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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ABRAHAM).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
July 7, 2015.

I hereby appoint the Honorable RALPH LEE ABRAHAM to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Loving and gracious God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

As the Members of this assembly return from days away celebrating our Nation's birth, grant them safe journey. May they return ready to assume a difficult work which must be done.

We pray for the needs of the Nation, the world, and all of creation. Bless those who seek to honor You and serve each other and all Americans in this House through their public service.

May the words and deeds of this place reflect an earnest desire for justice, and may men and women in government build on the tradition of equity and truth that represents the noblest heritage of our people.

May Your blessing, O God, be with us this day and every day to come, and may all we do be done for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. KILDEE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. KILDEE 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.

### U.S. SOCCER TEAM WINS WORLD CUP

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on July 17, 2011, the United States Women's soccer team lost to Japan in the World Cup title match. It was a crushing defeat, one that motivated the Women's National Team.

The World Cup is every 4 years, and the rematch this Sunday was one for the history books. Scoring the most goals in any World Cup final game, the United States Women's National Team earned their third World Cup championship. That is unprecedented.

Just 16 minutes into the game, the U.S. center midfielder scored her third goal of the game. It was the hat trick seen around the world.

The roar of the announcers echoed in living rooms across America. Twenty-five million people cheered on the USA, and a new American hero, Carli Lloyd, became a household name.

The United States defeated Japan 5-2, as the Red, White, and Blue proudly waved over the field in Vancouver, Canada.

Congratulations to the 2015 Women's National Team and to Coach Jill Ellis.

The team motto, "She Believes," made believers of the whole world.

And that is just the way it is.

Mr. Speaker, I insert the names of all of the players, their hometowns, and their jersey numbers into the RECORD.

### 2015 US WOMEN'S NATIONAL SOCCER TEAM

Shannon Box—Redondo Beach, CA—7; Morgan Brian—St. Simons Island, GA—14; Lori Chalupny—St. Louis, MO—16; Whitney Engen—Rolling Hills Estates, CA—6; Ashlyn Harris—Satellite Beach, FL—18; Tobin Heath—Basking Ridge, NJ—17; Lauren Holiday—Indianapolis, IN—12; Julie Johnston—Mesa, AZ—19; Meghan Klingenberg—Gibsonia, PA—22; Ali Krieger—Dumfries, VA—11; Sydney Leroux—Scottsdale, AZ—2; Carli Lloyd—Delran, NJ—10; Alex Morgan—Diamond Bar, CA—13; Alyssa Naeher—Bridgepoint, CT—21; Kelley O'Hara—Fayetteville, GA—5; Heather O'Reilly—East Brunswick, NJ—9; Christen Press—Palos Verdes Estates, CA—23; Christie Rampone—Point Pleasant, NJ—3; Megan Rapinoe—Redding, CA—15; Amy Rodriguez—Lake Forest, CA—8; Becky Sauerbrunn—St. Louis, MO—4; Hope Solo—Richland, WA—1; Abby Wambach—Rochester, NY—20.

### HIGHWAY AND TRANSIT TRUST FUND EXPIRES

(Mr. KILDEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, at the end of this month, the highway and transit trust fund will expire, which would be devastating to our country's competitiveness and threaten 660,000 American jobs and thousands of projects to rebuild America's roads, rails, and bridges. We can't let this happen, not during the middle of the summer construction season for sure.

That is why Congress, Democrats and Republicans, really have to work together in a bipartisan fashion to pass a plan to invest in our Nation's infrastructure, our roads, our rails, and our bridges.

Right now, as a percentage of GDP, China is spending 10 times what we are

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on infrastructure. They are investing in their future.

Meanwhile, here at home, we can't even act to extend the highway trust fund, let alone adopt a 21st century plan that invests in our future, invests in America, and rebuilds this Nation in a way that puts people to work and makes us more competitive. How are we supposed to compete with China if we can't even rebuild our own roads and bridges?

We need to act together. Mr. Speaker, the time has long passed. Let's act today.

#### APPRECIATING THE FLYING TIGERS

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I am grateful to recognize the Flying Tigers, a courageous group of volunteer pilots of World War II who carried out strategic air support missions to protect the citizens of the Republic of China. This elite group became the 14th Air Force and included my father, First Lieutenant Hugh de Veaux Wilson.

Through the leadership of General Claire Chennault, the Flying Tigers achieved impressive victories, destroying 296 enemy aircraft, stopping the invaders, and saving millions of Chinese lives.

America is always appreciative to the Republic of China military who rescued most of the crews after 15 U.S. planes crashed into China following the Doolittle Raid in 1942. This raid was formed in my hometown of Springdale at Columbia Army Air Base in South Carolina.

I have visited President Jiang Zemin at the Presidential compound in Beijing on a delegation led by Congressman Curt Weldon. Upon hearing of my father's Flying Tiger service, President Jiang Zemin interrupted the meeting to announce his view that, because of the Flying Tigers, "the American military is revered in China."

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and may the President by his actions never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

#### MARRIAGE EQUALITY

(Mr. TAKANO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to enter the following words into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD:

"No union is more profound than marriage, for it embodies the highest ideals of love, fidelity, devotion, sacrifice, and family. In forming a marital union, two people become something greater than once they were.

"As some of the petitioners in these cases demonstrate, marriage embodies

a love that may endure even past death. It would misunderstand these men and women to say they disrespect the idea of marriage.

"Their plea is that they do respect it, respect it so deeply that they seek to find its fulfillment for themselves. Their hope is not to be condemned to live in loneliness, excluded from one of civilization's oldest institutions.

"They ask for equal dignity in the eyes of the law. The Constitution grants them that right. The judgment of the Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit is reversed.

"It is so ordered."

These words, Mr. Speaker, were written by Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy in his Obergefell v. Hodges ruling, and they embody what the LGBT community has pursued for decades: equality under the law.

#### HONORING MINNESOTA'S PHIL HOUSLEY

(Mr. EMMER of Minnesota asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. EMMER of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my friend and Minnesota's own, Phil Housley, on his recent induction into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Phil Housley is a true Minnesotan. Born and raised in the state of hockey, he graduated from South St. Paul High School in 1982.

Phil was drafted by the Buffalo Sabres right out of high school and spent 21 years playing in the National Hockey League for eight different teams.

Phil is a seven-time all-star and the highest scoring U.S.-born defenseman in NHL history. He also helped Team USA win a silver medal in the 2002 Olympics.

Phil played his last professional game in 2003, but his hockey career did not end there. He is currently working as the assistant coach for the Nashville Predators.

Phil was born to compete at the highest level, and he is being recognized with the highest honor his sport can grant: induction into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Congratulations, Phil. You deserve it.

#### FAMILIES IMPACTED BY OPIATE ABUSE

(Mr. KENNEDY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, yesterday I spent part of my day with a number of families from Taunton, Massachusetts, a city in my district that has been tragically impacted by opiate abuse.

Of the families that were there, one young man stood out. Cory was an honor student from Taunton High School. He was a starting pitcher for the baseball team when a pitching in-

jury sidelined him and forced him into surgery. After 12 bouts in rehab, he ended up overdosing on heroin and today continues to suffer brain damage from that overdose.

Mr. Speaker, these stories have become far too common, not just across Taunton and across our Commonwealth in Massachusetts, but around our country.

This is why I rise today to recognize the tremendous work of my colleague, Congressman WHITFIELD, and his work in introducing with me the National All Schedules Prescription Electronic Reporting Act, as well as our colleague Congresswoman SUSAN BROOKS, who has introduced the Heroin and Prescription Opioid Abuse Prevention, Education, and Enforcement Act.

Mr. Speaker, there is no silver bullet to these challenges. Together, this body, piece by piece, can help craft the legislation that we need to get this epidemic under wraps.

#### SANCTUARY CITIES COST INNOCENT LIVES

(Mr. SMITH of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, dangerous policies have deadly consequences. We were reminded of this last week when a young woman in San Francisco, Kate Steinle, was tragically murdered by an illegal immigrant who should have been deported long ago.

Unknown to many Americans, cities across the Nation, like San Francisco, have declared that they will be a sanctuary for illegal immigrants. They refuse to cooperate with Federal immigration authorities in violation of Federal law. And victims like Kate Steinle pay the ultimate price.

This administration, regrettably, has condoned sanctuary cities and has done nothing to make them abide by Federal immigration laws.

In this case, the killer had been ordered deported five times and charged with seven previous felonies but had been released instead.

If this administration and local officials in sanctuary cities care about the safety of the American people, they should work to secure our borders and uphold, not undermine, our immigration laws.

#### JORDAN DEFENSE COOPERATION ACT OF 2015

(Ms. GRANGER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, as an original cosponsor of the United States Jordan Defense Cooperation Act of 2015, I rise in strong support of this bill.

Jordan is a vital and loyal partner in the Middle East. Under King Abdullah's strong leadership, Jordan