

And I think about that in my own family. I have a high school invitation from the 1930s in a little town called Henderson in Rusk County. I think LOUIE GOHMERT is the representative there. When you open up the high school invitation—it is from my grandmother's first cousin—and it says Henderson Negro High School, and the graduation will be held at the Henderson Negro High School auditorium.

I like to bring that up because when people start asking: Well, why is there Black History Month—

Ms. PLASKETT. So we don't forget.

Mr. VEASEY. So we don't forget. But before there was a Black History Month, people started putting those things—Black, Negro, colored, whatever it may happen to be for that time period—in front of schools. They didn't put White in front of there. There was no Henderson White High School. It was the Negro High School.

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I think the important thing in our trying to bridge all of that is we want to make sure that we don't go back. We don't want to take steps backwards when it comes particularly to education because all of those people, whether they went to the Henderson Negro High School, whether it be blood transfusions—whatever it may happen to be—they got there because of the investment that we made in this country in our public education system. The fact that someone in a position of importance would want to roll back those opportunities is absolutely scary.

It is the same with health care, when you start talking about health care and so many people who don't have adequate health care. It is when we see the racial discrepancies and the life expectancy amongst African Americans. An African-American man, in particular, has the lowest life expectancy.

And you want to remove people—20 million Americans—from having life insurance?

Ms. PLASKETT. Sure.

Mr. VEASEY. It is absolutely scary.

I thank the gentlewoman for participating in this very timely conversation. We needed to have this conversation with the country.

Ms. PLASKETT. We did. There are some additional conversations that we need to have, but I know that our time has drawn nigh.

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. PLASKETT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, February 14, 2017, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

543. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's final rule — Amendments to the Capital Plan and Stress Test Rules [Docket No.: R-1548] (RIN: 7100 AE-59) received February 9, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

544. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Policy Development and Research, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule — Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects received February 9, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

545. A letter from the Special Inspector General For The Troubled Asset Relief Program, transmitting the Office's quarterly report on the actions undertaken by the Department of the Treasury under the Troubled Asset Relief Program; to the Committee on Financial Services.

546. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting a report titled "Effects of Climate Change on Federal Hydropower: The Second Report to Congress", pursuant to Sec. 9505 of the SECURE Water Act of 2009; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

547. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Refuse to Accept Procedures for Premarket Tobacco Product Submissions; Revised Effective Date [Docket No.: FDA-2016-N-1555] received February 9, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

548. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's Initial Report to Congress on the EPA's Capacity to Implement Certain Provisions of the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act as required under Sec. 26(m)(1) of the Toxic Substances Control Act as amended; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

549. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Lebanon that was declared in Executive Order 13441 of August 1, 2007, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

550. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 04-17, informing of an intent to sign the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Department of Defense of the United States of America and the Kingdom of Denmark, pursuant to Section 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act and Executive Order 13637; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

551. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-104, pursuant to Sections 36(c) and

(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

552. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-079, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

553. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-109, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

554. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-101, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

555. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-096, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

556. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-084, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

557. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-133, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

558. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-127, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

559. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-119, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

560. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting determinations of the Secretary and the associated report, pursuant to the Iran Freedom and Counter-Proliferation Act of 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

561. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting seventeen (17) notifications of a federal vacancy, designation of acting officer, nomination, or action on nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

562. A letter from the Solicitor, Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting a notification of a federal vacancy, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

563. A letter from the General Counsel, National Mediation Board, transmitting the Board's final rule — Access to Information [Docket No.: C-7156] (RIN: 3140-AA00) received February 9, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

564. A letter from the Acting Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a decision of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, *United States v. Robert Cardena et al.*, 842 F.3d 959 (7th Cir. 2016), pursuant to 28 U.S.C.

530D(a)(1); Public Law 107-273, Sec. 202(a); (116 Stat. 1771); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

565. A letter from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting an update on the Bureau of Prisons' compliance with the Revitalization Act's privatization requirements, pursuant to Public Law 105-33, Sec. 11201(c)(2)(B); (111 Stat. 734); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

566. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Standards Branch, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Civil Penalty Inflation Adjustment [Docket ID: BSEE-2017-0001; 17XEL700DX EXISF0000.DAQ000 EEEE50000] (RIN: 1014-AA34) received February 6, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

567. A letter from the Chairman and CEO, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Rules of Practice and Procedure; Adjusting Civil Money Penalties for Inflation (RIN: 3052-AD16) received February 9, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

568. A letter from the Chairman, Surface Transportation Board, transmitting the Board's final rule — Civil Monetary Penalties — 2017 Adjustment [Docket No.: EP 716 (Sub-No. 2)] received February 9, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

569. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Revenue Procedure for Early Voluntary Country-by-Country Filing (Rev. Proc. 2017-23) received February 8, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

570. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Updated Withholding Foreign Partnership Agreement and Withholding Foreign Trust Agreement (Rev. Proc. 2017-21) received February 8, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

571. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulations and temporary regulations — Dividend Equivalents from Sources within the United States [TD 9815] (RIN: 1545-BM33) received February 8, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. BYRNE: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 116. Resolution providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 66) disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to savings arrangements established by States for non-governmental employees, and providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 67) disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to savings

arrangements established by qualified State political subdivisions for non-governmental employees (Rept. 115-11). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. LYNCH (for himself, Mr. SCHRAEDER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. ROSEN, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. GABBARD, Ms. BONAMICI, and Ms. SHEA-PORTER):

H.R. 1001. A bill to exempt certain veterans and other individuals from the application of the hiring freeze; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. DENT (for himself, Mr. TONKO, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. POLIS, and Mr. BARLETTA):

H.R. 1002. A bill to authorize a National Heritage Area Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 1003. A bill to authorize the establishment of a program of voluntary separation incentive payments for nonjudicial employees of the District of Columbia courts and employees of the District of Columbia Public Defender Service; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. WALBERG (for himself, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. GOSAR, and Mr. FARENTHOLD):

H.R. 1004. A bill to amend chapter 3 of title 5, United States Code, to require the publication of information relating to pending agency regulatory actions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. ZELDIN (for himself and Miss RICE of New York):

H.R. 1005. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of adult day health care services for veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. JAYAPAL (for herself, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. NADLER, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. QUIGLEY, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mrs. TORRES, Mr. KILMER, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. ESHOO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. ELLISON, and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia):

H.R. 1006. A bill to clarify the rights of all persons who are held or detained at a port of entry or at any detention facility overseen by U.S. Customs and Border Protection or

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KATKO (for himself, Mr. KING of New York, and Mr. PETERSON):

H.R. 1007. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a task force on Agent Orange exposure; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SOTO (for himself and Mr. CRIST):

H.R. 1008. A bill to ensure reliable observation of hurricanes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. MITCHELL (for himself, Mr. MEADOWS, and Mr. PALMER):

H.R. 1009. A bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to require the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs to review regulations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BARLETTA:

H.R. 1010. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to expand the definition of an unauthorized alien to include aliens who have not been admitted to and are not lawfully present in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BURGESS:

H.R. 1011. A bill to make clear that an agency outside of the Department of Health and Human Services may not designate, appoint, or employ special consultants, fellows, or other employees under subsection (f) or (g) of section 207 of the Public Health Service Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BURGESS:

H.R. 1012. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the dollar limitation on employer-provided group term life insurance that can be excluded from the gross income of the employee; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CASTRO of Texas (for himself, Ms. JACKSON LEE, and Mr. NOLAN):

H.R. 1013. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the above-the-line deduction for certain expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers to individuals involved in early childhood education programs; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. CLARKE of New York (for herself, Ms. LEE, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. NORTON, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. SOTO, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. GALLEGU, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, Ms. BASS, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. WILSON of Florida, and Mr. SERRANO):

H.R. 1014. A bill to designate Haiti under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit nationals of Haiti to be eligible for temporary protected status under such section; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CONNOLLY (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. NOLAN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. SOTO, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. BEYER, Mr. TONKO, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, and Mr. POLIS):

H.R. 1015. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against