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The Senate met at 10:15 and 2 seconds a.m., and was called to order by the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York.

> APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

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

The assistant bill clerk read the following letter: U.S. SENATE, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE, Washington, DC, January 17, 2012. To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLI-BRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE, President pro tempore.

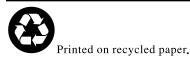
Mrs. GILLIBRAND thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President protempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2012, AT 2 P.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Friday, January 20, 2012.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 10:15 and 30 seconds a.m., adjourned until Friday, January 20, 2012, at 2 p.m.

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



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