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Senate

The Senate met at 11 and 2 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the honorable MARK BEGICH, a Senator from the State of Alaska.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mr. INOUYE).

The assistant bill clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 2, 2012.
To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable Mark Begich, a Senator from the State of Alaska, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
President pro tempore.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2012, AT 1 P.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 1 p.m. on Friday October 5, 2012.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 11 and 31 seconds a.m., adjourned until Friday, October 5, 2012, at 1 p.m.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

