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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
March 5, 2010.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DONNA F. EDWARDS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Dr. Alan Keiran, Office of the United States Senate Chaplain, offered the following prayer:

Lord God Almighty, the heavens declare Your glory. The skies proclaim the work of Your hands.

We come to You today on behalf of our Nation's elected Representatives and all who serve with them.

Bless each Member of this Congress with the insights needed to lead our Nation into a bright future. May such cooperation and nobility be seen in this Chamber that nations around the world will pattern their legislatures in like manner.

Bless each staff member with the wisdom and stamina needed to patiently and methodically labor long hours for the good of our country.

Finally, Lord, may all those whose lives are focused in serving in this Chamber know with absolute certainty that their dedicated service is noticed and appreciated by their leaders.

In Your mighty Name, I pray. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

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

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker announced her signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 2968. An act to make certain technical and conforming amendments to the Lanham Act.

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, March 9, 2010, at 12:30 p.m., for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

6436. A letter from the Attorney — Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zones: Fireworks Displays in the Captain of the Port, Portland Zone [Docket No.: USCG-2008-1096] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received January 27, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6437. A letter from the Attorney — Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, USACE Retirement, Mile 869 to 303 [USCG-2009-0561] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received January 27, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6438. A letter from the Attorney — Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Consumer Price Index Adjustments of Oil Pollution Act of 1990 Limits of Liability — Vessels and Deepwater Ports [Docket No.: USCG-2008-0007] (RIN: 1625-AB25) received January 27, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6439. A letter from the Attorney — Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Franklin Canal, Franklin, LA [Docket No.: USCG-2009-0670] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received January 26, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6440. A letter from the Attorney — Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Bonfouca Bayou, Slidell, LA [Docket No.: USCG-2009-0863] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received January 27, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6441. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Service's final rule — Guidance for Persons Making Transfers in Trust After December 31, 2009 [Notice 2010-19] received February 3, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6442. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Tier I Industry Director's Directive on the Planning and Examination of Repairs vs. Capitalization Change in Accounting Method (CAM) #2 [LMSB-4-0110-002] received January 28, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6443. A letter from the Branch Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue

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Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Haiti Earthquake Occurring in January 2010 Designated as a Qualified Disaster under Section 139 of the Internal Revenue Code [Notice 2010-16] received January 28, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6444. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property (Rev. Rul. 2010-6) received January 28, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6445. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Miscellaneous HEART Act Changes [Notice 2010-15] received January 28, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.