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The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Sensenbrenner).

# DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker: Washington, DC, December 16, 2013.

I hereby appoint the Honorable F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr. to act as Speaker protempore on this day.

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

The Reverend Patrick Riffle, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Heavenly Father, during this festive time of year we as Your people pause and reflect on Your abundant blessings. We thank You for family and friends. We thank You for the gift of this great Nation and for the gift of our liberty.

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CHARLES E. SCHUMER, Chairman.

And while we reflect on our many blessings, we also remember those among us who are in need, especially the poor and marginalized of our society.

We remember those who are separated from family and friends, espe-

cially the men and women of our Armed Forces. May they know of our untiring support for them and their families, for the sacrifices they make for us each day.

Father, we ask You in a particular way to show Your love upon these our

brothers and sisters, that our love and concern for them may be an act of gratitude for the blessings You have bestowed upon us.

We ask this all in Your most holy name.

Amen.

 $\Box$  This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g.,  $\Box$  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.



#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 6(a) of House Resolution 438, 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.

### 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 13, 2013.

Hon. John A. Boehner, The Speaker, U.S. Capitol,

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 December 13, 2013 at 2:59 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3458.

With best wishes, I am Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

# BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on December 13, 2013, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 2871. To amend title 28, United States Code, to modify the composition of the southern judicial district of Mississippi to improve judicial efficiency, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2922. To extend the authority of the Supreme Court Police to protect court officials away from the Supreme Court grounds.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 6(b) of House Resolution 438, the House stands adjourned until 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 19, 2013.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, December 19, 2013, at 11 a.m.

# $\begin{array}{c} {\tt EXECUTIVE} \ {\tt COMMUNICATIONS}, \\ {\tt ETC}. \end{array}$

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

4173. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting

a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Richard C. Harding, United States Air Force, and his advancement on the retired list in the grade of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4174. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Terry A. Wolff, United States Army, and his advancement on the retired list in the grade of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4175. 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; Delaware; Attainment Plan for the Philadelphia-Wilmington, Pennsylvania-New Jersey-Delaware Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Matter Standard [EPA-R03-OAR-2010-0141; FRL-9904-14-Region 3] received December 11, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4176. 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; Michigan [EPA-R05-OAR-2010-0566; FRL-9904-11-Region 5] received December 11, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4177. A letter from the Director, Regu-

4177. 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; Pennsylvania; Philadelphia County Reasonably Available Control Technology under the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard [EPA-R03-OAR-2008-0603; FRL-9904-12-Region 3] received December 11, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4178. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gas Plantwide Applicability Limit Permitting Revisions [EPA-R06-OAR-2013-0060; FRL-9903-98-Region 6] received December 11, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4179. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Flonicamid; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0038; FRL-9902-07] received December 11, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4180. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 13-02, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4181. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 13-17, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4182. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 13-19, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4183. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting

Transmittal No. 13-33, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4184. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-150, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4185. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-140, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4186. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-159, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4187. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-151, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4188. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-156, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4189. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-165, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4190. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-172, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4191. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Human Rights Report for International Military Education and Training Recipients", in accordance with Section 549 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4192. A letter from the Acting Director, Peace Corps, transmitting the Inspector General's semiannual report to Congress for the reporting period April 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4193. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmiting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Hackensack River, Kearney and Jersey City, NJ [Docket No.: USCG-2013-0639] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received December 13, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4194. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Umpqua River, Reedsport, OR [Docket No.: USCG-2013-0526] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received December 13, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4195. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulated Navigation Area; Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Piscataqua River, Portsmouth, NH [Docket No.: USCG-2013-0956] (RIN: 1625-AA11) received December 13, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.