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## House of Representatives

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ADERHOLT).

#### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

> WASHINGTON, DC, May 8, 2017.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ROBERT B. ADERHOLT to act as Speaker pro tempore on

PAUL D. RYAN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

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

Send Your spirit of peace, honesty, and fairness to all Members during this week of constituent visits. May their ears and hearts be open to listen to the hopes and needs of those whom they represent—those who voted for them and those who did not.

Bless the people of this great Nation with wisdom, knowledge, and understanding that they might responsibly participate in our American democ-

Please keep all who work for the people's House in good health that they might faithfully fulfill the great responsibility given them in their service to the work of the Capitol.

Bless us this day and every day. May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 299, 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.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by the Speaker on Thursday, May 4, 2017:

H.R. 244, making appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill and joint resolution were signed by Speaker pro tempore Com-STOCK on Friday, May 5, 2017:

H.R. 534, to require the Secretary of State to take such actions as may be necessary for the United States to rejoin the Bureau of International Expositions, and for other purposes;

H.J. Res. 66, disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to savings arrangements established by States for non-governmental employees.

#### 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, May 5, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,

The Speaker, 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 May 5, 2017, at 11:56 a.m.:

Appointment:

Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

#### ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker on Thursday, May 4, 2017:

H.R. 244. An act making appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes.

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, further reported and found truly enrolled a bill and a joint resolution of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker pro tempore, Mrs. Comstock, on Thursday, May 4, 2017:

H.R. 534. An act to require the Secretary of State to take such actions as may be necessary for the United States to rejoin the Bureau of International Expositions, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 66. Joint resolution disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to savings arrangements established by States for non-governmental employees.

#### BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on May 4, 2017, she presented to the President of the United

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Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 244. Making appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes.

HR. 274. To provide for reimbursement for the use of modern travel services by Federal employees traveling on official Government business, and for other purposes.

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, further reported that on May 5, 2017, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill and joint resolution:

H.R. 534. To require the Secretary of State to take such actions as may be necessary for the United States to rejoin the Bureau of International Expositions, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 66. Disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to savings arrangements established by States for non-governmental employees.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 299, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2017.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 11 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, May 11, 2017, at 2 p.m.

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1279. A letter from the Management Analyst, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — United States Standards for Barley received May 5, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1280. A letter from the NIFA Director, Office of Grants and Financial Management, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Competitive and Noncompetitive Non-formula Federal Assistance Programs — General Award Administrative Provisions (RIN: 0524-AA69) received May 2, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1281. A letter from the Director, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Office of Grants and Financial Management, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (RIN: 0524-AA39) received May 5, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1282. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting designation for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism all funding (including the rescission of funds) and contributions from foreign governments so designated by the Congress, pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017, Sec. 6(b) (H. Doc. No. 115—37); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

1283. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting designating as emergency requirements all fund-

ing so designated by the Congress, pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017, Sec. 6(a) (H. Doc. No. 115—38); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

1284. A letter from the Comptroller, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting the Office's 2016 Annual Report, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 14; Feb. 18, 1875, ch. 80, Sec. 1 (as amended by Public Law 106-569, Sec. 1103(c)); (114 Stat. 3031); to the Committee on Financial Services.

1285. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's Major final rule — Federal Reserve Bank Capital Stock [Regulation I; Docket No.: R-1533] (RIN: 7100-AE 47) received May 5, 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.

1286. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; New Hampshire; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Correction [EPA-R01-OAR-2012-0950; FRL-9959-68-Region 1] received May 3, 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.

1287. 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; Maryland; 2016 Nitrogen Oxides Averaging Plan Consent Agreement with Raven Power [EPAR03-OAR-2016-0562; FRL-9961-17-Region 3] received May 3, 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.

1288. 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; Maryland; New Regulations for Architectural and Industrial Maintenance Coatings [EPA-R03-OAR-2016-0454; FRL-9961-25-Region 3] received May 3, 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.

1289. A letter from the Acting Chief, International Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — The Establishment of Policies and Service Rules for the Broadcasting-Satellite Service at the 17.3-17.7 GHz Frequency Band and at the 17.7-17.8 GHz Frequency Band Internationally, and at the 24.75-25.25 GHz Frequency Band for Fixed Satellite Services Providing Feeder Links to the Broadcasting-Satellite Service and for the Satellite Services Operating Bi-directionally in the 17.3-17.8 GHz Frequency Band [IB Docket No.: 06-123] received May 4, 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.

1290. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau/Policy Division, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Noncommercial Educational Station Fundraising for Third-Party Non-Profit Organizations [MB Docket No.: 12-106] received May 4, 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.

1291. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Secretary's determination and certification that

five countries are not cooperating fully with U.S. antiterrorism efforts: Eritrea, Iran, Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), Syria, and Venezuela, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2781(b); Public Law 90-629, Sec. 40A (as added Public Law 104-132, Sec. 330); (110 Stat. 1258); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

1292. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a sixmonth periodic report on the national emergency with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia, that was declared in Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, 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.

1293. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a sixmonth periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the stabilization of Iraq that was declared in Executive Order 13303 of May 22, 2003, 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.

1294. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a sixmonth periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997, 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.

1295. A letter from the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, transmitting the thirty-fifth quarterly report to Congress on Afghanistan Reconstruction, in accordance with Sec. 1229 of Public Law 110-181; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1296. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a notification of a federal 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.

1297. A letter from the Executive Director, Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, transmitting the Commission's Seventy-Sixth Financial Statement for the period of October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016, pursuant to the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act Reporting Requirements and the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1298. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Office of General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a notification of a federal 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.

1299. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's FY 2016 No FEAR Act report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1300. A letter from the Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Potomac Electric Power Company, transmitting the Balance Sheet of Potomac Electric Power Company as of December 31, 2016, pursuant to D.C. Code Ann. Sec. 34-1113 (2001); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.