what America expects us to do: address the challenges, find solutions, come to agreement, make compromises, make democracy in America work and give confidence to our people and to our economy.

I hope, Mr. Speaker, that the Speaker will do that and will do it today.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, December 27, 2012.

Hon. John A. Boehner, The Speaker, House of Representatives,

The Speaker, House of Representatives Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in clause 2(h) of rule I of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 27, 2012, at 11:19 a.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1339.

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 4212.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 5859.

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 6364.

That the Senate passed S. 3709.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1845.

With best wishes, I am Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 3709. An act to require a Government Accountability Office examination of transactions between large financial institutions and the Federal Government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on December 21, 2012, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills and joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 122. Establishing the date for the counting of the electoral votes for President and Vice President cast by the electors in December 2012.

H.R. 5837. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 26 East Genesee Street in Baldwinsville, New York, as the "Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building".

H.R. 5954. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the "Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building".

H.R. 5738. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15285 Samohin Drive in Macomb, Michigan, as the "Lance Cpl. Anthony A. DiLisio Clinton-Macomb Carrier Annex".

H.R. 3912. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Mastic Road in Mastic Beach, New York, as the "Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull Post Office Building".

H.R. 3870. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6083 Highway 36 West in Rose Bud, Arkansas, as the "Nicky 'Nick' Daniel Bacon Post Office".

H.R. 3477. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 133 Hare Road in Crosby, Texas, as the Army First Sergeant David McNerney Post Office Building.

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2012

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, when the House adjourns today, it shall adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, December 31, 2012.

There was no objection.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, December 31, 2012.

There was no objection.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 9 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, December 31, 2012, 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:

8919. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Chlorantraniliprole; Pesticide Tolerances, Technical Correction [EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0029; FRL-9367-6] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8920. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Difenzoquat; Data Call-in Order for Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0441; FRL-9372-9] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8921. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Propiconazole; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0772; FRL-9369-5] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8922. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Quinclorac; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0010; FRL-9372-4] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8923. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Spirotetramat; Pesticide Tolerance for Emergency Exemption [EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0900; FRL-9373-2] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8924. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Colorado; Motor Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program — Deletion of Final Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance Emission Cutpoint Standards [EPA-R08-OAR-2011-1004; FRL-9676-3] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8925. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Permits for Major Stationary Sources and Major Modifications Locating in Prevention of Significant Deterioration Areas and Permits for Major Stationary Sources Locating in Nonattainment Areas or the Ozone Transport Region [EPA-R03-OAR-2011-0926; FRL-9763-4] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8926. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut; Determination of Attainment of the 2006 Fine Particle Standard [Docket No.: EPA-R02-OAR-2012-0504; FRL-9763-6] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8927. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS; Revisions to FIPs To Reduce Interstate Transport of PM2.5 and Ozone; Correction [EPA-R05-OAR-2009-0805; EPA-HQ-OAR-2009-0491; FRL-9763-3] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8928. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Delaware County (Muncie), Indiana Ozone Maintenance Plan Revision to Approved Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets [EPA-R05-OAR-2012-0537; FRL-9762-9] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8929. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; South Carolina 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Correction [EPA-R04-OAR-2012-0238; FRL-9762-6] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8930. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Chemical Manufacturing Area Sources [EPA-HQOAR-2008-0334; FRL-9725-9] (RIN: 2060-AQ89) received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8931. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California

State Implementation Plan, Imperial County Air Pollution Control District [EPA-R09-OAR-2012-0274; FRL-9730-4] received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8932. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Significant New Use Rule on Certain Chemical Substances; Withdrawal of Significant New Use Rules [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2012-0740; FRL-9373-8] (RIN: 2070-AB27) received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8933. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2012-0842; FRL-9372-8] (RIN: 2070-AB27) received December 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8934. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period August 1 through September 30, 2012 pursuant to Section 620C(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 as amended, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2602(g)(1); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8935. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that effective September 14, 2012, the danger pay allowance for Tunisia was established based on civil insurrection, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5928; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8936. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 12-69, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8937. A letter from the Assistant Legal Advisor for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting report prepared by the Department of State concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8938. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report pursuant to section 3 of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8939. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Belarus that was declared in Executive Order 13405 of June 16, 2006: to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8940. A letter from the Chair, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Inspector General and the semiannual management report for the period ending September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8941. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's Fiscal Year 2012 Agency Financial Report; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8942. A letter from the Attorny-Advisior, Office of General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8943. A letter from the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting the Board's Fiscal Year 2012 Annual Financial Report; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8944. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's semiannual report from the office of the Inspector General and the Management Response for the period April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8945. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's determination on a petition on behalf of workers employed at the Mound Plant in Miamisburg, Ohio, to be added to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC), pursuant to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (EEOICPA); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8946. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works, Department of Defense, transmitting a comprehensive restoration plan; (H. Doc. No. 112-154); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed.

8947. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Memorandum of Understanding Between the United States and the Government of the Republic of Guatemala Boncerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Archaeological Objects and Materials from the Pre-Columbian Cultures of Guatemala, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2602(g)(1); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8948. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report entitled "Assessing the Feasibility of Extending the Hospital Acquired Conditions (HAC) IPPS Payment Policy to Non-IPPS Settings"; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

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. GRAVES of Missouri: Committee on Small Business. Report on the Activity of the Committee on Small Business, 112th Congress (Rept. 112–729). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. KING of New York: Committee on Homeland Security. Report on Activities of the Committee on Homeland Security for the 112th Congress (Rept. 112–730). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Committee on Small Business. H.R. 3893. A bill to amend the Small Business Act with respect to subcontracting and insourcing, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 112–731, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Committee on Small Business. H.R. 4203. A bill to amend the Small Business Act with respect to the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns, and for other purposes (Rept. 112–732). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform discharged from further

consideration. H.R. 3893 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

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. JONES:

H.R. 6706. A bill to amend the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act to preclude law firms and licensed attorneys from the definition of a debt collector when taking certain actions; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. RICHARDSON:

H.R. 6707. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to authorize a national toll-free hotline and website, to develop and disseminate child care consumer education information for parents and to help parents access child care in their community, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. RICHARDSON:

H.R. 6708. A bill to authorize certain appropriations under the Native American Programs Act of 1974; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. RICHARDSON:

H.R. 6709. A bill to reauthorize the course material pilot grant program under the Higher Education Opportunity Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. RICHARDSON:

H.R. 6710. A bill to include geriatrics and gerontology in the definition of "primary health services" under the National Health Service Corps program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. RICHARDSON:

H.R. 6711. A bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to make certain considerations when assigning chemical facilities to risk-based tiers pursuant to the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. RICHARDSON:

H.R. 6712. A bill to require the disclosure to parents of information regarding mental illness treatment for their children under the age of 26; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. RICHARDSON:

H.R. 6713. A bill to amend the Security and Accountability For Every Port Act of 2006 to require a feasibility study on meeting the 100 percent requirement to scan containers destined for the United States in order to extend the deadline for such scanning, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Ms. RICHARDSON:

H.R. 6714. A bill to establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on 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 Ms. RICHARDSON:

H.R. 6715. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security, acting through the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, to make grants to State and local governments to assist in preparing for and responding to mass casualty incidents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in