote for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Utah seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 6 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the

State of Indiana received 6 votes for Vice President.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Vermont seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 3 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 3 votes for Vice President.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the Commonwealth of Virginia seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 13 votes for President and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 13 votes for Vice President.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Washington seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Hillary Clinton of the State of New York received 8 votes for President, Colin Powell of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 3 votes for President, and Faith Spotted Eagle of the State of South Dakota received 1 vote for President, and TIM KAINE of the Commonwealth of Virginia received 8 votes for Vice President, ELIZABETH WARREN of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts received 1 vote for Vice President, MARIA CANTWELL of the State of Washington received 1 vote for Vice President, SUSAN COLLINS of the State of Maine received 1 vote for Vice President, and Winona LaDuke of the State of Minnesota received 1 vote for Vice President.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of West Virginia seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 5 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 5 votes for Vice President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. For what purpose does the gentlewoman from California rise?

Ms. LEE. Mr. President, I object on behalf of the million of Americans, including members of the intelligence community.

The VICE PRESIDENT. As the Chair has previously ruled, debate is prohibited.

As the Chair has previously ruled, a signature from a Senator is required. The objection cannot be received unless such a signature is obtained.

Ms. LEE. Mr. President, despite grave concerns of the intelligence—

The VICE PRESIDENT. The objection cannot be received.

Senator KLOBUCHAR, continue the tally.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Wisconsin seems to be regular in form and authentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J.

Trump of the State of New York received 10 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 10 votes for Vice President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. For what purpose does the gentlewoman from Texas rise?

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. President, I object to the votes from the State of Wisconsin which should not be legally certified.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The gentlewoman will suspend.

As the Chair has previously ruled, a signature from a Senator is required. Is there such a signature?

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. President, I do have a written document with my objection.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The objection cannot be received.

We will continue the tally.

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. President, the certificate of the electoral vote of the State of Wyoming seems to be regular in form and au-

thentic, and it appears therefrom that Donald J. Trump of the State of New York received 3 votes for President and Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana received 3 votes for Vice President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. For what purpose does the gentlewoman from California rise?

Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California. Mr. President, I do not wish to debate. I wish to ask: Is there one United States Senator who will join me in this letter of objection?

The VICE PRESIDENT. The gentlewoman will suspend.

The Chair has previously ruled a signature from a Senator is required. The objection cannot be received.

Members of Congress, the certificates having been read, the tellers will ascertain and deliver the result to the President of the Senate.

Senator BLUNT. Mr. President, the undersigned, ROY BLUNT and AMY KLOBUCHAR, tellers on the part of the Senate, GREGG HARPER and ROBERT A.

BRADY, tellers on the part of the House of Representatives, report the following as the result of the ascertainment and counting of the electoral vote for President and Vice President of the United States for the term beginning on the 20th day of January 2017.

The tellers delivered to the President of the Senate the following statement of results:

JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS FOR THE COUNTING OF THE ELECTORAL VOTES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES—OFFICIAL TALLY

The undersigned, ROY BLUNT and AMY KLOBUCHAR tellers on the part of the Senate, GREGG HARPER and ROBERT A. BRADY tellers on the part of the House of Representatives, report the following as the result of the ascertainment and counting of the electoral vote for President and Vice President of the United States for the term beginning on the twentieth day of January, two thousand and seventeen.

Electoral votes of each State	For President							For Vice President						
	Donald J. Trump	Hillary Clinton	Colin Powell	John Kasich	Ron Paul	Bernie Sanders	Faith Spotted Eagle	Michael R. Pence	Tim Kaine	Elizabeth Warren	Maria Cantwell	Susan Collins	Carly Fiorina	Winona LaDuke
Alabama—9	9							9						
Alaska—3	3							3						
Arizona—11	11							11						
Arkansas—6	6							6						
California—55		55							55					
Colorado—9		9							9					
Connecticut—7		7							7					
Delaware—3		3							3					
District of Columbia—3		3							3					
Florida—29	29							29						
Georgia—16	16							16						
Hawaii—4		3							3	1				
Idaho—4	4							4						
Illinois—20		20							20					
Indiana—11	11							11						
Iowa—6	6							6						
Kansas—6	6							6						
Kentucky—8	8							8						
Louisiana—8	8							8						
Maine—4	1	3						1	3					
Maryland—10		10							10					
Massachusetts—11		11							11					
Michigan—16	16							16						
Minnesota—10		10							10					
Mississippi—6	6							6						
Missouri—10	10							10						
Montana—3	3							3						
Nebraska—5	5							5						
Nevada—6		6							6					
New Hampshire—4		4							4					
New Jersey—14		14							14					
New Mexico—5		5							5					
New York—29		29							29					
North Carolina—15	15							15						
North Dakota—3	3							3						
Ohio—18	18							18						
Oklahoma—7	7							7						
Oregon—7		7							7					
Pennsylvania—20	20							20						
Rhode Island—4		4							4					
South Carolina—9	9							9						
South Dakota—3	3							3						
Tennessee—11	11							11						
Texas—38	36			1	1			37					1	
Utah—6	6							6						
Vermont—3		3							3					
Virginia—13		13							13					
Washington—12		8	3				1		8	1	1	1		1
West Virginia—5	5							5						
Wisconsin—10	10							10						
Wyoming—3	3							3						
Total—538	304	227	3	1	1	1	1	305	227	2	1	1	1	1

ROY BLUNT,
AMY KLOBUCHAR,
Tellers on the part of
the Senate.

GREGG HARPER,
ROBERT A. BRADY,
Tellers on the part of the use
of Representatives.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The state of the vote for President of the United States, as delivered to the President of the Senate, is as follows:

The whole number of electors appointed to vote for President of the United States is 538. Within that whole number, a majority is 270.

The votes for President of the United States are as follows:

Donald J. Trump of the State of New York has received 304 votes.

Hillary Clinton of the State of New York has received 227 votes.

Colin Powell of the Commonwealth of Virginia has received 3 votes.

John Kasich of the State of Ohio has received 1 vote.

Ron Paul of the State of Texas has received 1 vote.

BERNIE SANDERS of the State of Vermont has received 1 vote.

Faith Spotted Eagle of the State of South Dakota has received 1 vote.

The state of the vote for Vice President of the United States, as delivered to the President of the Senate, is as follows:

The whole number of electors appointed to vote for Vice President of the United States is 538. Within that whole number, a majority is 270.

The votes for Vice President of the United States are as follows:

Michael R. Pence of the State of Indiana has received 305 votes.

TIM Kaine of the Commonwealth of Virginia has received 227 votes.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

The VICE PRESIDENT. The joint session will be in order.

The Sergeant at Arms will remove the disturbance from the gallery.

The joint session will be in order.

ELIZABETH WARREN of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has received 2 votes.

MARIA CANTWELL of the State of Washington has received 1 vote.

SUSAN COLLINS of the State of Maine has received 1 vote.

Carly Fiorina of the Commonwealth of Virginia has received 1 vote.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Sergeant at Arms will remove the protestors from the gallery.

The joint session will be in order.

Winona LaDuke of the State of Minnesota has received 1 vote.

This announcement of the state of the vote by the President of the Senate shall be deemed a sufficient declaration of the persons elected President and Vice President of the United

States, each for the term beginning on the 20th day of January 2017 and shall be entered, together with the list of the votes, on the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives.

The purpose of the joint session having concluded, pursuant to the Senate Concurrent Resolution 2, 115th Congress, the Chair declares the joint session dissolved.

(Thereupon, at 1 o'clock and 41 minutes p.m., the joint session of the two Houses of Congress dissolved.)

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 2, 115th Congress, the electoral vote will be spread at large upon the Journal.

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ELECTING MEMBERS TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the House Republican Conference, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 29

Resolved, That the following named Members be, and are hereby, elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS: Mr. Rogers of Kentucky, Mr. Aderholt, Ms. Granger, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Culberson, Mr. Carter of Texas, Mr. Calvert, Mr. Cole, Mr. Diaz-Balart, Mr. Dent, Mr. Graves of Georgia, Mr. Yoder, Mr. Womack, Mr. Fortenberry, Mr. Thomas J. Rooney of Florida, Mr. Fleischmann, Ms. Beutler, Mr. Joyce of Ohio, Mr. Valadao, Mr. Harris, Mrs. Roby, Mr. Amodei, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Young of Iowa, Mr. Jenkins of West Virginia, Mr. Palazzo, Mr. Newhouse, Mr. Moolenaar, and Mr. Taylor.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE: Mr. Barton, Mr. Upton, Mr. Shimkus, Mr. Murphy of Pennsylvania, Mr. Burgess, Mrs. Blackburn, Mr. Scalise, Mr. Latta, Mrs. McMorris Rodgers, Mr. Harper, Mr. Lance, Mr. Guthrie, Mr. Olson, Mr. McKinley, Mr. Kinzinger, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Bilirakis, Mr. Johnson of Ohio, Mr. Long, Mr. Bucshon, Mr. Flores, Mrs. Brooks of Indiana, Mr. Mullin, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Collins of New York, Mr. Cramer, Mr. Walberg, Mrs. Mimi Walters of California, Mr. Costello of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Carter of Georgia.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL SERVICES: Mr. King of New York, Mr. Royce of California, Mr. Lucas, Mr. McHenry, Mr. Pearce, Mr. Posey, Mr. Luetkemeyer, Mr. Huizenga, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Stivers, Mr. Hultgren, Mr. Ross, Mr. Pittenger, Mrs. Wagner, Mr. Barr, Mr. Rothfus, Mr. Messer, Mr. Tipton, Mr. Williams, Mr. Poliquin, Mrs. Love, Mr. Hill, Mr. Emmer, Mr. Zeldin, Mr. Trott, Mr.

Loudermilk, Mr. Mooney of West Virginia, Mr. MacArthur, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Budd, Mr. Kustoff, Ms. Tenney, and Mr. Hollingsworth.

COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS: Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Tiberi, Mr. Reichert, Mr. Roskam, Mr. Tom Price of Georgia, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Smith of Nebraska, Ms. Jenkins of Kansas, Mr. Paulsen, Mr. Marchant, Mrs. Black, Mr. Reed, Mr. Kelly of Pennsylvania, Mr. Renacci, Mr. Meehan, Mrs. Noem, Mr. Holding, Mr. Smith of Missouri, Mr. Tom Rice of South Carolina, Mr. Schweikert, Mrs. Walorski, and Mr. Curbelo of Florida.

Mr. SMITH of Missouri (during the reading). Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be considered as read and printed in the RECORD.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Missouri?

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HOLDING). The Chair announces, without objection, the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to clause 11 of rule X, clause 11 of rule I, and the order of the House of January 3, 2017, and notwithstanding the requirement clause 11(a)(1)(D) of rule X, of the following Members of the House to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:

Mr. CONAWAY, Texas
Mr. KING, New York
Mr. LOBIONDO, New Jersey
Mr. TOM ROONEY, Florida
Mr. POMPEO, Kansas
Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Florida
Mr. TURNER, Ohio
Mr. WENSTRUP, Ohio
Mr. STEWART, Utah
Mr. SCHIFF, California

PERMISSION TO PLACE IN THE RECORD A STATEMENT REGARDING THE JOINT SESSION OF ELECTION

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to place in the RECORD a statement regarding the joint session of election, the county electoral ballots, and as well the appropriate letters of objection and documentation.

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