

meant. We solve problems here, yes. We create a lot of them, too. But at bottom, we vindicate a way of life. We show by our work that free people can govern themselves. They can solve their own problems. They can make their own decisions. They can deliberate, collaborate, and get the job done.

We show that self-government is not only more efficient and more effective, it is more fulfilling. In fact, we show it is that struggle, that hard work, that very achievement itself that makes us free. That is what we do here.

We will not always agree, not all of us, not all of the time, but we should not hide our disagreements. We should embrace them. We have nothing to fear from honest differences honestly stated. If you have ideas, let's hear them. I believe that a greater clarity between us can lead to greater charity among us, and there is every reason to have hope.

When the first Speaker took the gavel, he looked out at a room of 30 people, representing a nation of 3 million. Today, as I look out at each and every one of you, we represent a nation of 300 million.

So when I hear people say that America doesn't have it, we are done, we are spent, I don't believe it. I believe with every fiber of my being that we can renew the American idea. Now our task is to make us all believe.

My friends, you have done me a great honor. The people of this country, they have done all of us a great honor. Now let's prove ourselves worthy of it. Let's seize the moment. Let's rise to the occasion. And when we are done, let us say that we left the people—all the people—more united, happy, and free.

Thank you.

I am now ready to take the oath of office.

I ask the Dean of the House of Representatives, the Honorable JOHN CONYERS, Jr., of Michigan, to administer the oath of office.

Mr. CONYERS then administered the oath of office to Mr. PAUL D. RYAN of Wisconsin, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear or affirm that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

(Applause, the Members rising.)

Mr. CONYERS. Congratulations, Mr. Speaker.

AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO INFORM THE PRESIDENT OF THE ELECTION OF THE SPEAKER

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 503

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to inform the President of the United States that the House of Representatives has elected Paul D. Ryan, a Representative from the State of Wisconsin, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

RESOLUTION TO INFORM THE SENATE THE ELECTION OF THE SPEAKER

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 504

Resolved, That a message be sent to the Senate to inform that body that Paul D. Ryan, a Representative from the State of Wisconsin, has been elected Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

RESIGNATIONS AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY) laid before the House the following resignations as a member of the Committee on Ways and Means and the Joint Committee on Taxation:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS,

Washington, DC, October 29, 2015.

Hon. KAREN HAAS,
Clerk of the House of Representatives, U.S. Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. HAAS: As a result of my election today as Speaker, this letter is to inform you that I resign as Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means and from further service on that Committee. I also resign as Chairman and a member of the Joint Committee on Taxation.

Sincerely,

PAUL D. RYAN,
Chairman.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignations are accepted.

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair would take this occasion to note that the Speaker's announced policies with respect to particular aspects of the legislative process placed in the RECORD on January 6, 2015, will continue in effect for the remainder of the 114th Congress.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces that the Speaker has delivered to the Clerk a letter dated October 29, 2015, listing Members in the order in which each shall act as Speaker pro tempore under clause 8(b)(3) of rule I.

RECALL DESIGNEE

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 29, 2015.

Hon. KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk of the House of Representatives, The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM CLERK: I hereby designate Representative Kevin McCarthy of California to exercise any authority regarding assembly, reassembly, convening, or reconvening of the House pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution 1, clause 12 of rule I, and any concurrent resolutions of the current Congress as may contemplate my designation of Members to exercise similar authority.

In the event of the death or inability of that designee, the alternate Members of the House listed in the letter bearing this date that I have placed with the Clerk are designated, in turn, for the same purposes.

Sincerely,

PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO ACT AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE TO SIGN ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS DURING THE 114TH CONGRESS

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 29, 2015.

I hereby appoint the Honorable Jeff Denham, the Honorable Mac Thornberry, the Honorable Fred Upton, the Honorable Andy Harris, the Honorable Barbara Comstock, and the Honorable Luke Messer to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through the remainder of the One Hundred Fourteenth Congress.

PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the appointments are approved. There was no objection.

ADJOURNMENT FROM THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2015, TO MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2015

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, November 2, 2015, when it shall convene at noon for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

PUBLICATION OF BUDGETARY MATERIAL

STATUS REPORT ON CURRENT SPENDING LEVELS OF ON-BUDGET SPENDING AND REVENUES FOR FY 2015, 2016, AND THE 10-YEAR PERIOD FY 2016 THROUGH FY 2025

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET,
Washington, DC, October 29, 2015.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: To facilitate application of sections 302 and 311 of the Congressional Budget Act, I am transmitting an updated status report on the current levels of on-budget spending and revenues for fiscal years 2015, 2016, and for the 10-year period of fiscal years 2016 through 2025. This status report is current through October 27, 2015. The term “current level” refers to the amounts of spending and revenues estimated for each fiscal year based on laws enacted or awaiting the President’s signature.

Table 1 in the report compares the current levels of total budget authority, outlays, and revenues to the overall limits, as adjusted, that were filed in the Congressional Record on April 29, 2014 for fiscal year 2015, and to the limits contained in the conference report on S. Con. Res. 11, as agreed to on May 5, 2015, for fiscal year 2016, and for the 10-year period of fiscal years 2016 through 2025. This comparison is needed to implement section 311(a) of the Congressional Budget Act, which creates a point of order against measures that would breach the budget resolution’s aggregate levels. The table does not show budget authority and outlays for years

after fiscal year 2016 because appropriations for those years have not yet been considered.

Table 2 compares the current levels of budget authority and outlays for legislative action completed by each authorizing committee with the “section 302(a)” allocations filed on April 29, 2014 for fiscal year 2015, and to the limits contained in the conference report on S. Con. Res. 11, as agreed to on May 5, 2015, for fiscal year 2016 and for the 10-year period of fiscal years 2016 through 2025. For fiscal year 2015, “legislative action” refers to legislation enacted after the adoption of the levels set forth in the Congressional Record on April 29, 2014. For fiscal year 2016 and the 10-year period of fiscal years 2016 through 2025, “legislative action” refers to legislation enacted after the adoption of the levels set forth in the conference agreement on S. Con. Res. 11. This comparison is needed to enforce section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act, which creates a point of order against measures that would breach the section 302(a) allocation of new budget authority for the committee that reported the measure. It is also needed to implement section 311(b), which exempts committees that comply with their allocations from the point of order under section 311(a).

Tables 3 and 4 compare the current status of discretionary appropriations for fiscal years 2015 and 2016 with the “section 302(b)” suballocations of discretionary budget authority and outlays among Appropriations subcommittees. The comparison is needed to enforce section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act because the point of order under that section equally applies to measures that would breach the applicable section 302(b) suballocation. The tables also provide sup-

plementary information on spending in excess of the base discretionary spending caps allowed under section 251(b) of the Budget Control Act.

Table 5 compares the levels of changes to mandatory programs (CHIMPs) contained in appropriations acts with the permissible limits on CHIMPs as specified in sections 3103 and 3104 of S. Con. Res. 11. The comparison is needed to enforce a point of order established in S. Con. Res. 11 against fiscal year 2016 appropriations measures containing CHIMPs that would breach the permissible limits for fiscal year 2016.

Tables 6 and 7 display the current level of advance appropriations for fiscal years 2016 and 2017, respectively, of accounts identified for advance appropriations under section 601 of H. Con. Res. 25 (113th Congress), in force and effect pursuant to H. Res. 5 (114th Congress), and under section 3304 of S. Con. Res. 11. These tables are needed to enforce a point of order against appropriations bills containing advance appropriations that are: (i) not identified in the statement of managers or (ii) would cause the aggregate amount of such appropriations to exceed the level specified in the budget resolution.

In addition, letters from the Congressional Budget Office are attached that summarize and compare the budget impact of enacted legislation that occurred after adoption of the budget resolution against the budget resolution aggregates in force.

If you have any questions, please contact Jim Herz or Jim Bates at (202) 226-7270.

Sincerely,

TOM PRICE, M.D.,
Chairman.

TABLE 1.—REPORT TO THE SPEAKER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET, STATUS OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2015, 2016, AND 2016–2025 CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET REFLECTING ACTION COMPLETED AS OF OCTOBER 27, 2015

[On-budget amounts, in millions of dollars]

	Fiscal Year 2015 ¹	Fiscal Year 2016 ²	Fiscal Years 2016–2025
Appropriate Level:			
Budget Authority	3,033,319	3,040,743	n.a.
Outlays	3,027,686	3,092,541	n.a.
Revenues	2,535,978	2,675,967	32,233,099
Current Level:			
Budget Authority	3,037,055	3,154,888	n.a.
Outlays	3,047,157	3,167,136	n.a.
Revenues	2,453,570	2,676,111	32,237,119
Current Level over (+) / under (–)			
Appropriate Level:			
Budget Authority	+3,736	+114,145	n.a.
Outlays	+19,471	+74,595	n.a.
Revenues	–82,408	+144	+4,020

n.a. = Not applicable because annual appropriations Acts for fiscal years 2017 through 2025 will not be considered until future sessions of Congress.

¹ Section 115(b) of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 (BBA) required the Chairman of the Committee on the Budget in the House of Representatives to file aggregate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2015 for purposes of enforcing section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974. The spending and revenue aggregates for fiscal year 2015 were filed on April 29, 2014. The current level for this report begins with the budgetary levels filed on April 29, 2014, as adjusted, and makes changes to those levels for enacted legislation.

² The FY2016 Concurrent Resolution on the Budget was agreed to in S. Con. Res. 11 and the accompanying report, H. Rept. 114–96. The current level for this report is measured relative to the on-budget levels filed in H. Rept. 114–96.

TABLE 2.—DIRECT SPENDING LEGISLATION, COMPARISON OF AUTHORIZING COMMITTEE LEGISLATIVE ACTION WITH 302(a) ALLOCATIONS FOR BUDGET CHANGES, REFLECTING ACTION COMPLETED AS OF OCTOBER 27, 2015

[Fiscal Years, in millions of dollars]

House Committee	2015		2016		2016–2025	
	BA	Outlays	BA	Outlays	BA	Outlays
Agriculture:						
302(a) Allocation	0	0	–1,645	–347	–302,149	–300,020
Legislative Action	+263	+238	0	0	+2	+2
Difference	+263	+238	–1,645	+347	+302,151	+300,022
Armed Services:						
302(a) Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Legislative Action	–121	–104	0	0	0	0
Difference	–121	–104	0	0	0	0
Education and the Workforce:						
302(a) Allocation	0	0	–10,633	–5,017	–249,574	–229,658
Legislative Action	0	0	0	0	0	0
Difference	0	0	+10,633	+5,017	+249,574	+229,658
Energy and Commerce:						
302(a) Allocation	0	0	–54,654	–49,173	–1,379,704	–1,369,488
Legislative Action	+6,935	+6,935	+5	+5	+56	+56
Difference	+6,935	+6,935	+54,659	+49,178	+1,379,760	+1,369,544
Financial Services:						
302(a) Allocation	0	0	–7,334	–6,712	–62,254	–62,056
Legislative Action	+121	+121	0	0	0	0
Difference	+121	+121	+7,334	+6,712	+62,254	+62,056
Foreign Affairs:						
302(a) Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Legislative Action	0	0	0	0	0	0
Difference	0	0	0	0	0	0
Homeland Security:						
302(a) Allocation	0	0	–180	–180	–22,630	–22,630