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## House of Representatives

Pursuant to section 2 of Senate Concurrent Resolution 22, 113th Congress, the House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DENHAM).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
September 6, 2013.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF DENHAM to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### NOTICE OF REASSEMBLY

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the text of the formal notification sent to Members on Thursday, September 6, 2013, of the reassembly of the House.

U.S. SENATE,  
Washington, DC, September 5, 2013.

DEAR COLLEAGUE: Pursuant to section 2 of Senate Concurrent Resolution 22 of the 113th Congress, after consultation with the Minority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, we hereby notify the Members of the Senate to reassemble at 12:00 noon on Friday, September 6, 2013, and the Members of the House of Representatives to reassemble at 12:00 noon on Friday, September 6, 2013.

Sincerely,

HARRY REID,  
*Majority Leader of the Senate.*  
JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:  
Almighty God of the universe, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

As the tensions of violence continue to mount, we turn to You, Lord God, as our hope and salvation.

The darkness of military action seems to be descending upon us once again. We ask that You might bless all efforts at diplomatic resolution concerning violations of human decency recognized by all nations.

Renew America in confident faith, and deepen our commitment to seek peace as soon as possible. Keep our focus on a full recovery of healthy relationships and leadership in the Middle East, so that further bloody hemorrhaging might be forestalled.

Help us to realize it is never too late nor too early to engage in a dialogue with opponents and that all our efforts should be in search of the way to a stable peace.

Bless and guide our Nation's leaders, for we are a people of faith across this country, who claim You as sovereign Lord over this Nation and all the nations of the world.

May all that we do this day be for Your greater honor and glory.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(a) of House Resolution 322, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is 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.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. BONNER), the whole number of the House is 433.

### 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, August 2, 2013.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 2, 2013 at 3:18 p.m.:

Appointments: Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance.

With best wishes, I am  
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

### RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
August 8, 2013.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,  
Washington, DC.

SPEAKER BOEHNER: I cannot express what a tremendous honor it has been to serve the people of Louisiana's Fifth Congressional District, and from the bottom of my heart, I am eternally grateful and I thank them for the trust they have placed in me.

I write to you today to officially let you know that, effective September 27, 2013, I will be resigning as a Member of the United States Congress.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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I am honored that Governor Jindal has given me the opportunity to serve as a member of his cabinet as his Secretary of Veterans Affairs. I am eager to get started and begin reaching out to our state's veterans in order to make sure they know that our state and nation are grateful for their service.

I look forward to continue serving the great state that I love and the men and women who have given us so much.

Sincerely,

RODNEY ALEXANDER.

COMMUNICATION FROM CON-  
STITUENT SERVICES LIAISON,  
THE HONORABLE BRAD  
WENSTRUP, MEMBER OF CON-  
GRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Teresa Lewis, Constituent Services Liaison, the Honorable BRAD WENSTRUP, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
August 20, 2012.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,  
*Speaker, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives that I have been served with a third-party subpoena, issued by the Hamilton County Municipal Court, Hamilton County, Ohio for documents and testimony in a criminal case.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

TERESA LEWIS,  
*Constituent Services Liaison.*

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE  
PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on August 1, 2013, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills.

H.R. 1092. To designate the air route traffic control center located in Nashua, New

Hampshire, as the "Patricia Clark Boston Air Route Traffic Control Center".

H.R. 1911. To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to establish interest rates for new loans made on or after July 1, 2013, to direct the Secretary of Education to convene the Advisory Committee on Improving Postsecondary Education Data to conduct a study on improvements to postsecondary education transparency at the Federal level, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2167. To authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to establish additional requirements to improve the fiscal safety and soundness of the home equity conversion mortgage insurance program.

H.R. 2611. To designate the headquarters building of the Coast Guard on the campus located at 2701 Martin Luther King, Jr., Avenue Southeast in the District of Columbia as the "Douglas A. Munro Coast Guard Headquarters Building", and for other purposes.

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on August 6, 2013, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 1344. To amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to provide expedited air passenger screening to severely injured or disabled members of the Armed Forces and severely injured or disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 678. To authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, and for other purposes.

H.R. 267. To improve hydropower, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1171. To amend title 40, United States Code, to improve veterans service organizations access to Federal surplus personal property.

H.R. 2576. To amend title 49, United States Code, to modify requirements relating to the availability of pipeline safety regulatory documents, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 322, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, September 9, 2013.

Thereupon (at 12 o'clock and 6 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, September 9, 2013, 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:

2736. A letter from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule—Federal Pell Grant Program [Docket ID: ED-2012-OPE-0006] (RIN: 1840-AD11) received August 29, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2737. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's "Major" final rule—Revision of Fee Schedules; Fee Recovery for Fiscal Year 2013 [NRC-2012-0211] (RIN: 3150-AJ19) received August 22, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 915: Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

H.R. 1020: Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. BISHOP of New York, and Mr. NEAL.

H.R. 1094: Mr. CAPUANO and Mr. GOWDY.

H.R. 1148: Ms. ESHOO.

H.R. 1201: Ms. DEGETTE.

H.R. 1386: Mr. MARINO.

H.R. 1732: Mr. CONYERS.

H.R. 1814: Mr. PASTOR of Arizona, Mr. MURPHY of Florida, and Mr. CRAWFORD.

H.R. 2053: Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS.

H.R. 2073: Mr. VALADAO.

H.R. 2305: Ms. SHEA-PORTER.

H.R. 2870: Mr. GARRETT and Mr. WELCH.

H.R. 2939: Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. TITUS, and Ms. MENG.

H.R. 3045: Mr. JONES, Mr. WENSTRUP, and Mr. THOMPSON of California.

H. Res. 131: Ms. LOFGREN.