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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MCGOVERN).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
April 18, 2008.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JAMES P. MCGOVERN to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Here, Lord, God of heaven and earth, You find a Nation of prayer. Each day, millions of citizens approach You as our Maker and seek Your grace and give You thanks for many blessings. Each day in the sessions of this noble assembly, we pause and turn to You in prayer.

Help us to face boldly the increasingly complex political and ethical issues of our time. Guide American people to find in their religious beliefs a precious source of insight and an inspiration to pursue reasoned, responsible and respectful dialogue in their efforts to build a more human and free society.

And so give You greater glory—both now and forever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday next for morning-hour debate.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, April 22, 2008, at 12:30 p.m., for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6150. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP); Assistance to Private Sector Property Insurers; Write-Your-Own Arrangement [Docket ID FEMA-2008-0001] (RIN: 1660-AA58) received April 14, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6151. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes in Maximum Mortgage Limits for Multifamily Housing [Docket No. FR-5197-F-01] (RIN: 2502-A162) received April 14, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6152. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — REVISIONS TO FORM S-11 TO PERMIT HISTOR-

ICAL INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE [RELEASE NO. 33-8909; FILE NO. S7-30-07] (RIN: 3235-AK02) received April 15, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6153. A letter from the Deputy Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Premium Rates; Payment of Premiums; Variable-Rate Premium; Pension Protection Act of 2006 (RIN: 1212-AB11) received April 14, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

6154. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Mgmt. Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Toll-Free Number for Reporting Adverse Events on Labeling for Human Drug Products [Docket No. 2003N-0342] (RIN: 0910-AC35) received April 14, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6155. A letter from the District of Columbia Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "Letter Report: Comparative Analysis of Actual Cash Collections to the Revised Revenue Estimate Through the 1st Quarter of Fiscal Year 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 47-117(d); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6156. A letter from the District of Columbia Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "Compliance with the Government Managers Accountability Amendment Act of 1995 Has Been Incomplete and Inconsistent," pursuant to D.C. Code section 47-117(d); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6157. A letter from the Federal Co-Chairman, Delta Regional Authority, transmitting the Authority's Annual Report for 2007 entitled, "Investing in People and Communities," pursuant to Public Law 106-554, section 382L. (114 Stat. 2763A-280); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6158. A letter from the White House Liaison, Department of Justice, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6159. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's report on the amount of the acquisitions made from entities that

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manufacture the articles, materials, or supplies outside of the United States in fiscal years 2006 and 2007; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6160. A letter from the Equal Employment Opportunity Direction, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's annual report required by Section 203 of the Notification and Federal Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002, Pub. L. 107-174, for Fiscal Year 2007; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6161. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's annual report for Fiscal Year 2007 on the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6162. A letter from the Executive Director, Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, transmitting the audited Sixty-Seventh Financial Statement for the period October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6163. A letter from the President and CEO, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's FY 2007 Annual Report required by Section 203 of the Notification and Federal Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002, Pub. L. 107-174; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6164. A letter from the Director, Peace Corps, transmitting a copy of the Peace Corp's Fiscal Year 2007 Notification and Federal Employee Anti-Discrimination and Retaliation (No FEAR) Act Annual Report; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6165. A letter from the ACTING ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR FISHERIES, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the North-

eastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Total Allowable Catches for Eastern Georges Bank Cod, Eastern Georges Bank Haddock, and Georges Bank Yellowtail Flounder in the U.S./Canada Management Area for Fishing Year 2008 [Docket No. 071004577-8124-02] (RIN: 0648-AW13) received April 14, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6166. A letter from the Acting Director Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by American Fisheries Act Catcher Processors Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No. 071106673-8011-02] (RIN: 0648-XG65) received April 14, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6167. A letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Data Breaches (RIN: 2900-AM63) received April 14, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

6168. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification of his intention to designate the Solomon Islands as a least-developed beneficiary developing country under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP), pursuant to Public Law 104-188, section 1952(a)(110 Stat. 1917); (H. Doc. No. 110-105); to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

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:

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ: Committee on Small Business. H.R. 5819. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to improve the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program and the Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) program, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-595 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. WAXMAN: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 3033. A bill to improve Federal agency awards and oversight of contracts and assistance and to strengthen accountability of the Governmentwide suspension and debarment system; with an amendment (Rept. 110-596). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 5816: Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. GOODE, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Ms. FOXX, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. KIRK, and Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida.

DISCHARGE PETITIONS— ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

The following Members added their names to the following discharge petition:

Petition 6 by Mr. BOUSTANY on House Resolution 1025: Howard Coble and Henry E. Brown, Jr.