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House of Representatives

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. NEUGEBAUER).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

December 16, 2014.

I hereby appoint the Honorable RANDY NEUGEBAUER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

John A. Boehner, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Brother Thomas More Garrett, Dominican House of Studies, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Dear God, as we enter a time of expectation and new beginnings, help us

to direct our minds toward the things that will last.

Let us be attentive to why we act and what we seek and how we want our last days to be spent.

Give us the space to rest this season in the cell of self-knowledge.

Remove the curtains of ignorance that shield us from the light of faith.

Open us to transcendent wisdom, and enlighten the dark corners of our neglected hearts and scatter there Your cheerful beams.

Amen.

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By order of the Joint Committee on Printing.

CHARLES E. SCHUMER, Chairman.

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THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(a) of House Resolution 775, 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 12, 2014. Hon. John A. Boehner,

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 12, 2014 at 6:20 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 121.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 123.

That the Senate concurs in the House Amendment to the Senate Amendment H.R. 3979.

With best wishes, I am Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

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, 2014. Hon. John A. Boehner.

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, 2014 at 4:25 p.m.:

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H.J. Res. 131.

With best wishes, I am Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

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 15, 2014.

Hon. John A. Boehner, 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 15, 2014 at 8:56 a.m.:

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H. Con. Res. 122.

That the Senate agrees to the House Amendment to the Senate Amendment to the bill H.R. 83.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

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Hon. John A. Boehner,

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 15, 2014 at 9:55 a.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2591.

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

With best wishes, I am Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

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That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2754

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3572

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1206.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1378. That the Senate passed without amend-

ment H.R. 5050. That the Senate passed without amend-

ment H.R. 5185. That the Senate passed without amend-

ment H.R. 5816.

That the Senate passed S. 706.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3027.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4416.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4651.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 5331.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 5562.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4276.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 5687.

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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 16, 2014 at 10:57 a.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2901

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1068.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2866.

That the Senate passed S. 1744.

With best wishes, I am Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by Speaker pro tempore Wolf on Friday, December 12, 2014:

H.R. 2640, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, and for other pur-

H.R. 3096, to designate the building occupied by the Federal Bureau of Investigation located at 801 Follin Lane, Vienna, Virginia, as the "Michael D. Resnick Terrorist Screening Center:

H.R. 3329, to enhance the ability of community financial institutions to foster economic growth and serve their communities, boost small businesses, increase individual savings, and for other purposes;

H.R. 4771, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to more effectively regulate anabolic steroids:

H.R. 5057, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to permit exemptions for external power supplies from certain efficiency standards, and for other purposes;

S. 1353, to provide for an ongoing, voluntary public-private partnership to improve cybersecurity, and to strengthen cybersecurity research and development, workforce development and education, and public