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The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BUCSHON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 16, 2024.

I hereby appoint the Honorable LARRY BUCSHON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Rachel Landers Vaagenes, Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Lord, still our hearts and minds from the busyness of the world for just a moment and turn our attention to the eternal and the transcendent.

Holy God, who loves us, Your love is always nearer than we know. We seem to only see weariness and strife with victories hard won and failures too many to number. We thank You for Your grace and forgiveness in the midst of our struggle, and we thank You for sharing Your vision of a world beyond partisan struggle, beyond violence, beyond division.

We pray, Lord, that this vision might be made real here and now: Peace over victory. Forgiveness over pride. Love over all.

I pray for the House Members and their constituents, who work together to be citizens of a better world.

I pray for their staff and families, especially, who support them in this extraordinary responsibility for our country. I pray for all of Congress, the court, and the executive office, that all may see beyond ideology and self-serv-

ing ends and work for the common good of the country that is made up of so many different people.

Send us into our work with stilled hearts and clear minds and this vision of love ever before us.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore 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.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF EMANCIPATION HALL IN THE CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER FOR A CEREMONY TO PRESENT THE CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDALS AWARDED UNDER THE HIDDEN FIGURES CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the Chair lays before the House the following concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 124) authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to present the Congressional Gold Medals awarded under the Hidden Figures Congressional Gold Medal Act.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

There was no objection.

The text of the concurrent resolution is as follows:

H. CON. RES. 124

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),

SECTION 1. USE OF EMANCIPATION HALL FOR CEREMONY TO PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDALS AWARDED UNDER HIDDEN FIGURES CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL ACT.

(a) AUTHORIZATION.—Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center is authorized to be used on September 18, 2024, for a ceremony to present the Congressional Gold Medals awarded under the Hidden Figures Congressional Gold Medal Act (Public Law 116-68).

(b) PREPARATIONS.—Physical preparations for the conduct of the ceremony described in subsection (a) shall be carried out in accordance with such conditions as the Architect of the Capitol may prescribe.

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE ROTUNDA OF THE CAPITOL FOR A CEREMONY TO AWARD POSTHUMOUSLY A CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL IN COMMEMORATION TO THE SERVICEMEMBERS WHO PERISHED IN AFGHANISTAN ON AUGUST 26, 2021, DURING THE EVACUATION OF CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES AND AFGHAN ALLIES AT HAMID KARZAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the Chair lays before the House the following concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 126) authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award posthumously a Congressional Gold Medal in commemoration to the servicemembers who perished in Afghanistan on August 26, 2021, during the evacuation of citizens of the United States and Afghan allies at Hamid Karzai International Airport.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

There was no objection.

□ 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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The text of the concurrent resolution is as follows:

H. CON. RES. 126

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),

SECTION 1. USE OF ROTUNDA FOR CEREMONY TO AWARD POSTHUMOUSLY CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL IN COMMEMORATION TO SERVICEMEMBERS WHO PERISHED IN AFGHANISTAN ON AUGUST 26, 2021, DURING EVACUATION OF UNITED STATES CITIZENS AND AFGHAN ALLIES AT HAMID KARZAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

(a) **AUTHORIZATION.**—The rotunda of the Capitol is authorized to be used on September 10, 2024, for a ceremony to award posthumously a Congressional Gold Medal in commemoration to the servicemembers who perished in Afghanistan on August 26, 2021, during the evacuation of citizens of the United States and Afghan allies at Hamid Karzai International Airport.

(b) **PREPARATIONS.**—Physical preparations for the conduct of the ceremony described in subsection (a) shall be carried out in accordance with such conditions as the Architect of the Capitol may prescribe.

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATION FROM CASEWORKER, THE HONORABLE HAROLD ROGERS, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Stacey Matthews, Caseworker, the Honorable HAROLD ROGERS, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 5, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I, Stacey Matthews, have been served with a subpoena for testimony in a criminal trial issued by the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky. This criminal trial is in relation to alleged threats made against Congressman Hal Rogers's staff.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

STACEY MATTHEWS,
Caseworker, Rep. Hal Rogers.

COMMUNICATION FROM COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR, THE HONORABLE HAROLD ROGERS, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Danielle Smoot, Communications Director, the Honorable HAROLD ROGERS, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 6, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules

of the House of Representatives, that I, Danielle Smoot, have been served with a subpoena for testimony in a criminal trial issued by the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky. This criminal trial is in relation to alleged threats made against Congressman Hal Rogers's staff.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

DANIELLE SMOOT,
Communications Director, Rep. Hal Rogers.

COMMUNICATION FROM DISTRICT DIRECTOR, THE HONORABLE HAROLD ROGERS, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Carlos Cameron, District Director, the Honorable HAROLD ROGERS, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 5, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I, Carlos Cameron, have been served with a subpoena for testimony in a criminal trial issued by the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky. This criminal trial is in relation to alleged threats made against Congressman Hal Rogers's staff.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

CARLOS CAMERON,
District Director, Rep. Hal Rogers.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, August 20, 2024.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 6 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-5080. A letter from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting the Bureau's policy statement — Consumer Financial Protection Circular 2024-04 received July 30, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-5081. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's funding opportunity announcement — Brookwood-Sago Mine Safety Grants (Brookwood-Sago Grants) [FOA-BS-2024-1] received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.

801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

EC-5082. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Designations of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware; Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-MD-DE 2015 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area; Reclassification to Serious [EPA-R03-OAR-2024-0351; FRL-12132-01-R3] received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5083. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Designations of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Connecticut; Greater Connecticut 2015 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area; Reclassification to Serious [EPA-R01-OAR-2024-0325; FRL-12126-01-R1] received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5084. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Colorado; Interim Final Determination to Stay and Defer Sanctions in the Denver Metro/North Front Range 2008 Ozone Nonattainment Area [EPA-R08-OAR-2024-0225; FRL-12122-02-R3] received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5085. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Pendimethalin: Pesticide Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2023-0308; FRL-12049-01-OCSP] received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5086. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Clean Air Act Title V Operating Permit Program Revision; West Virginia [EPA-R03-OAR-2024-0070; FRL-11788-02-R3] received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5087. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Massachusetts: Final Approval of State Underground Storage Tank Program Revisions, Codification, and Incorporation by Reference [EPA-R01-UST-2023-0321; FRL-11752-02-R1] received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5088. A letter from the Attorney for Regulatory Affairs Division, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting the Commission's direct final rule — Portable Fuel Container Safety Act Regulation [Docket No. CPSC-2022-0017] received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5089. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting an Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Singapore Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2153(d); Aug. 1, 1946, ch. 724, title I, Sec. 123 (as

amended by Public Law 109-401, Sec. 104(e)); (120 Stat. 2734) (H. Doc. No. 118—160); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-5090. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification stating that the national emergency with respect to export control regulations declared in Executive Order 13222 of August 17, 2001, in light of the expiration of the Export Administration Act of 1979, is to continue in effect for 1 year beyond August 17, 2024, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 118—161); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-5091. A letter from the Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Claims for Compensation Under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (RIN: 1240-AA19) received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5092. A letter from the Management Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Management Systems [Docket No.: FAA-201-0419; Amdt. Nos. 119-21, 21-108, 5-2, 91-374] (RIN: 2120-AL60) received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5093. A letter from the Management Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment, Amendment, and Revocation of Multiple Air Traffic Service (ATS) Routes; Eastern United States [Docket No.: FAA-2023-2315; Airspace Docket No.: 22-AEA-26] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received August 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5094. A letter from the Management Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment and Amendment of United States Area Navigation (RNAV) Routes; Eastern United States [Docket No.: FAA-2023-2198; Airspace Docket No.: 23-AEA-12] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received August 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5095. A letter from the Management Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification of Class E Airspace; Yerington Municipal Airport, Yerington, NV; Correction [Docket No.: FAA-2024-0635; Airspace Docket No.: 23-AWP-20] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received August 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5096. A letter from the Management Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Canada Limited Partnership (Type Certificate Previously Held by C Series Aircraft Limited Partnership (CSALP); Bombardier, Inc.) Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2024-0466; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00862-T; Amendment 39-22766; AD 2024-12-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5097. A letter from the Management Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final

rule — Airworthiness Directives; CFE Company Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2024-0461; Project Identifier AD-2023-00994-E; Amendment 39-22767; AD 2024-12-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5098. A letter from the Management Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2024-0757; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-01205-T; Amendment 39-22765; AD 2024-12-01] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5099. A letter from the Management Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2024-0042; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00659-R; Amendment 39-22759; AD 2024-10-13] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5100. A letter from the Management Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd & Co KG [Docket No.: FAA-2024-0043; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00985-E; Amendment 39-22760; AD 2024-10-14] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5101. A letter from the Management Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Pratt & Whitney Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2023-1640; Project Identifier AD-2022-00283-E; Amendment 39-22768; AD 2024-12-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5102. A letter from the Regulations Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Reconsideration of Burial and Memorialization Decisions (RIN: 2900-AR37(F)) received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5103. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; FY 2025 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System — Rate Update Final Rule [CMS-1806-F] (RIN: 0938-AV32) received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

EC-5104. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; FY 2025 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update, Hospice Conditions of Participation Updates, and Hospice Quality Reporting Program Requirements [CMS-1810-F] (RIN: 0938-AV29) received August 2, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law

104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. STEIL: Committee on House Administration. H.R. 7593. A bill to enhance the authority of the Director of the Congressional Research Service to obtain information directly from agencies of the Federal government (Rept. 118-631). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. STEIL: Committee on House Administration. H.R. 7592. A bill to direct the Librarian of Congress to promote the more cost-effective, efficient, and expanded availability of the Annotated Constitution and pocket-part supplements by replacing the hardbound versions with digital versions (Rept. 118-632). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. BURCHETT:

H.R. 9360. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 Macedonia Lane in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "Reverend Harold Middlebrook Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. CAREY (for himself and Mr. DAVIS of Illinois):

H.R. 9361. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the upper age limit on eligibility for the earned income tax credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CASTEN:

H.R. 9362. A bill to direct the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to improve interregional electricity transfer capability between immediately adjacent transmission planning regions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK (for herself, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. SALINAS, Ms. BROWNLEY, and Ms. McLELLAN):

H.R. 9363. A bill to amend the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to expand outreach and assistance to socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers who are women, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CROW (for himself, Mr. LUTTRELL, Ms. DELBENE, and Mr. ELLZEY):

H.R. 9364. A bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to strengthen and expand restrictions on retired members and members of reserve components of the uniformed services accepting employment and compensation from foreign governments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina (for himself and Mr. NUNN of Iowa):

H.R. 9365. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare program of pharmacist services; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each

case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. DESAULNIER:

H.R. 9366. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to identify, review, and implement effective interventions in Head Start programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. DESAULNIER:

H.R. 9367. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to require a recall of electronic nicotine delivery systems that have not been subject to premarket review, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas (for himself and Mr. STANTON):

H.R. 9368. A bill to require the Commissioner for U.S. Customs and Border Protection to assess current efforts to respond to hazardous weather and water events at or near United States borders and, to the extent such efforts may be improved, to develop a hazardous weather and water events preparedness and response strategy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER (for himself and Ms. CRAIG):

H.R. 9369. A bill to establish a task force to combat the rising elder abuse of LGBTQI+ individuals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER (for himself and Mr. LAWLER):

H.R. 9370. A bill to require State agencies to inform recipients of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits, participants in the WIC program, and recipients of assistance under the TANF program of card skimming, card cloning, and similar fraudulent methods of stealing such benefits or assistance; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KILMER:

H.R. 9371. A bill to take certain lands in the State of Washington into trust for the benefit of the Quinault Indian Nation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. KILMER:

H.R. 9372. A bill to take certain Federal land in the State of Washington into trust for the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. LANGWORTHY (for himself, Mr. DUNN of Florida, Ms. MACE, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. OGLES, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. HUNT, Mr. PENCE, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. SELF, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. BARR, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. HERN, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. DUNCAN, Mrs. CAMMACK, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. GRAVES of Missouri, Mr. LAWLER, and Ms. MALLIOTAKIS):

H.R. 9373. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Homeland Security from granting parole to certain dangerous aliens, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LAWLER (for himself, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. LANDSMAN, Mr. GARBARINO, Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER, Mr. BURCHETT, Mr. D'ESPOSITO, Mr.

STEUBE, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mr. KEAN of New Jersey, Mr. WILLIAMS of New York, Mr. DUNN of Florida, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. LALOTA, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mr. HILL, Ms. STEFANIK, and Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas):

H.R. 9374. A bill to amend the United Nations Participation Act of 1945 to provide for a prohibition on contributions to the United Nations relating to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. MULLIN:

H.R. 9375. A bill to require an earthquake resilience risk assessment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. PALMER (for himself, Mr. DUNN of Florida, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. STRONG, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, and Mr. CARL):

H.R. 9376. A bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to amend the rules of the Commission to include a shark attack as an event for which a wireless emergency alert may be transmitted, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 9377. A bill to amend the Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996 to remove the limit on the number of public housing agencies the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may add to the moving to work demonstration program; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 9378. A bill to direct the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and the Administrator of the General Services Administration to establish programs for the development of affordable housing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 9379. A bill to require the heads of certain agencies to disclose information about loans insured and guaranteed by such agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 9380. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit for working families housing development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. SYKES:

H.R. 9381. A bill to amend title 51, United States Code, to promote advancements and innovation in United States aeronautical research and technology for enhanced safety, noise, resiliency, and improved environmental impacts in United States aviation systems; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. VAN DREW:

H.R. 9382. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to add alaphagal to the definition of "major food allergen"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. MCCLAIN:

H. Con. Res. 126. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award posthumously a Congressional Gold Medal in commemoration to the servicemembers who perished in Afghanistan on August 26, 2021, during the evacuation of citizens of the United States and Afghan allies at Hamid Karzai International Airport; to the Committee on House Administration.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY AND SINGLE SUBJECT STATEMENTS

Pursuant to clause 7(c)(1) of rule XII and Section 3(c) of H. Res. 5 the following statements are submitted regarding (1) the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution and (2) the single subject of the bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. BURCHETT:

H.R. 9360.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To designate the facility of the U.S.P.S located at 300 Macedonia Lane in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the Reverend Harold Middlebrook Post Office Building.

By Mr. CAREY:

H.R. 9361.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the upper age limit on eligibility for the earned income tax credit.

By Mr. CASTEN:

H.R. 9362.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, clause 3 of the Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to improve interregional electricity transfer capability between immediately adjacent transmission planning regions.

By Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK:

H.R. 9363.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section VIII

The single subject of this legislation is:

Agriculture

By Mr. CROW:

H.R. 9364.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, clause 14

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill will strengthen and expand restrictions on retired members and members of reserve components of the uniformed services accepting employment and compensation from foreign governments.

By Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina:

H.R. 9365.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend Title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare program of pharmacist services.

By Mr. DESAULNIER:

H.R. 9366.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to identify, review, and implement effective interventions in Head Start programs.

By Mr. DESAULNIER:

H.R. 9367.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To require a recall of electronic nicotine delivery systems that have not been subject to premarket review

By Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas:

H.R. 9368.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To require the Commissioner for U.S. Customs and Border Protection to assess current efforts to respond to hazardous weather and water events at or near United States borders and, to the extent such efforts may be improved, to develop a hazardous weather and water events preparedness and response strategy, and for other purposes

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER:

H.R. 9369.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill creates a task force at the Department of Justice, focused on combating the rising abuse against elderly LGBTQI+ Americans.

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER:.

H.R. 9370.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

The Stop SCAMS Act would require State agencies to inform recipients of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits, participants in the WIC program, and recipients of assistance under the TANF program of card skimming, card cloning, and similar fraudulent methods of stealing such benefits or assistance.

By Mr. KILMER:

H.R. 9371.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, U.S. Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

Taking land into trust for a Tribe

By Mr. KILMER:

H.R. 9372.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, U.S. Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

Tribal land restoration

By Mr. LANGWORTHY:

H.R. 9373.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 3 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the U.S. Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

Would prohibit parole for individuals on the Known or Suspected Terrorist Watchlist and for Special Interest Aliens

By Mr. LAWLER:

H.R. 9374.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the U.S. Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend the United Nations Participation Act of 1945 to provide for a prohibition on contributions to the United Nations relating to Israel.

By Mr. MULLIN:

H.R. 9375.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 18 of section 8 of article 1 of the Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

Earthquake hazard resilience

By Mr. PALMER:

H.R. 9376.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Requires the Federal Communications Commission to amend the rules of the Commission to include a shark attack as an event for which a wireless emergency alert may be transmitted.

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 9377.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1

The single subject of this legislation is:

Housing

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 9378.

Article 1

The single subject of this legislation is:

Housing

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 9379

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1

The single subject of this legislation is:

Housing

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 9380.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1

The single subject of this legislation is:

Housing

By Mrs. SYKES:

H.R. 9381.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill amends title 51, United States Code, to promote advancements and innovation in United States aeronautical research and technology for enhanced safety, noise, resiliency, and improved environmental impacts in United States aviation systems.

By Mr. VAN DREW:

H.R. 9382.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1 Sec. 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to add alpha-gal to the definition of "major food allergen".

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 53: Mrs. HINSON.

H.R. 371: Mr. BANKS.

H.R. 372: Mr. BANKS.

H.R. 709: Mr. CRAWFORD.

H.R. 743: Mr. WITTMAN.

H.R. 779: Mrs. HOCHIN.

H.R. 838: Mr. NEWHOUSE.

H.R. 871: Mr. ALLRED.

H.R. 899: Mr. BURGESS.

H.R. 920: Ms. CARAVEO.

H.R. 1088: Mr. DUARTE and Mr. CARL.

H.R. 1194: Mr. SORESENSEN.

H.R. 1369: Ms. STANSBURY.

H.R. 1413: Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. WILLIAMS of New York, and Mr. MEUSER.

H.R. 1488: Ms. MATSUI.

H.R. 1491: Mr. SUOZZI.

H.R. 1533: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 1610: Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas.

H.R. 1624: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana.

H.R. 1770: Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER and Mr. DUNCAN.

H.R. 1787: Mr. SWALWELL.

H.R. 1794: Ms. SCHOLTEN and Mr. LEVIN.

H.R. 1826: Mr. BURGESS.

H.R. 1838: Mr. MENENDEZ.

H.R. 2401: Mr. FITZPATRICK and Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY.

H.R. 2423: Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 2584: Mr. WITTMAN.

H.R. 2620: Mr. GOODEN of Texas and Mr. MOORE of Alabama.

H.R. 2725: Mr. AGUILAR.

H.R. 2923: Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE.

H.R. 2976: Ms. PETTERSEN.

H.R. 3024: Ms. BONAMICI.

H.R. 3038: Ms. ADAMS.

H.R. 3228: Mr. SORESENSEN.

H.R. 3432: Mr. GOLDMAN of New York.

H.R. 3537: Mr. MOYLAN.

H.R. 3633: Ms. STANSBURY.

H.R. 3656: Ms. TLAIB.

H.R. 3702: Ms. CHU and Mr. MOYLAN.

H.R. 3862: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 3875: Ms. STANSBURY.

H.R. 3882: Mr. MILLER of Ohio.

H.R. 3894: Ms. SCHOLTEN.

H.R. 3965: Mr. MULLIN.

H.R. 4157: Mr. VALADAO, Mr. SORESENSEN, Ms. MCCOLLUM, and Mr. RULLI.

H.R. 4166: Mr. MAGAZINER.

H.R. 4184: Mrs. MCBATH and Ms. MCCLELLAN.

H.R. 4340: Mr. MEEKS, Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. CHU, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, and Mr. AGUILAR.

H.R. 4475: Ms. STANSBURY.

H.R. 4498: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 4663: Mr. DELUZZIO.

H.R. 4721: Mr. ADERHOLT.

H.R. 4724: Mr. VALADAO.

H.R. 4726: Mr. OGLES.

H.R. 4798: Ms. TLAIB.

H.R. 4896: Ms. CROCKETT.

H.R. 4933: Mr. COHEN.

H.R. 4963: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi and Mrs. RAMIREZ.

H.R. 4974: Mr. SOTO, Mr. BUCHANAN, and Mr. CARTER of Louisiana.

H.R. 5008: Mr. MENENDEZ.

H.R. 5041: Mr. CASTEN, Ms. SPANBERGER, and Mr. CARTER of Louisiana.

H.R. 5399: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana.

H.R. 5535: Mr. EMMER.

H.R. 5566: Mr. GRIJALVA.

H.R. 5624: Ms. LEE of California.

H.R. 5631: Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 5670: Mr. CRENSHAW.

H.R. 5877: Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 5937: Ms. CARAVEO.

H.R. 6043: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 6053: Mr. NEGUSE and Mr. RUIZ.

H.R. 6122: Mr. LAWLER.

H.R. 6129: Mrs. LESKO.

H.R. 6229: Mr. D'ESPOSITO and Mr. MOSKOWITZ.

H.R. 6242: Mr. KELLY of Mississippi and Mr. KIM of New Jersey.

H.R. 6244: Mr. PFLUGER, Mr. HUNT, and Mr. ELLZEY.

H.R. 6330: Ms. SALINAS and Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida.

H.R. 6348: Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER.

H.R. 6371: Mr. FONG and Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK.

H.R. 6451: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Ms. DELBENE, Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK, Mr.

GOLDMAN of New York, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. CLYBURN, and Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY.
H.R. 6598: Mr. TORRES of New York.
H.R. 6600: Mr. DUNCAN.
H.R. 6613: Ms. TENNEY and Ms. SLOTKIN.
H.R. 6663: Mr. D'ESPOSITO.
H.R. 6749: Mr. VAN DREW.
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H.R. 6892: Mr. PHILLIPS.
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H.R. 6950: Ms. CARAVEO.
H.R. 6980: Mr. VAN DREW.
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H.R. 7198: Mr. CAREY.
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H.R. 7248: Ms. SCHOLTEN.
H.R. 7274: Mr. SOTO.
H.R. 7300: Mr. MAGAZINER.
H.R. 7306: Mr. TAKANO.
H.R. 7342: Mr. LAWLER.
H.R. 7393: Mr. CARTWRIGHT.
H.R. 7429: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana.
H.R. 7573: Mr. GOLDMAN of New York.
H.R. 7578: Ms. CARAVEO.
H.R. 7629: Ms. LEE of California and Mr. THANEDAR.
H.R. 7704: Mr. LAWLER.
H.R. 7720: Mr. LAWLER.
H.R. 7722: Mr. SMITH of Washington.
H.R. 7729: Ms. BROWNLEY.
H.R. 7760: Ms. STANSBURY.
H.R. 7791: Mr. GOTTHEIMER and Ms. SPANBERGER.
H.R. 7801: Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Mr. MOONEY, Mr. SWALWELL, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Mr. HARDER of California, and Mr. BEAN of Florida.
H.R. 7829: Mr. LAWLER.
H.R. 7894: Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. COHEN, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, and Ms. HOULAHAN.
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H.R. 8340: Mr. D'ESPOSITO and Mr. WITTMAN.
H.R. 8347: Mr. GRIFFITH.
H.R. 8389: Mr. LAWLER.
H.R. 8419: Ms. DELBENE, Ms. TITUS, and Mr. AMO.
H.R. 8426: Mr. AGUILAR and Ms. DEGETTE.
H.R. 8451: Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia and Mr. TRONE.
H.R. 8478: Mr. CASTEN.
H.R. 8652: Ms. CARAVEO.
H.R. 8680: Ms. TOKUDA.
H.R. 8705: Mr. SOTO.
H.R. 8739: Ms. STANSBURY.
H.R. 8758: Ms. TOKUDA, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. BOWMAN, Ms. STANSBURY, Mr. CASAR, and Mr. DESAULNIER.
H.R. 8765: Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania and Ms. SÁNCHEZ.
H.R. 8777: Mr. LATTA and Mrs. SPARTZ.
H.R. 8790: Mrs. KIM of California and Mr. ZINKE.
H.R. 8830: Mr. FOSTER and Mr. GRIJALVA.
H.R. 8842: Mr. GRIJALVA.
H.R. 8889: Mrs. SPARTZ.
H.R. 8959: Mr. KIM of New Jersey.
H.R. 8970: Ms. TENNEY.
H.R. 8974: Mr. LAWLER.
H.R. 8989: Mr. HUNT.
H.R. 9076: Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia and Mr. EVANS.
H.R. 9096: Ms. MALOY and Mr. COMER.
H.R. 9120: Ms. ESHOO.
H.R. 9140: Mr. GRAVES of Missouri.
H.R. 9152: Ms. ADAMS, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Ms. SEWELL, and Ms. MCCOLLUM.
H.R. 9164: Mr. KHANNA, Ms. PINGREE, and Mr. LYNCH.
H.R. 9182: Ms. CARAVEO.
H.R. 9211: Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina.
H.R. 9253: Mr. DESAULNIER.
H.R. 9255: Ms. VELÁZQUEZ.
H.R. 9274: Mr. LANGWORTHY and Mr. FITZPATRICK.
H.R. 9337: Ms. STANSBURY.
H.R. 9348: Mr. MFUME.
H.J. Res. 144: Mr. JACKSON of Texas, Mr. STAUBER, and Mr. AMODEI.
H.J. Res. 193: Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. CARBAJAL, Ms. BALINT, Ms. WATERS, and Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE.
H. Con. Res. 118: Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. MCCLELLAN, Mr. SWALWELL, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE, Ms. SALINAS, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. BARRAGÁN, and Ms. WILSON of Florida.
H. Res. 144: Mr. JACKSON of Texas.
H. Res. 439: Ms. STANSBURY.
H. Res. 881: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana.
H. Res. 946: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.
H. Res. 1005: Mr. TAKANO.
H. Res. 1171: Ms. STANSBURY.
H. Res. 1414: Mr. COSTA, Mr. RUIZ, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, and Mrs. NAPOLITANO.



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Senate

The Senate met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable RICHARD J. DURBIN, a Senator from the State of Illinois.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mrs. MURRAY).

The Assistant Parliamentarian read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, August 16, 2024.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD J. DURBIN, a Senator from the State of Illinois, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATTY MURRAY,
President pro tempore.

Mr. DURBIN thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY,
AUGUST 20, 2024, AT 8 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 8 a.m. on Tuesday, August 20, 2024.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 10 and 30 seconds a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at 8 a.m.

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EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING MASTER CHIEF BRADFORD YOUNG

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Master Chief Bradford Young of U.S. Coast Guard Station Traverse City for his dedicated service to our grateful Nation.

Master Chief Young, a native of Rancho Palos Verdes, California, completed boot camp in 1996. His first duty assignment was aboard the USCGC *POLAR SEA*, which deployed to Antarctica, Australia, Indonesia, Singapore, Japan, Russia, and Alaska during his service. After his deployment he attended Avionics Technician (AVT) "A" School in Elizabeth City, NC, and then reported to Air Station Los Angeles, CA, it was there that he became an Avionics Electrical Technician (AET).

In 2008, Master Chief Young returned to Air Station Los Angeles and deployed 3 times to Central America. His heroism didn't stop there, as he also supported Border Patrol Operations and helped to stop drug smuggling and illegal migrants off the coast of California.

Master Chief Young arrived at Air Station Traverse City in June 2019 as the Command Master Chief, where he served honorably until June 2024. His decorated career includes three CG Commendation Medals, three CG Achievement Medals and numerous other personal and unit citations which serve as a testament to his valor and character.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Master Chief Bradford Young of U.S. Coast Guard Station Traverse City for his humble and extraordinary service to our country. I wish him the best in his retirement and future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING TEXAS-24 HOME- TOWN HERO DEPUTY TODD TIP- TON

HON. BETH VAN DUYNÉ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Ms. VAN DUYNÉ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize our Texas-24 Hometown Hero, Deputy Todd Tipton of the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office. On Wednesday, August 7th, as Deputy Tipton tried to serve an arrest warrant to a man suspected of child sex crimes, he was shot multiple times. After receiving gunshot wounds in the arm and lower back, as well as a bullet graze to the neck, Deputy Tipton was rushed to JPS Hospital where, miraculously, he was able to be released the same day.

A highly decorated officer, Deputy Tipton has been an integral part of the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office for the last 13 years, including in his current role as a member of the

SWAT team. Executing warrants to apprehend dangerous fugitives is one of Deputy Tipton's many duties that he performs daily to protect our community, putting his life on the line to keep North Texans safe. Despite being shot multiple times, Deputy Tipton is eager to return to duty as soon as he can.

I join the many North Texans praying for Deputy Tipton's swift and full recovery, and I thank him for his continued devotion to serving our community, even at great personal risk.

RECOGNIZING THE BARNESLEY RE- SORT AND JEKYLL ISLAND CLUB

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate two Georgia resorts—the Barnesley Resort and Jekyll Island Club—for being named a top 10 resort in the United States by USA Today.

The Barnesley Resort in Adairsville, Georgia placed No. 9 on the list, an English-inspired village community spanning over 3,000 acres.

The longstanding Jekyll Island Club placed No. 2 on the list, showcasing Southern hospitality and charm since its doors opened in 1888. Here, residents frequently enjoy the beautiful scenery and rich history of Georgia's coast.

These two resorts were chosen by a panel of experts and then voted on by USA Today readers. To qualify for the top 10 resort list, these resorts must offer the complete vacation experience, encompassing all that a vacation destination may offer to its guests on one site.

I am proud to celebrate this accomplishment for both the Barnesley Resort and the Jekyll Island Club and share this excitement with our great state of Georgia.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF JERROLD MARTIN "JERRY" AXELROD

HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. LIEU. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Jerrold Martin "Jerry" Axelrod, who passed away on August 19, 2023.

Jerry was born in Canton, Ohio on September 5, 1927. He served in the Army and studied at the University of California, Berkeley, but always remained incredibly close to his family. He and his brother, Warren, launched the highly successful company, Southwest Leasing, in Hollywood in 1960. Southwest Leasing eventually became headquartered in Beverly Hills and moved to West Los Angeles, where it occupied a city block and held thousands of cars.

He married his wife, Christine, in 1968 and moved to Beverly Hills in 1974 where he raised his two children. Jerry was deeply dedicated to the Beverly Hills community as a board member of the Maple Center, board member of City of Hope, and member of the Friars Club. He coached AYSO Soccer and was an avid supporter of the Beverly Hills Little League. He loved opening his home to others, hosting tennis tournaments, little league batting cage practice, Monday Night Football, and poker parties. He, Christine, and his stepson, Robert, moved to the Pacific Palisades community in 1997, where Jerry continued his legacy in creating meaningful relationships.

Jerry was a world traveler and he explored nearly every continent during his life. He was devoted towards exercising as he ran, boxed, weightlifted, swam, scuba dove, and practiced yoga. Jerry was most passionate about meeting new people and maintaining long-lasting friendships.

He is survived by many loving family members, including his wife, Christine; daughter, Jennifer Axelrod Clay (Ty); son, Danny Axelrod (Shannon); stepson, Robert Varie; three grandchildren: Cory (Kari), Molly, and William; and one great-grandchild, Samuel. May his memory be a blessing to all who know him.

HONORING GATORLAND ON THEIR 75TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, we recognize and honor Gatorland, the "Alligator Capital of the World," which opened in Orlando 75 years ago in 1949 as one of Florida's very first attractions. We also pay tribute to the continued dedication of the founding Godwin family and all the staff and employees who have made the award-winning, 125-acre theme park what it is today.

Not only is this a significant milestone for Gatorland but a significant milestone for Florida tourism, as generations of travelers from across the state, the country, and the world continue to visit a truly special place that has distinguished itself as a unique, genuine Real Florida attraction. Only at Gatorland can you encounter iconic experiences such as the Historic Gator Jaw Entrance, Gator Jumparoo Show, Adventure Hour Giant Alligator Feeding, Screamin' Gator Zipline zooming over hundreds of alligators and crocodiles, Stompin' Gator Off-Road Adventure, White Gator Marsh with the rarest alligators in the world, Alligator Breeding Marsh with Observation tower, Capybara Encounter on Flamingo Island and much, much more.

A beacon of education and conservation, Gatorland has evolved as a worldwide leader in alligator safety, research, rescue, and protection. The park's conservation program—

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Gatorland Global, is a testament to this daily mission. In fact, Gatorland has rescued hundreds of alligators over the years who were injured and at risk of not surviving, as well as those who were becoming a nuisance due to people illegally feeding them.

Just in the last year, the park rescued an American Alligator that was found missing her entire top jaw. This alligator, now named Jawlene, is thriving in her new home in "Alligator Paradise" at Gatorland and has since become a viral sensation and she is much beloved by the local community. In addition, the park welcomed the birth of Mystic, an extremely rare white leucistic alligator, along with her natural-color brother, Mayhem.

The park continues to rescue alligators and educate people on the importance of alligators and crocodiles to our ecosystems, to respect their power and beauty, and how to safely live with them in Florida and in communities around the world.

RECOGNIZING MR. WILMER LOY
ON HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and extend my heartfelt wishes to a dedicated veteran, farmer, and volunteer firefighter on his 100th birthday. Mr. Wilmer Loy, a lifelong resident of Crawford County, turns 100 on August 26, 2024.

Wilmer lived and worked in Crawford County until he was drafted in 1944 to fight in Europe as part of the U.S. Army. He initially trained in Georgia, but he was transferred to Belgium in 1945 where he trained on the 8-inch Howitzer. He participated in combat against Nazi Germany in the Black Forest, the Siegfried Line and the Rhine River. After the end of the war in Europe, Wilmer was transferred to the Pacific Theater where he served until the end of the war. Wilmer was sent home and honorably discharged from the Army after the Japanese surrendered in 1945. He was awarded the Good Conduct Medal; European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with one Bronze Star; and the World War II Victory Medal.

After his discharge from the Army, Wilmer worked at Chatfield Hardware for more than ten years. He went on to work the next forty years at Leonhart Gas and Oil in Tiro. He drove delivery trucks, semi tankers, and heavy equipment for the company while working on his farm outside New Washington, Ohio. Wilmer also served as a volunteer firefighter for the Chatfield Volunteer Fire Department for more than 60 years and was a member of the Tiro Volunteer Fire Department for more than 10 years. For the last seven decades, he has served in several positions with the American Legion Post 405 in New Washington and as a member of the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 669 in Bucyrus.

Mr. Speaker, I ask our colleagues to join me in paying special tribute to the life and service of Mr. Wilmer Roy. On behalf of the people of the Fifth Congressional District of Ohio, I recognize the devotion and compassion that Wilmer has for his community and our Nation. I wish him all the best on his 100th birthday.

HONORING TOM "SUNTAN"
SULLIVAN

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize the extraordinary career of Tom "SunTan" Sullivan, from his service to our Nation to his hard work at the Barnes & Noble Bookstore at Northeastern University.

Tom has been called the "backbone" of the operations at the Barnes & Noble—as a warehouse manager he assured smooth facilitation of operations and inventory, holding a vital role which contributed greatly to the University throughout his tenure.

Tom served his country honorably as well, aboard the Navy's USS *Brownson* DD 868 from 1970 to 1975. Tom demonstrated great humility, honor, and determination in that role.

August 3rd is now known as "National SunTan Day," honoring a man who is beloved, admired and respected by all.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize the extraordinary career of Tom "SunTan" Sullivan and I wish him the very best in his future endeavors.

CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT
OF FERNANDO RUELAS

HON. RAUL RUIZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. RUIZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Fernando Ruelas and congratulate him on a remarkable 25-year career at the Coachella Valley Water District. As he prepares to retire, it is my honor to recognize Fernando's dedication to his work and thank him for his service to the entire Coachella Valley community.

A proud Mexican American, Fernando graduated from Indio High School in 1990. It was during these formative years that Fernando worked as a palm tree worker and dishwasher, where he developed his admirable work ethic.

In 1995, Fernando began working as a service worker for the Indio Water Authority. Through his hard work and dedication, along with the encouragement from his community, he sought out to further his career by acquiring six certifications to ensure a better future for himself and his family.

He began working for the Coachella Valley Water District in 1999. It was here that he climbed the ladder from meter repair trainee to Domestic Operations Manager. His leadership ensured our desert community received sufficient and treated water for residents and agricultural sites.

Fernando's journey of perseverance led him to a fulfilling chapter at the Coachella Valley Water District, where he founded and managed IRC Backflow, a thriving water backflow business. He balanced serving his community during the week and being an entrepreneur on the weekends, all while raising his three children—Fernando III, Silvia, and Maria—with his wife Giselle.

Mr. Speaker, in celebrating Fernando Ruelas, we celebrate the unwavering spirit of

a true role model. He has set an example for young people aspiring for a brighter future within our community as entrepreneur, public servant, and father. His dedication and impact have paved a legacy that will continue to motivate and uplift for years to come.

On behalf of California's 25th District, I extend my gratitude to Fernando and his family for his service as we join in congratulating him on his retirement.

HONORING SAMMY SULLIVAN WHO
LED THE U.S. WOMEN'S RUGBY
TEAM TO A BRONZE MEDAL FIN-
ISH AT THE 2024 PARIS OLYM-
PICS

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Fayetteville native Sammy Sullivan on leading the U.S. Women's Rugby team to a bronze medal finish at the 2024 Paris Olympics.

Sammy was introduced to rugby at West Point and eventually fell in love with the sport following in her father's footsteps and earning her a Prusmack Award, recognizing her all-time try scoring leader and the top collegiate 7s athlete in the Nation. She dominated on the pitch and soon gained the attention of USA Women's 7s Head Coach Emilie Bydwell, who asked her to join the team. Sammy accepted, and has spent the last two years competing, and training with the USA Rugby team, earning the captain role. All the team's hard work paid off and was on full display during their fantastic Olympic performance this year. As a former UNCC Rugby player myself, I can confidently say that was some of the best rugby I've ever watched.

Sammy Sullivan is not only captain of the U.S. Women's Rugby team, but also serves as a Captain in the United States Army. The two Captainships have led many fans to lovingly refer to her as "Captain America." Here in North Carolina, we could not be more proud of her service to our country both on the pitch, and in uniform.

Sammy comes from a family of public servants. Her father was a Special Forces Operator, her brother is a member of the Army Infantry, and her mother is a teacher. I would like to thank Sammy and her amazing family for their steadfast commitment to our great Nation.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in recognizing Sammy Sullivan and the U.S. Women's Rugby Team on winning a bronze medal at this year's Olympics.

RECOGNIZING HOWARD SEID AS
UP VETERAN OF THE YEAR

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to honor Mr. Howard Seid as U.P. Veteran of the Year. An Air Force Academy graduate, Mr. Seid served in a multitude of roles

since 1981. His career's impressive capstone came in 2007 when he served as the Vice Commander of the 433rd Airlift Wing at Lackland AFB.

Since retiring from the USAF, Howard has worked tirelessly for other veterans and his community, continuing to exemplify all of the values that are ingrained in our brave men and women in uniform—those of humility, courage, and service above self.

Since 2016, Howard has been the Western U.P. representative for the Veteran's Community Action Team (VCAT), working on many issues and barriers that our veterans face every day. As the Vice-Chairman of the VCAT Steering Committee, Howard and his commendable team were notably able to donate over \$400,000 in food cards to veterans across the U.P.

Howard additionally gives back to his community through the Ontonagon County Veteran's Association, serving as the Commander of Rockland Legion Post 92 and coordinating county-wide veterans' outreach events. As Commander of Post 92, he has almost doubled the membership in seven years.

Every year, Howard plans, organizes, and hosts a Veteran's Day dinner party for almost one hundred veterans and spouses in Rockland, thanking them for their service. He also acts as the speaker for the event each year and personally delivers meals to all veterans that cannot attend.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of Michigan's Upper Peninsula and entire First District, I would like to acknowledge Mr. Howard Seid for his humble and dedicated service to his community and our Nation. I can think of no one more deserving of recognition as the U.P. Veteran of the Year, and I wish Mr. Seid the best in all of his future endeavors.

HONORING WALLY AMOS

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mourn the loss of Wallace "Wally" Amos, who sadly passed away at 88 years old.

Wally, creator of the Famous Amos cookie empire, left this world much sweeter than he found it. The Famous Amos cookie shop opened in Los Angeles in 1975 and was the world's first cookie shop.

Before creating his cookie business, Mr. Amos served in the U.S. Air Force while stationed in Honolulu, Hawaii. Wally often traveled between Hawaii and California, fulfilling his duties to the U.S. Air Force and his passion for baking cookies.

Mr. Amos is survived by his wife Carol, and his children, Sarah, Michael, Gregory, and Shawn. Wally's hard work and entrepreneurial spirit are testaments to his great character, and he will surely be missed by his family, friends, and his Famous Amos community.

I send my deepest condolences to the Amos family and Wally's friends. Both the family and friends of Wally are in my thoughts and prayers.

TRIBUTE TO KEM ANDERSON

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a fellow South Carolinian and a remarkable public servant. Mrs. Kem Anderson has retired after 28 years of service at the Department of State and the United States Senate. The impact of her work continues to benefit our great country.

A native of Denmark, South Carolina, Mrs. Anderson has worked tirelessly to serve the people of her home state. Earlier in her career, she served as a special assistant to Senator Ernest "Fritz" Hollings (D-SC), where she specialized in immigration casework. She also served on the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation; the Subcommittee on the Consumer, chaired by former Vice President Albert Gore; and the Subcommittee on Communications, chaired by Senator Daniel K. Inouye, before joining the State Department in February 1994.

Her State Department career spanned the tenures of nine Secretaries of State. During this time, she worked on numerous high-profile issues, including helping organize the NATO Summit for its 50th anniversary in Washington in 1999. In 1997, she served on the planning committee to rename the State Department's library, the oldest federal government library, after statesman Ralph Bunche, and was recognized by then-Secretary Madeleine Albright for her contributions to these efforts. While serving in the State Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs, she was responsible for monitoring the work of task forces that were drawing down personnel at U.S. missions in East Africa and served as a control officer for the funerals of two Americans who were tragically killed in the 1998 bombing of the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi, Kenya.

Mrs. Anderson was recently awarded a Meritorious Honor Award for her contribution to the success of the State Department's repatriation of over 100,000 Americans from 136 countries during the COVID-19 pandemic. On June 11, 2020, the United States Senate passed Senate Resolution 567, commending career professionals at the Department of State for their extensive efforts to repatriate U.S. citizens during the pandemic. Her efforts were instrumental in keeping Congress informed on those repatriation efforts.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in commending Mrs. Kem Anderson's extraordinary career and congratulating her on her well-earned retirement. As Mrs. Anderson embarks on this next chapter of her life, I am confident that her years of service will continue to resonate in the halls of Congress, the State Department, and the lives of Americans for many years to come.

CONGRATULATING CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL CAPTAIN VINCENT PAGANO OF BAKERSFIELD ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. VINCE FONG

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. FONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor California Highway Patrol Captain Vincent Pagano of Bakersfield. Throughout his distinguished career, Captain Pagano has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to our community and our country.

Born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Captain Pagano's public service began with his enrollment in the U.S. Navy in 1985. Following his graduation from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1989, where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in physical sciences, Captain Pagano served as a U.S. Navy helicopter pilot, specializing in anti-submarine warfare and combat search and rescue operations. Captain Pagano served as a Force Protection and Security Office, ensuring security of key military installations, military personnel, and civilians.

Beginning in 1999, Kern County would soon benefit from his Navy learning when Captain Pagano joined the California Highway Patrol, assigned to the Altadena incline. Captain Pagano answered the call of protecting our communities—serving in Buttonwillow, Fresno, and the Grapevine. His leadership and professionalism earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and the communities he served, as he was promoted to Sergeant in 2012 and Lieutenant in 2017. From 2019 to 2022, he received his first area command, as Commander in the Fort Tejon Area. Finally, in January of 2022, Pagano was promoted to Captain and Commander of the Bakersfield division of the California Highway Patrol. In this role, he has continued to uphold the highest standards of law enforcement, ensuring the safety and security of the residents of Bakersfield and the millions who traverse California's highways.

Following Pagano's promotion, he immediately launched initiatives to prevent distracted driving deaths and DUIs, and generally encouraging drivers to act more courteously on California's famously busy highways.

California's Central Valley remains beautiful and prosperous, due to the heroism and dedication of people like Captain Pagano, who keep our neighborhoods safe. Captain Pagano's selfless service in both the U.S. Navy and the California Highway Patrol reflects the best of those who wear the uniform. His lifelong embodiment to safety, service, and security, the motto of California Highway Patrol, serves as an example for all who aspire to serve our country and communities with honor.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in expressing our deepest gratitude to Captain Vincent Pagano for his outstanding service to our country and his tireless dedication to public safety. On behalf of the 20th Congressional District of California, I would like to congratulate Captain Pagano for his heroic four-decade career protecting our families and communities and wish him the best in his rightly merited retirement.

CELEBRATING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF PEOPLE INCORPORATED

HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. GRIFFITH. Mr. Speaker, I offer these remarks in honor of People Incorporated of Virginia, which celebrates its 60th anniversary this year. People Incorporated has been a leading advocate for the care of rural Virginians, particularly in Southwest Virginia, since the organization's inception.

People Incorporated got its start in August 1964 in Washington County, providing education, day care and recreation for local residents. At the time, the group was referred to as the Hayter's Gap Community Club before it was changed to the Progressive Community Club.

Expansion of the agency ensued, with services extending to the Bristol area starting in 1974, when it became known as People Incorporated.

The services provided by People Incorporated today help many communities in the Commonwealth, including the people of Buchanan, Dickenson, Russell and Washington Counties, as well as the City of Bristol. These services include community development projects, family and financial service counseling and employment training, among others.

A resolution from the Virginia House of Delegates commends People Incorporated, noting that the group has grown to such prominence that it "is regarded as one of the most innovative and successful community action agencies" in the country.

Given the struggles and challenges that rural Virginians face, the work of groups like People Incorporated makes a difference and improves the living conditions of many.

I look forward to the continued success of People Incorporated, and thank their leadership, their staff and all affiliates for their tireless commitment to the betterment of our region.

HONORING LARRY STRAUS ON HIS 95TH BIRTHDAY

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to honor Mr. Larry Straus for his 74 years of dedicated service to the United States Postal Service.

A Drummond Island native, Mr. Straus has been a mail carrier of the USPS since 1950 and has served many Michigan communities over the past seven decades, including Mt. Pleasant and Kingsley. Larry has served the Drummond Island community since 2000 and recently just celebrated his 95 birthday.

Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to honor Mr. Larry Straus for his 74 years of dedicated service to the United States Postal Service and wish him an incredibly happy 95th birthday.

HONORING LOIS CASON WOOTEN

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mourn the loss of Lois Ruth Cason Wooten, who sadly passed away at the age of 95.

Lois studied English and Library Science at the University of Georgia. She took her passion and expertise to work as the Head Librarian at Northside High School in Atlanta, Georgia.

After her time in Atlanta, Lois and her husband Frank moved to Savannah, Georgia where they selflessly served the city in a myriad of ways.

Lois was greatly involved in the Savannah Symphony, Savannah College of Art and Design, and Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Wooten are survived by their beloved daughter, Anna, and their wonderful grandchildren. Lois will always be remembered for her service in the Atlanta and Savannah communities and will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

I offer my sincerest condolences to the entire Wooten family. My thoughts and prayers are with the family and Lois' friends today.

HONORING ESTELLA YBARRA FOR HER EXEMPLARY SERVICE AND COURAGE

HON. VERONICA ESCOBAR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Ms. ESCOBAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Estella Ybarra, from El Paso, Texas, for her exceptional dedication to justice and integrity.

Ms. Ybarra was a juror in a 1990 high-profile case of Carlos Jaile. When the jury convened to deliberate, she believed in Jaile's innocence but ultimately felt intimidated by the aggressive pushes for a guilty verdict by her white, male peers. It was her first time serving in a jury and without a full understanding of the legal system, she felt pressured into a guilty vote, though her conscience told her otherwise.

For almost 30 years, her conscious reminded her of the man whose innocence she believed in. She decided to take action and with great humility, courage, and empathy. She called the El Paso Police Department, who connected her with the District Attorney's office that had won Mr. Jaile's conviction 27 years earlier. The office agreed to reexamine the case.

The reexamination resulted in an Earth-shattering revelation: the District Attorney's office had DNA evidence from the FBI that exonerated Mr. Jaile, but hid the test results. A judge overseeing the re-opened case called the El Paso Police and prosecutor's office's actions "unacceptable" and "grossly negligent if not more."

Estella Ybarra, serving in a capacity that demanded both diligence and empathy, demonstrated remarkable courage and an unwav-

ering commitment to justice. The cascade of events that followed her phone call culminated in Carlos Jaile being released from prison after 27 years of wrongful imprisonment. Her role in this case, as detailed in a recent Texas Monthly article, showcases her dedication to ensuring fairness and integrity within the judicial process.

Ms. Ybarra's actions not only upheld the sanctity of the judicial system but also reinforced the critical role that individuals play in maintaining public trust and confidence.

Today, it is my honor to recognize Estella Ybarra. She embodies the best of El Paso: bravery, persistence, empathy, and a commitment to justice. Her actions exemplify the highest ideals of public service.

HONORING THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARINE EXCHANGE OF THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Marine Exchange of the San Francisco Bay Region, upon celebrating its 175th anniversary. Since its inception, the Marine Exchange has been at the forefront of technological advancement in its industry, implementing groundbreaking improvements to make the maritime industry safer for all.

Originally founded in 1849, the Marine Exchange facilitated safe and efficient maritime trade during the California Gold Rush. Over the decades, the Marine Exchange evolved into a critical driver of innovation in the Bay Area, helping expand and develop the Bay Area's maritime industry. From installing the first electric telegraph on the West Coast to serving as the research and development site for the first vessel traffic service in the country, the Marine Exchange has played an essential role in supporting the America's maritime infrastructure and promoting navigational and environmental safety.

The Marine Exchange's remarkable milestone of 175 years of service demonstrates the organization's sincere commitment to supporting our country's maritime industry and the countless Americans whose livelihoods depend on it. This commitment has led to tremendous economic impact in the Bay Area and beyond, strengthened environmental protections, and improved organization and communication throughout the region.

On behalf of the constituents of California's Eighth Congressional District, I would like to honor the Marine Exchange of the San Francisco Bay Region upon its 175th anniversary and extend my sincere gratitude for its generations of service to the United States maritime industry.

HONORING CHANCELLOR CAROL
CHRIST'S RETIREMENT

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today along with my colleagues, Representatives MARK DESAULNIER and ERIC SWALWELL, to honor the retirement of a champion of women's issues, a leader in diversity, and an advocate for high quality and accessible education—Chancellor Carol Christ.

Chancellor Christ began her career in academia at Douglass College, where she studied English Literature and graduated with high honors. Recognizing the value of the liberal arts and sciences, Chancellor Christ earned a Ph.D. from Yale University before immediately joining the English Department at the distinguished University of California, Berkeley (UC Berkeley).

Chancellor Christ served as a professor at UC Berkeley for over three decades. Her titles included chair of the English Department, dean of Division of Humanities, and provost for the College of Letters and Science. Beyond helping form the minds of the future, Chancellor Christ was key in helping the University achieve its academic and strategic goals.

This made her an ideal choice when in 2017, Chancellor Christ began her term as the 11th chancellor of UC Berkeley. During her term she oversaw academia and education at the highest level. Through thoughtful debate and discussion, strategic financial decisions, the consideration of student and community voices on key issues, and encouragement of a positive environment for education; Chancellor Christ helped cement UC Berkeley as one of the premier learning institutes in the world.

We honor Chancellor Christ and congratulate her on a well-earned retirement. We thank her for her decades of service to educational justice and the careful facilitation of curious young minds and wish her well as she has more time to spend with her children and grandchildren as her legacy continues to grow and impact future generations of students and leaders.

HONORING TEXAS-24 HOMETOWN
HERO LIEUTENANT COLONEL
ASA PEARSON

HON. BETH VAN DUYN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Ms. VAN DUYN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor our Texas-24 Hometown Hero, Lieutenant Colonel Asa Pearson from Bedford, who is retiring from the United States Army after 40 years of honorable service. LTC Pearson began his military career in October 1983, when he enlisted in the Army. He completed his basic training at airborne school and AIT, then he was assigned to the 1st Special Operations Command as a Psychological Operations Specialist. LTC Pearson has been a steadfast pillar in our community, dedicating his time, expertise, and compassion to helping

the knowledge and well-being of those who need it most. During his 40 years of service in the Army, he advanced from Private E1 to Sergeant First Class and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Emergency Management from the University of North Texas.

While working as a PSYOP subject matter expert at the John F. Kennedy School of Special Warfare, LTC Pearson was recommended for, and accepted, a Direct Commission. As a Commissioned Officer, he continued his professional development by attending the Bush School of Government to study International Affairs and by earning a master's degree from Texas Christian University. LTC Pearson has consistently sought opportunities to expand his knowledge, attending the Transportation Officer course, the Civil Affairs Officers Advanced Course, and the PSYOP Officers course. In addition, he has served in the following roles: PSYOP Team Sergeant in Desert Storm, Civil Affairs Joint Staff Officer in the Balkans, PSYOP Detachment Commander to Afghanistan, and Civil Affairs Company Commander in the Horn of Africa.

LTC Pearson was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for his heroic actions in Desert Storm and has also received four Meritorious Service Medals, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Combat Action Badge, the Master Parachutist Badge, the Pathfinder Badge, and the Russian Basic Airborne Badge.

Lieutenant Colonel Asa Pearson exemplifies the finest North Texas has to offer. As we honor him today, we do so not just with gratitude for his 40 years of service in the United States Army, but also with appreciation for his dedication to our community.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF PA
STATE REP. OBERLANDER

HON. GLENN THOMPSON

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Pennsylvania State Representative Donna Oberlander's advocacy for the 63rd District and to congratulate her on her retirement.

For the past 16 years, Rep. Oberlander has served Clarion and Armstrong Counties, advanced economic opportunities and preserved traditional values.

Throughout her time in public service, Donna has made a lasting impact on our commonwealth. Her legislation, Act 130 of 2022, permitted pilot driverless testing programs, which have created thousands of jobs and contributed billions in investments.

Her advocacy for Act 7 of 2020 has created safer outcomes for medically fragile newborns by regulating milk banks.

Outside of her numerous legislative accomplishments, Rep. Oberlander is a dependable leader. In the Pennsylvania State House, Donna has served as Chairwoman for the House Tourism and Economic and Recreational Development Committee, Republican Whip, Republican Policy Chairman, and Caucus Secretary.

Rep. Oberlander's impressive leadership speaks volumes. She was the first Republican woman to serve as both Republican Whip and Policy Chairman.

Donna Oberlander is an impressive woman; I am fortunate to call her my friend. I thank her for her service to the people of Pennsylvania and wish her well in retirement.

HONORING THE LIFE OF LOWELL
"BRENT" SIBLEY

HON. ANNA PAULINA LUNA

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mrs. LUNA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Lowell 'Brent' Sibley of Oneonta, Alabama, and include in the RECORD his obituary.

Lowell 'Brent' Sibley, 70, of Oneonta, Alabama, passed away on Tuesday, August 6, 2024. He was in the midst of completing a multi-year project developing a retreat in South Alabama to accomplish his son, Forrest's, vision for his Air Force Combat Control brothers. Thanks go out to all "his guys" who have stood in as sons and brothers since 2015.

As a proud Son of the South, Brent was born in Baton Rouge, LA, grew up in Gulf Breeze, FL and made his home in Oneonta, AL. He graduated from UWF with a BS in Marketing, where shortly after, he opened his first business with Chick-Fil-A and made a home for his family. He was an outstanding and dedicated father and worked tirelessly to ensure he gave his children a life full of love and life lessons. He has had a lifelong passion for music and has shared his talent with friends from Shreveport to Pensacola to Gadsden and beyond. His accomplished guitar talent reflected his fierce admiration for the true soul sound of the Blues. An original "Breezer," he leaves behind a legacy of close friendships and of bandmates including the Skydogs who honor the Allman Brothers. His annual Jam for Duane brought together nationwide musical talent and fans for many years. Brent was an avid hunter and woodsman and loved sharing his plethora of knowledge with his children and his brothers within the Special Tactics Community. For those who knew him, Roll Tide. He was also a longtime official of baseball and basketball games. He retired from Realty South in Oneonta, AL.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Raiford and Betty Sibley, and his son, SSgt Forrest Brent Sibley, 21st Special Tactics Squadron.

Brent leaves to cherish his memory his daughter, Jordan Sibley; granddaughter, Sophia, of Pensacola; his fiancée, Mona Maddox; brothers, Bryan Sibley (Sarah) and Dale Sibley; along with nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family.

HONORING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MAYO PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

HON. MIKIE SHERRILL

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Ms. SHERRILL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 30th anniversary of the Mayo Performing Arts Center (MPAC) in appreciation of its importance to New Jersey's Eleventh Congressional District as a center of entertainment and arts education.

MPAC has its origins in the Community Theater, the first first-run movie theater in

Morristown, which opened in the 1930s but eventually fell into disrepair. In 1994, the Theater reopened as a performing arts center, sparking a 30-year journey leading to the MPAC we know today. None of this would have been possible without the hard work and dedication of countless staff members, volunteers and philanthropists. MPAC has grown to offer over 200 performances a year to close to 200,000 patrons. Their events and educational programs not only enrich the community with vibrant music and culture, but have an \$18 million impact on the local economy. MPAC is truly a cultural cornerstone and key economic driver for Northern New Jersey.

MPAC's programs strive to ensure the arts are an integral part of everyone's life by making music, culture, and dance accessible to all. Their educational programs have grown exponentially to touch over 40,000 children and their families each year of all ages and abilities. Opening the world for these students while introducing the creative spark and mental health benefits of the arts. I am especially thankful for MPAC's groundbreaking Miracle Project which brings the communication, social and confidence building skills learned through performance arts education to children and young adults with autism and other special needs.

Whether it is through large scale entertainment events, civic conversations, free community engagement initiatives, or their extensive educational programming, it is clear that MPAC provides a critical forum to immerse ourselves in the arts and open our minds to new cultural experiences. In this 30th anniversary year, I am grateful for all they have done to support New Jersey artists, our community and our local economy. I am excited to see their continued impact on the performing arts across New Jersey.

CONGRATULATING THE CITY OF FAIRWAY, KANSAS ON ITS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. SHARICE DAVIDS

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the city of Fairway, Kansas.

Founded in 1949, the city of Fairway is known as the City of Trees, and like mighty trees that grow from tiny seeds, so has Fairway. Fairway may be diminutive in size—slightly more than 4,000 people live within one square mile of land, but the city boasts a strong and tight-knit community where all are welcome. This sense of community has sprung up in part through Fairway's beautiful surroundings: the city was initially named for the elegant golf fairways that framed it, and now it is known for the towering trees that line many of its streets. It's no wonder that Fairway has fostered a strong local business community and has been home to many notable Kansans over the last several decades.

I want to congratulate the city of Fairway on its 75th anniversary, and I look forward to what the next 75 years will bring.

HONORING THE CAREER AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF MR. TERRENCE HARTFORD

HON. CHRISTOPHER R. DELUZIO

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 16, 2024

Mr. DELUZIO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mr. Terrence "Terry" L. Hartford on his retirement from ATI, a company with deep roots in Western Pennsylvania. Terry devoted his entire working life to ATI, retiring after 43 years of service. An esteemed and respected member of the ATI team, Terry was most recently the Vice President (Defense and Global Markets) for ATI. Through his tireless efforts to strengthen the Defense Industrial Base, Terry directly contributed to the defense of the United States and, more importantly, the men and women of our Armed Forces.

A lifelong Yinzer, Terry graduated from Kiski Area High School, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from Allegheny College, and earned a Master of Business Administration from the University of Pittsburgh Katz Graduate School of Business. He is a member of the Allegheny College Board of Trustees and the Allegheny College Economics Department Board of Visitors, and he served as Vice Chairman of the Specialty Steel Industry of North America until his retirement.

Terry began at ATI in 1981 and held multiple positions of increasing responsibility in marketing, quality, production planning, and general management, including Vice President and General Manager of ATI's Flat Rolled Products division. In this capacity, he played an integral role in the design, construction, and operation of ATI's Hot Rolled Processing Facility in Brackenridge, PA, a \$1.3 billion-dollar facility that provides technologically advanced titanium and nickel products to the nation's Industrial base and our armed forces. In 2015, Terry was selected as Vice President (ATI Defense) and charged with expanding ATI's support to all branches of the U.S. military and prime defense contractors. In this role, Terry promoted the importance of specialty materials in the platforms, propulsion systems, and armor providing the technical solutions our servicemembers depend on to fight and win out Nation's wars.

Terry is married to the former Laura Laderer of Meadville, PA. They met at Allegheny College and have been married for 42 years. They have four children—Leslie (husband Rich), Terrence "I" (wife Camille), Mike (wife Kate), and Colin (wife Allie). They are the proud grandparents of Ellis and Lawrence (Leslie and Rich), Will and Jane (Mike and Kate), and Benson and Emery (Colin and Allie), and they are anxiously awaiting two more grandchildren later this year.

As Mr. Hartford embarks on a new chapter in life, it is my hope that he may recall, with a deep sense of pride and accomplishment, the outstanding contributions he has made to ATI, Western Pennsylvania, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the United States of America. I would like to send my fellow Yinzer my best wishes for continued success in his future endeavors and a well-earned retirement.

CONGRATULATING THE KIWANIS CLUB

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Kiwanis Club of Brunswick for 100 years of service to Brunswick and its surrounding communities.

Since 1924, the Kiwanis Club of Brunswick has been supporting youth literacy and development. The club has served countless children and communities across the world, cultivating leadership and initiating impactful projects that have positively affected a multitude of communities.

Kiwanis was also instrumental in starting the Frank Callen Boys and Girls club and continues to support that organization.

The Kiwanis Club brings a spirit of commitment and service to our community, and it is important that we continue to support its engagement and philanthropy.

The Kiwanis Club is making Georgia's First Congressional District a better place to live, work, and learn. Congratulations to the Kiwanis Club and its volunteers on 100 years of service to Georgians, and people worldwide.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF JOHN G. YOUKER

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to posthumously honor John G. Youker for his service to the United States in the War of 1812. Known to all as "George," Mr. Youker was born to Revolutionary War Patriot John Youker, Sr. and Elizabeth Schall on February 3, 1789, in Montgomery County, New York within the Mohawk Valley Region.

Mr. Youker served as a Private in the NY Militia under Captain Frederick German's Company and Lt. Colonel Commandant Calvin Rich's 11th Regiment. From August 22, 1812 to February 22, 1813 he was stationed at Sackets Harbor, which became the center of American military activity during the war. The First Battle of Sackets Harbor began July 19, 1812. It was a major ship building location for the war and a highly important location to defend. Mr. Youker was discharged 3 months before the second battle of Sackets Harbor.

After his service, Mr. Youker and his wife, Catharine Burkdorf Youker, lived in Montgomery County, New York with their children. They later settled in Harrison, Pennsylvania in the mid-1840s before following their children to the Grand Traverse Area in the 1860's. Mr. Youker passed away in Blair Township in May of 1870 and was buried at Mt. Hope Cemetery, in what is now Green Lake Township, Grand Traverse County Michigan.

In 1870, Veteran stones were not provided and military status was rarely made apparent

on a person's headstone, and I would personally like to thank the Northern Michigan Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution for honoring John George Youker in a formal

ceremony on August 3rd of this year. The work that they do truly honors our heritage and those that have valiantly served before us.

Mr. Speaker, today I offer the posthumous recognition and gratitude that John G. Youker deserves, and I honor him for his service to the United States in the War of 1812.

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Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 10:00:00 a.m., in pro forma session, and adjourned at 10:00:30 a.m., until 8 a.m. on Tuesday, August 20, 2024.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 9360–9382; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 126, were introduced. **Pages H4995–96**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H4997–98**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 7593, to enhance the authority of the Director of the Congressional Research Service to obtain information directly from agencies of the Federal government (H. Rept. 118–631); and

H.R. 7592, to direct the Librarian of Congress to promote the more cost-effective, efficient, and expanded availability of the Annotated Constitution and pocket-part supplements by replacing the hardbound versions with digital versions (H. Rept. 118–632). **Page H4995**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Bucshon to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4993**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Rachel Landers Vaagenes, Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, Washington, DC. **Page H4993**

Authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to present the Congressional Gold Medals awarded under the Hidden Figures Congressional Gold Medal Act: The House agreed by unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and agree to H. Con. Res. 124, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to

present the Congressional Gold Medals awarded under the Hidden Figures Congressional Gold Medal Act. **Page H4993**

Authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award posthumously a Congressional Gold Medal in commemoration to the servicemembers who perished in Afghanistan on August 26, 2021, during the evacuation of citizens of the United States and Afghan allies at Hamid Karzai International Airport: The House agreed by unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and agree to H. Con. Res. 126, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award posthumously a Congressional Gold Medal in commemoration to the servicemembers who perished in Afghanistan on August 26, 2021, during the evacuation of citizens of the United States and Afghan allies at Hamid Karzai International Airport. **Pages H4993–94**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yeas and nays, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY,
AUGUST 20, 2024

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

8 a.m., Tuesday, August 20

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Tuesday, August 20

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 2 p.m.

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